



**Please say a prayer for the following Erie Diocesan priests on their appointed day.**

- November 18 Rev. James J. Kennelley
- November 19 Rev. Msgr. Andrew H. Karg
- November 20 Rev. William M. Kuba
- November 21 Rev. Msgr. Joseph K. Bobal
- November 22 GIVE THANKS
- November 23 Rev. John L. Miller
- November 24 Rev. Kyle Seyler

**Marriage Moments – 11/18/18**

With Thanksgiving coming up review whose job it is to cook, to decorate, to entertain guests... Remember the Martha and Mary story (Luke 10:41). Want to try anything different this year?



**THANKSGIVING PRAYER**

FATHER IN HEAVEN,  
CREATOR OF ALL AND SOURCE OF ALL GOODNESS AND LOVE,  
PLEASE LOOK KINDLY UPON US  
AND RECEIVE OUR HEARTFELT GRATITUDE IN THIS TIME OF GIVING THANKS.

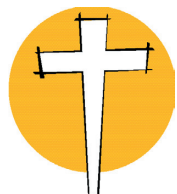
THANK YOU FOR ALL THE GRACES AND BLESSINGS.  
YOU HAVE BETOWED UPON US, SPIRITUAL AND TEMPORAL:  
OUR FAITH AND RELIGIOUS HERITAGE,  
OUR FOOD AND SHELTER,  
OUR HEALTH,  
THE LOVES WE HAVE FOR ONE ANOTHER,  
OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS.

DEAR FATHER, IN YOUR INFINITE GENEROSITY,  
PLEASE GRANT US CONTINUED GRACES AND BLESSING THROUGHOUT THE COMING YEAR.

THIS WE ASK IN THE NAME OF JESUS, YOUR SON AND OUR BROTHER.

AMEN

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**Angels for Christmas**

Our "Angels for Christmas" bags have arrived. This project is sponsored by the ACV First Program and Benefits children in our area. If you are willing and able, please help yourself to a bag along the walls of the church. Please sign your name beside the bag you are taking on the signup sheet in the back of the church. Please put your unwrapped gift (the request is on a slip of paper attached to the bag) in the bag and return it to the church by Nov. 25th. Thank you so much for your support of this project. For questions, please call the church office.

**Community Thanksgiving Service:**

Emlenton Presbyterian Church will be hosting a **Community Thanksgiving Service** on Sunday, November 18th at 7:00 pm. (a community Choir practice/warm up will be held at 6:30 pm.) Please come and sing and/or Give Thanks with us!  
God Bless,  
Deacon Nick

**DuBois Central Catholic**

DuBois Central Catholic is having a \$10,000 Prize Drawing on February 9, 2019. Winner need not be present. 1st – \$10,000, 2nd - \$1,000, 3rd - \$500, 4th - \$200, 5th - \$100. Cost is \$100 per ticket and includes admission for 2 to the Drawing Party. Party starts at 7:00 pm at Du Bois Central Catholic. Food and Adult Beverages served. Only \$250 tickets will be sold so get yours today. Call Fred Deemer at 814 541-7037. "Makes a great Christmas gift."

**Attention Business Owners, Self-Employed and Families**

Available Advertising Space. Sue Novosel from Liturgical Publications, our New Bulletin printer, will be in our office securing new ads for our bulletin. We need your help! Please consider purchasing an ad. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

**Readings For The Next Week**

- Sat. November 17: 3 Jn 5-8 / Lk 18:1-8
- Sun. November 18: Dn 12:1-3 / Heb 10:11-14, 18 Mk 13:24-32
- Mon. November 19: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5 / Lk 18:35-43
- Tues. November 20: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22 / Lk 19:1-10
- Wed. November 21: Rv 4:1-11 / Lk 19:11-28
- Thurs. November 22: Sir 50:22-24 / 1 Cor 1:3-9 Lk 17:11-19
- Fri. November 23: Rv 10:8-11 / Lk 19:45-48
- Sat. November 24: Rv 11:4-12 / Lk 20:27-40
- Sun. November 25: Dn 7:13-14 / Rv 1:5-8 / 18:33B-37



*St. Michael the Archangel Catholic Church*

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**St. Michael Parish 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). In that giving, God invites us to be one with the Trinity.

In response to the divine invitation the parish of St. Michael the Archangel gives praise and 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.



**SUNDAY MASSES:**

SATURDAY:..... 4:00 PM  
SUNDAY: ..... 9:00 AM

**HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION:**

HOLY DAY:..... 8:30 AM  
AND 6:00 PM

**WEEKDAY MASSES:**

THURSDAY:..... 12:00 PM  
FRIDAY: ..... 8:00 AM

**CONFESSIONS:**

SATURDAY: 4:30 PM  
SUNDAY: 8:30 AM

**BAPTISMS:**

BY APPOINTMENT.  
PARENTS MUST ATTEND A  
FORMATION CLASS.

**MARRIAGES:**

ARRANGEMENTS MUST BE MADE  
SIX MONTHS IN ADVANCE OF THE  
DATE OF THE WEDDING

**PAROCHIAL ADMINISTRATOR:**

REV. JOHNATHAN SCHMOLT

**DEACON:**

REV. MR. NICHOLAS CIRELL

**PARISH STAFF:**

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AMY KAUFMAN – Parish Office
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# Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time – November 18, 2018

*Of that day or hour, no one knows. (Mark 13:32)*

When Jesus said that “no one knows” when the Second Coming would happen, was he saying that even he didn’t know? It sure seems that way. Maybe he was reminding us that he had submitted to the limitations of being human, just like us. Yes, he was fully divine, but he was also fully human. And that entailed certain limitations. This is why Luke tells us that Jesus was always increasing in wisdom “before God and man” ( Luke 2:52).

Today, however, Jesus knows when he will come again. The problem is, we still don’t know!

Repeatedly throughout history, people have tried to predict the end of the world. St. Paul thought it was just around the corner. St. Hippolytus of Rome and St. Irenaeus of Lyon thought it would happen in AD 500. John Wesley, the first Methodist, thought the end would come in 1836. Many Christian leaders—and no shortage of psychics—have also weighed in. Not surprisingly, many of these people then recalculated the dates after their first predictions didn’t come true, only to have their followers disappointed again.

Some believers are more cautious. They tell us that we will see specific clues when the time is near. They point to certain signs—a war in the Middle East, a drought in Africa, earthquakes in Peru, or some other disaster. When those signs occur, it means that Jesus is very near.

Still, no human being knows when Jesus will come. It could be today. It may not be for thousands of years.

St. Francis had a different take on the subject. Once, when he was working in the garden, a friar asked, “What would you be doing now if you knew that Jesus was coming back today?” Francis replied, “I would keep hoeing my garden.” Francis knew he was trying his best to be ready, and there was nothing more he could do.

The point is, Jesus *will* come. So our best answer is the same as it has always been: be ready.

**“Come, Lord Jesus!”**

## Sacrificial Giving

Offertory and Holy Days			
Actual 11/11/2018	Actual Fiscal YTD	Necessary Budgeted Fiscal YTD	Percentage over (under)
\$ 1,696	\$ 33,147	\$ 44,360	-25%

Other Collections 11/11/2018

Candles ..... \$ 21.00  
 Human Dev. .... \$ 5.00  
 All Saints Day ..... \$ 10.00

Catholic Services Appeal			
Actual collected 11/11/2018	Actual collected Total to Date	Parish Goal	Percentage of goal collected
\$ ---	\$ 20,6988	\$ 29,000	71%

Total Pledged:.....\$24,198

**Sanctuary Lamp Memorial: Week of Nov. 17 – Nov. 23**

**In Honor of:** Bob Owens  
**Requested by:** Dolly Haas



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

On the weekend of November 17-18, a second collection will be taken up in our parishes for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD).

Since 1970, the CCHD has contributed over \$300 million to more than 8,000 low income led, community-based projects that strengthen families, create jobs, build affordable housing, fight crime, and improve schools and neighborhoods. CCHD requires that projects develop community leadership and participation so that their solutions to poverty will be long lasting and effective, and so that CCHD’s investment in people will help break the cycle of poverty.

All this is only possible with the help of generous Catholics like you. Half of the funds from this collection remain here in the Diocese of Erie to fight poverty in our local communities. Please help us defend human dignity and show Christ’s charity to those in need by giving generously to the second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development.

You and your families remain in my prayer.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ The Most Reverend Lawrence T. Persico, JCL, Bishop of Erie



## Mass Schedule

Saturday	November 17	4:00 pm	Marty Kircher (Bob Kircher)
Sunday	November 18	9:00 am	Regis Rodgers (Margaret Rodgers)
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Thursday	November 22	12:00 noon	NO MASS
Friday	November 23	8:00 am	NO MASS
Saturday	November 24	4:00 pm	Brothers, Joseph & Sylvester Wagner (family)
Sunday	November 25	9:00 am	ST. MICHAEL PARISHIONERS

**Please welcome Fr. Phil Oriole who will be with us this weekend to say the Masses.**

## Minister’s Schedule

**Saturday, November 24, 4:00 pm**

Euch Min: A. Marron, P. Cannan, A. Whitehill  
 Lector: B. Chestnut  
 Server: As available

**Sunday, November 25, 9:00 am**

Euch Min: J. Kerle, M. King, T. Gillen  
 Lector: K. Maleski  
 Servers: H. & M. King



## — PARISH NEWS —



### November Meetings

Altar-Rosary Society will meet on Wednesday, November 14th at 6:30 PM Rosary; 7:00 PM meeting.



### A Family Perspective – 11/18/ 18

Today’s gospel teaches us UNCERTAINTY is normal. There are some things in life which “no one knows ... only the Father.” Marriage and parenting are full of uncertainty for like the fig tree in the gospel, the people we love grow and change.

### From Lisa

#### Adult Faith Formation News!

Our Scripture Study group is studying Paul’s Letter to the Philippians. If you think you may be interested in joining us, contact me at:

[elisa.cirell@stmichaelrcchurch.org](mailto:elisa.cirell@stmichaelrcchurch.org).



### Please remember our parishioners who are unable to join us due to infirmity

Pauline Maleski	Shirley Wedekind	Ruth Hepler
Jack Whitehill	Paul Pastorok	Eric Zacherl
Alice Pihoker	Sigrid Piroch	Arlene Drake
Tony Salamone	Howard Maresch	Brad Louise

### Help needed

The snow has started to fall and the ice is forming. St. Michael’s is in need of volunteers to help with the snow shoveling each weekend. You can be put on the schedule for as much or as little as you would like. If you can help, please contact the office. If we can get several families to help, this will lessen the burden for all who are willing to help.

### Catholic Rural Ministry

**The Gospel of Luke, “Jesus, the Compassionate Savior” Chapters 1-11 by Stephen Binz will begin Thursday, November 15th at Assumption Social Hall, Oil City.** It will be held twice a day for your convenience: 10:15-11:45 am and 6:30-8:00 pm. Future dates will be Nov. 29, Dec. 6, 13, 20 and Jan 3rd. Books will be provided by Sister Marian and Sister Tina. Call if you have questions: 814 677-2032. All are welcome! Bring a friend!

## UP COMING EVENTS

### Mark your calendar!

The St. Michael Ladies Christmas party will be held on Wednesday, December 12th. The event is for all ladies of the parish. It will be held at the Reminisce Banquet Hall. Dinner will consist of Italian Trio, salad, rolls, and dessert. Cost of meal is \$10.00. If you would like to join in n the fun, bring a \$10.00 Gif to exchange. Happy Hour will begin at 5:30 pm and dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. To make reservations, please call Connie (724-867-5734) or Amy (724-399-4304).

### Fellowship every Sunday

Everyone is welcome to visit and grab a donut in the Social Hall every Sunday after Mass. To contribute to the fellowship effort, please talk to Carrie Kolesar after Sunday Mass or call 814-758-1020; or email Carrie at [carrie.kolesar@gmail.com](mailto:carrie.kolesar@gmail.com)

