



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

Feast of the Holy Family
December 28, 2025



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturdays:	St. Michael the Archangel	4:00pm
	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

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION

St. Michael the Archangel Exposition, 11:30 am Tuesdays

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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

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY DECEMBER 28



SOLMNTY OF MARY - MOTHER OF GOD JANUARY 1ST



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- ANN KOWALCZYK, Trustee (SM)
- KATHY ROSENBAUM, Trustee (SM)

<p>PARISH CALENDARS Monday, December 29 NO Mass (SM) OFFICES CLOSED (SJ & SM) 9:00 am Money Counting—Teams 3 & 4 (SM) 9:00 am outdoor track at LSI (SM & SJ)</p> <p>Tuesday, December 30 NO Exposition of the (SM) Blessed Sacrament NO Mass (SM) OFFICES CLOSED (SJ & SM)</p> <p>Wednesday, December 31</p> <p>OFFICES CLOSED (SJ & SM) No 8:00am Mass at SJ</p> <p>SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD 12/31/25 -- 4:00pm Mass (SM)</p> <p>Thursday, January 1-NEW YEAR'S DAY NO 12:10pm MASS AT SM OFFICES CLOSED (SM & SJ)</p>	<p>SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD 01/01/26 - 10:00 am Mass (SJ) 9:00 am Outdoor track at LSI (SM & SJ)</p> <p>Friday, January 2 OFFICES CLOSED (SM & SJ)</p> <p>Saturday, January 3 4:00pm Mass (SM) & (SJ) 3:00pm-3:40pm Reconciliation (SJ)</p> <p>Men's Club in Gathering Area accepting reservations for the Chili's luncheon.</p> <p>Sunday, January 4 8:30 am Mass (SM) 10:00 am Mass (SJ) Faith Formation: K-10 8:30am Family Mass 9:30am Recap after Mass 12:30pm BIBLE STUDY BEGINS (Annex)</p> <p>Men's Club in Gathering Area accepting reservations for the Chili's luncheon.</p>	<p>Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God December 31: St. Michael, 4 PM January 1: St. Jude, 10 AM</p> <p>Please note: there will be no 12:10 pm Mass at St. Michael's on December 29, 30th or January 1st to allow Father and the staff some much deserved time off. Above lists the Masses for The Solemnity of Mary.</p>
<p>St. Michael the Archangel</p>	<p>MASS INTENTIONS</p>	<p>St. Jude the Apostle</p>
<p><u>Saturday, 12/27/2025-4:00pm-St. Michael</u> Alphonse Warakomski, Jr., Brother, Dave Catherine Halakan, The Pyskadlo Family Joseph Parisi, Teresa & Regan Murphy George Durivage, Gary & Peggy Krill Vi Halayko, Her Children</p> <p><u>Sunday, 12/28/2025-8:30am-St. Michael</u> For all in our hospitals, nursing homes and rehabilitation centers that God may comfort and strengthen them, and fill their days with hope.</p> <p><u>Monday, 12/29/25-NO MASS-St. Michael</u> NO MASS</p> <p><u>Tuesday, 12/30/2025- NO MASS-St. Michael</u> NO MASS</p> <p><u>Wednesday, 12/31/2025-St. Michael</u> SOLEMNITY OF MARY-MOTHER OF GOD 4:00pm MASS (SM) For the intentions of parishioners and friends of St. Michael the Archangel and St. Jude the Apostle Catholic Community.</p>	<p><u>Thursday, 01/01/26- NO MASS-St. Michael</u> SOLEMNITY OF MARY-MOTHER OF GOD 10:00am MASS - at St. Jude's</p> <p><u>Saturday, 01/03/2026-4:00pm</u> Carmella Casale (Anniversary), Son, Nicholas Casale Catherine Halakan, The Paul Burek Family Lynda Ballard, Riley Barker</p> <p><u>Sunday, 01/04/2025-8:30am-St. Michael</u> Sally Durivage, Mr. & Mrs. John Filuta</p> <p><u>Sanctuary Lamp (Church)</u> WORLD PEACE</p> <p><u>Sanctuary Lamp (Chapel)</u> Those mourning the loss of a loved one.</p> <p><u>Sunday, 01/04/2026 — 10:00 am - St. Jude</u> Ed Carey, Elaine & Bill Cronin Francis J. Giuliano, His Grandchildren</p> <p><u>Sanctuary Lamp:</u> For all those discerning religious vocations.</p>	<p><u>Saturday, 12/27/2025— 4:00pm-St. Jude</u> Marion Kalbus, Sue & Mike Langevin Harold Jacobs, Mary Jacobs Mary McDade, Mary Jacobs Christopher Tenzyk, Mom & Dad</p> <p><u>Sunday, 12/28/2025 — 10:00 am - St. Jude</u> John & Frances Perkinson, Children John Greaves, The Wiesnet Family Jason Cupp, Pat Miorin Patricia H. VanVleck, Joe & Marie Kruczlnicki</p> <p><u>Wednesday, 12/31/2025-St. Jude</u> NO 8:00am MASS at (SJ) SOLEMNITY OF MARY-MOTHER OF GOD 4:00pm (SM)</p> <p><u>Thursday, 01/01/2026-10:00am-St. Jude</u> SOLEMNITY OF MARY-MOTHER OF GOD For the intentions of parishioners and friends of St. Jude the Apostle and St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Community.</p> <p><u>Saturday, 01/03/2026— 4:00pm-St. Jude</u> Christoper Mahoney, The Family Stephen Mahoney, The Family Jason Cupp, John & Maureen Royers Mary Ann Grace, Eileen Reilly Burton</p>

SACRAMENTS

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



MARRIAGE, ANOINTING OF THE SICK AND PASTORAL CARE:
 Please call the office: 518.283.6110



RECONCILIATION/CONFESSION:
 Saturday 3:00-3:40pm
 December at St. Michael's
 January at St. Jude's
 Or arranged by calling the Parish Office.



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

There will be no classes this weekend. Our next gathering will be Family Mass on Sunday, January 4th at 8:30 am.

As we enter January, we will begin the Immediate Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation. We will have 21 children learning about the Sacrament of First Communion, and 23 young adults preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

In addition, we have just begun an OCIA class for 6 adults. These candidates will prepare throughout the winter, and become full members of the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass on April 4th.

Happy New Year to all of our families and parishioners. May you be blessed with good health, happiness and peace in 2026!

****PLEASE NOTE****

**DUE TO THE SCHEDULE OF THE COMPANY THAT PRINTS
OUR BULLETIN,
THERE WILL BE NO JANUARY 4TH BULLETIN.**

St. Jude & St. Michael Team Update

Tracey Penk-Masucci will be joining our team in January as a joint parish staff member for both St. Michael's and St. Jude's as our new bulletin editor.

Kathy, who has worked tirelessly on the bulletin, week after week, will now be able to focus her time on the many other things that keep the office running. Kathy's dedication, professionalism, and care are unmatched. Kathy will continue to be the face, voice, and heartbeat of the office, and will continue to offer support to all!

CHRISTMAS CAROLING AT VAN RENSSELAER MANOR

28 parishioners, young adults and children participated in the first annual Christmas Caroling Event at Van Rensselaer Manor on Sunday, December 14. What a delight to see all the smiles and applause we received from the Residents.



**BISHOP MARK O'CONNELL
COMING TO
ST. JUDE'S AND ST. MICHAEL'S
TO CELEBRATE MASS !**

SAVE THE DATE!

**BISHOP MARK IS COMING TO VISIT AND
CELEBRATE MASS AT ST. JUDE'S AND
ST. MICHAEL'S ON:**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 10TH, 4:00 pm MASS AT
ST. JUDE'S**

AND

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 17TH, 4:00 pm MASS AT
ST. MICHAEL'S**

**PLEASE JOIN US AS BISHOP MARK
CELEBRATES MASS AND VISITS WITH OUR
PARISH COMMUNITY.**

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS



The winner of WG Christmas Basket fundraiser was Marie Raymond! Thank you to all who participated. We raised approximately \$350 for our donations to non-for-profit charities. Bless you all!

CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE UPDATE

Thank you parishioners for your amazing support of our Christmas Giving Tree! More than 200 gifts from parishioners, another two dozen from Heim Auto, and cash donations of \$450 the total value was nearly \$6000!!

You've helped make Christmas for so many children in the cities of Troy and Rensselaer. We are grateful for all who contributed, for our delivery team, for Heim Auto, for Barry Willard for setting up the tree and moving gifts to closets, and the office staff for safely securing the many gift cards and cash donations. Many, many children will be delighted with Christmas this year! Blessings in the New Year to All!



MEN'S CLUB NEWS



The Men's Club will kick off the New Year with a luncheon at Chili's (101 Van Rensselaer Square, Rensselaer, NY) on January 7 at 12:30. All Men's Club members are welcomed to attend. Attendees will receive free soft drinks and 10% off of their order. Please sign up in the gathering area and start the New Year off with a fun get-together.

Our first meeting of the New Year is
Monday, January 5th
Please join us -- 6:00 pm pizza; 6:30pm meeting

Thanksgiving Dinners Thank You!

Both the staff and teachers at Carroll Hill School welcomed us delivering 64 complete Thanksgiving meals for their families which were donated by St. Michaels' families. We thank God for all our blessings and for the opportunity to serve our neighbors.

(Apologies for the oversight of not including this in the bulletin.)

2025 TAX LETTERS

We will automatically be preparing letters for those people that received the letter last year. If you didn't receive a letter last year, but would like a letter providing information on your 2025 contributions to St. Michael's, please email Maureen Fogarty at mfogarty@ccrcda.org or call 518-283-6110, ext. 206 and leave a message by January 17. Thank you!

ST. MICHAEL'S DIOCESAN APPEAL 2025-2026

Many people benefit from your gift to the Diocesan Appeal. These include: individuals who are poor, homeless, living at the margins of society; senior citizens needing care, companionship, love, and dignity; young people in parish faith formation programs and Catholic schools; young single mothers who need help raising their children and finding work; and men and women called to vocation in the priesthood and consecrated life.

As of December 15 the information posted by the Diocesan Stewardship Office follows:

Number of gifts: 40

Diocesan Assessment: \$46,007

Amount Raised: \$16,986

Thank you to all who have contributed.

It's easy to donate to St. Michael the Archangel by simply scanning the QR code to support St. Michael's securely and conveniently. Every donation, big or small, helps and is greatly appreciated. We are grateful for your continued generosity and support!



ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY



212 Hats, Mittens and Gloves were donated by our Rosary Altar Society for St. Joseph's Center this year.

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU !

MANY thanks to all who donated to our Annual Vanderheyden Collection! We received 8 toys, 42 Personal Care items, 30 candy/snack items, 24 Gingerbread Houses, 2 hats, 3 Gloves, 1 Jacket, 1 sweat jacket and pants, 19 Cosmetic Items and \$585 in Gift Cards!



It's that time of year again when we start deciding what resolutions we need for the upcoming year. Many people have great intentions, but do they hold onto these resolutions longer than a week or two? It is healthy to reflect, and look at what things in our lives would be beneficial to change. Be realistic, achieving small goals is more rewarding than setting larger goals that you know you can't meet!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Bottle Drive: Please donate your empty bottles to KOC by bringing them to the 6 Cent Redemption Center on Main Ave, Wynantskill. This is an important fundraiser for the annual Coats for Kids project. Just drop off your bottles and say they are for St Jude's Knight of Columbus and they do the rest. Thank you!!

New Members Welcome : The Knights of Columbus is the world's largest Catholic Men's organization. Our local chapter meets the first Monday of each month at the St Jude's Parish office. We serve our community through the annual Coats for Kids project, Whiteview Rd Litter patrol, Bibles for Baptisms, Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest and many other ways. New Members are welcome. Please email sjc.koc@gmail.com for more info.



THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who donated the beautiful poinsettias for our church this Christmas season. As you will attest, they added beauty to our church and helped us celebrate the joy of Christ's birth. We are deeply grateful.



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End of Year

Are you thinking about tax planning as December 31st approaches?

Are you thinking about making a tax free gift of an appreciated stock or security? Are you considering how to direct a Required Minimum Distribution from your IRA or a Qualified Charitable Donation from your 401 (k)?

If you have any questions, please call Nancy Bielawa (Director of Stewardship for the Diocese) at her cellphone, 518-577-3762. Nancy can answer your questions and help you direct your gift to St. Michael's Church, St. Jude's Church or School, or to the Diocesan Appeal.