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Week of August 30, 2026

Saint Joseph: $3,350

Saint Michael: $3,892

Saint Mary: $1,774

2026 CSA UPDATE

September 4, 2026

Saint Joseph

Diocesan Assessment: $34,807

Total Pledged: $50,130

Total Paid: $41,840

Saint Michael

Diocesan Assessment: $38,740

Total Pledged: $41,887

Total Paid: $37,087

Saint Mary

Diocesan Assessment: $23,034

Total Pledged: $28,904

Total Paid: $24,774

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UPCOMING

St. Hubert Knights of Columbus #10341
Breakfast: September 19 at Stutz Hall 8am

St. Joseph Rosary Society
Meeting September 10 at 6pm in the hall.

Second Collection for Catholic Education September 19/20
This collection supports Catholic Education and Faith Formation throughout the Diocese. This one is unique, though: 50% of every dollar *remains* in our parishes to support SJS and Faith Formation! Your generosity strengthens our ministires here, and supports those througout the diocese.

Rural Catholic Women
Q&A with Fr Brandon September 22 at 6:30 in Stutz Hall.

St. Joseph Rosary Society
Super Bingo on September 27 at Noon.

St MIchael Church
Pray the rosary for peace, Tuesdays at 6:30

MINISTER SCHEDULE • SEPT 19-20

4:00pm, Saint Joseph
Lector: T. Schmader
Eucharistic Minister: D. Baker, M. Lehnortt, K. Schmader
Altar Server: T. Schmader
Ushers: G. Ochs, C. Lander, E. Baumcratz, M. Lehnortt
Rosary: M. Lehnortt

6:00pm, Saint Mary
Lector: B. Wolbert
Eucharistic Minister: B. Wolbert, P. Wolbert
Altar Server: A. Bogel

8:00am, Saint Mary
Lector: R. Songer
Eucharistic Minister: J. Schettler, Ch. Schettler, L. Siegel
Altar Server: J. Boylan

9:30am, Saint Joseph
Lector: *Please volunteer*
Eucharistic Minister: *Please volunteer*
Altar Server: *Please volunteer*
Ushers: *Please volunteer*

11:00am, Saint Michael
Lector: D. Smerkar Jr
Eucharistic Minister: J. Smerkar, S. Montana, M. Beichner
Altar Server: L. Smerkar
Ushers: T. Cyphert, J. Griebel
Rosary: M. Fletcher

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 14:
8:30am, Saint Mary
+Lawrence Schmader (Ken & Brenda Lander)

Tuesday, September 15:
8:30am, Saint Michael
+Troy Wolbert (Rosie Hargenrader)

Wednesday, September 16:
8:30am, Saint Mary
+Marjorie Carroll (The Family)

Thursday, September 17:
8:30am, Saint Michael
+Bob, Ray, Flo & Family (Judy & Family)
6:00pm, Saint Ann
+Bette Spence (John & Bobbi Donnick)

Friday, September 18:
8:30am, Saint Joseph
+M/M Wick & Grace Ochs (The Family)

Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, September 19:
4:00pm, Saint Joseph
+Edward & Jessie Hoover, Donna Carl & Suzanne Wells (Steve Hoover)
6:00pm, Saint Mary
+Fr Christopher Barnes (Skip & Milly Cussins)

Sunday, September 20:
8:00am, Saint Mary
+Grace Distler (Don & Marie Cyphert)
9:30am, *Saint Joseph*
Parish Family
11:00am, Saint Michael
+Ralph & Marian Lander (Lisa & George Carroll)

COLLECTION COUNTERS

Saint Michael
R. Beichner, J. Reed

Saint Joseph
E. Carroll, S. Hoover

Saint Mary
J. Wolbert, J. Schettler, T. Schettler

SANCTUARY CANDLE

Saint Michael
Ed Stecki (Mary Caye Stecki)

Saint Joseph
Troy Wolbert (Marie Bauer)

A Word from Father Brandon

I wanted to take this space to thank EVERYONE who helped plan and worked and offered so much of their time - and Labor Day holiday - to make the Labor Day Picnic a spectacular event - just as spectacular as the weather was! There are simply too many to name, and that is honestly the best part! This event does not just simply happen. It takes months of planning, countless hours of work, generous donations, cooking and baking, plating and serving, setting up and tearing down, tickets to be sold, games to be ran, and so many willingly doing whatever needs to be done. I am deeply grateful to everyone who gave of themselves to continue this fun tradition. Like with most things in life, I did nothing but show up to eat - that is the one talent and contribution of mine you can always count on!

I tend to think that events like the Labor Day Picnic can help us see something important about who we are as a partnership of parishes. The picnic belongs to St. Michael in a particular way - it is part of the history, long tradition, and so central to life of that parish. But the community it invites and gathers is larger than any one parish. When people from St. Joseph, St. Mary, St. Michael, and the surrounding communities come together, we are given a little glimpse of the Church Herself: many families, communities, histories, and gifts - but ONE Body of Christ!

That is perhaps one of the deeper purposes of our parish traditions. We do not preserve them merely because “this is what our parish has always done”, or, “we’ve always done it this way and we can never stop!”. At their best, they are proclamations to the community of who we are - the Church! St. Michael’s Labor Day Picnic is one of those examples. The work may be undertaken there, and its proceeds certainly belong to St. Michael, but the fellowship, hospitality, joy, and communion it invites and creates belongs to all of us.

In that sense, even a Labor Day Picnic can become a kind of “sacrament” of something much greater: our common love for Christ and His Church made visible in ordinary human things: food, fun, and festivities! As our three parishes continue walking together as a family, I hope we will increasingly see the beautiful traditions of each parish not simply as “ours” and “theirs,” but as gifts each community brings to the life of the whole. Last weekend, St. Michael gave us one of those gifts, and each of the parishes have so many of their own gifts to offer, not just to those on their rolodex of parishioners, but to all of us and this entire northern third of Clarion County an southern edge of Forest County! There is FAR too much faith and goodness and talent in our partnership to be isolationists - let us continue to allow our unique histories and traditions to not be the wood plank we grasp onto for dear life in a deep dark ocean, but be the bright beauty of the faith we share with this whole community! Every event we have reminds me why I love parish ministry! Parish life is where the life of Christ becomes real; it is where the rubber meets the road! When we all give of ourselves to not only make a picnic happen, but to truly change lives, save souls, and transform a community...that is life! That is life well lived, and when it’s all hands on deck - not out of a duty to a picnic, but out of a love for each other and Christ...that’s what I live for!

Love,
Father Brandon

PARISH NEWS

Rural Catholic Women Group
Women of all parishes may attend. The group connects women by fellowship, faith discussions, shared religious and spiritual resources and prayer. For more information see our Facebook page or click on the QR code.

Liturgical Ministry Schedules
October through December 2026 for all three parishes are now available on the parish website.



Home Enthronement
To request that this be done at your home or for any questions you may have, please contact Ani Litt by text or call at 814-316-3537.



St Joseph Rosary Society Super Bingo
Tickets available by Advance Sale-$30 or at the door-$35. To purchase call/text Holly Bradybaugh 814-227-8617 or at Steve's Bees Hive Café.



Mass Intentions
Masses are still available for the rest of 2026. Parishioners are limited to 2 weekend mass requests throughout the year. Weekday masses are available for additional mass intentions. Please call the parish office to schedule.

St. Michael Church's 140th Anniversary of Consecration
If you have a story or photo/document you would like to share, or if you would like to help in this effort, please contact Emily Weaver at 814-673-1623 or e.hoover18@gmail.com.

Funerals
Please note that when a family member passes away, the funeral home is the first contact. They will contact the parish office to coordinate all details.



SCHOOL NEWS

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COMMUNITY NEWS

North Clarion/Marienville Food Pantry

Located at Marienville Community Methodist Church, 201 N. Forest Street, Marienville, PA 16239. Always accepting canned and boxed items, as well as monetary donations. Make checks payable to: North Clarion-Marienville food pantry. Mail any donations to Marienville Community Methodist Church, PO Box 281, Marienville PA 16239. For more information, contact 814-927-8517. Items currently needed for September and October 2026 are: Boxed stuffing; boxed scalloped or au gratin potatoes; canned pumpkin; cake mix; jello or pudding; cream of mushroom soup; canned pasta; Spic & Span spray; baby wipes. Distribution dates are: Tuesday, September 29, 2026 and Tuesday, October 27, 2026.

"Here I am God", Catholic Rural Ministry Overnight Retreat
November 1-2, noon to noon at Olmsted Conference Center in Ludlow, PA. Presenters, Sisters Colleen Leathley & Ann Muczynski OSB. Price per room (meals included), $75 single, $60 double. Register by calling (814) 945-6512. Deadline, October 2. For questions, email crmludlowretreat@gmail.com.

Wreaths Across America
Ceremony December 19, 11:00am



Consider sponsoring a wreath to honor those in St Joseph Cemetery that fought for us. Wreaths can be . purchased at Lander's General Store for $17 each; donations are also accepted. Checks payable to Kay Lander or Lander General Store. Pay online by scanning the QR Code.

Any items for the bulletin need emailed to Julie two weeks prior to the week you wish to have it appear in the bulletin. Bulletin announcements are on a first come, first serve basis.

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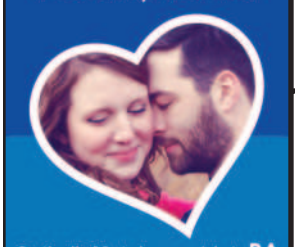
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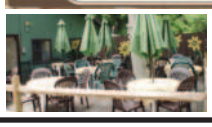
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