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Religious Education Classes ECF classes on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.; begin Sept. 19. Your Will Please be so kind as to remember 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.

The Cross Raised for All the World to See

The cross is raised and appears above the earth, which until recently malice had kept hidden. It is raised, not to receive glory (for with Christ nailed to it what greater glory could it have?) but to give glory to God who is worshiped on it and proclaimed by it.

It is not surprising that the church rejoices in the cross of Christ and robes herself in festal clothes, revealing her bridal beauty as she honors this day. Nor is it surprising that this great throng of people has gathered together today to see the cross exposed aloft and to worship Christ whom they see raised upon it. For the cross is exposed in order to be raised and is raised to be exposed.

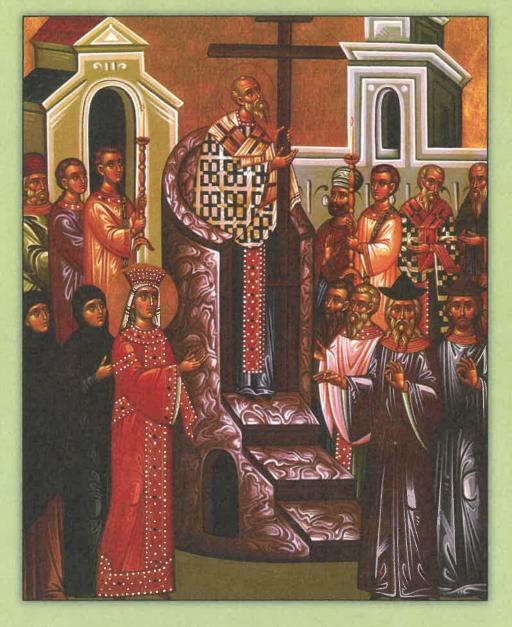
What cross? The cross, which a little while ago was hidden in a place called "The Skull" but now is everywhere adored. This is what we rejoice over today; this is what we celebrate; this is the point of the present feast; this is the manifestation of the mystery.

For this hidden and life-giving cross had to be exposed, set on high like a city on a hill or a lamp on a stand, for all the world to see.

Saint Andrew of Crete

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SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS



Icon of the Elevation of the Holy Cross

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!

Sun., Sept. 17



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requested by: Family

Sat., Sept. 9 (VIGIL SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY) Fr. Michael Huszti, Celebrant 6:00 P.M. +Mary Babich requested by: Betty & Jack Macala (remembrance of 102nd birthday)

The Sunday Before The Universal Elevation Of Sun., Sept. 10 The Cross - Grandparent's Day

11:00 A.M. +Anna P. Drotar (15th anniversary of passing 9.9) & remembrance of birthday 9.16)

12:00 P.M. 3-Tier Auction at Hall

The Feast Of The Universal Elevation Of The Cross Thurs., Sept. 14 2 (3)

Solemn Holy Day — Voluntary Strict Fast Day (no meat or dairy)

The Solemn Enthronement Of The Cross 5:50 P.M.

6:00 P.M. +Stephen Kotasek requested by: Granddaughters

(63rd anniversary of passing 9.20)

Sat., Sept. 16 (VIGIL SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY) Fr. Michael Huszti, Celebrant

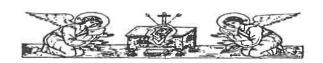
6:00 P.M. +John Lucas requested by: Family

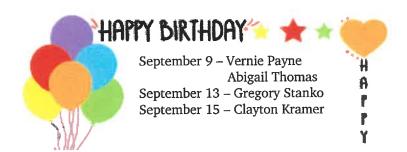
(29th anniversary of passing 9.20)

The Sunday After The Universal Elevation Of

The Cross - Catechetical Sunday

11:00 A.M. +Anne Kohut requested by: Daughter & Son





Church Attendance

Saturday 9/2 - 47 (6:00 pm) Sunday 9/3 - 45 (11:00 am) Thursday 9/7 - 16 (6:00 pm)

Pray For The Homebound, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: September 8, 2023

RESIDING AT HOME – Francis Kotasek, Betty Stanko.

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.

Center for Rehab at Hampton Woods (1517 E Western Reserve Road, Poland, OH 44514) - Julie Brozman.

Church offerings from September 2 & 3, 2023

Sunday Offering \$1,315.00 Loose Currency \$58.00

Candles \$52.00 Holydays ...\$130.00 TOTAL: \$1,555.00



September 3rd TOTAL: \$435.00



YOUR TEAM SURE KNOWS HOW TO LOSE BIBLICALLY ... THAT'S THE BEST WEEPING AND GNASHING OF TEETH I'VE SEEN YET

Ouote of the Week

"In trial or difficulty, I have recourse to Mother Mary, whose glance alone is enough to dissipate every fear."

-St. Therese of Lisieux

Grandparent's Day

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

BEST TIME EVER **BOOKS CARING** COOKIES **GRANDPA HAPPY** LAUGH LOVING **STORIES** PLAY

CANDY **GRANDMOM** HUGS **MEMORIES** TOYS

The Universal Exaltation of the Holy Cross September 14

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross originated in Jerusalem in the year 355 to commemorate the dedication of the Basilica of the Resurrection. When the true Cross of Jesus was found shortly afterwards, this event was commemorated on the same day. In time,

the Feast of the Exaltation replaced the feast of the

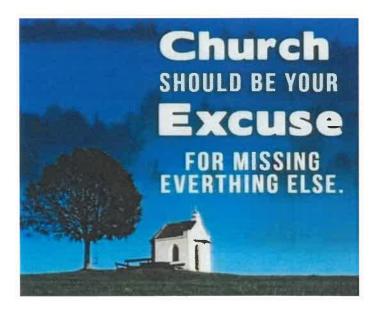
dedication.

In 395, St. John Chrysostom wrote of three crosses which were discovered beneath Golgotha by the Empress Helena. Many other writers speak of miracles which occurred through contact with the true Cross. It was through one of these miracles that the true Cross was recognized by St. Helena and St. Macarius, the Bishop of Jerusalem.

The Holy Cross was kept in the Basilica of the Resurrection in Jerusalem until 614, when the Persians conquered the city and burned the Church. In 628, Emperor Heraclius III defeated the Persians and returned the Holy Cross to Jerusalem. A portion of the Cross was taken to Rome in the seventh century by Sergius I, a Pope of Byzantine origin.

As we celebrate this Major Feast let us remind ourselves that the power of the Cross is given to each and every Christian. But just as a soldier must learn to properly wield his weapons in battle, so a warrior of Christ must learn how correctly to make the sign of the Cross. A shield has no effect if carelessly waved about in the air. Likewise, there are many who receive no benefit from the sign of the Cross because they make it mechanically or haphazardly.

The Cross, once a tool of death, has become a means to life, an instrument of our salvation; it gives strength to resist temptation, to refrain from gossip or harsh words and it dispels fear.





Prayer for Grandparents

Loving God, you have given us the wondrous gift of grandmothers and grandfathers. Your gracious love is reflected in their love and care for us. We thank you, Lord, for the surprises grandmas bring, and for the mending they do. We thank you, Lord, for the toys that grandpas fix and the stories they read to us. We thank you, Lord, for the ways that

our grandparents spoil us, for the celebrations they never forget, and for all the cuddles they give. We thank you for giving us grandparents to share their wisdom, to listen to us, to be there loving us. We thank you, Lord. Amen.

3-Tier Auction TODAY

The 7th 3-Tier Chinese Auction is TODAY at our church hall. Fabulous prizes waiting to be won such as a 65" TV, gas grille, chrome book, purses, lottery tree, gift card tree, appliances, electronics, kitchenware, boys & girls toys, things for your pets, and lots more! Doors open at 12 noon and drawing begins at 2 pm. \$7 admission with free 25 tier 1 tickets & lunch. Winners don't have to be present but it's so much fun to stay and cheer!



Spaghetti dinner TODAY in conjunction with auction



TODAY, September 10th, our St. Michael Church is sponsoring a Pasta Dinner in conjunction with the 3-Tier Auction. It includes pasta, meatballs, bread/butter, salad, and dessert. <u>\$12.00 per dinner</u>. Go to the hall for orders.

Register now for ECF classes

Eastern Christian Formation (ECF) classes will begin starting Tuesday, September 19th from 6:00-7:15 p.m. and every Tuesday thereafter. Registration was sent to parents' email addresses and is available on our parish's website. Parents, please take ECF seriously and put your child's religious education BEFORE all other activities. ECF not only teaches our children how to become closer to God through prayer, service,



and knowledge, but it also teaches them what is to be a Byzantine Catholic and live it out...and the beautiful traditions of our Byzantine Catholic Church. We welcome the opportunity to teach your child about his or her faith, and the ways of our beautiful Rite. <u>Please register ASAP if you haven't done so.</u>

Reverse Raffle tickets numbers still available as of September 9th:

9,19,34,37,48,56,61,63,72,73,77,78,81,85,87,89,90,93,95,96,97,98,99,113,115,116,119

Welcome new altar server

Our St. Michael Church welcomes **CAMERON BIGLEY** to the ministry of being an altar server. Cameron will receive a blessing at the Sunday Divine Liturgy and begin serving at the altar. Thank you Cameron for your willingness in doing this important ministry. May the Lord God grant to His servant, Cameron, peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years, na mnohaja i blahaja l'ita!



Civic Club meeting next Sunday

The St. Michael's Civic Club will begin its new season this month. The first meeting is set for **next Sunday, September 17th at 7:30 p.m.** in the bar room at the hall. Remember, the St. Michael's Civic Club is open to everyone of the parish: men and women and our youth. You have to be a registered member of our parish.

GOALS that Nick DuBos as club president is setting:

- 1. Work within our membership and collaborate with other church social organizations to provide 2-4 quality programs/events per year that appeal to a wide range of interests. One or two of these programs/events must be a major fundraiser for the Civic Club.
- 2. The Civic Club must expand its membership by actively recruiting more women, youth, and families. We must be welcoming to all ethnic cultures of our church. By having a wide variety of programs/events, I hope more individuals and families join.
- 3. The Civic Club must continue to engage in the betterment of the community by contributing money to worthy causes, such as scholarships, cultural events, youth programs, etc.

Thank you words from Deacon John Welch

"I, Deacon John Welch and my wife Jennifer would like to thank each and every one of you who participated in my Diaconate ordination celebration. Words can't express how blessed we feel to share this occasion with all of you who have watched my vocational journey now coming to fruition. You all have been so kind to us throughout this journey, and for that, we are very grateful and humbled. Also, thank you from the bottom of our hearts for all of the cards and gifts in honor of my Diaconate. You are all so incredibly generous and we can't thank you enough! We plan to purchase priestly vestments with the gifts of money so it is much appreciated. As soon as we hear anything about an ordination to the priesthood we will let you know. Please keep us in your prayers, and know that you are always in ours." - Deacon John Welch

Craft Show in Warren

SS. Peter & Paul Byzantine Catholic Church, 180 Belvedere Avenue, Warren, is hosting a Craft Show in the hall and parking lot on Friday, September 15th from 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. and on Saturday, September 16th from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Food and drink concession – cash only.

IF GOD BRINGS YOU TO IT, HE WILL BRING YOU THROUGH IT. HAPPY MOMENTS, PRAISE GOD; DIFFICULT MOMENTS, SEEK GOD. QUIET MOMENTS, WORSHIP GOD; PAINFUL MOMENTS TRUST GOD. EVERY MOMENT, THANK GOD!