

# The Parishes of ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL and

ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE

† SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 16, 2025



## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

4:00pm St. Michael the Archangel Saturdays:

> St. Jude the Apostle 4:00pm

**Sundays:** St. Michael the Archangel 8:30am

> St. Jude the Apostle 10:00am

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES**

St. Michael the Archangel M, T & Th @ 12:10pm

St. Jude the Apostle Wednesday @ 8:00am

St. Jude School Mass is on Monday at 8:50 am

#### **EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION**

St. Michael the Archangel Tuesday @ 11:30am

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#### **OFFICE HOURS**

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**Stations of the Cross During Lent** Thursday at 11:15am, St. Michael's

Fridays at 6:30 pm, St. Jude's

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#### PARISH CALENDARS

Monday, March 17-

12:10pm Mass (SM)

9:00am Money Counting Team 2 (SM) 9:00am Food Ministry Delivery (SM) 9:00 am Walking Club at SM Hall (SM &

10:30 am Walking Club at LSI (SM & SJ)

Tuesday, March 18 12:10 pm Mass (SM)

11:30 am Exposition (SM) 1:00 pm Dominos, Hall (SM)

Wednesday, March 19

12:10pm Mass (SM) 9:00 am Walking Club at SM Hall (SM&SJ) 9:30 am Crafty Ladies, (SM&SJ)

Conf Room at SM 10:00am Food for the Soul, Team 3.Kitchen

10:30 am Walking Club at LSI (SM & SJ) 6:30 pm Choir (**SM**)

#### Thursday, March 20

11:15 am Stations of the Cross (SM) 12:10 pm Mass (SM)

9:00 am Walking Club at SM Hall (SM & SJ) 10:30 am Walking Club at LSI (SM & SJ)

Friday, March 21

Office Closed (SM & SJ) 6:30pm Stations of the Cross (SJ)

Saturday, March 22

11:00 am Memorial Service (SM) 3:00 pm Confessions (SJ) 4:00 pm Mass (SM & SJ)

4:30 pm Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner (Gym), **(SJ)** 

Sunday, March 23 8:30 am Mass (SM) 10:00 am Mass (SJ)

**Faith Formation Classes:** 

9:30am, K-6 (SM & SJ) 10:45am, 7-10 (SM & SJ) @ (SM)

## **EWTN—Canonization Information**

EWTN will offer special programming to celebrate the Jubilee year including the Canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis on April 27th.



Carlo Acutis will be canonized on April 27, 2025. Acutis, known for his deep devotion to the Catholic faith and his adept use of technology to share religious content, is set to become the first millennial saint. Pope Francis has officially recognized a second miracle attributed to Acutis and approved his canonization. Acutis, who passed away in 2006 at the age of 15 due to leukemia, has been admired for his work in creating a website documenting Eucharistic miracles worldwide. His beatification took place in October 2020, and the recent recognition of a second miracle—an essential step in the process-marks the final phase towards sainthood.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

St. Michael the Archangel (SM) St. Jude the Apostle (SJ)

Saturday, 3/15/2025-4:00 pm St. Michael Mary Agars, Marianne VanDerhyden

Sunday, 3/16/2025-8:30 am St. Michael Joseph Pennisi (One Year Anniversary), Wife, Carol & Family **Thomas Tiffany,** Margaret & Barry Willard

Rose Mary Suriano, Mary McGrath & Jason & Cristin McGrath

Monday: 3/17/2025-12:10 pm St. Michael Mr. & Mrs. James Monahan, Jack & Maureen Rogers Dale Stinson, David Goguen

Tuesday, 3/18/2025-12:10 pm St. Michael For All Parishioners & Friends of St. Michael 's **Facing Medical Challenges** 

Thursday, 3//20/25-12:10 pm St. Michael For Our Holy Father, Pope Francis

Saturday, 3/22/2025-4:00pm St. Michael John D. Smith(57th Anniversary), Children David Matatt, Marie Maschewski Gilda Delgiacco Robison, Marietta DePaoli and Pat Foss **Reverend Joseph Barker**, Riley Barker

Sunday, 3/23/2025-8:30am-St. Michael Thomas Tiffany, Teresa & Regan Murphy

Sanctuary light in Church: (SM) For a Special Intention

Sanctuary light in Chapel: (SM) Joseph Prezio by Family

Sunday, 3/23/2025-10:00AM-St. Jude Al Spain, Sr., Daughter, Nancy Filomena Valente (95th Birthday), Her Children Al Mugrace, T. J. & Jan Jackson Peter Rosenberg, Sr., Joe & Marie Kruczlnicki

Sanctuary Light (SJ) Mary Ellen Sullivan by Joe & Marie Kruczlnicki

Saturday, 3/15/2025– 4:00pm St. Jude Jody Rogers Akots, Jack & Maureen Rogers Joseph Ienco, Anne & David Cannon Albert S. Mugrace, Julia & James Cardany M. Winnie Pelletier, Julia & James Cardany

Sunday, 3/16/2025—10:00am St. Jude David & Dorothy Castle, The Castle Kids Kevin Mann, The Castle Kids **Harriet Spain,** Daughter, Nancy Al Mugrace, Nancy Spain

Monday, 3/17/2025—8:50am St. Jude **Children's Mass -ALL ARE WELCOME** 

Wednesday, 3/19/2025–8:00am St. Jude The Feast of St. Joseph Joseph & Eileen Smith, T. J. & Jan Jackson

Saturday, 3/22/2025=4:00pm-St. Jude Joanne Brochu, Father Jim Hannigan Vickie Gilooly, Katherine & Shaun Al Mugrace, Steve & JoAnn Taylor Shirley Catone, Stephen & Mary Ellen Angrisano

## SACRAMENTS

PARISH OFFICE (518) 283-6110 (SM) OR (518) 283-1162 (SJ)



BAPTISM, MARRIAGE, ANOINTING OF THE SICK, OCIA AND **PASTORAL CARE:** 

Please call Deacon Bob Sweeney at 518-283-6110 ext: 203



RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION: Saturday 3:00-3:40pm For March at St. Jude the Apostle For April at St. Michael the Archangel Or arranged by calling the Parish Office.



FAITH FORMATION, FIRST RECONCILIATION, FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION: Please call JoAnn and Steve Taylor at 518-283-6110 ext: 204

# Faith Formation

Thank you to all who supported our Pancake Breakfast last weekend to support our "Sleep In Heavenly Peace" bed building project. We are especially appreciative of the Faith Formation students, LaSalle students, staff and parents who came out to help us cook and serve the delicious breakfasts. Keep watch for a SECOND breakfast coming soon!

This Sunday, our Confirmation candidates will have their Confirmation retreat at Siena College, under the direction of Deacon Nick Ascioti and the Siena Youth Ministry Team. We will be joined by candidates from the LaSalle Institute and from Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, and expect about 65 candidates in total.

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for Faith Formation students, grades Pre-K to 6, on Sunday, March 30th after classes at 10:45 am.

Please join us for our delicious Egg McMichael breakfast — Sunday, March 23rd, 9:00 am @ St. Michael

## Who is Saint Patrick?

St. Patrick is known as the Patron Saint and National Apostle of Ireland. He is credited for bringing Christianity to Ireland. Many believe that St. Patrick used the symbol of the shamrock as a means of evangelization. The three leaves of the clover represented the Holy Trinity-the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Prayer of St. Patrick, known as the Breastplate Prayer, reminds us of the strength of Christ that lives in us:

Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, Christ in me,
Christ beneath me, Christ above me,
Christ on my right, Christ on my left,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of every man who speaks of me,
Christ in the eye that sees me, Christ in the ear that hears me.









## JOINT PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Wednesday, March 26, 2025 — 11:00 AM at St. Michael the Archangel.

Tuesday, April 8, 2025 — 7:00 PM, Sacred Heart, Troy

Please note that during the month of March there is Reconciliation with Father Ennis at St. Jude's from 3:00—3:40 PM AND

During the month of April, Reconciliation with Father Ennis at St. Michael's from 3:00-3:40 PM

## **Rosary Altar Society**

The Rosary Altar Society April meeting will be held on Sunday, April 6, 2025 in the Parish Center at 8:45 am.
All Ladies Welcome



We are raffling off a Family Movie Theme Easter Basket Tickets available after Masses on March 29th & 30th and April 5th & 6th

# **Stations of the Cross at St. Jude's**

Fridays. March 21 6:30 pm The Nurses' Way of the Cross March 28 6:30 pm Chris Harris/ Joe Kruczlnicki April 4 6:30 pm Faith Formation Teens April 11 6:30 pm Deacon Nick Ascioti/Ellen Hartnagle April 18 6:30 pm Good Friday 3pm-Chris Harris/Jo Flanigan



So many of us "give something up" during Lent-many times sweets are at the top of the list! Sugar is very addicting-have you noticed once you have a cookie or a piece of cake, all you want is more! The opposite is true also-if you "fast from sweets" that desire goes away.

Natural sugars found in fresh fruit are a healthier way to take in that sugar. This time of year, it is often difficult to find good tasting fresh fruit—try frozen fruit. Fruit that is frozen is usually harvested in the prime growing season, so it is sweet before it is frozen. Try this during Lent-don't leave the cookies on the counter-leave a bowl of grapes or bananas there instead. There are no preservatives in fresh fruit!



## Job Posting — (SM & SJ)

## St. Michael the Archangel and St. Jude the Apostle Parishes We Are seeking a Parish Operations Manager

Seeking a dedicated and organized Operations Manager to join our parish community. The ideal candidate will be responsible for providing comprehensive administrative operations and support to two parishes, ensuring smooth and efficient operations. The Operations Manager must be proficient in office software, have strong organizational and leadership skills, and be able to work independently as well as part of a team. Must be compassionate and service oriented with a commitment to the values and mission of the parishes.

## St. Jude's Knights of Columbus

## **Spaghetti Dinner**

St Jude's Knights of Columbus will be hosting a spaghetti and meatball dinner on Saturday March 22 from 4:30 to 7pm in the gym. We are partnering with St Henry's KOC who will be sharing their secret recipe for sauce and meatballs. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$25 for a family and includes salad, bread, a drink (coffee/juice/water), dessert, and of course spaghetti and meatballs. Eat in or take out. There will be a children's activity table. Tickets are limited so please order early by calling Joe at 286-1132 or via email at SJC.KOC@Gmail.com. Tickets will be available after Mass in March. All proceeds will benefit the annual Coats for Kids program.

## How Well Do You Know—Debbie Moore-Organist & Choir Dir. (SJ)



I was born and raised in South Troy. We were members of Saint Joseph's parish. I went to Saint Joseph's grammar school from K-8.

Hobbies: Reading and music Favorite food: Turkey dinner

Favorite liturgical season: Christmas -- I love Christmas because of Jesus' birth

Favorite Christmas Carol: Silent Night I play it every year during the Christmas season

Favorite Bible verse: Be Still and Know that I am God

**Favorite Saint: Saint Joseph** 

Favorite movies: The Sound of Music It's a Wonderful Life The Quiet Man

Favorite TV show: Blue Bloods Favorite vacation spot: Cape Cod

Favorite thing about working at St Jude's:

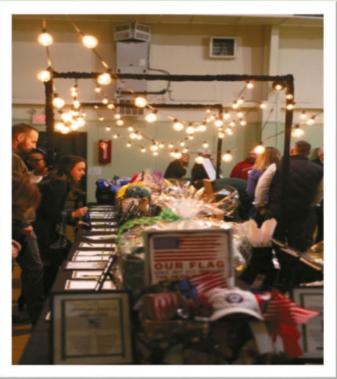
I am so grateful to my parents for all those years of piano lessons. Also, Glee Club at CCHS. Both have provided me the opportunity to play at church for many years. Also, it has given me the opportunity to meet wonderful choir members and parishioners over the years. Great memories!

## St. Jude the Apostle School News A Knight Out Fundraiser Was a Huge Success

On Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> parents, staff, parishioners and friends all gathered in our gym to raise money to help with a new gym floor, and more improvements to our playground. Everyone had a wonderful time bidding on our auction items, purchasing students artwork and dress down days for a class. Thank you to all the parishioners who attended.

Students and teachers are enjoying the beautiful weather we had last week on the playground.









## ST. MICHAEL'S WOMEN'S GUILD

Children's Easter Egg Hunt - sponsored by the Men's Club and Women's Guild of St. Michael's Church

The Men's Club and Women's Guild will be sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt and Coloring Contest For Faith Formation children in Pre-K through 6th grade, on Sunday, March 30th, 2025, at 10:45 am-following the conclusion of Faith Formation classes. Coloring sheets will be available on the table in the Gathering Area the weekend of 03/15 & 16, 03/22 & 23. Bring your completed coloring sheets to the Egg Hunt! Prizes will be awarded for each age group (Pre-K & K, 1st & 2nd, 3rd & 4th, 5th & 6th). Join us on Sunday March 30th in the Parish Hall for the Egg Hunt, judging of the coloring sheets and refreshments.

Questions? Call Sharon Close @ 518-283-7252

## ST. MICHAEL'S MEN'S CLUB

We will be holding a take out Chicken Parm Dinner on March 29, 2025 from 4:15 to 5:30. Cost is \$17. The Men's Club will also be selling raffle tickets for \$100 worth of Scratch Off Lottery tickets.

Get your winning ticket!

## Poor Box

The Parish Council established the Poor Box to be used for individuals in need who seek assistance from the parish. Through your generosity, we find the fund has exceeded our expectations! We have purchased Target and Price Chopper gift cards and Stewart's gas cards and have additional monies available to purchase

more if needed.

By consensus, the Parish Council has decided to donate \$500 to the US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants—a not for profit which supports refugees and immigrants in need since 2005.

We thank you so much for your kindness and generosity.



As part of our Lenten celebration, we are seeking volunteers from St. Michael's and St. Jude's to assist with this year's dramatic interpretation of Leonardo da Vinci's painting of The Last Supper. The performance will take place at 4PM on Palm Sunday, April 13 at St. Michael's. We are seeking volunteers to portray the disciples, act as narrators, and assist with set up and take down of the stage. Anyone of high school age or older is welcome to participate. Those interested in portraying one of the Apostles need not memorize their parts but have familiarity with their written script. One rehearsal will be held prior to the presentation. Please contact Barry Willard (wwillard001@gmail.com) or Deacon Bob Sweeney (deaconbobsw@aol.com) if you are interested in becoming involved or have questions.

## ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Joseph Labshere and Steven Harwood, catechumens from St Michael's sign the Book of Election at the Cathedral on Sunday, March 9th with their Godparents. They also met the Bishop. Please pray for them as they and our candidates continue their journey.





# **Diocesan Appeal Update**

As you should be aware the Diocesan Appeal has been underway throughout the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany.

Every day, throughout our Diocese, faith filled individuals go out into their communities in the name of Jesus to love and to serve others in a variety of ways. Some minister to those who are homeless and hungry, or to those who are ill or aging. There are teachers who nourish the minds and nurture the faith of our youth in Catholic schools and Faith Formation programs. There are men and women pursuing vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life in service to the Lord and His people.

The Diocesan Appeal provides major support for the many good works of our Diocese. These include, but are not limited to:

- Diocesan Administrative Offices that provide Human Resources, Property Management, Finance, Faith Formation. As you know, St. Michael and St. Jude have relatively small parish staffs, assisted by many volunteers. We rely on the expertise of the Diocesan offices to provide guidance on a regular basis. This assures we follow all requirements of the Catholic Church as well as state and federal laws. During times when we have been without a Pastor, St. Michael and St. Jude have relied on the guidance from the various Diocesan Offices more so than usual. Most recently, the Diocese oversaw and appointed our Sacramental Minister, Father Tim Ennis, O.Carm and our Interim Operations Manager, Kelly Hession.
- ♦ Catholic Charities provides many services to members of our community in need. They provide emergency assistance to people facing evictions. Catholic Charities has worked with the Regional Food Bank to host multiple, ongoing food pantries throughout Rensselaer County. These are drive through food pantries open to all members of the community without the need to pre-register. There have been so many of our neighbors served by these events.
- Your gift to the Diocesan Appeal helps the Catholic schools throughout the Diocese including our local elementary schools, such as St. Jude the Apostle.
- Approximately one-third of the Diocesan Appeal dollars support the work of the Diocesan Vocation Office in training of our future deacons and priests.

It is important to know that money received for the Diocesan Appeal cannot be used to satisfy lawsuits from the sexual abuse victims.

St. Michael is assessed at \$43,310. As of March 7, the Stewardship Office has received \$22,794, we have reached 52% of our assessment. St. Jude assessment is \$34,628. As of March 7, the Stewardship Office has received \$7,391 with only three and a half months to go! If we do not meet our assessment, St. Michael and St. Jude must pay the balance from our savings.

Your gift should be sent to the Diocese at: Diocesan Appeal 40 North Main Street Albany, New York 12203

You may make your donation by returning the card that you received in the mail with your packet. Or, payment may be made by check or credit card, or use one of the envelopes in the Gathering Area at St. Michael or any of the entrances at St. Jude. You may also pay on line by going to donate.thediocesanappeal.org. If you need assistance, please call your parish office — St. Michael's at 518-283-6110; St. Jude's at 518.283.1162. In whatever way you choose to give, please include the appropriate parish name, St. Michael the Archangel in Troy or St. Jude the Apostle in Wynantskill, so that your gift is credited towards the assessment of the correct parish.

Thank you for your support to the Diocesan Appeal which ensures the health and vitality of St. Michael, St. Jude and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Albany.



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