

Saint Michael Byzantine Catholic Church

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Holy Mystery of Reconciliation Available before/after liturgies.
Holy Mysteries of Initiation Contact the parish office.
Holy Mystery of Anointing Contact the parish office.
Holy Mystery of Marriage Contact the parish office at least 8 months prior to wedding.
Religious Education Classes Recess until September.
Youth Group All youth welcome; see Keri Vokish.
GCU Lodge 360 Welcoming members to join; see Ed Stanko.
St. Michael's Civic Club Welcoming members to join; see Bill Ohlin.
St. Michael Hall, 405 Robinson Road Bogeys Catering - Melvin McKee 330-770-7770.
St. Michael Cemetery, Sanderson Avenue Call Jerry Shirilla at 330-534-9104.
Your Will Please be so kind as to remember St. Michael's in your last will and testament. Secure our future.

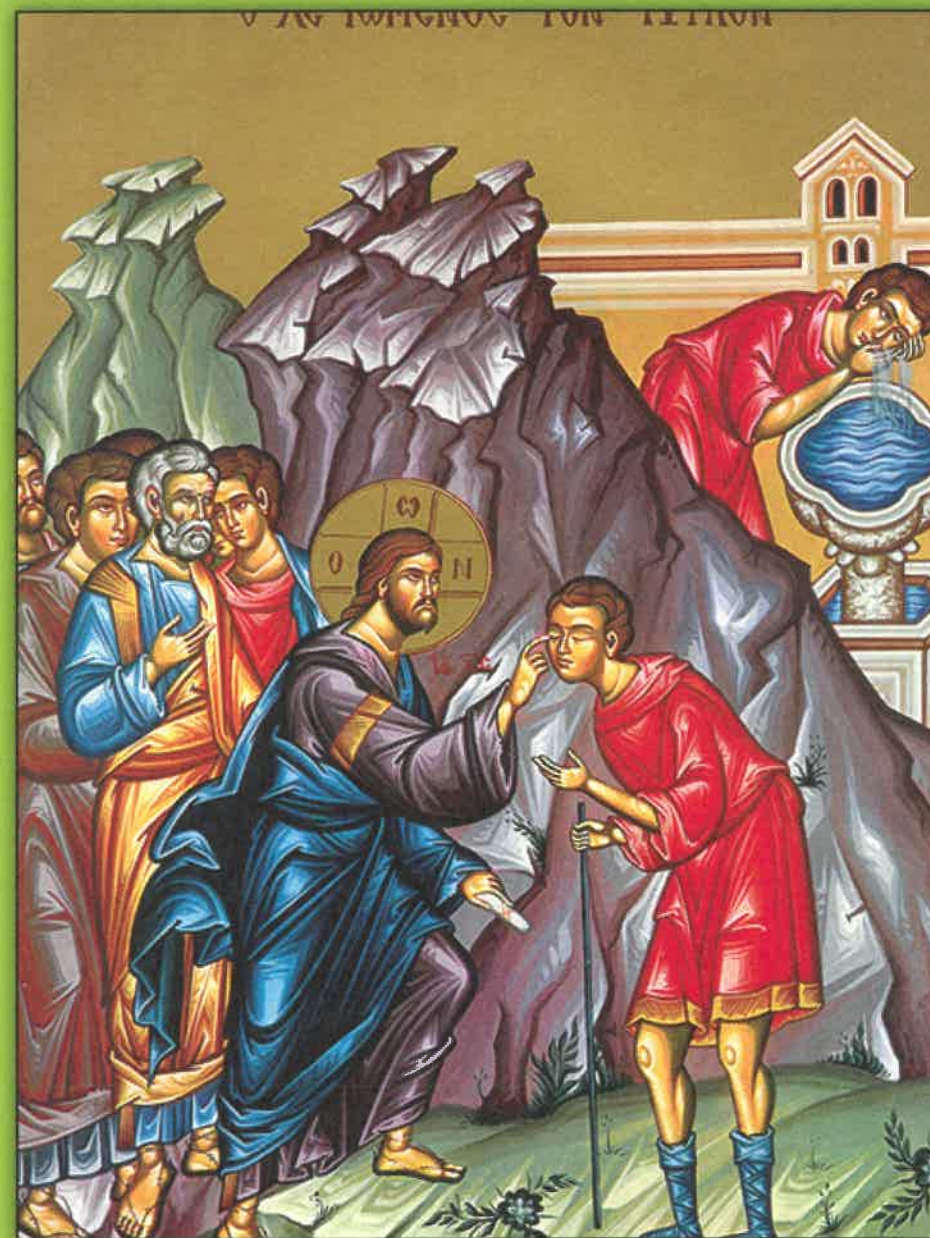
A Link to Baptism

The cure of the blind man also symbolizes mankind's means for its recovery from its blindness. It symbolizes the Sacrament of Baptism. Baptism is called holy enlightenment. Those who have been recently baptized are called the newly enlightened. This gospel from Saint John was read in the ancient Church on Holy Saturday when Catechumens were baptized. As this man is cured of his blindness when he washes in the waters of the pool of Siloam, as Jesus tells him to do, so are we brought out of darkness into a new life when we are baptized as Christ instructed us to be. Jesus restores His creation, mankind, with the potential to become what it was meant to be before the fall of Adam.

We also hear in the reading that after this man was cured many of those who knew him before did not recognize him. He is still the same man

but something has significantly changed about him. He is no longer blind. So when we are illuminated we are also new persons, though our outward appearance might be the same. To symbolize this newness a white garment is put on us to show the purity with which we start this new existence. We must, however, become different and unrecognizable in our inward and outward actions also. We must manifest our new existence to those around us through these actions. We must radiate this new found light to others by the way we live our lives. We must say to the world, "I am he who was blind but now my eyes are opened." Credit must be given to Him who has cured us of our darkness by living our lives according to the lessons of the illumination we have received and the continued guidance we get with the reception of the Holy Spirit.

SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND



Icon of Christ and the Man born Blind

Honor The Past,
Give Thanks To The Present,
Ensure The Future!

Christ Is Risen!
Indeed, He Is Risen!
Christós Voskrése!
Voístinnu Voskrése!



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Sat., May 21

6:00 P.M.

(VIGIL PASCHAL SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY)

Fr. Michael Huszti, Celebrant

+Walt Shabella

requested by: Wife: Marge & Family

(10th anniversary of passing 5.30)

Sun., May 22

11:00 A.M.

**THE SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND -
The 6th Paschal Sunday**

+Callie Sudzina

requested by: Sylvia Perhacs

Wed., May 25

6:00 P.M.

**Vigil For The Feast Of The Glorious Ascension Of
Our Lord – Holyday of Obligation - Mirovanije**

+Stephen +Susan

+Diane Drapp

requested by: Kotasek Family



Ascension

Sat., May 28

6:00 P.M.

(VIGIL SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY)

+Joanne Hritz

requested by: John Hritz & Children

(35th anniversary of passing)

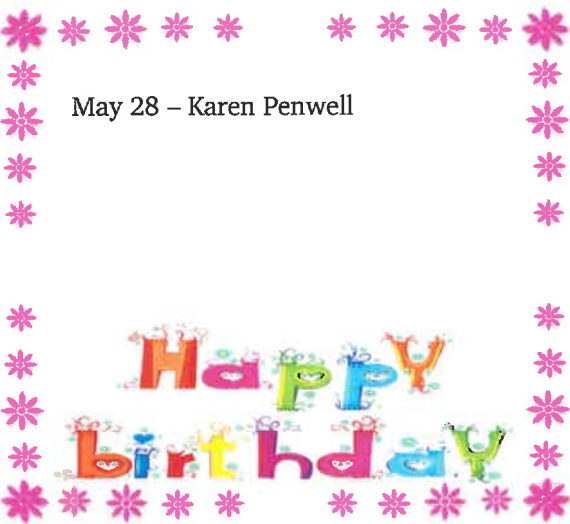
Sun., May 29

11:00 A.M.

**THE SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE
1ST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL – Within the
Ascension Feast**

+Paul Mihaly

requested by: Susan Rappach



Church Tithing From:

May 14 & 15, 2022

Sunday Offering \$1,750.00

Loose Currency \$35.00

Candles \$75.00

Easter \$250.00

TOTAL: \$2,110.00

CEMETERY: \$700.00

Church Attendance

Saturday 5/14 – **38** (6:00 pm)

Sunday 5/15 – **56** (11:00 am)



Last Weekend's Roof Donations

May 15 - **\$378.00**

Pray For Our Homebound, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: May 20, 2022

RESIDING AT HOME – Jerry Arendas, John Cochran, Bonnie Cohn, Dave Cole, Gerry Dubos, Mike Drotar, Florence Galida, Francis Kotasek, Marge Shabella, Patti Pancoe, Jim Testa, Steve Zackasee.

Assumption Village (9800 Market Street, North Lima, OH 44452) – Helen Palusak.

St. Mary's Alzheimer's Center (1899 W Garfield Road, Columbiana, OH 44408) – Rosemary Dubos.

Vista Center At The Ridge (3379 Main Street, Mineral Ridge, OH. 44440) – Ken Zahorsky.

Windsor House at St. Mary's (1899 W. Garfield Road, Columbiana, OH 44408) – Anne Thomas.

Maplecrest Nursing Home (400 Sexton Street, Struthers, OH 44471) – Michael Hucizko.

The Ascension of Jesus

While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up to heaven. Luke 24:51 (NIV)

Based on Luke 24:44-53



B T Q O M D Q S U F F E R U F
F N C Q W O P S A L M S T S A
G X N Q O F S M Z Z H N U C O
B B Y C R O T E C M E T N R J
R A P R S R S P S P F E C I A
N I G Y H G U P E G K D L P S
Z F S F I I M R N A N W D T P
B J Z E P V F S T A Y E E U O
X L K R E E G J T Q L H J R H
E T E U D N X S Y L P D U E T
E S X S E K R K I O E A M M P
J S X V S E W F R N D X I C H
A X A B D I L P E U V V N O R
D E C N K U N P L F J S D Q S
H R U I F H O G G V Y K S L C

RISE	REPENT	PROPHETS	TAKEN
SUFFER	PSALMS	OPENED	FORGIVE
HEAVEN	SCRIPTURE	FULFILLED	MOSES
WORSHIPED	BLESSING	UNDERSTAND	MINDS

Sunday of the Man Born Blind

We do not know from experience what physical blindness is, but we can imagine how this man was walled in himself, how all the world around him existed only as a distant sound, something he could not picture, imagine. He was a prisoner within his own body. He could live by imaginations, he could invent a world around himself, he could by touch and by hearing approximate what really was around him; but the total, full reality could only escape him. We are not physically blind, but how many of us are locked in ourselves! We meet people, and we see them with our eyes; but seldom it happens that beyond the outer shape, features, clothes, - how often does it happen that we see something of the depth of the person? How seldom it is that we look into a person's eyes and go deep in understanding! We are surrounded by people and every person is unique to God, but are people unique to us? Are not people that surround us just 'people', who have names, surnames, nicknames, whom we can recognize by their outer looks but whom we do not know at any depth?



Often this is our condition: we are blind, we are deaf, we are insensitive to the outer world, and yet, we are called to read meanings. When we meet a person, we should approach this person as a mystery, that is as something which we can discover only by a deep communion, by entering into a relationship, perhaps silent, perhaps in words, but so deep that we can know one another not quite as God knows us, but in the light of God that enlightens all and each of us. But are we doing this? Is our concern to convey the width, and the depth, the beauty and the meaning of things to every person whom we meet? Are we not rather concerned with receiving than with giving? And yet, Saint Paul who knew what it meant to receive and to give, said, "It is a more blessed thing to give than to receive".

On this Sunday let us reflect on how rich, how richly endowed we are, how much it was given us to see, and to hear. And let us realize at the same time how tragically walled we are within ourselves unless we break this wall in order to give, as generously, as richly, as abundantly as we were given. And then indeed, our joy will be fulfilled according to Christ's promise. And no one, nothing will ever be able to take it away from us. Amen!

The ASCENSION of our Lord – *Holyday of Obligation*



On the 40th day after Easter, we celebrate the feast of the Ascension of Jesus Christ. The feast commemorates the return of our Redeemer to Heaven. It is a day of victory for our Lord, a day of triumph that He fully merited. He returns to heaven as a conqueror. The Son stands before the Father by whom He was sent and whose will He so perfectly performed. The Ascension is important because we celebrate the fact that Christ, after taking on death and defeating it in His Radiant Resurrection, now ascends to the Right Hand of the Father. The Right Hand signifies that He is the one who now is the instrument, the one who brings His Father's power to bear. This is especially true when He will return at the end of the world to judge the living and the dead. All power of the Father to judge is given to the Son who reigns with Him at His Right Hand. Thus, the Ascension is a celebration of two things: The ascending of Christ physically from earth to heaven and secondly, and more importantly, His exaltation and glorification. For us too the Ascension is an occasion of deepest rejoicing. The glorification of Christ in this mystery is also our glorification. It is the elevation of our human nature. Our nature now shares divine honor as, in human form, Christ our brother enters heaven. The future is no longer cloudy. We will be with Christ. We will be at home, for He is our way. We amend the selfless words of Thomas who said, "Let us go to live with Him!"

Liturgical Schedule for the Feast of the Ascension

Wednesday, May 25th - 6:00 pm

St. Michael's, Campbell

Thursday, May 26th - 9:00 am & 5:00 pm

St. Michael's, Hermitage

Blessing of graves to be moved to Centennial Weekend

This year, there will be **NO** blessing of graves at our parish cemetery on Memorial Day, May 30th. The blessing of graves will be moved to our weekend Centennial celebration to honor our loved ones who have fallen asleep in the Lord. A schedule of the day and time for blessing of graves on the weekend of July 31st will be announced soon.

Civic Club raffle-drawing next Sunday

The St. Michael's Civic Club is sponsoring a Steak Raffle to be drawn **next Sunday, May 29th**. There are 3 prizes to win: **1st prize will be a new gas grill and a \$100 gift card to Longhorn Steak House; 2nd prize will be a bottle of bourbon and a \$50 gift card to Longhorn Steak House; and 3rd prize will be a \$50 gift card to Longhorn Steak House.** Raffle tickets are \$5 each. Tickets are available in the narthex or you may see a Civic Club member.

Mother's Day / Father's Day Breakfast In 2 Weeks

Our St. Michael Church will once again have a Mother's Day & Father's Day parish breakfast on **Pentecost Sunday, June 5th at Noon**. This breakfast is open for all parishioners and will be a breakfast to honor both mothers and fathers. Sign-ups are in the narthex. The final day to sign up is next Sunday, May 29th.



Our Pastor's Ordination anniversary tomorrow

Our Pastor will celebrate his **18th Anniversary of Priesthood Ordination** this Monday. He was ordained a priest by the late +Archbishop Basil M. Schott on May 23, 2004 at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Munhall, PA. Congrats on your 18th anniversary Father!



Ad sales for our Centennial book due June 1st

As parishioners, you may sponsor an ad yourself and please take forms to other people, businesses, family, neighbors, and friends who would like to place an ad. Forms are in the narthex or on our webpage. Remember, the deadline for ads is set for June 1st.

GROUP PHOTOS FOR OUR COMMEMORATIVE BOOK

As part of our Centennial Commemorative Book, parish groups are kindly asked to take a photo in church on the **weekend of June 4 and 5th**. The schedule will be announced this week. Group photos will be of: (1) cantorial singers (2) altar servers (3) lectors (4) money counters (5) PAC members (6) ECF catechists (7) Civic Club members (8) ushers (9) Golf League (10) 100th anniversary committee members.

Just Maybe...

Maybe God wanted us to meet the wrong people before meeting the right one so that when we finally meet the right person, we will know to be grateful for that gift. Maybe when the door of happiness closes, another opens, but often times we look so long at the closed door that we don't see the one which has been opened for us. Maybe the best kind of friend is the kind you can sit on a porch and swing with, never say a word and then walk away feeling like it was the best conversation you ever had. Maybe it is true that we don't know what we've got until we lose it, but it is also true that we don't know what we have been missing until it arrives.

Don't go for looks, they can deceive. Don't go for wealth, even that fades away. Go for someone who makes you smile because it takes only a smile to make a dark day seem bright. Find the one that makes your heart smile. There are moments in life when you miss someone so much that you just want to pick them from your dreams and hug them for real. Dream what you want to dream; go where you want to go; be what you want to be, because you have only one life and one chance to do all the things you want to do.

May you have enough happiness to make you sweet, enough trials to make you strong, enough sorrow to keep you human, enough hope to make you happy. The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything that comes their way. Love begins with a smile, grows with a kiss and ends with a tear. The brightest future will always be based on a forgotten past, you can't go on well in life until you let go of your past failures and heartaches. When you were born, you were crying and everyone around you was smiling. Live your life so that when you die, you are the one smiling and everyone around you is crying.

Check our website frequently: www.stmichaelbyzcampbell.org