Saint Michael Byzantine Catholic Church

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Holy Mystery of Reconciliation	Available before/after liturgies.
Holy Mysteries of Initiation	
Holy Mystery of Anointing	
Holy Mystery of Marriage	Contact the parish office at least 8 months prior to wedding.
Religious Education Classes	ECF classes every Tuesday 6-7:15 p.m. at our St. Michael Hall.
Youth Group	All youth welcome; see Keri Vokish.
GCU	New Changes happened January 1, 2023; see Ed Stanko.
St. Michael's Civic Club	Welcoming members to join; see Bill Ohlin.
St. Michael Hall, 405 Robinson Road	
St. Michael Cemetery, Sanderson Avenue	
Your Will Please be so kind as to remember	er St. Michael's in your last will and testament. Secure our future.

DIVINE LITURGIES: Sat eve: 6:00 P.M. Sun: 11:00 A.M. Holydays: 6:00 P.M.

Our Exodus, Our Passover

We have been released not from physical but from spiritual bondage. We have been freed not from earthly labor but from worldly defilement. Our flight has not been from Egyptian taskmasters, nor from a godless and savage tyrant who is nonetheless a human being like ourselves, but from wicked and unclean demons who urge us to sin and from their commander, who is Satan himself.

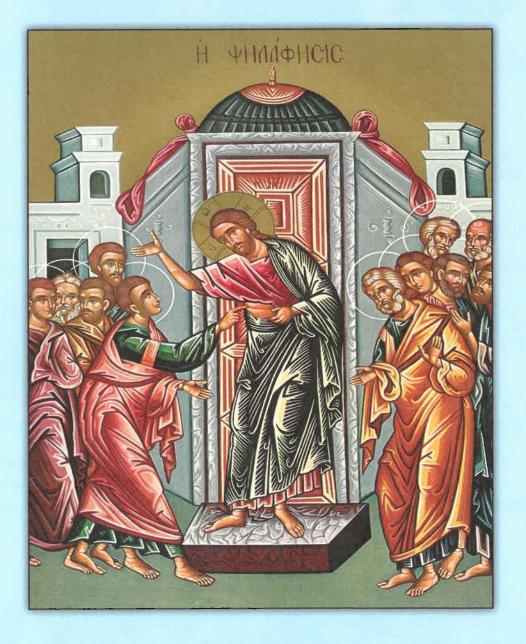
We have passed through the sea of this present life with its pleasures and idle distractions. We have eaten spiritual manna, the bread from heaven which gives life to the world. We have drunk water from the rock, for we have found our delight in the spiritual stream flowing from Christ. By the grace of holy baptism we have crossed the Jordan and entered the land promised to the saints and worthy of them, the land the Savior himself spoke of when He said: "Blessed are the gentle, for they shall inherit the land."

Therefore, in honor of a new happening a new hymn should be sung by the Lord's kingdom, that is, by those subject to Him and governed by Him. A hymn should be sung, worthy praise should be given, not only in the land of the Jews but from one end of the earth to the other; in other words, everywhere in the world. Of old God was known in Judaea and His name was great only in Israel, but now that we have been called by Christ to the knowledge of the truth and His glory fills all heaven and earth, fulfilling the prophecy of the Psalmist: "The whole earth shall be full of his glory."

St. Cyril of Alexandria

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THOMAS SUNDAY



Icon of Saint Thomas and Christ



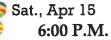
Christ Is Risen! Indeed, He Is Risen!



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Christós Voskrése! Voístinnu Voskrése!



Apr 15 (VIGIL SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY)

+Raymond Tirpack (remembrance of 81st birthday 4.17)

requested by: Ron Hamrock

Sun., Apr 16

The Sunday Of St. Thomas - The Sunday Of The Anti-Pasch

- Distribution of the Artos

+Archpriest John Kachuba

requested by: Nicholas & Agnes Ihnat

Tues., Apr 18 6:00-7:15 P.M.

11:00 A.M.

ECF Classes At Our St. Michael Hall

(VIGIL SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY)

+Susanne Macala

requested by: Matt Macala

Sun., Apr 23

6:00 P.M.

Sat., Apr 22

The Sunday Of The Myrrh Bearing Women - The Feast of St. George, The Victory-Bearer - The 3rd Paschal Sunday

11:00 A.M.

requested by: Daughter: Keri

+Ruth Kinnick (20th anniversary of passing 4.22)









Church Attendance

Holy Saturday 4/8 – **105** (5:00 pm) Easter Sunday 4/9 – **115** (10:30 am) Bright Monday 4/10 – **19** (6:00 pm) Bright Tuesday 4/11 – **18** (6:00 pm)

Pray For The Homebound, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: April 14, 2023

RESIDING AT HOME – Bonnie Cohn, Ron Kinnick, Francis Kotasek, Patti Pancoe.

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

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) – Rosemary Dubos, Anne Thomas.

The Inn at Ironwood (6699 Ironwood Boulevard, Canfield, OH 44406) – Dorothy Leone.

Church offerings from April 8 & 9, 2023

Sunday Offering \$1,135.00 Loose Currency \$25.00

Candles \$128.00 <u>Easter \$9,126.00</u> TOTAL: \$10,414.00

LENTEN BANKS \$544.50







Quote of the Week

"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

-Aristotle

Thomas the Doubting Apostle

A D D F T L B X H P M E G U R W D T R U T H S Y V I D O G F O N O S D G T G M V I F F H X S O O A R M E V E R L A S T I N G N C N R S G F H Z B G H Z N K M V I O N E F H U Z I S F Z G U E I L H N B W W M G D Z O E Q W T J R T V I Q R O Y A ISRAELWFQFTTEBIKFBRJLJCS X T ! R ! P S Y L O H C T X Z A F Q U P Q E W T B R K O T I S T I U D X L O E B F E Z O R G U N U K A V H P P Q Z G N S F E G N Q F Y Y D B N E WLVTCYSEHBLREEFEAKFDCOLM ENOTSRENROCFBLHDBZMBILED W A O Q T N M X H U G Q X X P L E W F T S S D N BJTCHUHBRFRFVDBIYMCEYEUA S D Y V V T D F F N K O S N P L C E W B J B A M CVTONCAABDAJTPLERSEUDLGM J L R P D S Y N U N M C S Z I R A L I I G H J O M N I B I V I C T O R Y M H U R O C C D P N C C A T B F Q K Y O G S O J H S B V I V E N D B R H I F P S E C U O A C S X E L E V G T X M E R C Y A P O S T L E S O I T R R D I G E X U P R V Y Q R W A S E W E X N C K A A C O M M U N I T Y C L KAFNJBAQYBORAGTORJNLQHKO J D C S S E N T I W A U Q N E I I J J K D O C V K S M G V N N A J O B E Y H Z C Z L S M M U K E

Apostles community everlasting life peace truth Begotten cornerstone faith love Resurrection Victory Beloved disciples Holy Spirit mercy Son of God witness commandments doubting Israel obey Spirit

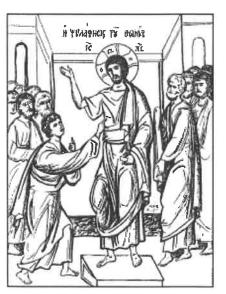
The Testimony that Christ rose from the dead...

While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you."

Luke 24:36

How many saw the resurrected Christ?

Over a period of forty days, Christ rarely appeared to only one individual disciple. Usually many were present, and He gave ample evidence that His resurrection was in His physical body (they touched His wounds and saw Him eat). From the testimony in the New Testament, we know that well over five hundred people saw the risen Jesus, usually in groups, and there are no contradictions in the



accounts nor recorded disputes about these appearances by those who saw Him.

When did they see the resurrected Christ?

Interestingly, all the resurrection appearances occurred either during the day, afternoon or towards evening. Never is a resurrection appearance recorded at night, lest it be confused with a dream.

Where was the risen Christ seen?

The risen Christ appeared in many different areas, both indoors and outdoors. He was seen: Near His tomb. On a well-travelled road. The seashore. Inside a home. A mountain. A city. Outdoors. In Judea and Galilee.

How did they see the risen Jesus?

The appearances of Christ were not passing visions, but they lasted over many hours to people of different backgrounds and occupations, where He would eat with those He appeared to and have conversations with them. None of them had previously believed that He would rise from dead, so initially the appearances confirmed the event and clarified teachings they may not have understood. The apostle John writes in 1 John 1:1-4 that they heard, they saw, and they handled the risen Christ. The apostle Peter says in Acts 10:41 that they are and drank with the risen Christ.

The Artos distributed today

The Artos is a round loaf of bread with an icon depicting the Resurrection of Christ placed upon

it. On Easter morning it is placed on the tetrapod. It symbolizes the Risen Christ, who has become for us the "Bread of Life" and the "New Passover" by His glorious victory over death. The Artos reminds the faithful that Christ came from Heaven to Earth, took on a human body, suffered for us, was crucified, and on the third day arose from the dead to be with us always to the end of the world. Our Lord said of Himself: "I am the living bread who came down from Heaven" (John 6:51). The origin of the blessing of bread can



be found in the Old Testament, where we read that on a table set on the right side of the Sanctuary of the Temple were twelve loaves of bread representing the twelve tribes of Israel. This bread was replaced each Saturday (Sabbath) by the celebrating priest, who alone was permitted to eat this bread. This Blessed Bread should remind us of the Heavenly Bread -- the Holy Eucharist -- our daily bread, which we need in order to sustain our spiritual life. The Artos will be distributed following the Dismissal today.

Custom to Pray before the Empty Tomb of Christ



You are encouraged to stand and pray before the Empty Tomb of Our Lord as it is set in our presence for the 40 days of Easter. It is a way of manifesting our personal and collective faith in the Risen Lord Jesus and the radiant power that flows from it.

The Glorified Cross during the Paschal Season

Throughout the entire Resurrectional period, the Byzantine Catholic Church glorifies the triumphant Cross of Jesus. The 3-bar Cross equally emphasizes both the crucifixion and the resurrection of Christ. It is normal position (bottom bar slants upward to Jesus' right side) it is depicted throughout the course of the year. However, during the 50 days until Pentecost, it is turned around on the back side to remind us that Jesus crushed the power of death. He made it a precious symbol of victory and life. So, during these next 50 days, let us turn our crosses around in reverse to emphasize the "Glorified Cross" of our Lord, reminding us of Jesus' victory over death.



Civic Club meeting TONIGHT

The St. Michael's Civic Club will have a meeting **TONIGHT**, **Sunday**, **April 16th** at 7:30 p.m. in the Hall bar room. Reminder, the club is open to all parishioners.

ECF classes resume

ECF classes resume at the Hall this Tuesday, April 18th at 6:00 p.m.



Did you get your Commemorative Book?

If any registered parishioner household did not yet get your free copy of the 100th Anniversary Commemorative Book, please let Father, Marge Ford, or Linda Macala know. Also, extra books can be purchased at the price of \$17.00. If a book is to be mailed, it is \$20.00.

Special THANKS Extended To...

- --Jimmy Vasilchek for providing the pussywillows for Palm Sunday.
- --ALL Workers who prepared, set-up, and cleaned-up refreshments on Holy Tuesday.
- --ALL who helped prepare our Church for Holy Week and Easter by working, setting up and decorating the Church & ALL who brought Easter baskets, ALL children who participated in the processions, ALL cantors, lectors, ushers, altar servers, and ALL who attended the services.
- --Annette & Helpers for preparing, setting up, and cleaning up the Paschal Foods on Holy Saturday.
- --Keri for organizing the Easter egg hunt last Sunday.

Pastor offers thanks

Fr. Kevin wishes to convey a heartfelt THANK YOU to ALL who remembered him this Easter with cards, foods, and gifts. Your thoughtfulness and generosity will always be in his heart.

Any graduates this year?

If you are graduating this year, either from high school, college/university, or other school, our St. Michael Parish would like to recognize you for your achievement. Let our pastor know of your graduation.

18th Annual Women's Day of Reflection

Saturday, May 13th, 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM, St. John Cathedral Center, Munhall , PA. "Consider the Lilies of the Field". Pre-registration is required by May 5th, \$40 includes lunch (no refunds). Registration forms can be found in the narthex. For more information call 412-322-8773 or email ore@archpitt.org.

Dying the Eggs Red and Mary Magdalene



In Greece and the Middle East, the Christian faithful dye the eggs red because the Roman soldiers put on Jesus Christ a red cloak, as King of the Jews, while they were mocking and torturing Him. According to another tradition, the first Easter egg was the gift from Saint Mary Magdalene to the Roman Emperor Tiberius. Shortly after Christ the Savior's Ascension, Mary Magdalene came to Rome to preach the Gospel. In those times, people coming to see the emperor were supposed to bring him a present. Wealthy people used to bring jewelry, and poor people, what they could afford. Therefore, Mary Magdalene, once a noble and rich woman, who then lost everything, except her faith in Christ Our Savior, offered to Emperor Tiberius a chicken egg and exclaimed: "Christ has resurrected!" The emperor, doubting her words, noted that nobody could rise from the dead and that it was as hard to believe in what she had said as in that a white egg might turn red. Tiberius was still saying those words when the

egg began changing its color and turned scarlet. Thus, from the very first century of Christianity, colored eggs have always been the symbol of Jesus' Resurrection and, with it, purification in the name of a new and better life to the faithful followers of the Risen Lord. The eggs' red color has always symbolized Christ's blood and at the same time was the symbol of the Resurrection.