

The Priestly Fraternity of Saint Peter

St. Michael the Archangel

1703 Jackson Street, Scranton, PA 18504

S E P T U A G E S I M A S U N D A Y

JANUARY 31, 2021

MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday

Low Mass: 8:00am

High Mass: 10:15am

Weekdays

Mon - Thu: 7:45am

Friday: 6:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 8:00AM	31ST	SEPTUAGESIMA, II <i>+ Francis Friedhoff –Bob & Cathy Seeley</i>
SUNDAY 10:15AM		SEPTUAGESIMA, II <i>Pro populo</i>
MONDAY 7:45AM	1ST	ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, MARTYR, III <i>+ Sebastian Amico –Doggett family</i>
TUESDAY 7:45AM	2ND	PURIFICATION OF THE BVM, II <i>Laura Dougher –Kevin Dougher</i>
WEDNESDAY 7:45AM	3RD	ST. BLAISE, BISHOP & MARTYR, IV <i>La Fata Children –their parents</i>
THURSDAY 7:45AM	4TH	ST. ANDREW CORSINI, CONFESSOR, III <i>Sr. Marie Bernarde –Cilia family</i>
FRIDAY 6:00PM	5TH	VOTIVE SACRED HEART OF JESUS, III <i>Stephen Pheasant –Gillenkirk family</i>
SATURDAY 9:00AM	6TH	VOTIVE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY, III <i>Joseph Cordora –Joe Ranieli</i>
SUNDAY 8:00AM	7TH	SEXAGESIMA, II <i>For an end to abortion –Nancy Noll</i>
SUNDAY 10:15AM		SEXAGESIMA, II <i>Pro populo</i>

DEVOTIONS

Confession

45mins before

Weekend Masses

Benediction

Fridays: 5:00pm

Saturday: 8:00am

Daily Rosary

Mon-Thu: After Mass

Fri -Sun: Before Mass

Office Hours: Monday by appointment, Friday 9am -3pm.



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Joining the parish: If you are new to St. Michaels and wish to join the parish please complete the census form (available from the vestibule) and return it in the collection basket or to the Rectory.

Blessing of Candles: Candles will be blessed on Tuesday 2nd Feb at the 7:45am Mass. Private candles may be left in the Church Hall on Monday until 7pm.

First Friday & Saturday: This week sees the second opportunity to honor the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary with first Friday and Saturday devotions. All are welcome.

The Penitential Season of Septuagesima. The word *Septuagesima* is Latin for “seventieth.” It is both the name of the liturgical season and the name of the Sunday. Septuagesima Sunday marks the beginning of the shortest liturgical season. This season is seventeen (17) days long, and includes the three Sundays before Ash Wednesday. The length of the season never changes, but the start date is dependent on the movable date of Easter that can fall between March 22-April 25. Septuagesima Sunday can be as early as January 18.

The origins of Septuagesima as a liturgical season are obscure. This is one of the last liturgical seasons to be added to the Liturgical Calendar. The roots are Roman, and it is not mentioned until the sixth century during the time of Pope St. Gregory the Great. It is often thought St. Gregory himself might have written the Mass formularies, especially since the content reflects so much of the conflict and suffering during that time:

The note of sadness in most of the texts of these Masses has given rise to the theory that they were composed at a time when Italy, and Rome in particular, were once more exposed to barbarian invasions, and threatened with misfortunes similar to this which had overwhelmed them in the fifth century. The sixth century, the time of the institution of Septuagesima, was also a period of pillage and havoc, and hence we have a sorrowful echo in the petitions framed at this time (*The Year's Liturgy, Vol. 1, Fernand Cabrol, p. 101*).

The Septuagesima season was to help people ease into Lent as a type of preconditioning program. Liturgically it looked and felt very much like Lent. The Gloria and Alleluia were no longer allowed, the tone was very penitential with the priest wearing purple vestments. The main difference would be that there were no fasting requirements in the later centuries.