

North American Martyrs Parish

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil4:00 PM
 Sundays8:00 AM, 11:00 AM
 Children's Liturgy of the Word at 11:00 AM Mass

Weekday:

Monday, Wednesday & Friday8:00 AM

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MASS SCHEDULE

Sundays9:30 AM
 Tuesday & Thursday8:00 AM
 St. Anthony Novena begins 13 Tuesdays before June 13th

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SACRAMENTS (AT BOTH CHURCHES)

Rite of Reconciliation: 12:00-12:45 PM: At Saint Michael Church the second Saturday of the month. All other Saturdays confessions will be at NAM.
Baptisms: By appointment only. Second Sundays during 11:00 Mass and fourth Sundays after 11:00 Mass at NAM. Baptisms at St. Michael Church will be on the third Sunday of the month during the 9:30 Mass. A Pre-Baptism Seminar is required for first-time parents. Call Charlotte to make arrangements.
Marriages: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Call Fr. Joe Luisi to make arrangements.



FESTIVAL REPORT, RCIA, UPDATE ON SALE OF ST. MICHAEL RECTORY

FESTIVAL REPORT: I am happy to report that the net profit of our Parish Summer Festival on July 13-16 exceeded my goal for our parish thanks to our **Chairpersons Robert and Mary Jane Petrilli**, our Committee leaders, the hosts of volunteers and all of you who were so generous with supporting us on any or all of the festival's four nights.

A committee leader wrap-up meeting will be held in DeLuca Hall next Wednesday, August 10 at 6 pm at which time Robert, Mary Jane and I will disclose the complete festival report. This same report will appear in next weekend's bulletin. Thank you for your patience and your continued support of our parish.

RCIA: In a little less than two months, those who have been considering becoming a Catholic, have an opportunity to take instructions through the RCIA program which stands for the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**. This is open to anyone who is unbaptized, or baptized into another Christian denomination or for a Catholic who was baptized but never received his/her First Holy Communion or Confirmation. These sessions will last for approximately 24 weeks with each session lasting about 90 minutes.

The first RCIA session is scheduled to begin in our parish on Wednesday evenings at 7 pm on Wednesday, September 28 at the St. Bernadette Rectory conference room. We will be meeting weekly on Wednesday evenings (with a break on Thanksgiving Eve and during late Advent and Christmas). We will be partnering with St. Bernadette Parish as we did last year by alternating sites every month. In other words, during the months of October, December, February and April we will host the RCIA at the North American Martyrs Rectory Living Room on Wednesdays at 7 pm. During the months of November, January and March the classes will be in the conference room of St. Bernadette Parish. The main presenters will be **Fr. Tony Gargotta** (pastor of St. Bernadette) and I as well as **Deacon Mike Kelly** (St. Bernadette) and our own **Deacon Rick Tucek**. Occasionally, RCIA team members will be part of the evening presentation under the supervision of one of us priests or deacons.

Teens may be admitted to the evening sessions. If there is a child under 13 who is interested in becoming Catholic, we have the RCIC program (Rite of Christian Initiation of Children). I would coordinate your desire to become a Catholic with our Director of Religious Education, **Donna Lew-Buechel**, to find out how best to serve your needs.

If you are an adult, teen or child who is interested in finding out more about how to become a Catholic please call me at 412-373-0330 ext. 6.

UPDATE ON SALE OF ST. MICHAEL RECTORY: Allegheny County has approved the submitted sub-division plan. A fence has been installed to separate the sub-divided properties. The "call to worship" bell has been removed from its bell tower outside of the St. Michael Rectory by **Jim Cepec**. Jim and a brick layer will have it installed in its new tower, closer to the St. Michael parking lot, by the end of August. Listing the property with a real estate agent will begin soon. **Please note that this only pertains to the sale of St. Michael Rectory. There are no plans to sell the St. Michael Church building.** Once the sale of the St. Michael rectory is final, **Pat Cepec**, parish secretary, will move her office to the second floor of St. Michael Hall which is accessible by stairs or elevator.

Fr. Joe

MISSION COOP SPEAKER SCHEDULED

You will find an envelope in the beginning of your August set designated for the missions. The date for the speaker's visit has now been set for the weekend of **August 20 & 21**. Watch the bulletin for further information as the date approaches.

*The second collection taken this weekend,
August 7, at St. Michael is for
Capital Improvement.*

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2011

EWTN will offer extensive coverage of World Youth Day. Join Fr. Mark and Doug Barry of "Life on the Rock" as we bring you coverage of WYD in Madrid, **August 16-21**. Coverage will include on-location broadcasts that will keep viewers up-to-date on the events and activities of WYD, as well as interviews with young people attending. For more information go to www.ewtn.com/wyd2011. Go to ewtn.com and click on "Channel Finder" to locate the television providers that carry EWTN in your area.

BABY SHOWER

The Stitching Angels will sponsor a Baby Shower the weekend of **August 13 & 14**. All items will be donated to Catholic Charities; Roselia House and WIN (Women In Need). A Pack and Play will be at the main entrance of the church to drop off your donations. A reception will be held after each Mass at NAM that weekend; both Saturday and Sunday. Please stop by to see all our handmade items and enjoy some fellowship and a treat! We are collecting the following: Diapers (newborn and size 1), Baby Wipes, Baby Shampoo, Diaper Rash Ointment, Shampoo, Baby Wash, Onesies (Newborn to 6 months), Baby Clothing (0-3 and 3-6 months), Baby Bottles, Teething Rings, Pacifiers, Rattles, Baby Towels and Wash Cloths. Please forward questions to Mary Harrill at 412-372-3181 or at meh227@aol.com.

LIGHT OF LIFE RESCUE MISSION BACKPACK DRIVE

New and gently used backpacks for children in grades K-12 and school supplies will be collected in the NAM and St. Michael church vestibules after all Masses the weekend of **August 13-14**. All supplies will be donated to Light of Life Rescue Mission in Pittsburgh. Light of Life operates a comprehensive Christian recovery program and provides a safe, loving environment for single mothers and children in crisis. Through your generous donation of filled backpacks, children of all ages will be provided with essentials to help them start the new school year. Please pray that this year's drive is successful, and thank you for your help.

MAKE MIRACLES HAPPEN

Catholic Charities Free Health Care Center Annual Golf Classic at St. Clair Country Club will take place Monday, **August 22**. There will be auctions with WTAE TV's Mike Clark. For more information, visit www.ccpgh.org. or call 412-456-6696.

HELP FOR THE BEREAVED

North American Martyrs/St. Michael Bereavement Support Team announces a series of six weekly meetings beginning in September for those who have lost a loved one. The meetings will be held at North American Martyrs Church. Evening sessions begin Tuesday, **September 13**. Daytime sessions begin Wednesday, **September 14**. The start times are yet to be determined. If you or someone you know might benefit from these discussions, please call Carol at 412-856-8531 or e-mail at jcoles799@comcast.net for the evening sessions. For the daytime meetings, please call Camille at 412-373-0461 or e-mail at cameltooth@AOL.com.

PICNIC TIME!

The annual Parish Picnic will be held on Sunday, **September 4**, the first anniversary of our newly joined Parish. As always, we hope this day will be one of fun and fellowship for all. I would like to say total relaxation but we need to ask for some help for a few things, such as set up, clean up, serving drinks and food and kitchen help. Our goal has always been that no one has to work for the whole picnic. We will be having sign up sheets after Mass or you can call Mary Ellen Samek at (412) 889-2278.

FLEA MARKET NEWS

The Annual Flea Market which benefits North American Martyrs School is scheduled for Saturday, **August 20** at 8:00 AM-3:00 PM. (Early shoppers may enter at 7:00 AM for a \$3/person fee.) Donate your gently used, new or home-made items beginning Monday-Thursday, **August 15-18** from 4:00-9:00 PM. Thanks to EZ Mini Storage of Monroeville, furniture and large items can be donated anytime. Call Kevin Toohill at 412-377-2796 or Patty at 412 372-5169. We need you in order to succeed! Lots of volunteers are needed to help, from set up on Monday-Sunday, **August 15-21** when we pack up Father Tom's 18-wheeler.

DIVORCED & SEPARATED MINISTRY

The pain and suffering of a separation or divorce can be devastating and the effects can last a long time. This important ministry is available to all and we would like those in need to feel welcome. Meetings are held at Good Shepherd Parish, Sacred Heart Campus Hall, 1600 Brinton Road, Braddock Hills at 7:00-8:45 PM each Wednesday evening beginning **August 24**; for thirteen weeks. For more information or to register, call 412-977-1804.

BIBLE STUDY

There will be a 10-week Bible Study, open to everyone from both churches, beginning Monday, **September 12** at 7:00-8:30 PM at St. Michael Social Hall. The cost of the program is \$13.50/person. Anyone who wishes to attend is asked to register with Pat at 412-373-2610 before Thursday, **August 18**.

This week's Sanctuary Candle at North American Martyrs burns in memory of Mary Toth, requested by Camille.

Please feel free to call or stop in to make arrangements for the Sanctuary Candle for your loved one.



ADORATION

**MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 8:30 AM-7:00 PM
BENEDICTION & REPOSITION-7:00-8:00 PM**

In addition to the organizations' member visitation schedule, you are encouraged to come to spend time with Our Lord.

There is a sign up sheet posted in the main vestibule of both churches, should you wish to sign up to come to some portion of the all-day adoration.

The schedule is as follows:

8:30-9:30 AM, Altar Rosary Society;
9:30-10:30 AM, Stitching Angels;
10:30-11:30 AM, Ladies of Charity;
11:30 AM-12:30 PM, Catholic Daughters of America;
12:30-1:30 PM, Holy Name Society;
1:30-2:30 PM, OPEN;
2:30-3:30 PM, Women's Guild,
3:30-4:30 PM, Infant Jesus Respect Life Group;
4:30-5:30 PM, Lectors;
5:30-6:30 PM, OPEN; and
6:30-8:00 PM, OPEN.

NAM/ST. MICHAEL CARD FLIGHTS

We are looking for people who like to play cards. You play once a month, at your convenience, September through May. We offer Bridge, 500 and Pinochle, and have openings in all flights; both Ladies and Mixed (men & women). For further information on Bridge, call Marilyn Murray at 412-372-0772 and for Pinochle and 500, call Evie Welsh at 412-372-2123.

***REST IN PEACE***

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Danny K. Moy, who was buried from here this past week.

SCHOOL NEWS

ARE YOU LOOKING for a fabulous education for your child or another school-aged youngster? North American Martyrs School is the answer! We are accepting applications for our three-year-old preschool through sixth grade program. Please call 412-373-0889 to set up a tour or to receive additional information. See you soon!

WE CONTINUE to save and/or need Campbell labels, also found on other products such as Pepperidge Farm, Box Tops for Education, used ink cartridges, elementary-friendly copy paper, even used on one side, new copy paper, art and craft supplies, and office supplies. Thank you for your consideration.

PARISH SHARE REPORT

A letter was sent recently to all those parishioners of record who have not responded to the Parish Share Appeal program which began in March. Of the 1,571 families registered at both churches, 530 families, or 34% of our parishioners, have responded to the Parish Share Appeal. Those 530 parishioner families have pledged \$81,061 toward our goal of \$90,065 which is set by the Diocese. For those who have pledged, thank you. Please continue to make your pledge payments to meet your obligation. If you have not responded to the Parish Share request, please do, so that we can meet our goal without the use of general collections. It is worth mentioning that 100% of the amount collected exceeding our goal will be used for various programs and maintenance of North American Martyrs Parish.

PIRATES AND DISABILITY AWARENESS

The Pirates 9th Disability Awareness Night will be held on Tuesday, **August 16** at 7:05 PM. The Pirates will play the St. Louis Cardinals, and the first 280 people who register will receive free tickets! Don't wait; register now at <http://stallsmithfinancial.com/disabilityawareness.html>.

FIRST COMMUNION PICTURES ARE AT THE PARISH OFFICE. PLEASE STOP IN TO PICK THEM UP BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 10:00 AM & 4:00 PM MONDAY-FRIDAY. IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO COME DURING THOSE HOURS, OTHER ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE BY CALLING DONNA LEW AT 724-986-2557.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

LAUREN GATES, 412-445-6570

OUR SR HI YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF is scheduled for tomorrow, **August 8** at North American Martyrs from 7:30-9:00 PM. Bring a friend and come celebrate the start of a new semester!

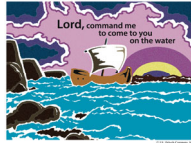
Please note: Our regular Sr Hi Youth Group meetings will still be held at Biedenbach Hall, at St. Bernadette's, every Monday from 7:30-9:00 PM. Only the kick off will be at North American Martyrs. Sr Hi Youth Group is open to teens in grades 9 through 12.

OUR JR HI YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF is scheduled for Tuesday, **September 6** at North American Martyrs from 7:30-9:00 PM. Our Jr Hi meetings are scheduled for every other Tuesday, in DeLuca Hall, at North American Martyrs Parish from 7:30-9:00 PM. Jr Hi Youth Group is open to teens in grades 7 and 8. If you have any questions or concerns please call Lauren Gates at 412-445-6570.

"Saints are just sinners who never stopped trying." ~ Anonymous

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Mon: Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27
Tue: Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wed: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26
Thu: Nm 20:1-13; Mt 16:13-23
Fri: Jos 24:1-13; Mt 19:3-12
Sat: Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15
Sun: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28



MASS INTENTIONS

- Sunday, August 7 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Thomas J. Hill, III-Family
9:30 AM St. Michael, Donna Molchan-St. Michael Ladies of Charity
11:00 AM 69th Wedding Anniversary, Tony & Mary Luisi
Monday, August 8 St. Dominic
8:00 AM Richard Sassano-Mom & Dad
8:30 AM Exposition & Adoration
7:00 PM Benediction & Reposition
Tuesday, August 9
8:00 AM St. Michael, Ted Crandall-Gloria & Family
Wednesday, August 10 St. Lawrence
8:00 AM Angela & Carmello Deluiliis-Family
1:00 PM Broadview Manor-Jean Minnaugh-Joe & Helen Toth
Thursday, August 11 St. Clare
8:00 AM St. Michael, George Risko-Horvath Family
Friday, August 12
9:00 AM Dr. Joseph Schwerha-Bertie & Family
Saturday, August 13
12:00 PM Confessions/St. Michael
4:00 PM Mary & Nicholas DeCesare-Family
Sunday, August 14 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Harry Tzanis-Bob & Karen Pavlak
9:30 AM St. Michael, People of the Parish
11:00 AM Nancy Datz-Anna Merlino

ST. MICHAEL CALENDAR LOTTERY WINNERS
R. Dugan #928, H. Klassen #181, J. Thompson #449,
T. LaPlace #875, R. Wisniewski #549.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH



In need of prayer

Martha Smeltz, James Bauccio, Joe Condrasky, Andy DeBone, Theresa Ventresco, Enza Bauccio, Josie Fasano, Sophie Stahl, Homer Sheridan, Pat Emmick, Victor Caruso, Richard Colaric, Rachel Edwards, Jean Perazzelli, Tina Bianchi, Jamison Byrne, Andrea Rosso, Karen Gallagher, Gert Moccadlo, Dean'Na Pizzuto, Cori Poole, Carmel Seibert, Jamie O'Grady, Florine Mikolaczyk, Nancy Yothers and Beverly King.

We reserve the right to make unavoidable changes in the Mass schedule.

Articles for the August 21st bulletin must be submitted to the Rectory Office by this Tuesday, August 9. You may submit to office@namcatholicchurch.org

Mass for the Living and Deceased Members of N.A.M.'s Altar Rosary Society is said at our twin parish, St. Paul's Catholic Church in Crownpoint, New Mexico, on the first Monday of each month.

PLEASE DO NOT USE STAPLES OR TAPE ON YOUR ENVELOPES. THANK YOU!



Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. July 31, 2011 Wkly Offertory Rec'd \$ 8,333. 2011/12 Wkly Offertory Needed \$ 9,790. 2011/12 Wkly Offertory Over/(Short) \$ (1,457.) 2011/12 YTD Offertory Rec'd \$ 43,502. 2011/12 YTD Offertory Needed \$ 48,950. 2011/12 YTD Offertory Over/(Short) \$ (5,448.) 2011/12 Fiscal Year Budget \$ 509,080.

If you know someone who is ill and who would like their name read during the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass on Saturday & Sunday, please have them contact Linda Freytag at 412-856-7321 or at jimlyn2@verizon.net no later than Wednesday evening.

EMERGENCY FOOD, CLOTHING & MORE
IN MONROEVILLE, TURTLE CREEK & PITCAIRN
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CALL 412-372-8149

If you or someone you know would benefit from receiving a Prayer Shawl, please submit their name for consideration to Mary Harrill at 412-372-3181 or at meh227@aol.com.

WELCOME TO NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS PARISH
In order that we may serve your needs better, please fill out this form, check any items which may apply to your situation, and drop it in the collection basket, mail or bring to the Rectory/Office. Thank you.
Name _____
Address _____
Phone (Home) (____) (Work) (____)
New Parishioner _____ New Address or Phone _____
Moving out of Parish _____ School information _____
Returning to Parish _____ Interest in Catholicism/RCIA _____
Entering Hospital _____ Shut in _____
Returning Catholic _____ Interest in Women's Guild _____
Interest in Parish Health Ministry _____ Interest in St. Vincent dePaul _____
Interest in Holy Name Soc. _____ Interest in Ladies of Charity _____
Interest in Altar Rosary Soc. _____ Interest in Stitching Angels _____
Interest in Jr High Youth Grp _____ Interest in HS Youth Group _____
Interest in Respect Life _____ Interest in Choir _____
Interest in Senior Group _____ Interest in Funeral Choir _____