

Saint Michael the Archangel Church

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Fourth Sunday after Easter

May 14, 2017

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Mass Intentions

Sun. May 14th	Fourth Sunday after Easter, <i>II Class</i>
8:00 a.m.	Remi Delaplace - <i>His Father</i>
10:15 a.m.	<i>Pro Populo</i>
Mon. May 15th	St. John Baptist de la Salle, <i>Confessor, III Class</i>
7:45 a.m.	† Thomas P. Quinn - <i>Robert S. McHale</i>
Tues. May 16th	St. Ubald, <i>Bishop & Confessor, III Class</i>
7:45 a.m.	† Brian Joseph Craig - <i>His Brother</i>
Wed. May 17th	St. Paschal Baylon, <i>Confessor, III Class</i>
7:45 a.m.	† Robert Ciaruffoli - <i>LaFata Family</i>
Thu. May 18th	St. Venantius, <i>Martyr, III Class</i>
7:45 a.m.	George Staudinger - <i>Mike & Nancy Emig</i>
Fri. May 19th	St. Peter Celestine, <i>Pope & Confessor, III Class</i>
6:00 p.m.	† Mr. Willette - <i>John Wassmer</i>
Sat. May 20th	St. Bernadine of Siena, <i>Confessor, III Class</i>
9:00 a.m.	Jim Gillenkirk - <i>His Family</i>
Sun. May 21st	Fifth Sunday after Easter, <i>II Class</i>
8:00 a.m.	† Rose Marie McGovern - <i>Jack & Trisha McGovern</i>
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 am

& 9:15-10:05 am

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

Fourth Sunday after Easter

INTROIT

Ps. 97:1-2; Ps. 97:1

Sing ye to the Lord a new canticle, alleluia, for the Lord hath done wonderful things, alleluia: He hath revealed His justice in the sight of the Gentiles, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. *Ps.* His right hand, and His holy arm, hath gotten Him salvation. Glory be to the Father ... Sing ye to the Lord ...

COLLECT

O God, Who makest Thy faithful servants to be of one mind and of one heart: teach us, Thy people, that only to love which Thou willest, that only to hope for which Thou promisest; so that amidst the manifold changes of this life, there only may our hearts abide, where alone true joys are found. Through our Lord.

EPISTLE

James 1: 17-21

Dearly beloved, every best gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no change, nor shadow of alteration. For of His own will hath He begotten us by the word of truth, that we might be some beginning of His creatures. You know, my dearest brethren. And let every man be swift to hear, but slow to speak, and slow to anger. For the anger of man worketh not the justice of God. Wherefore, casting away all uncleanness and abundance of naughtiness, with meekness receive the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

ALLELUIA

Ps. 117: 16 Rom. 6: 9

Alleluia, alleluia. {V} The right hand of the Lord hath wrought strength: the right hand of the Lord hath exalted me. Alleluia. {V} Christ, rising again from the dead, dieth now no more; death shall no more have dominion over Him. Alleluia.

GOSPEL

John 16: 5-14

At that time Jesus said to His disciples: I go to Him that sent Me; and none of you asketh Me: Whither goest Thou? But because I have spoken these things to you, sorrow hath filled your heart. But I tell you the truth: it

is expedient to you that I go; for if I go not, the Paraclete will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. And when He is come, He will convince the world of sin, and of justice, and of judgment. Of sin, because they believed not in Me; and of justice, because I go to the Father, and you shall see Me no longer; and of judgment, because the prince of this world is already judged. I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now; but when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will teach you all truth; for He shall not speak of Himself: but what things soever He shall hear, He shall speak, and the things that are to come He shall show you. He shall glorify Me: because He shall receive of Mine, and shall show it to you.

OFFERTORY

Ps. 65: 1-2, 16

Shout with joy to God, all the earth, sing ye a psalm to His Name: come and hear, and I will tell you, all you that fear God, what great things the Lord hath done for my soul, alleluia.

SECRET

O God, Who in this mysterious Sacrifice, callest us to have part in that one and most high Godhead which is Thyself: grant us, we beseech Thee, by worthiness of life, more and more to bear witness to the truth which it has pleased Thee to make known to us. Through our Lord.

COMMUNION

John 16: 8

When the Paraclete shall come, the Spirit of truth, He shall convince the world of sin, and of justice, and of judgment, alleluia, alleluia.

POSTCOMMUNION

Abide with us always, O Lord our God, so that, in virtue of the Sacrament we have received, we may be cleansed from all sin and delivered from all dangers. Through our Lord.

Confession

Part II, Chapter 19

Our Saviour has bequeathed the Sacrament of Penitence and Confession to His Church, in order that therein we may be cleansed from all our sins, however and whenever we may have been soiled thereby. Therefore, my child, never allow your heart to abide heavy with sin, seeing that there is so sure and safe a remedy at hand. If the lioness has been in the neighbourhood of other beasts she hastens to wash away their scent, lest it should be displeasing to her lord; and so the soul which has ever so little consented to sin, ought to abhor itself and make haste to seek purification, out of respect to His Divine Gaze Who beholds it always. Why should we die a spiritual death when there is a sovereign remedy available?

Make your confession humbly and devoutly, and always, if you can, before communicating, even although your conscience is not burdened with mortal sin; for in confession you do not only receive absolution for your venial sins, but you also receive great strength to help you in avoiding them henceforth, clearer light to discover your failings, and abundant grace to make up whatever loss you have incurred through those faults. You exercise the graces of humility, obedience, simplicity and love, and by this one act of confession you practise more virtue than in any other.

Be sure always to entertain a hearty sorrow for the sins you confess, however small they are; as also a steadfast resolution to correct them in future. Some people go on confessing venial sins out of mere habit, and conventionally, without making any effort to correct them, thereby losing a great deal of spiritual good. Supposing that you confess having said something untrue, although without evil consequences, or some careless words, or excessive amusement;-- repent, and make a firm resolution of amendment: it is a mere abuse to confess any sin whatever, be it mortal or venial, without intending to put it altogether away, that being the express object of confession.

Beware of unmeaning self-accusations, made out of a mere routine, such as, "I have not loved God as much as I ought; I have not prayed with as much devotion as I ought; I have not loved my neighbour as I ought; I have not received the Sacraments with sufficient reverence;" and the like. Such things as these are altogether useless in setting the state of your conscience before your Confessor, inasmuch as all the Saints in Paradise and all men living would say the same. But examine closely what special reason you have for accusing yourself thus, and when you have discovered it, accuse yourself simply and plainly of your fault. For instance, when confessing that you have not loved your neighbour as you ought, it may be that what you mean is, that having seen some one in great want whom you could have succoured, you have failed to do so. Well then, accuse yourself of that special omission: say, "Having come across a person in need, I did not help him as I might have done," either through negligence, or hardness, or indifference,

according as the case may be. So again, do not accuse yourself of not having prayed to God with sufficient devotion; but if you have given way to voluntary distractions, or if you have neglected the proper circumstances of devout prayer--whether place, time, or attitude--say so plainly, just as it is, and do not deal in generalities, which, so to say, blow neither hot nor cold.

Again, do not be satisfied with mentioning the bare fact of your venial sins, but accuse yourself of the motive cause which led to them. For instance, do not be content with saying that you told an untruth which injured no one; but say whether it was out of vanity, in order to win praise or avoid blame, out of heedlessness, or from obstinacy. If you have exceeded in society, say whether it was from the love of talking, or gambling for the sake of money, and so on. Say whether you continued long to commit the fault in question, as the importance of a fault depends greatly upon its continuance: e.g., there is a wide difference between a passing act of vanity which is over in a quarter of an hour, and one which fills the heart for one or more days. So you must mention the fact, the motive and the duration of your faults. It is true that we are not bound to be so precise in confessing venial sins, or even, technically speaking, to confess them at all; but all who aim at purifying their souls in order to attain a really devout life, will be careful to show all their spiritual maladies, however slight, to their spiritual physician, in order to be healed.

Do not spare yourself in telling whatever is necessary to explain the nature of your fault, as, for instance, the reason why you lost your temper, or why you encouraged another in wrongdoing. Thus, some one whom I dislike says a chance word in joke, I take it ill, and put myself in a passion. If one I like had said a stronger thing I should not have taken it amiss; so in confession, I ought to say that I lost my temper with a person, not because of the words spoken so much as because I disliked the speaker; and if in order to explain yourself clearly it is necessary to particularize the words, it is well to do so; because accusing one's self thus simply one discovers not merely one's actual sins, but one's bad habits, inclinations and ways, and the other roots of sin, by which means one's spiritual Father acquires a fuller knowledge of the heart he is dealing with, and knows better what remedies to apply. But you must always avoid exposing any one who has borne any part in your sin as far as possible. Keep watch over a variety of sins, which are apt to spring up and flourish, often insensibly, in the conscience, so that you may confess them and put them away.

Do not lightly change your Confessor, but having chosen him, be regular in giving account of your conscience to him at the appointed seasons, telling him your faults simply and frankly, and from time to time--say every month or every two months, show him the general state of your inclinations, although there be nothing wrong in them; as, for instance, whether you are depressed and anxious, or cheerful, desirous of advancement, or money, and the like.

St. Francis de Sales

WELCOME: St. Michael the Archangel Parish extends a warm welcome to all new parishioners in the parish. If you would like to register, please contact the rectory.

MOTHER'S DAY: There will be a carnation sale today after both Masses. This fundraiser is intended to honor Mothers and to promote the value and dignity of human life. Carnations are \$1.00. All proceeds will support the Scranton Chapter of Pennsylvanians for Human Life.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY: The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has requested that a one-time national collection be taken up in all parishes throughout the United States to support the completion of the mosaic adorning the central Trinity Dome of the Great Upper Church of the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington, DC. The Basilica of the National Shrine is dedicated to Our Lady as Patroness of the Church in the United States. May God reward you for your generosity.

FR. GERARD SAGUTO FSSP: Will give his next class on Wednesday, May 17th at 7:00 p.m. The topic will be **“Observations and Comments on the**

Creed.” Instruction on how to present the faith and counter modern criticism will be covered. Everyone is welcome!

MISSION TRIP: Joshua Sica will be representing St. Michael's Parish on the FSSP Mission trip to Piuri, Peru this summer. Along with other teens, young adults and with FSSP priests and seminaries he will help to build houses, teach children in the chapel school, visit the sick and dying and help to bring Tradition to Peru! The Sica family is asking for your financial support for Joshua. To join Joshua's Mission Tradition Team **checks can be made out either to Mission Tradition for a tax deduction or to Joshua Sica with Mission Tradition in the memo line.** Donation envelopes may be dropped in the collection basket marked for the 'Mission Trip'. May God bless and reward you.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 20th - Confirmation 11:00 a.m.

May 25th Ascension of our Lord (**Holy Day**)

June 4th - First Holy Communion 10:15 a.m.

August 19th - Parish Picnic 1:30 p.m.

**FOURTH SUNDAY
AFTER EASTER**

**May 14th
8:00 a.m. Mass**

ACI Dominic Gardner
AC2 Jack Gardner

**TEAM B
10:15 Mass**

MC Francis LaFata
TH Joseph Skuba
AC1 Patrick Schneider
AC2 Sean Michelin
C Brian LaFata
S1 John Skuba
S2 Stephen LaFata

WEEK TWO

Monday Mathias Morris
7:45 a.m.

Tuesday
7:45 a.m.

Wednesday Timothy Sica
7:45 a.m. Peter Sica

Thursday
7:45 a.m.

**FIFTH SUNDAY
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**TEAM C
10:15 Mass**

MC Dominic Gardner
TH Patrick Seeley
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S3 Timothy Seeley