Saint Michael THE Archangel

CATHOLIC CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026
25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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SUNDAY MASS
Sunday…….9:00 am

Beloved Disciple –Grove City
Saturday 4:30 pm, Sunday 11:00am

CONFESSION
Before Sunday Mass
8:00 am—8:40 am

BAPTISMS
Call office to schedule the baptism and formation class.

MARRIAGES
Arrangements must be made six months in advance of the date of the wedding.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS
Announcements need to be written and submitted to the office by Monday at noon.

Email to: info@stmichaelrcchurch.org

VISION STATEMENT

As a faith community we believe and profess that "God so loved the world that he gave us his only son" (Jn.3:16) God invites us to be one with the Trinity.

In response to the divine invitation the parish of St. Michael the Archangel gives praise, thanks, and obeys the word spoken by "the word made flesh".

- **"Do this in memory of me" (Lk. 22:19)**

We celebrate the sacraments to encounter the Lord Jesus, especially the Eucharist, in which many become one and become increasingly the Body of Christ in this world.

- **"Go teach all nations and baptize them...." (Mt. 28:19)**

We commit ourselves to live the gospel. In doing so we proclaim, teach, and model a way of life for all in this rural community.

- **"Love one another as I have loved you" (Jn.13:34)**

Convinced of the beauty and dignity of the human family, we minister to the needs of both our faith community and the wider community.

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL BELOVED DISCIPLE PARISH STAFF

Pastor
Very Rev. V. David Foradori, E.V.
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If you would like to request the lamp for someone, please fill out an envelope found in the back of the church or contact the office at 724-867-2422

SANCTUARY LAMP MEMORIAL

Sept 20-26, 2026

For Those Who Are Lonely

MASS SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, September 20 - 9:00 am	For: Brenda Kapp Req by: George Zacherl
SUNDAY, September 27 - 9:00 am	For: Jim Marron Req by: Whitehill Girls

MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

Date/Time	Lector	Altar Servers	Eucharistic Ministers
Sun, September 20 9:00 am	H. Graham	J. Carr W. Bernard	W. Schutzman K. Tinker A. Campesino T. Gillen
Sun, September 27 9:00 am	C. Hespenheide	C. Bernard	H. Graham D. Haas F. Hespenheide A. Kaufman

FINANCIAL

Offertory

Week of Offertory	Offertory Collected	Actual Fiscal year to date
9/13/2026	$1,793	$27,834

2026 Catholic Services Appeal

Week of Collection	Actual collected	Total collected To date
9/13/2026	$0	$ 12,898
Total Pledged in 2026 CSA $ 13,258		

PARISH NEWS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.

50 / 50 Raffle

The Knights of Columbus Emlenton Council 4602 will be selling 50/50 raffle tickets throughout the summer after each mass. Next raffle drawing will be August 23.

$1 each or 10 for $5

Pray For...

Madeline Stewart	Rosie Hartzell	Patricia Parkinson
Brad Louise	Eileen Labens	Lynn Noah
Rob Haas	Eric Zacherl	Beulah Groner
Karen Salusky	Judy Grieff	John Kerle
Pat Cannan	George Cole	Janet Greenawalt
Gary Zychowski	Anne Weiss	Jim Stockman

THIS MONTH'S MEETINGS:

Knights of Columbus - Sunday Sept 27 after the 9:00 am mass.

Altar Rosary - Wed. October 21 at 6:00 pm.

Mark Your Calendars:

The Altar Rosary will be sponsoring a Chicken and Biscuit Dinner on Saturday September 26 from 4:00-6:30 pm in the social hall.

Menu will include: Chicken & Biscuits
Apple Sauce
Dessert
Drink

Price: adults $15
Children 5-12 $7.50

Take outs will be available.

CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

Thank You To our Catechists:

Gina Barris **Connie Miller**
Randi Carr **Nadine Kriley**
Jennifer Pollock **Jacque Maihle**
Jaxon Carr teachers aide

Tanya Carr - Coordinator

You're Invited!
Beloved Disciple Parish Picnic

Date: September 27th, 2026, 1:00PM

Location: Knights of Columbus Hall
(found adjacent to Beloved Disciple Catholic Church)

Hamburgers and hotdogs will be provided.
Please bring a dish to share as follows:
Last names **A-F: Salads and Slaw**
Last names **G-M: Starches**
Last names **N-S: Vegetables**
Last names **T-Z: Desserts**

Faith Formation

Next Day of Class for students is Sunday September 27.

Readings for the week of September 20, 2026

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

Observances for the week of September 20, 2026

Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

Monday: St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist; National Migration Week

Tuesday:

Wednesday: St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Thursday:

Friday:

Saturday: Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Marriage Moment

Happiness: Laugh together this week. Watch a funny TV program or movie, tell each other a silly joke, play a practical joke that won't backfire, go to a comedy club, or just reminisce about the crazy things you've done during your life together. Laughing heals and bonds.

A Family Perspective

Today, Jesus asks us, "Why are you idle? Go into my vineyard." Our family is the vineyard entrusted to us, as mentioned in today's gospel. Successful families are built by "laborers" who actively work on their relationships, not by spectators who merely watch from a distance.

To me life is Christ, and death is gain. (Phil 1:21) When he wrote these words, Paul wasn't just creating a catchy slogan for the Christian life. He was sharing his deepest conviction—how he was torn between the prospect of being united with Jesus in heaven and continuing to fulfill the mission God had called him to during his earthly lifetime. His heart and mind were so united to Jesus that he was consumed by these two seemingly conflicting desires: "to depart this life and be with Christ" or to "remain in the flesh" (Philippians 1:23, 24).

Most of us would probably rather not think of death. Perhaps it makes us recall the loved ones whom we miss. Or maybe thinking about our own death makes us consider how we will be separated from our friends and children, or from the purpose and satisfaction we feel in serving the Lord in our parish or in our community. In either case, death certainly doesn't seem like a real "gain."

So what can we learn from St. Paul's perspective? First, heaven is something that we can wholeheartedly look forward to. While we may initially think of all that we might lose when we pass away, the truth is that we can expect to experience far more joy and satisfaction in eternity than we ever could in our earthly lives.

Second, we can experience a foretaste of the joy that awaits us in heaven right here and now. We can be so consumed with Christ that we say, with Paul, "To me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). How can we be consumed with Christ? Like Paul, we can spend our lives in "fruitful labor," serving others and pointing to Jesus in all we do (1:22). As Paul delighted in seeing people grow in their faith, so, too, can we find joy in seeing our lives draw others closer to Jesus, even as we await the fullness of life in heaven.

"Lord, open my eyes to the beauty of this life, today and in eternity."