

Saint Michael the Archangel Church

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External Solemnity of the Sacred Heart

June 5, 2016

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Mass Intentions

Sun. June 5th	
8:00 a.m.	Third Sunday after Pentecost Stephen LaFata - <i>His Parents</i>
10:15 a.m.	External Solemnity of the Sacred Heart, <i>II Class</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>
Mon. June 6th	St. Norbert, <i>Bishop & Confessor, III Class</i>
7:45 a.m.	† Helen Toman - <i>Her Daughter</i>
Tues. June 7th	Feria, <i>IV Class</i>
7:45 a.m.	Anthony Bogorowski - <i>David & Karen Scatena</i>
Wed. June 8th	Votive Mass of St. Joseph, <i>III Class</i>
7:45 a.m.	Waicukauski Family - <i>Anon.</i>
Thu. June 9th	Ss. Primus & Felicianus, <i>Martyrs, IV Class</i>
7:45 a.m.	† Richard Craig - <i>F.O.S.S.</i>
Fri. June 10th	St. Margaret of Scotland, <i>Queen & Widow, I Class</i>
6:00 p.m.	Mr. Eric McWhirter - <i>Vestment Guild</i>
Sat. June 11th	St. Barnabus, <i>Apostle, III Class</i>
9:00 a.m.	Emig Family - <i>Anon.</i>
Sun. June 12th	Fourth Sunday after Pentecost, <i>II Class</i>
8:00 a.m.	Helen Guzek -
10:15 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Low Mass: 8:00 am

High Mass: 10:15 am

Weekdays

Monday-Thursday: 7:45 am

Friday: 6:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am

CONFESSIONS

Monday-Saturday

One half hour before Mass

Sunday: 7:15-7:50

& 9:15-10:05

DEVOTIONS

Exposition-Benediction

Friday 5:00 pm

Saturdays 8:00 am

DAILY ROSARY

Monday-Thursday - After Mass

Friday-Sunday - Before Mass

OFFICE HOURS

Mon-Friday 9 am-4 pm

THURSDAY - CLOSED

Saturday - 10 am-Noon

External Solemnity of the Sacred Heart

INTROIT

Ps. 32, 11, 19

The thoughts of his heart to all generations: to deliver their souls from death and feed them in famine. *Ps. 32, 1.* Rejoice in the Lord, O ye just, praise becometh the upright. *V.* Glory.

COLLECT

O God, Who, in the Heart of thy Son, wounded by our sins, hast deigned mercifully to bestow infinite treasures of love upon us; grant, we beseech Thee, that as we offer him the faithful service of our devotion, we may also make worthy reparation. Through the same.

EPISTLE

Eph. 3, 8-19

Brethren: To me, the least of all the saints, is given this grace, to preach among the gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ; and to enlighten all men, that they may see what is the dispensation of the mystery which hath been hidden from eternity in God, who created all things: that the manifold wisdom of God may be made known to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places through the Church: according to the eternal purpose, which he made in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him. For this cause I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, of whom all paternity in heaven and earth is named; that he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened by his Spirit with might unto the inward man; that Christ may dwell by faith in your hearts; that being rooted and founded in charity, you may be able to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth, and length, and height, and depth: to know also the charity of Christ, which surpasseth all understanding, that you may be filled unto all the fullness of God.

GRADUAL

Ps. 24, 8-9

The Lord is sweet and righteous, therefore he will give a law to sinners in the way. *V.* He will guide the mild in judgment, he will teach the meek his ways.

ALLELUIA

Matt. 11, 29

Alleluia, alleluia. Take up my yoke upon you and learn of me, because I am meek and humble of heart, and you shall find rest to your souls. *Alleluia.*

GOSPEL

John 19, 31-37

At that time, the Jews (because it was the Parasceve) that the bodies might not remain upon the cross on the

Sabbath-day (for that was a great Sabbath-day) besought Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. The soldiers therefore came, and they broke the legs of the first, and of the other that was crucified with him. But after they were come to Jesus, when they saw that he was already dead, they did not break his legs, but one of the soldiers with a spear opened his side, and immediately there came out blood and water. And he that saw it hath given testimony; and his testimony is true. And he knoweth that he saith true, that you also may believe. For these things were done that the Scripture might be fulfilled: You shall not break a bone of him. And again another Scripture saith: They shall look on him whom they pierced.

OFFERTORY

Ps. 68, 21

My heart hath expected reproach and misery, and I looked for one that would grieve together with me and there was none; and I sought one that would console me and I found none.

SECRET

Look, we beseech Thee, O Lord, on the unspeakable charity of the Heart of thy beloved Son: that what we offer up may be in your sight an accepted gift and the expiation of our sins. Through the same.

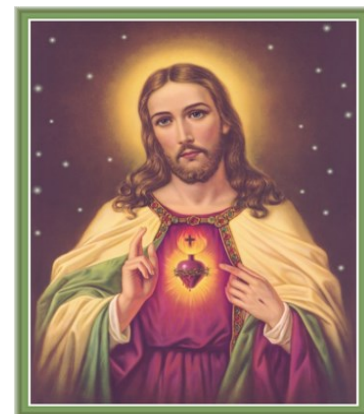
COMMUNION

John 19, 34

One of the soldiers with a spear opened his side, and immediately there came out blood and water.

POSTCOMMUNION

May thy holy mysteries, O Lord Jesus, give us holy fervor; that by it perceiving the sweetness of thy most loving Heart, we may learn to despise earthly things and to love those of heaven. Who livest.



Fr. Gabriel of St. Mary Magdalen

O Jesus, grant that I may penetrate the secrets hidden in Your divine Heart.

After we have contemplated the Eucharist, a gift crowning all the gifts of the love of Jesus for men, the Church invites us to give direct consideration to the love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the source and cause of all His gifts. We may call the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus the feast of His love for us. "Behold this Heart which has so loved men," Jesus said to St. Margaret Mary; "Behold this Heart which has so loved men," the Church repeats to us today, showing us that it is truly "in the Heart of Christ, wounded by our sins, that God has deigned to give us the infinite treasures of His love" (*Collect*). Today's liturgy inspired with this thought, reviews the immense benefits we owe to the love of Christ and sings a hymn in praise of His love. "*Cogitations cordis ejus*," chants the Introit of the Mass: "The thoughts of His Heart" are to all generations: to deliver them from death, to feed them in time of famine. The Heart of Jesus is always in search of souls to save, to free from the snares of sin, to wash in His Blood, to feed with His Body. The Heart of Jesus is always living in the Eucharist to satisfy the hunger of all who long for Him, to welcome and console all those who, disillusioned by the vicissitudes of life, take refuge in Him, seeking peace and refreshment. Jesus Himself is our support on the hard road of life. "Take up My yoke upon you and learn of Me, because I am meek and humble of heart, and you shall find rest for your souls, Alleluia." It is impossible to eliminate sorrow from our life; yet if we live for Jesus we can suffer in peace and find in the Heart of Jesus repose for our weary soul.

Today's Gospel and Epistle lead us to consider the Sacred Heart of Jesus even more directly. The Gospel shows us His Heart pierced with a lance "One of the soldiers opened His side with a spear," and St. Augustine offers this

comment: "The Evangelist says... *opened*, to show us that thereby the door of life was thrown open, through which the Sacraments of the Church flow forth." From the pierced Heart of Christ, symbol of the love which immolated Him on the Cross for us, came forth the Sacraments, represented by the water and the Blood flowing from the wound, and it is through these Sacraments that we receive the life of grace. Yes, it is eminently true to say that the Heart of Jesus was *opened* to bring us into life. Jesus once said, "Narrow is the gate... that leadeth to life"; but if we understand this gate to be the wound in His Heart, we can say that no gate has been opened to us with greater welcome.

St. Paul, in his beautiful Epistle (*Eph 3,8-19*), urges us to penetrate further into the Heart of Jesus to contemplate His "unsearchable riches" and to enter into "the mystery which hath been hidden from eternity in God." This is the mystery of the infinite, divine love which has gone before us from all eternity and was revealed to us by the Word made flesh; it is the mystery of the love which willed to redeem us and sanctify us in Christ "in whom we have... [free] access to God."

Again Jesus presents Himself as the door which leads to salvation. "I am the door. By Me if any man enter in he shall be saved" (*Jn 10,9*). This door is His Heart, which, wounded for us, has brought us into life. By love alone can we penetrate this mystery of infinite love; but not any kind of love will suffice. As St. Paul says, we must "be rooted and founded in charity." Only thus shall we be able "to know... the charity of Christ which surpasseth all knowledge, that [we] may be filled unto all the fullness of God."

WELCOME: St. Michael's wishes to extend a hearty welcome to all visitors.

Juventutem Meeting: On Saturday, June 18, Juventutem will hold its next meeting after the 9:00am Mass. The guest speaker will be Fr. Gregory Pendergraft, FSSP. His talk is titled "Living the Faith in the Modern World." All parishioners, 18 and up, are welcome! For more information, visit our website: www.juventutemscranton.com or call 570-815-1141

"The Knights of Columbus would like to thank all those who so generously contributed to our Vocations fundraising drive this year. A total of \$4200.00 in contributions were collected, far exceeding our goal this year and surpassing last year's total as well. The Knights will apply an additional \$500.00 to the total, and these funds will be divided among our Seminarians to assist them in meeting their expenses. May God reward your generosity!"

ORDINATIONS: FSSP priestly ordinations were on Saturday, May 30th. Please keep the newly ordained priests in your generous prayers. May God reward you.

Fr. Edward Brodsky, FSSP will be with us on the weekend of June 17-19. He will offer the High Mass and give his priestly blessing afterwards.

MEMORIAL FUND: Please consider donating to the "Memorial Fund" which is to help provide vestments and sacred vessels in memory of the faithful departed. Donations may be placed in the Sunday collection basket and marked "Memorial Fund". Thank you.

COLLECTION: May 29th - \$3,508.00

Altar Boy Schedule

**EXTERNAL SOLEMNITY
OF THE SACRED HEART**

June 5
8:00 a.m. Mass

ACI Dominic Gardner
AC2 Jack Gardner

TEAM B

MC Joseph McWhirter
TH Francis LaFata
AC1 John Mitchell
AC2 Stephen LaFata
C Ian McGuirk
S1 Mathias Morris
S2 Brian LaFata

WEEK THREE

Monday Patrick Schneider
7:45 a.m.

Tuesday
7:45 a.m.

Wednesday Dominic Gardner
7:45 a.m. Jack Gardner

Thursday Sean Michelin
7:45 a.m.

**FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

June 12
8:00 a.m. Mass

ACI Colin Chidester
AC2 Patrick Schneider

TEAM C

MC Robert Seeley
TH Patrick Seeley
AC1 Dominic Gardner
AC2 Joseph Seeley
C Jack Gardner
S1 Michael Gardner
S2 Brendan Seeley