Saint Michael Byzantine Catholic Church

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Holy Mystery of Reconciliation	
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	Summer recess; ECF classes resume September 2023.
Youth Group	
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 S	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.

Love One Another

"I give you a new commandment," said Jesus, "love one another." ... He showed the newness of His command and how far the love He enjoined surpassed the old conception of mutual love by going on immediately to add: "Love one another as I have loved you." To understand the full force of these words, we have to consider how Christ loved us. Then it will be easy to see what is new and different in the commandment we are now given.

Do you not see what is new in Christ's love for us? The law commanded people to love their brothers and sisters as they love themselves, but our Lord Jesus Christ loved us more than Himself. He who was one in nature with God the Father and His equal would not have descended to our lowly estate, nor endured in His flesh such a bitter death for us, nor submitted to the blows given Him by His enemies, to the shame, the derision, and all the other sufferings that could not possibly be enumerated. Nor, being rich, would He have become poor, had He not loved us far more than Himself. It was indeed something new for love to go as far as that!

Christ commands us to love as He did, putting neither reputation, nor wealth, nor anything whatever before love of our brothers and sisters. If need be we must even be prepared to face death for our neighbor's salvation as did our Savior's blessed disciples and those who followed in their footsteps. To them the salvation of others mattered more than their own lives, and they were ready to do anything or to suffer anything to save souls that were perishing.

The Savior urged us to practice this love that transcends the law as the foundation of true devotion to God. He knew that only in this way could we become pleasing in God's eyes, and that it was by seeking the beauty of the love implanted in us by Himself that we should attain to the highest blessings.

St. Cyril of Alexandria

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SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL



Icon of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

Christ Is Glorified!

Exalt Him Forever!

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requested by: Sharon Vrabel

requested by: Civic Club

Sat., May 20 6:00 P.M. (VIGIL SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY)

+Geraldine Ann Testa

+Walt Shabella requested by: Family

(11th anniversary of passing 5.30)

Sun., May 21

The Sunday Of The Fathers Of The First

Ecumenical Council — Within the Ascension Feast

11:00 A.M.

+Joanne Hritz requested by: John Hritz & Daughter

+Deceased Members of St. Michael's Civic Club who died during past season

during past season

The Fifth & Final Universal All Souls

Fri., May 26 6:00 P.M.

+All Souls with the Reading of the Hramoty





Sun., May 28

11:00 A.M.

(VIGIL PENTECOST SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY)

+Gloria M. Katula (40th day of passing)

requested by: Jerry & Pauline Shirilla

+Patricia E. DiFrangia (remembrance of birthday 5.25)

requested by: Pat, Terry, & Ken Tirpack

PENTECOST SUNDAY - The Descent of the Most Holy Spirit - Kneeling Prayers - Mirovanije

+Jeffrey T. Gomori (remembrance of birthday 5.27)

requested by: Nancy Modarelli









Church Attendance

Saturday 5/13 – **105** (12:30 pm)

- **71** (6:00 pm)

Sunday 5/14 – **57** (11:00 am)

Thursday 5/18 - 53 (6:00 pm)

Pray For The Homebound, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: May 19, 2023

RESIDING AT HOME – 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.

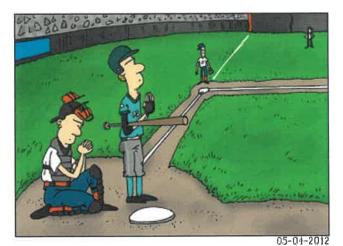
The Inn at Ironwood (6699 Ironwood Boulevard, Canfield, OH 44406) — Dorothy Leone.

Church offerings from May 13 & 14, 2023

Sunday Offering \$1,715.00 Loose Currency \$30.00

Candles \$111.00 TOTAL: \$1,856.00





THE PRAYER STANDOFF LINGERED ON

Quote of the Week

"Good. Better. Best. Never let it rest. 'Til your good is better and your better is best."

-St. Jerome

Nicene Creed Word Search

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liturgy	catholic	eternal	kingdom
resurrection	crucified	Virgin Mary	Begotten
prophets	apostolic	Church	consubstantial
holy spirit	Jesus	God	Creed

Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council in Nicea

The Church was strengthened into one faith through the preaching of the Apostles and the doctrines of the Fathers. The Church is robed in truth woven of the word of God from above. It teaches truth, and glorifies the great mystery of faith.

Today we celebrate the memory of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council which is annually celebrated on the Sunday before Pentecost, following Ascension Thursday. As we witnessed on the Feast of the Ascension, when Christ ascended, He reiterated His promise of the Holy Spirit to the Apostles. The Holy Spirit guided the Church, and this guidance is magnificently made manifest in the history of the Ecumenical Councils, when dogmas were confirmed and



heresies were corrected. It was the Holy Spirit who guided the Holy Fathers in the councils and confirmed their pronouncements.

There have been seven Ecumenical Councils, which were convened when there was some heresy that endangered the purity of the true faith. The First Ecumenical council that we celebrate today was held in 325 AD in a small town in Asia Minor called Nicea. According to the historical documents, 318 bishops participated in the council, who are called "holy fathers of Nicea" or just 'holy 318'. The number 318 has a biblical significance as the bishops are seen like 318 servants of Abraham (Gen 14:14). This First Ecumenical Council produced four important documents: 1. Confession of Faith (Symbol), which Arius and two of his supporters declined to undersign and were thereby excommunicated and exiled to Illiricum. 2. The council decided upon the date of Pascha-Easter and controversies on this issue were settled. 3. Twenty Canons to the question of ecclesiastical discipline. 4. A Synodal letter, which was sent to all sister Churches to explain the proceedings of the council and thereby a call to obey the decisions of the council.

Recognizing the divine Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council as heralds of the Faith after the Holy Apostles, the Church of Christ has appointed this present Sunday for their annual commemoration, in thanksgiving and unto the glory of God, unto their praise and honor, and unto the strengthening of the true Faith.

You were supposed to attend Church for the Ascension Holyday...did you? It's not cool to miss!

The first precept of the Church teaches that the Christian faithful attend The Divine Liturgy on **ALL Sundays of the year, as well as on ALL Holydays of Obligation**. Besides ALL Sundays, there are 5 Holy Days of Obligation in our Byzantine Catholic Church. The Feast of the Ascension of our Lord was a Holy Day of Obligation. Did you attend Church? Only a serious or honorable reason should've prevented you from attending. When you purposely miss a Sunday (Sat. vigil) or Holyday of Obligation without a serious or honorable reason or dispensation from a priest, the Church teaches you are in the state of sin. The Sacrament of Confession is the remedy for this.

Wear green next weekend for Pentecost



Next weekend, our Byzantine Catholic Church celebrates the twin feast to that of our Lord's Radiant Resurrection: THE DESCENT OF THE MOST HOLY SPIRIT – Pentecost Sunday. According to our Byzantine Catholic custom, **GREEN** is the color of Pentecost because it symbolizes the NEW LIFE given to us by the Holy Spirit. So each of us should wear some green next Saturday night and Sunday morning.

Civic Club meeting TONIGHT - election of officers

The St. Michael's Civic Club will have a meeting **TONIGHT**, **Sunday**, **May 21st** at 7:30 p.m. in the bar room. Reminder, the club is open to all parishioners. This will be the last meeting of the season and will be the election of officers for the new season in September.

Last call for grads

2 graduates came forward thus far. If you are graduating, please let Father know by TODAY.

Mother's Day / Father's Day Breakfast



Our St. Michael Church will once again have a combined Mother's Day & Father's Day parish breakfast on **Sunday**, **June 11th following the 11:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy.** This breakfast is open for all parishioners and will be a breakfast to honor both mothers and fathers. Sign-ups are in the narthex.

'Active Threat Training' at our Hall

Would you know how to respond if a parishioner or loved one had a medical emergency? Or an intruder posed a threat during Liturgy? All parishioners are strongly encouraged to attend an **Active Threat Training** presented by Officers Dave Smith and Marc Gillette that will outline actions that could save a life. The hour-long training will take place on **Tuesday**, **June 6th in St. Michael's Hall beginning at 6:30 p.m.** A sign-up sheet is in the narthex for all those who plan to attend. Learn how to respond quickly to a number of life-threatening scenarios that you might face at church, home, or in the community. **Father is requiring those who are ushers &who volunteer frequently to attend this.**

Our pastor will be attending Clergy Days this Monday & Tuesday at the Cathedral. These are business meeting days with the Archbishop. All priests and deacons are required to go.

Blessing of graves on Memorial Day

On Memorial Day, Pentecost Monday, May 29th, at 9:30 a.m., a Panachida will be offered followed by the blessing of graves of any loved ones you request at our St. Michael Cemetery. You are welcome to attend as we pray for those who died in the service of our country and for all our departed loved ones.



The fifth & final All Souls Saturday

On the Saturday before Pentecost, our Byzantine Catholic Church commemorates the Fifth & Final Universal All Souls' Saturday for this liturgical year. This special requiem Divine Liturgy commemorates all those who fell asleep in the Lord. The special feature is the reading of the Hramoty (names of the deceased). **Join us Friday evening, May 26th, at 6:00 p.m.** for this Liturgy along with the reading of the Hramoty.

ECF perfect attendance

Our St. Michael Parish Congratulates **Maria Circelli, Noah Hicks, Genevieve Hicks,** and **Elizabeth Hicks** who had perfect attendance at ECF classes this school year. Way to go!



Our Pastor's Ordination anniversary this week

Our Pastor will celebrate his **19th Anniversary of Priesthood Ordination** this Tuesday. 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 19th anniversary Father!

Lector John earns Masters degree

Lector John Welch recently graduated from our Byzantine Catholic Seminary with a Masters of Arts Degree in Theology. The graduation took place on Thursday, May 11, 2023 at a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy in the Seminary chapel. John now awaits ordination to the Sub-Diaconate then to the Diaconate. After serving as a deacon for some time, he will then await priesthood ordination. Congratulations on your Masters Degree John!



GCU Wine Tour Event



Spend the day at different wineries in Madison, Ohio on Saturday, June 24th. You will visit Grand River Cellars, Debonne Vineyards, and Laurello Vineyards. Charter bus transportation will be provided in Youngstown, OH. Itinerary for Wineries: Noon to 1:30 pm – Grand River Cellars: Lunch, tasting of 3 wines, and a tour will be provided. 1:45 pm to 3:15 pm – Debonne Vineyards: Tasting of 4 wines and tour will be provided. 3:30 pm to 5:00 pm – Laurello Vineyards: Wine flight of 4 preselected wines will be provided. Charter Bus Travel Details: 10:30 am - Pick up stop at

Tiffany Plaza II, Youngstown ÖH By Noon - Arrive at Grand River Cellars5:00 pm - Depart from Laurello Vineyards 6:15 pm - Drop off at Tiffany Plaza II, Youngstown OH Cost: Members: \$60; Non-Member Guest: \$80. We would like a group from our parish to attend. If you are interested in going, please see Keri or call her at 330-770-9213 to sign-up.