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What is an Active Parishioner?

An Active Parishioner is one who attends mass faithfully and has generously answered the call to stewardship. The obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is not merely a matter of parish policy. Divine Law sets forth this expectation in the Third of the Ten Commandments: "Remember, keep holy the Lord's Day".

Being an active parishioner has advantages, recognition, and responsibilities of many kinds. Being a registered parishioner makes things much easier when it is time for infant baptism, school registration, parishioner tuition rates, "supporting parish" tuition rate for Wheeling Central Catholic High School, weddings, when asked to be a baptismal godparent or confirmation sponsor, and even funerals. We are often asked to provide letters of eligibility for baptismal godparents or Confirmation sponsors. We can only do that if a person is a **registered, active, and contributing** member in our parish.

How do you know if you are registered? Look at the address label on this newsletter. If you see a number that begins with "C" on the first line, then you have updated your information with our Parish Office in our recent census. If you do not see that number, you can call the parish office and speak to Donna (304.242.1560 Ext. 9) and easily take care of this. Active members attend mass faithfully and use their church envelopes – empty or full – to provide a record of Mass attendance. Active members participate through the giving of their time, talent, and treasure in ways that they are able. They don't ask, "Do I have to do this?" They ask, "What can I do?"



*Welcome
Father Mike Cecias,
new priest in our Diocese and
our new Associate Pastor!
We are happy to have you as
part of our community! We
hope that you enjoy your time
at St. Michael's!*

New Youth Programming

We thank Jen Carter for her dedicated service to our parish as Youth Director and for initiating the Life Teen program in our area. Now we are adding more exciting innovations in programming for the youth of our parish. We welcome Tammy Miller, the Director of our **Junior Youth Group**. This new group would be an opportunity for students in grades 5-8 to come together for service to the parish and greater community, as well as planning some fun activities! Utilizing the Chambers Youth Room of the Angelus Center as their "headquarters" the group will be planning their opportunities to answer the call, at their level, to stewardship in our church. Dawn Dean is very excited about her new role as Director of our parish **High School Youth Group**. Involving the high school students in the life of the church, these young people will have the opportunity to experience the joy that comes from living their faith in the world. In addition, the Life Teen program offers them the opportunity to join with their peers from St. Vincent dePaul, Our Lady of Peace, and Corpus Christi parishes for activities. Our parish programming for young people at two levels will allow a strong youth ministry to begin in the lower grades and continue the spiritual formation of those who are confirmed in their faith. Tammy and Dawn promise to serve our youth with energy, love and devotion on this new journey. Our young people need their Catholic faith now more than ever. Keep your eye on the weekly bulletin and the parish website for kick-off events in August!

New Angelus Center Addition

Through the generosity of one of our parishioners, a statue of a guardian angel has made its way to the lobby area of the Angelus Center. This marble statue was formerly housed at Mt. de Chantal Visitation Academy and is now watching over the children of our parish. We thank the Sisters of the Visitation who took such good care not only of the statue, but of the young women of our community through their example and educational endeavors.



Attention All Women

The Confraternity of Christian Mothers invites physical and spiritual moms to come join our sisterhood. Among many endeavors to support our Christian community, we will be aiding young mothers along their path to raise their children in the love of Jesus through our Catholic faith. We offer support through words, deed, and prayers to them as well as to one another and our parish. New officers for the Christian Mothers are:

President : Peggy Krall
Vice-President: Theresa Fultz
Secretary: Nancy Ellen O'Leary
Treasurer: Nancy Conti



Mark Your Calendars

July 2010

9-11 Parish Festival
11, 25 Life Teen (Corpus Christi)
25 Sunday Social
28 Pastoral Council

August 2010

4 CCHS Book Sale
8,22 Life Teen (Corpus Christi)
8 Holy Name Mass/Meeting
17,18 SMPS Teacher Inservice
19 SMPS Open House
20 SMPS Covenant Para-liturgy
23 SMPS First Day of School
24 SMPS Open House, TK/K
25 Choir practice resumes
25 Pastoral Council
29 Sunday Social

September 2010

1,15 Christian Mothers
5,19 Life Teen (St. Vincent dePaul)
6 SMPS/Parish Offices closed
7 SMPS Open House, Jr. High
12 Parish Picnic, Sonneborn Shelter
19,26 PSR
15 SMPS Open House, Gr. 1-6
20 Novena to St. Michael begins
26 Philippine Fiesta @ St. Mikes
28 RCIA begins
29 Feast of St. Michael
29 Pastoral Council

October 2010

3, 17 Life Teen (St. Vincent dePaul)
3,10,17,24,31 PSR classes
4 Blessing of Animals
5,12,19,26 RCIA sessions
6,20 Christian Mothers
10 Holy Name Mass/Meeting
10 Family Pasta Night
11 First Penance Parent Meeting
27 Pastoral Council
31 Sunday Social

November 2010

3,17 Christian Mothers
6 Ladies Wine/Cheese Event
7,14,21 PSR classes
7,21 Life Teen (St. Vincent dePaul)
9,15,23,30 RCIA sessions
11 Veterans' Day Prayer Service
14 Stewardship Sunday
14 Holy Name Mass/Meeting
16 First Penance
20 Church Cleaning
24 SMPS/Parish Offices close 12noon
25,26 SMPS/Parish Offices remain
closed for the holiday
27 Church decorating
28 Sunday Social

December 2010

1 Pastoral Council
1,15 Christian Mothers
4 Confirmation 4:30pm
5 Craft Fair
5,12,19 PSR classes
5,19 Life Teen (St. Vincent dePaul)
7,14,21 RCIA sessions
8 Immaculate Conception
13 Communal Penance Service
20 SMPS 12n dismissal
21-Jan 2 SMPS closed
22 Christmas Church decorating
24-30 Parish Offices closed
24 Christmas Eve masses
4p, 7p, 10p
25 Christmas Day masses
9am, 11am
26 Sunday masses
7:30, 9, 11, 12:30

January 2011

1 Mass at 7p Dec. 31; 9am Jan.1
3 SMPS classes resume
4,11,18,25 RCIA sessions
5,19 Christian Mothers
9 Holy Name Mass/Meeting
9,16,30 PSR classes
14 SMPS dismisses at 12noon
16 Life Teen (St. Michael)
17 SMPS closed
22 Skills & Services Auction
23 SMPS Open House
26 Pastoral Council
30 Catholic Schools Week begins
31 Sunday Social

February 2011

1,8,15,22 RCIA sessions
2,16 Christian Mothers
3 Blessing of Throats
6 Life Teen (St. Michael)
6,13,27 PSR classes
7,8 SMPS Science Fair
13 Holy Name Mass/Meeting
18 SMPS dismisses at 12noon
20 Life Teen (St. Michael)
23 Pastoral Council
25 SMPS Mardi Gras Celebration
27 Sunday Social

March 2011

1,8,15,29 RCIA sessions
2,16 Christian Mothers
6 Life Teen (St. Michael)
6,13,20,27 PSR classes
9 Ash Wed masses
7:30, 8:45, 12n, 7p
9,11,18,25 Fish Fry
11,18,25 Stations of the Cross 2:15&7pm

March 2011

12 Irish Evening
13 Holy Name Mass/Meeting
19-24 **PARISH MISSION**
27 Sunday Social
30 Pastoral Council

April 2011

1,8,15 Stations of the Cross 7p
1,15 Stations of the Cross 2:15
1,8,15,22 Fish Fry
3,10 PSR classes
3,17 Life Teen (St. Michael)
5,12 RCIA sessions
6 Christian Mothers
10 Holy Name Mass/Meeting
12 First Communion Parent Mtng
17 Palm Sunday
17 Glory Garden
19 SMPS dismisses at 12noon
20 Tenebrae
21 Holy Thursday Mass 7pm
22 Stations of the Cross 3pm
22 Good Friday services 7pm
23 Easter Vigil /Reception
24 Easter Sunday
25 SMPS/Parish Offices closed
27 Pastoral Council
30 Night at the Races

May 2011

1 PSR class
4,18 Christian Mothers
7 First Communion 12noon
8 May Crowning
15 Life Teen (St. Michael)
17,18,19 Priests' Convocation
25 Pastoral Council
30 Mass at 9am only
31 SMPS/Parish Offices closed

June 2011

1 SMPS Graduations (K & 8)
3 SMPS Last day of school
4 Ordination
5 Life Teen (St. Michael)
26 Sunday Social

Of course, there will be deletions, corrections and additions to this list of events. But, isn't it great to have a starting point! Look forward to additional events scheduled by parish groups including our Bereavement Group, Youth Groups and Adult Study Groups! Keep up with all of the parish news by reading the bulletin each weekend. The bulletin is available online if you happen to be out of town. Just check

www.stmikesparish.org.



St. Michael Parish
1225 National Road
Wheeling, WV 26003

Return Service Requested

St. Michael Parish Picnic
Sunday, September 12, 2010 1-6 PM
Sonneborn Shelter

Top of Wheeling Park near the Soccer Fields



1 PM Mass will be celebrated at the Shelter
12:30 Mass will not be celebrated in the church that day.

Picnic Festivities will begin following Mass.
Watch the church bulletin and website for details.



Everyone is welcome!
Come & share a meal and the afternoon
with your neighbors and fellow parishioners!
Watch for details in the bulletin and on our website.

RSVP slips will be in the pews in August,
or contact the Parish Office.