

Saint Michael Parish

300 North Broad Street, Canfield, Ohio 44406



Weekend Masses:

Saturday 4:00 p.m.
Sunday 9:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.

Holyday Masses:

12:15 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Reconciliation:

Saturday 3:00 p.m.

Office Hours Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Closed Friday through Labor Day

Parish Office 330-533-6839

Fax 330-702-0432

Family Life Center 330-533-3181

Saint Michael Parish is a welcoming Roman Catholic Community united by faith in Jesus Christ. Called to the mission of Jesus by Baptism, nourished by God's Word and Sacraments, we join to celebrate our faith and to continue Christ's mission of love, justice and service. As good stewards, guided by the Holy Spirit, we believe we are called to be Christ to one another, sharing our time, talent, and treasure with our community and the world, especially with those less fortunate.

PARISH STAFF:

Pastor Very Reverend John-Michael Lavelle, D. Min.

**Pastoral Associate for
Adult Faith Formation** Maureen Hall

**Pastoral Associate for
Youth Faith Formation** Marcy Fessler

Music Ministry Director Laura Kunkel

Business Manager Stephanie Howley

Administrative Assistant Maxine Gordon

Family Life Center Manager Audrey Geskey

Maintenance Joe Serenko

Registration

Arrangements for registration can be made by calling the parish office.

Adult Inquiry/Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Adults who have questions about the Catholic faith, or who would like to become members of the Catholic Church are invited to contact a member of the Pastoral Staff.

Baptism

Baptisms are done during any weekend Mass. Expectant or new parents must be registered parishioners. Please call the parish office 3-4 months prior to the preferred Baptism date to schedule Baptism preparation.

Bulletin Deadline: Monday at Noon.

See bulletin for holiday schedule/adjustments.

Confirmation

Celebrated for students in the 8th grade. Please call the parish office.

Marriage

Couples are asked to call the Parish Office prior to making other arrangements. A minimum of 6 months is required.

Liturgy

Persons interested in becoming a liturgical minister are asked to contact a member of the Pastoral Staff.

Youth Faith Formation

Catechetical program for students in grades K - 8.

Adult Faith Formation

Please contact a member of the Pastoral Staff for information about adult opportunities for education and spiritual growth.

Hospital

Please call the church office if a family member is in the hospital and would like to be visited.

Homebound/Nursing Home

If parishioner is homebound or in a nursing home and would like to receive Communion, please contact the church office.

Social Justice

Persons interested in becoming involved in ministries to the poor or oppressed are asked to contact a member of the Pastoral Staff.

Catholic Charities Regional Agency Mahoning County (330) 744-3320

E-Mail info@saintmichaelparish.net

Web Page www.stmichaelcanfield.org

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Mass Schedule

Monday, July 1

Saint Junipero Serra

8:00am – William Michael

Tuesday, July 2

8:00am – Frank Micchia

Wednesday, July 3

Saint Thomas, Apostle

8:00am – Anton Bogyi

Thursday, July 4

Independence Day

No Daily Mass

Friday, July 5

Saint Anthony Zaccaria

No Daily Mass

Saturday, July 6

Vigil – The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

3:00pm – Reconciliation

4:00pm – The Sacred Heart Society

Sunday, July 7

The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am – Michael Stefko

11:30am – The People of the Parish

FROM THE PASTOR...

This Thursday, we will celebrate the most important day in American history. On this supremely significant day 248 years ago, fifty-six British land-owning men signed a watershed document, the Declaration of Independence, in a little-known Pennsylvania colony. And this document would pave the future of what would arguably become the greatest nation in the world, the United States of America.

How are we as Catholic Christians and Americans supposed to celebrate this great day? John Adams, one of the Founding Fathers of our country, wrote this about how to celebrate the fourth of July:

“It ought to be commemorated as the Day of Deliverance by solemn Acts of Devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with shews, games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more.”

Well, let's see how we're doing in celebrating the fourth of July the way one of the greatest Founders envisioned. Parades? Check. Pomp? Check. Sports? Backyard games? Check. Fireworks?

Double check. Solemn Acts of Devotions to God Almighty? Um...not quite sure how that fits into the many festivities.

But John Adams set an example for us. After everything's said and done, we owe God more than anyone else for what occurred nearly 250 years ago. In fact, the most famous part of the Declaration of Independence explicitly points to God as the source of our freedom:

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these rights are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.”

Not our parents, or politicians, or government, is the source of our most important rights. Only God. As the source of our rights, he deserves the highest praise, honor, and glory on Independence Day (and every day). There are many ways to honor God on this special day. Perhaps you can read a passage from the [Catholic Bible](#) with your family to kick off the festivities, or pray a [rosary](#) with the special intention for our political leaders and our country's future.

Or you could pray this simple prayer for our nation written by George Washington, our first President:

“Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage: We humbly beseech you that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of your favor and glad to do your will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way.

Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues. Endue with the spirit of wisdom those to whom your Name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that, through obedience to your law, we may show forth your praise among the nations of the earth. In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness and in the day of trouble, do not allow our trust in you to fall; all this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.” AMEN!

When I was in seminary, we had a professor who would always remark, “It's freedom of religion, not freedom from religion”. When a society completely removes their creator: the source of all gifts, talents, skills, blessings, etc., from their conscience, and places complete reliance on themselves, the world becomes a much more difficult place to co-exist. May we revel in the independence of our nation, but even more so, revel in our dependence in our God.

God Bless America! Father Lavelle

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday, July 1

9:00am – Fitness Fun

Tuesday, July 2

11:00am – Patriotic Rosary

Wednesday, July 3

9:00am – Fitness Fun

Thursday, July 4

Independence Day

Parish Office Closed

Friday, July 5

Parish Office Closed

9:00am – Fitness Fun

7:30pm – AA Meeting

Saturday, July 6

3:15 - Rosary

Sunday, July 7

No Events Scheduled



CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF YOUNGSTOWN SAFE ENVIRONMENT POLICY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

EDUCATION & SCREENING

All clergy, religious, seminarians/persons in formation, and employees, as well as any volunteers who work with children, young people, or vulnerable adults, are required to complete a background check and safe environment training. For more information about our safe environment compliance requirements visit: doy.org/safe-environment/.

REPORTING & VICTIM ASSISTANCE

If you or someone you know has been abused or victimized by someone representing the Catholic Church, the Diocese encourages you to come forward and speak out by contacting Civil Authorities and Mr. Dominic Colucy, Victim Assistance Coordinator. Mr. Colucy is available to help. He will listen to your needs and support you. He will help you make a formal complaint.

Contact Information

Confidential Response Line: 330-718-1388

Email: dcolucy@youngstowndioocese.org

By Mail: Catholic Diocese of Youngstown, Attn:

Dominic Colucy

144 W. Wood St., Youngstown, OH 44503

Contact information for Civil Authorities can be found at: doy.org/safe-environment/.

Parish Support

June 23, 2024

Amount Received	\$ 11,625.29
Amount Budgeted	\$ 15,000.00
Surplus/ (Deficit)	(\$ 3,374.71)
YTD Received	\$814,150.13
YTD Budget	\$765,000.00
YTD Surplus (Deficit)	\$ 49,150.13



Thank you for your continued support of our parish and all our ministries! God Bless.

VOCATIONS – June 30, 2024

She fell down before Jesus and told him the whole truth."

Let us lay down our lives before Jesus and share the whole truth with him. He may be calling you to follow Him as a priest, sister, or brother. Listen.

Talk to your priest or reach out to Father Chad Johnson at 330-744-8451 or cjohnson@youngstowndioocese.org.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Marylou Buck	Dale Hynes	Mary Lou Mack
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	Jayne Lynn Lowe	

Bishop David J. Bonnar

EUCHARISTIC EVENING OF REFLECTION

"The Holy Eucharist: Food for the Journey, Life for the Soul. Promise of Peace and Unity"



Adoration and Benediction

Wednesday, July 10th
6-7:30pm

Little Flower Parish
2040 Diamond Street, NE
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In spiritual support of the
National Eucharistic Conference
July 17-21, 2024, in Indianapolis, Indiana

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, July 6 – 4:00 PM

Lector: Linda Kneen

Server: Noah Gilbert

Euch. Min: Josie Nacarato (X-H)

Audrey Geskey (Font-C)

Anthony Nacarato (Ambo-C)

Ushers: Don Kutsko, Bill Petro, Mark Graham,

Sunday, July 7 – 9:00 AM

Lector: Kelly Frammartino

Servers: Michael & Nick Smallwood

Euch. Min: Janet LeClair (X-H)

Larry Lavin (Font-C)

Paula Lavin (Ambo-C)

Ushers: Jim Naples, Marty Repasky, Russ Miklos,
Kevin Henchar

Sunday, July 7 – 11:30 AM

Lector: Steve DeCapua

Server: Volunteer Needed

Euch. Min: Christy Berlin (X-H)

Kay McCarthy (Font -C)

Brian Berlin (Ambo-C)

Ushers: Tom Eaton, Chuck Wirtz, Luke Scolieri

READINGS FOR JULY 6/7, 2024

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ezekiel 2:2-5

2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Mark 6:1-6

DOROTHY DAY HOUSE

The Dorothy Day House of Hospitality, which provides services to the homeless and low-to-no-income people in the Youngstown community, is looking for volunteers. We offer an evening meal service on Mondays through Wednesdays, with plans to begin a Thursday evening meal service at the end of July. We also have a need for volunteers to assist us with showers on Wednesday afternoons.

If you are interested, or if you have any questions, please contact Dan at 330-770-3061, or by email at ddyoungstown@gmail.com.

Please Note:

The Parish Office will be closed on Fridays through Labor Day.

SECOND ANNUAL BISHOP'S GOLF CLASSIC

Registration Now Open



The Second Annual Bishop's Golf Classic, benefiting Seminarian Formation and other seminarian needs, is scheduled for **Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at The Youngstown Country Club.**

We are looking for sponsors and foursomes to participate. Register or sponsor today at doy.org/golf.

SAVE THE DATE!

Women Fore Women: July 15, 2024

Catholic Charities Regional Agency is once again hosting the annual Golf Classic called *Women Fore Women* on Monday, July 15th, 2024, at the Links at Firestone in Columbiana.

Proceeds from this all-Women's Golf Classic will benefit the Voice of Hope Shelters for Women and Children operated by Catholic Charities Regional Agency.

We are now seeking sponsors.

Contact Nancy at nvoitus@ccregional.org or 330.744.3320 ext. 219

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It's a tangible way to be a part of this important work and we need your help!



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For the "Sacred Heart Society", you may enroll an individual, couple or family name in the society of \$100 each (example: *John Smith; John and Mary Smith; the Smith family or the Smith & Jones families*). Beginning this year, a Sunday Mass each month and a Christmas and Easter Mass will be celebrated for all enrolled in the society. At those Masses, the book of enrollment with all names will be placed on the altar. When not on the altar, the book will be enthroned in the newly named Sacred Heart Chapel – for former baptistry / bell tower. A statue of the Sacred Heart has been placed in this chapel. Please complete the "Sacred Heart Society Enrollment" form below and return it to the parish office via the offertory collection. May the Sacred Heart of Jesus lead us ever closer to the joy of the Kingdom.



Prayer for Independence Day

Heavenly Father, on this holiday as we celebrate Independence Day, let us remember all of those who have sacrificed for our freedom. Let us not take our freedom, both physical and spiritual, for granted. May we always remember that our freedom was purchased with a very high price. The freedom we enjoy cost others their very lives.

Lord, today, bless those who have served and continue to give their lives for our freedom. With favor and bounty meet their needs and watch over their families.

Help us to live our lives in a way that glorifies you, Lord. Give us the strength to be a blessing in someone else's life today and grant us the opportunity to lead others into the freedom that can be found in knowing Jesus Christ.

*This we ask, through Christ our Lord.
Amen*

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