

Mass Intentions

Mar. 23/24	
Sat. 5:00 pm	Kathryn Maddox + (Bill & Mary Gavin)
Sun. 9:00 am	Mary Rurak + (Louise Wince)
Sun. 11:30 am	Our Parishioners
Mon. 8:15 am	Agnes O'Brien Bayley + (The Bayley Family)
Tues. 7:00 pm	Richard Schaffer + (The Schaffer Family)
Wed. 8:15 am	Alex & Priscilla Sabo+ (Alex & Sandy Sabo)
Thur. 7:00 pm	Patty Ludey Spence + (The Bayley Family)
Fri. 8:15 am	Jody Ellison (Michelle McFalling)
Mar. 30/31	
Sat. 5:00 pm	Our Parishioners
Sun. 9:00 am	Linda Marie Tornes + (Nancy & Buddy James)
Sun. 11:30 am	Edwin & Thelma Davis + (Betty Rea)



Sanctuary Lamp Hunter Markovich

Dorinda Byers & Eddy Biehl

Offering for March 17, 2019

Offering - \$5192.00

Loose - \$465.00

Easter Flowers -\$1128.00

Attendance - 411

2nd Collection for Catholic Relief Services
March 31st

Chrism is Much More Than a Sweet-Smelling Oil

Chrism, the perfumed oil that the bishops uses to make the sign of the cross on your forehead, signifies a lot more than just a shower in your future. It helps show a connection to your Baptism – the first time you were anointed with oil. It shows healing and cleansing too. Believe it or not, it also signifies preparation to do spiritual battle with the Devil. Why? Oil is slippery and, in ancient times, warriors would cover themselves in it before battle to make it difficult for their enemies to grab them. In other words, Chrism makes it hard for the Devil to grab you! You probably wondered this as it dripped down your face during your Confirmation. St. Thomas Aquinas explained that this is because your forehead is part of your face – the first thing people see when they talk to you. Having the Chrism spread on your forehead proclaims to the world that the first thing people should notice about you is your faith in Christ.

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Please remember in your prayers:

Joan Polen, Ruth Coury, Mary Gallagher, Dottie Nohe, Betty Rea, Lou Bogdan, Sarah Taylor, Harry Helmick, Pauline Schaffer, Nicholas McPherson, Decker Lee Nolan, Sharon Cunningham, Mary Gorrell, Jack Ruffing, Sam Gilmore, Nicole Seita, Eric Church and for all of our ill and homebound parishioners.

Mar. 23/24	GREETERS	LECTORS	EX. MINISTERS	MASS SERVERS
5:00 pm	J. & T. Phillips	T. McGinnis	L. Hushion/ J. & L. Williamson	B. Stauffer/ A. Fehrenbacher
9:00 am	CHILDREN'S MASS	CHILDREN'S MASS	R. Szarko/ F. & S. Bartimoccia	M. & J. Mclean
11:30 am	M. Mohr	J. Bogdan	J. Wiltsey/ S. Day/ R. Schaffer	T. & C. Seita
Mar. 30/31	GREETERS	LECTORS	EX. MINISTERS	MASS SERVERS
5:00 pm	E. O'Rourke	B. Moore	A. & B. Fehrenbacher/ S. Garrison	C. & M. Miller
9:00 am	L. Nohe/ D. Offenberger	F. Bartimoccia	R. Morris/ J. Hofbauer/ L. Wince	S. Kelly
11:30 am	J. Merritt	M. Walton	P. Helmick/ R. Angel/ S. Smith	I. Algmin

New Evangelization at St. Michael Church

“Enlisting Witnesses for Jesus Christ”

PSR: Today is the Third Sunday of Lent. In today's Gospel we see that change and conversion are always possible. The Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation gives us the chance to see where we are going wrong, and seek forgiveness.

Confirmation: A big thank you to Vicky and Max Lauer, Isaac Algmin, and Joe Brunicardi for taking the lead with the Pancake Breakfast. Over \$1,100 has been raised with the two breakfasts which go towards the class service projects. And we already have 400 of the 1,000 cans needed for the Knights of Columbus/ Catholic Charities.

The **Women's Bible Study Group** will be starting a new study on March 29 – **No Greater Love**. A great study as we continue through Lent. Please plan on joining us for one or all the sessions. Contact Arlene Borkowski with any questions at (304) 482-1186 or amborkowski@citynet.net.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) will be heard on the following Tuesdays during Lent at St. Michael Parish:

**March 26th, and April 2nd
from 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.**



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The Confirmation class is collecting cans for Lent. A barrel is set up in the gathering area. The class goal is 1,000 cans (201 to date) so please help us reach our goal. The cans will be used by Knights of Columbus/ Catholic Charities and go to help families in our area.



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Parkersburg Catholic Schools is seeking a principal-president to lead our school system. A qualified candidate needs to be a practicing Catholic, have a passion for Catholic education, current state certification in Education Administration, and proven leadership and fundraising abilities. Our recent experiences and the depth of experience of our diocesan school superintendent with this model make us excited to move in this direction. We hope to fill the position quickly. For a detailed job description and application details, please contact Fr John Rice at jrice@dwc.org. Applications for assistant-principals at each school will be solicited later. A qualified candidate needs to be a practicing Catholic, have a passion for Catholic education, current state certification in Education Administration, and proven leadership and fundraising abilities. Our recent experiences and the depth of experience of our diocesan school superintendent with this model make us excited to move in this direction. We hope to fill the position quickly.

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St. Michael Catholic Women's Group officer positions will become vacant at the end of their term in May. These positions are usually a two year term, which currently the women holding these positions have met. If any women of the parish are interested in holding one of the following please contact Beverly Prisc -304-707-7800 or Arlene Quoyle - 304-295-073, as they are working on the nominating committee. The positions are: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Thank you.

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY WISHES TO:

- 03/24 Elizabeth Gilmore, Gabriel Maijub, John Snyder, Julie Dye
- 03/25 Beth Larsen
- 03/27 James Nguyen, William Yeager, Layla Mancuso
- 03/28 Patricia Harding, Crystal McCarty
- 03/29 Susan Higgs, Julian Straw
- 03/30 Norita Pyles, Beverly Prisc, Courtney Sterrick, Julie & Rodney Dye (A)
- 03/31 Don Amos

Trustworthy mowers needed for Mt. Carmel and St. Xavier Cemeteries. Call St. Francis Xavier office for details, 304-422-6786.



Cemetery Clean Up

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Mowing season is just around the corner! Please remove all ground cover decorations before April 6th. If you have any questions please call St. Francis Xavier at (304)422-6786. Thank you.



Stations of the Cross Fridays during Lent at 7:00 pm.

April 8 is the shadow passion. I also have drivers available to help anyone wanting to attend but unable to drive at night. They can contact Terri Blaker 304.615.0029.

**Save The Date: 2019 Lenten Series “Universal Call to Holiness” Mondays: now thru April 8 Parish Hall—
Presentation : 7– 8:15pm Soup & Fellowship 5:30 – 6:45pm.**



**Good Samaritan Center
March Donation Canned Milk**