



# The Catholic Community of ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL and ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
February 1, 2026



## Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturdays	St. Michael the Archangel	4:00 PM
	St. Jude the Apostle	4:00 PM
Sundays	St. Michael the Archangel	8:30 AM
	St. Jude the Apostle	10:00 AM

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## Weekday Masses \*NEW SCHEDULE\*

Monday	St. Michael the Archangel	12:10 PM
Tuesday	St. Michael the Archangel	12:10 PM
Wednesday	St. Jude the Apostle	8:00 AM
Thursday	St. Jude the Apostle	8:00 AM
Friday	No Mass—Parish Offices closed	

## Eucharist Exposition

Tuesdays	St. Michael the Archangel	11:30 AM
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## Supporting Our Parish Communities: Weekday Mass Update

This updated schedule will help with consistent planning and availability at both Saint Michael the Archangel and Saint Jude the Apostle while continuing to offer weekday Mass opportunities to our parish communities. Thank you for your understanding and continued flexibility!

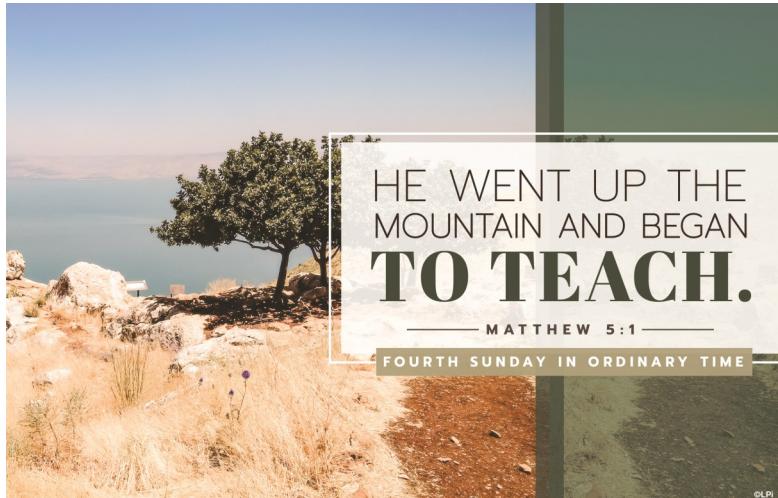
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## OFFICE HOURS

**St. Michael the Archangel**  
Monday-Thursday  
9:00AM –2:00PM

**St. Jude the Apostle**  
Monday-Thursday  
9:00AM –1:00PM



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<b>Johanna Flanigan</b>	<i>Trustee</i>	(SJ)
<b>Ann Kowalczyk</b>	<i>Trustee</i>	(SM)
<b>Kathy Rosenbaum</b>	<i>Trustee</i>	(SM)

## MASS INTENTIONS

## St. Michael the Archangel

Saturday, January 31, 4:00 PM

Charles Simmons (19th Anniversary)

Requested by wife, Janet

Carol Casale

Requested by Mary Jo Schneider

Sunday, February 1, 8:30 AM

Claire &amp; Bill Kiley

Requested by The Family

Monday, February 2, 12:10 PM

Patricia Willson

Requested by Peg &amp; Pat

Tuesday, February 3, 12:10 PM

Kathy &amp; John Reid (Wedding Anniversary)

Requested by Theresa Reid

Saturday, February 7, 4:00 PM

Ernest Kern

Requested by Joan Phillips

Sunday, February 8, 8:30 AM

Ursula M. Dessingue

Requested by Nicole Patrizio Mestoik

Sanctuary Lamp January 31 to February 7

Church: Our Diocesan Priests

Chapel: The Lefebvre Family

By Ralph &amp; Kathy Dinardo

BURNING OF  
THE PALMS

Please bring your blessed palms to Mass the weekend of **February 7-8**. Designated baskets will be available near the front vestibules.

The **Burning of the Palms** will take place on **Sunday, February 15, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.** at **St. Michael the Archangel Church**, outdoors under the carport. All are welcome to join us as we prepare for the season of **Lent**.

## St. Jude the Apostle

Saturday, January 31, 4:00 PM

Michael Breier

Requested by Mary Jacobs

Tom Wienn

Requested by Al Gilooly

Ernest Kern

Requested by Anne &amp; David Cannon

Sunday, February 1, 10:00 AM

Pamela Suzette Costagliola

Requested by The Reynolds Family

Wednesday, February 4, 8:00 AM

For parishioners and friends of St. Michael the Archangel and St. Jude the Apostle Parish Communities who are recuperating from illnesses and healing from surgeries.

Thursday, February 5, 8:00 AM

For vocations to the religious life.

Saturday, February 7, 4:00 PM

Thomasine Pisanello

Requested by Anne &amp; David Cannon

Nicholas John Castle Requested by Family

Shirley Catone Requested by Family

Ernie Kern Requested by Carol &amp; Joe Tenzyk

Sunday, February 8, 10:00 AM

Ed Long

Requested by Family

Peg Dessinger

Requested by Mike &amp; Sue Langevin

Anne Grobecker

Requested by The Bielawski Family

Gannon Beebe

Requested by Karen &amp; Arthur Frost

Sanctuary Lamp– Week of February 8, 2026

For Bobby Geiger

Requested by Family

## WHY WE HAVE MASS CARDS

Catholic Mass cards are a visible and prayerful way for us to express care, compassion, and faith, especially at moments when words alone fall short.

When someone receives a Mass card, it means that a Mass will be offered for a specific intention: for a deceased loved one, for someone who is ill, or for a special need, milestone, or prayer of thanksgiving. In the Catholic tradition, the Mass is the highest form of prayer, so having a Mass offered is a profound spiritual gift. Mass cards serve several important purposes: They unite prayer and community – reminding the recipient that they are not alone and that the parish community is praying with and for them.

They honor our belief in the communion of saints, especially when offered for the deceased, affirming our hope in the Resurrection and the power of prayer.

Mass cards extend pastoral care – allowing parishioners to share faith-filled support during times of grief, illness, celebration, or transition. Mass cards are not just cards, they are an invitation into prayer, a sign of hope, and a meaningful way to share our Catholic faith with others.

## Called to Serve

Through Baptism, each of us is called to share in the life and mission of the Church. Parish ministries are ways we live out our baptismal call to serve Christ and one another. We invite you to prayerfully consider how God may be calling you to serve within your parish community. Our parishes are strengthened when each person offers their gifts for the good of the whole. Below are a few ways for you to consider serving. We invite you to reach out to continue the conversation.

### Bereavement Ministry at Saint Michael the Archangel Volunteers Needed

When a family experiences the loss of a loved one, our parish is often one of the first places they turn for comfort, guidance, and prayer. The Bereavement Ministry is a quiet but powerful presence, offering compassion, practical help, and a loving welcome during funerals, wakes, and times of grief. We are currently seeking additional volunteers to assist with:

- Helping with bereavement intake, initial contact and gathering information with care and compassion.
- Greeting and supporting families at funerals and wakes
- Assisting with simple hospitality and being a welcoming presence
- Offering prayerful support during these sacred moments

No special training is required, only a kind heart, a listening ear, and a willingness to serve.

If you feel called to help in this meaningful ministry or would like more information, please contact Mary Rose Ryan at [mryan99@nycap.rr.com](mailto:mryan99@nycap.rr.com).

***"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted." (Matthew 5:4)***

## Building & Grounds Committee

### Volunteers Needed

Our Building and Grounds Committee is looking to add a few new members! If you're retired or have some extra time to share, and especially if you have experience with electrical work, heating and cooling, or general maintenance, we'd love to have you join this dedicated team. Your time and talent help keep our parish buildings safe, comfortable, and welcoming for all. If interested, please contact Barry Willard. [wwillard001@gmail.com](mailto:wwillard001@gmail.com).

## Faith Formation

The period of Immediate Preparation for First Eucharist and Confirmation has begun, and we look forward to celebrating the Sacramental masses in May. We will have First Eucharist Mass at St. Michael's on May 2nd, and at St. Jude's on May 17th. The Confirmation Mass will be held at St. Michael's, and we are waiting for the Bishop's Office to confirm our date in May. This weekend we will have the Rite of Welcome for our Confirmation candidates during our 8:30 am mass.

There will be a Rite of Welcome for our OCIA candidates at the 8:30 mass on February 22nd. There are currently 8 candidates studying in our preparatory classes, and they will receive their Sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 4th.

Many thanks to Cindy Burek, of Buttercup Cookies, for her continued support of our "Sleep In Heavenly Peace" bed building project. Our recent cookie decorating class found participants having fun and enjoying the afternoon, all while raising funds for this very worthwhile service event.



**St. Jude the Apostle Church**  
**Tuesday, March 18 at 11:00 AM**

**Sacred Heart Church**  
**Monday, March 24 at 6:30 PM**

All are warmly encouraged to take part in this sacred opportunity for healing and renewal during Lent.

## Painting Project Assistance Needed

Volunteers Needed – Painting Project  
We are looking for a few volunteers to assist with painting the staff hallway and front office at Saint Michael's. If you have the experience, time and are willing to help, please contact Barry Willard at [wwillard001@gmail.com](mailto:wwillard001@gmail.com) or notify the front office at (518) 283-6110. Thank you for helping keep our parish spaces welcoming and well cared for!

## Saint Jude the Apostle

### Parish Wish List

Have you ever wondered how you might support the parish in a very specific and meaningful way? A parish wish list is simply a way to share particular items or needs that directly support our worship, prayer, and parish life. For those who are looking for a way to donate or who appreciate knowing exactly how their gift will be used, this is a wonderful option. Current wish list items include:

- Flowers for the church throughout the liturgical year
- Baby Jesus and Star for the indoor crèche
- Book of the Gospels
- New Lectionary Book
- Prayer Intention Book near entrance
- new altar server albs
- replace window that was shattered
- add/enhance indoor lighting

These gifts help enrich our liturgies, beautify our sacred space, and support the prayer life of our community. If you are interested in contributing toward any of these items or would like more information, please contact the parish office.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support.

## Saint Jude the Apostle

### Unexpected Furnace Repair at Saint Jude's Parish Office

#### How You Can Help...

Recently, we had to replace critical parts for both furnaces in the parish office after losing heat entirely. This repair was unexpected and came at a cost of nearly \$5,000.

If you are looking for a way to contribute and help offset this expense, we would be deeply grateful. The parish offices support the day-to-day operations of our parish, including administrative support, art, and music for our school, and keeping this space warm and functional is essential to our shared mission. Thank you for your generosity, care, and continued support of our parish community.

## Saint Jude the Apostle

### February Second Collections

- Heating & Air Conditioning
- 2/22 RCDA Second Collection Black, Native American & Latin American Mission



St. Jude the Apostle Parish  
Online Giving

Through the faithful generosity of our parish communities, worship, faith formation, pastoral care, and outreach continue each week. If you are able to give, online giving is available as one way to support the mission of your parish.

## Men's Club Events

All Men of St. Michael and St. Jude and their guests are Invited to the Valentine's Dinner

Thursday, February 12 at 6:00 PM

All men of St. Michael the Archangel and St. Jude the Apostle and their guests are warmly invited to an evening of good food and fellowship at **Paolo Lombardi's**.

The cost is **\$35 per person**, which includes your choice of one of five entrées, salad, two sides, coffee or tea, dessert, and gratuity. A cash bar will be available. We look forward to seeing you there for an evening of fellowship and good food! **Sign up in the Gathering area at St. Michael's before or after Mass, or call the St. Michael's Parish Office to reserve your spot.**

### Super Bowl Lucky Squares

The NFL playoffs are underway, and the Men's Club is once again sponsoring its annual **Super Bowl Lucky Squares** fundraiser. Squares are **\$10 each**, with enhanced prizes this year. All parishioners of St. Michael the Archangel and St. Jude the Apostle are welcome to participate. Sign up in the Gathering Area or call the St. Michael's Parish Office for more information. **The Super Bowl kicks off February 8, get your squares early!**

Next Meeting | Monday, February 2

Pizza and wings begin at 6:00 PM, with the meeting to follow at 6:30 PM.

## Veterans Hygiene Items Collection

St Michael the Archangel Social Justice Ministry  
Final Collection Reminder

Albany Stratton VA Medical Center  
**Collection ends February 8, 2026**

Thank you for your continued generosity in support of our veterans. **New items only**, please place donations in the bins in the Gathering Area.

If you have any questions please reach out to Ellen Hotz (518-852-2815).

## St. Michael the Archangel

### Second Collections

- 2/8 Parish Improvement and Building Maintenance
- 2/22 Latin America/Black and Indian Mission



St. Michael the Archangel Parish  
Online Giving

## Congratulations Kris Hoffay Principal of the Year!

We are delighted to share that St. Jude Principal, Kris Hoffay, has been selected as the recipient of the Bishop of Albany Distinguished Administrator Award—Principal of the Year! We are so grateful for your dedication, leadership, and the care you bring to our school community each and every day. This recognition is so well deserved, and we are truly blessed by all that you do.



*A few photos from the Catholic Schools Mass hosted at Saint Jude the Apostle on 1/23*

## St. Michael's Women's Guild

Special thanks to the Women's Guild, especially the Hospitality and Altar committees, for all their dedication in preparing St Michael's parish for Bishop Mark's recent visit. So many people worked so hard behind the scenes cleaning the altar and preparing the linens, planning the reception following mass, baking cookies and making sandwiches. You were truly ALL like Lazarus' sister Martha in the Gospel offering service to others! Thanks to everyone who attended and were blessed by the Bishop's presence. Don't forget this weekend is 50/50 sale in the Gathering Area! Monday, Feb 2 at 6:30 pm is our first meeting of 2026! All women of the parish are welcome to join us for pizza and fellowship!

## Bishop Mark's Visit January 17



## Sacraments & Faith Life

*Questions about Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, or Anointing of the Sick?  
Call the parish office or scan the QR code for your parish.*

St. Michael the Archangel (518) 283-6110



### RECONCILIATION/CONFESSON

Saturday 3:00-3:40pm February at St. Michael the Archangel or arranged by calling the Parish Office.

St. Jude the Apostle (518) 283-1162



If you are in the hospital or unable to come to church, please let us know by calling the parish office. Father is always glad to visit, pray with you, and bring the sacraments.



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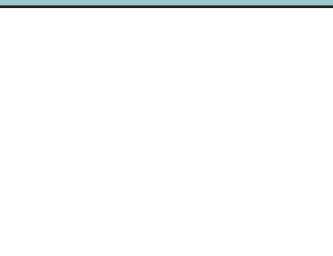
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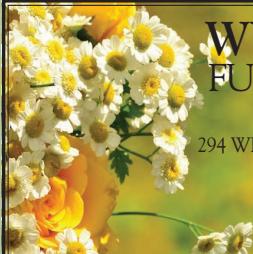
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