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OFFICE HOURS (window service)

Monday –Thursday 8:30 am to 12:00 pm

1 pm to 4:30 pm CLOSED FRIDAY

CELEBRATION of the EUCHARIST

DAILY MASS (upper church)

Monday 10:00 am at Senior Living Centers

Suspended until further notice

Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 am,

Wednesday 6 pm

Friday, Liturgy of the Word, with Communion

Suspended until further notice

WEEKEND MASSES

Sunday: 8:15 & 10:30 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Sunday 9:45 -10:15 am

Every Wednesday, 6:45-7:30 pm

or by appointment

HOLY HOUR

Wednesday, 6:45-7:45 pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Please check the bulletin for updates



How is Lent going this year? I think that question can make most of us wince. It's so easy to just slip into old patterns or to find excuses for making exceptions to certain practices we have undertaken. Maybe a couple of real life stories could help. Years ago, I worked in a factory in Clyde and had a boss who was a good, Catholic man. One Monday, towards the end of Lent, he came in and told me how on Sunday he had been kneeling in prayer after Communion and was suddenly hit by a disturbing question: "What have I done for Lent?" He said that he realized that he had let Lent slide that year and it was really bothering him. He felt ashamed and humbled. The other story involves a college friend. One of the fellows I ate meals with in the college cafeteria, he too was a good, observant Catholic and made sure everyone knew it. At the beginning of Lent one year, he somewhat loudly announced, "I'm giving up dessert for Lent." The rest of us guys were like, "uh huh." Not finding us to be particularly impressed, he went on to tell us what a wonderful sacrifice it was. Well, the next day, when we sat down together, he had a bowl of fruit cocktail which he immediately began eating. He proudly announced that he was eating it before dinner so that it would be an appetizer instead of a dessert! So, for the rest of Lent, he ate his dessert — I mean his "appetizer" — before dinner instead of afterwards! To me, these stories seem like the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector and they're a good Lenten lesson for us. If you find yourself in either story, I hope it's the first one because it's not too late to make a change. There is certainly time to find opportunities for more fervent prayer. Time to come to the Stations of the Cross, to add a Rosary or a Mercy Chaplet to your day, to come to daily Mass. Or — a good one — to just pray with a more determined fervor and not just recite the words. There's time to skip those between-meal snacks or to break a persistent habit. There's time to make a generous, sacrificial offering to the poor, to the missions, to the parish, or to a needy neighbor. Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. The Big Three. There's time for all of them. What isn't there time for? Eating your dessert before dinner and *bragging* about it! May your Holy Lent bring you a Joyous Easter!

Deacon Kiley



WEEKLY MASS SCHEDULE AND EVENTS

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

DAY	MASS INTENTION	EVENTS
Sunday, March 21 Fifth Sunday of Lent	8:15 am ~ Martha Hegeman—Dan, Cindy & Chris 10:30 am ~ Gerry Crider—Jim & Judy Garen	Lector 8:15 am ~ J. Bouwens 10:30 am ~ C. Hasseler
Monday, March 22 Lenten Weekday	<i>Masses suspended at Nursing Homes</i>	
Tuesday, March 23 Lenten Weekday	8:00 am ~ Arlene Kay—Betty Atkinson	
Wednesday, March 24 St. Patrick, bishop	8:00 am ~ Karl Chandler—Randy, Judy & Ann 6:00 pm ~ Fred, Steve & Joe Burgess—niece & cousin, Cathy	6:45-7:45 pm ~ Holy Hour
Thursday, March 25 The Annunciation of the Lord	8:00 am ~ Frank DeMarco—daughter, Sandra	
Friday, March 26 Lenten Weekday	<i>No Communion Service</i>	6 pm ~ Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 27 Lenten Weekday	<i>No Mass</i>	9 am –12 pm ~ Cleaning the church
Sunday, March 28 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	8:15 am ~ For the People of the Parish 10:30 am ~ Curtis Childs, Sr., August Dobish & Elsbeth Gerum—Childs Family	Lector 8:15 am ~ P. Dewa 10:30 am ~ C. Hasseler Collection for the Poor Fund/Social Ministry

Readings For March 28, 2021

First Reading
Is 50:4-7

Psalm
22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
My God, my God, why have you abandoned me!

Second Reading
Phil 2:6-11

Gospel
Mk 14:1—15:47



ST. MICHAEL'S FINANCIAL GIVING Weekly Offertory
March 7 \$12,857.00 Easter Flowers \$ 810.00

Many thanks for your support of St. Michael's	Budget YTD As of 2/28/21	Actual YTD	Variance
Total Collections	\$229,354.00	\$202,800.00	\$(26,554.00)
Total Revenue (less)	\$269,475.00	\$247,843.00	\$(21,632.00)
Total Expenses	\$267,371.00	\$249,325.00	\$(18,046.00)
Net Surplus/Deficit	\$2,104.00	\$(1,482.00)	

2020/2021 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

Christ, Our Light

As of	Donors	Pledged 62.79%	Paid	Goal
3/15/21	173	\$28,160.00	\$25,770.00	\$44,851.00

Thank you for your generous support of The Catholic Relief Services Collection and for helping **Jesus in disguise**. Your contributions make a difference for the poor and marginalized around the world. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Just visit www.uscb.org/nationalcollections for more

"He who is generous will be blessed."
~ Proverbs 22:9

HOLY WEEK MSSSES AND SERVICES

St. Michael Newark

Holy Thursday, April 1

9:00 am ~ Morning Prayer
7:00 pm ~ Mass of the Lord's Supper
Visitation until 10:00 pm
10:00 pm ~ Night Prayer

Good Friday, April 2

9:00 am ~ Morning Prayer
2:15 pm ~ Stations of the Cross
(In place of the Live Stations of the Cross)
3:00 pm ~ Solemn Service of the Passion

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil, April 3

9:00 am ~ Morning Prayer
8:00 pm ~ Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:15 am ~ Mass
10:30 am ~ Mass



Next weekend March 28, Palm Sunday, there is a collection for Social Ministry/Poor fund. Your generosity will help our friends in our community that are in need. Thank you for your support.

LENTEN NOON HOUR PRAYER

Fridays at 12:10 pm –12:55 pm

While we are not able to meet for Lenten Lunches, please consider joining Lucina Hallagan and Stephanie Mercer for a time of prayer, music and mediation. We will be meeting at Newark First United Methodist Church on Friday, 12:10–12:55 pm during Lent until Good Friday, April 2nd. If you are unable/uncomfortable meeting in person, please join us on Newark First's facebook page where we will livestream the events.



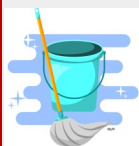
EASTER ALTAR FLOWERS

Envelopes and forms are both due back to the parish center by **Sunday, March 21st** so that the names of those to be remembered can be placed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Please write the names clearly on the back of the envelopes or the form. Any questions please call Katie at the parish center, 315-331-6753.



There's a new store in town!!
Angel's Attic at 604 South Main Street
You can find donated treasures of jewelry, household items, games and more!
All proceeds support the **Laurel House Comfort Care home.**
Come see what's new on Thurs/Fri/Sat from 10am-4pm
****Donations always appreciated****

Wayne County Public Health is working on planning points of distribution sites for when the COVID vaccine is pushed out to the health department and opened up to more groups. They are looking for people who are either medical or non-medical to assist with clinics (medical would be vaccinators/medical evaluators, non-medical would be flow monitors, registration, runner, security, janitor duties). If anyone would be interested in this, please call or email Christine Bilynski, WCPH Emergency Planner, to register as a volunteer. Christine's contact information, 315-946-5679 and email is CBilynski@co.wayne.ny.us Thank you.



Please help the church sparkle and shine for Easter! Volunteers will be cleaning the church, Saturday, March 27th, from 9 am until 12 pm. Please come join them. Many hands make light work.

Doing some Spring cleanup around the house? Our rummage sale is just around the corner. Please drop off your old treasures at the church. Marking for our Spring Rummage sale starts April 12th. The sale begins Tuesday, April 20th. Volunteers are always welcome.



WHY DO WE DO THAT?
Catholic Life Explained:

Question:

What is spiritual communion, and do you need to be in a state of grace to receive it?

Answer:

The practice of making a "spiritual communion" dates back several centuries and St. Thomas Aquinas described it as "an ardent desire to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacrament and a loving embrace as though we had already received Him." Traditionally, a prayer of spiritual communion has been used by those who are unable to receive sacramental communion because of health, inability to attend Mass, or who cannot receive communion because of grave sin. This practice has been encouraged by many saints and spiritual writers and most recently Pope Francis encouraged the practice when the realities of the COVID-19 pandemic prevented so many Catholics from taking part in the Mass or receiving sacramental communion.

Although the graces offered in spiritual communion are not the same as those offered in the sacramental communion of the Mass, this practice is still a powerful opportunity to express our desire for union with the Lord and to be united with Christ and the Church, even in an imperfect way.



The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed on the first Sunday of every month at 3 pm in St. John the Evangelist Church, 114 Soodus St., Clyde, NY. Exposition and Adoration will be before The Chaplet at 2 pm followed by Benediction at 2:45 pm. Let us come together to pray to Our Lord that He would bless us with His gracious Mercy and help us to bring mercy and peace to the world.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT

AT 6:00 PM

FIFTH WEEK OF LENT

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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2020/2021 YEAR

The beginning of our Religious Education program will be delayed until further notice.

We will have our Sacramental Preparation Program for any child who is of age to make their First Communion.

Family Ministry

Gospel Reading John 12:20-33

Jesus teaches his disciples about the way in which he will be glorified by God, and a voice from heaven is heard to affirm this teaching.

Family life is often a balancing act in which we prioritize and attend to a variety of competing needs. We learn the value of putting others' needs ahead of our own. In family life we also learn that when we make personal sacrifices to serve others, we gain so much more than we may have lost.

As you gather as a family, talk about how important it is to your family life to gladly serve one another. Ask each person to consider the last time that another family member asked for help. What was your response? Did you cheerfully try to honor the request, or did you ask "Why me?" Read today's Gospel, John 12:20-33. How do you think Jesus would want us to respond when someone in our family asks for help? Invite each family member to make a commitment for the next week to try to respond cheerfully to requests for help. Pray together, asking God's help with this commitment. Pray the Prayer of Saint Ignatius of Loyola.

St. Ignatius of Loyola

*Dearest Lord, teach me to be
generous; teach to serve You as
You deserve: to give, and not count
the cost; to fight, and not to heed
the wounds; to toil, and not to ask for
reward, except that knowing that
I am doing Your Will.*



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Cluster Mass Schedule

St. Joseph the Worker (St. Michael Lyons, St. Patrick Savannah & St. John the Evangelist, Clyde) & **Blessed Trinity** (St. Thomas Red Creek, Winter, St. Jude Fair Haven, Summer & St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott)

Weekend Schedule

4:00 pm ~ Saturday St. Michael Lyons
4:30 pm ~ Saturday St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott
8:30 am ~ Sunday St. Thomas Red Creek (winter)
8:30 am ~ Sunday St. Jude Fair Haven (summer)
10:30 am ~ Sunday St. John the Evangelist Clyde
4:00 pm ~ Sunday St. Patrick's, Savannah

Daily Mass Schedule

8:30 am ~ Monday St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott
8:30 am ~ Tuesday St. John the Evangelist Clyde
6:00 pm ~ Wednesday St. John the Evangelist, Clyde
8:30 am ~ Thursday St. John the Evangelist Clyde
8:30 am ~ Friday St. Michael Lyons
8:30 am ~ Friday St. Mary Magdalene Wolcott

Confessions

3:30-4:15 pm ~ Saturday St. Mary Magdalene, Wolcott
3:15-3:45 pm ~ Saturday St. Michael, Lyons
7:00-7:50 am ~ Sunday St. Jude, Fair Haven (Summer)
5:20-5:50 pm ~ Wednesday, St. John the Evangelist, Clyde

St. Joseph the Worker

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Facebook page: St. Joseph the Worker Parish, Wayne County, New York

The Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

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Facebook page: Catholic Community of the Blessed Trinity

BIBLE STUDY IS RESUMING

We will be studying the Bible at St. Joseph the Worker parish once again! It will be held on the last Wednesday of each month beginning this month (March). Study will take place at 2:00 pm at the offices. We will maintain a safe environment for those in attendance. We hope to see you there!



Cluster Stations of the Cross during Lent Schedule

Wednesday, 7 pm St. John, Clyde
Friday, 3 pm St. Michael, Lyons

CLUSTER HOLY WEEK MASSES AND SERVICES

Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper, April 1

7:00 pm ~ St. John, Clyde

Good Friday Passion Service, April 2

12:00 Pm ~ St. Mary Magdalene, Wolcott
3:00 Pm ~ St. John, Clyde
6:00 Pm ~ St. Michael, Lyons

Easter Vigil, April 3

8:00 pm ~ St. John, Clyde

Easter Sunday, April 4

8:00 am ~ St. Thomas, Red Creek
9:00 am St. Michael, Lyons
10:30 am ~ St. John, Clyde
12:30 pm ~ St. Mary Magdalene, Wolcott
4:00 pm ~ St. Patrick, Savannah



To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under heaven

"... a time to be born..."

"...a time to love..."

"... a time to be healed..."

Please pray for the sick of our Parish.

Steven Sapp, Leigh Ann Henry, Nate Barnes, Claire Childs, Kim Zielinski, Michael Kowaleski, Gretchen Switzer Bouwens, Mary Santoro, Cathy Wilhelm, David Murphy, Darlene Fletcher, Marie Wemesfelder, ET Trunick, Donald Pieters, Marcia Palermo, Jerry Sielawa, Georgette Eagley, Mary Gilligan, Fran DeVelder, Mary Talbo, Ann Straight, Ivana Ernst, Gloria Viola, Michael George, Ada Lasken, Phillip Juliano, Sr. & Pearl Johnson

And please pray for our Parish friends. *Scott Weber, Richard Schweitz, Jr., Bonnie Crane, Tracy Diaz-Cruz, Barb Gallant, Ann Maliborski, Sherry Caughell, Tom DeYoung & Michael Bauer, Jr*

"... a time to die..."

Peter Calviera

"... and a time for peace."

In our world and for all people, military and civilian, who are in the midst of war. ***Ecclesiastes 3:11***

FOOD CLOSET ITEMS ARE STILL NEEDED.

The Newark Food Closet is still accepting donations of non-perishable food items. A few suggestions are found below.

Canned vegetables and fruit, Peanut butter and jams

Pasta and sauce, cereal, etc.

Please leave in the gathering space. Thank you for your generosity.

You can still get a
St. Michael Beanie Hat.
at the parish center. **Only \$15 a hat.**
You will be nice and warm in your hat,
but still looking COOL !

The Newark Food Closet at 301 E. Miller St., Newark, is open Monday-Friday from 10 till noon.
