

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 ECF classes on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Youth Group All youth welcome; see Keri.

GCU Call Ed Stanko at 330-758-4190.

St. Michael's Civic Club Call Nick DuBos at 412-726-8527 or email him at nicholasdubos@gmail.com.

St. Michael Hall, 405 Robinson Road Contact parish office for rentals.

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.

WEEKEND LITURGIES: Sat eve: 6:00 p.m. Sun: 11:00 a.m.

HOLYDAYS: 6:00 p.m.

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.

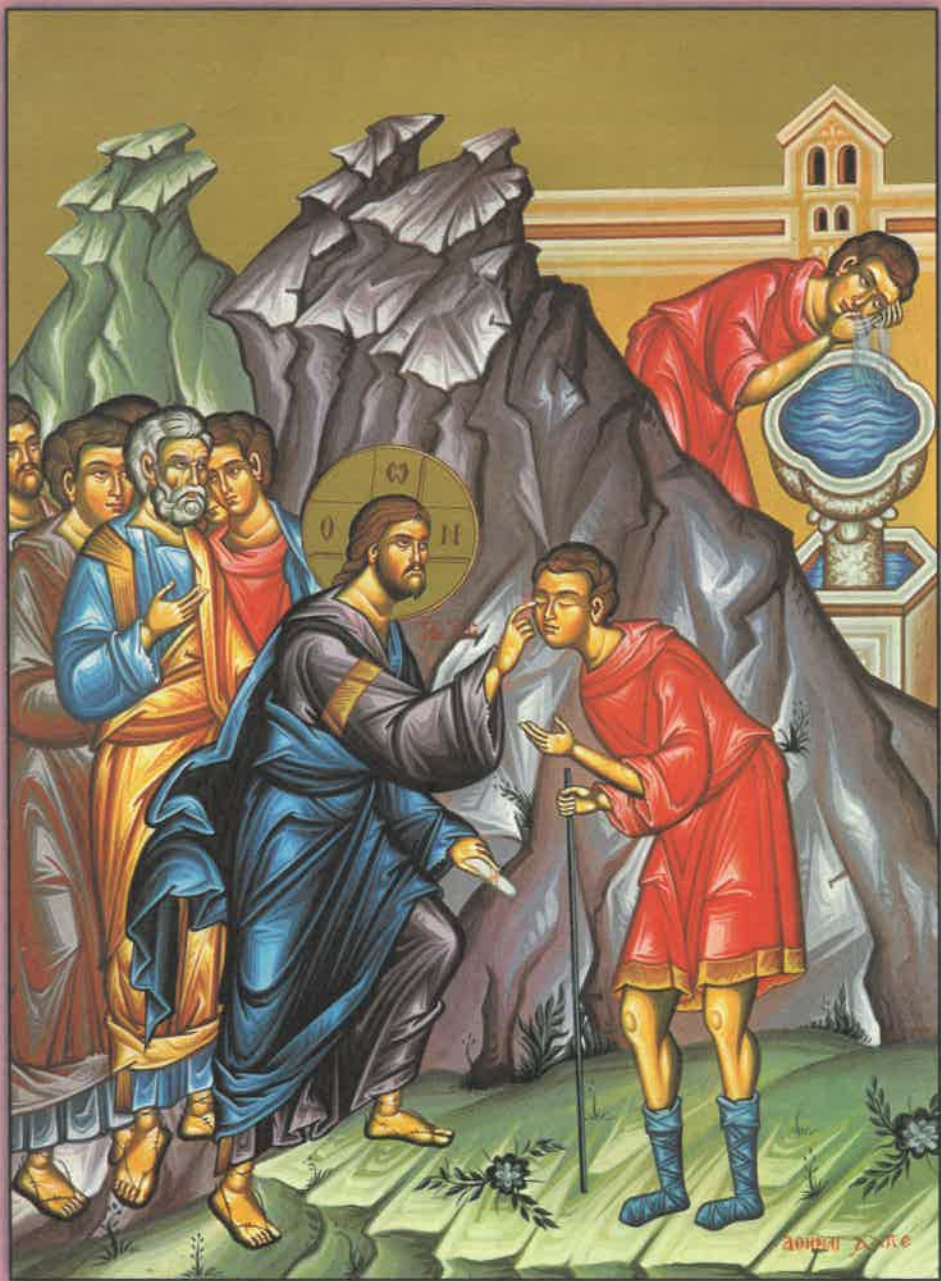
We also hear in the reading that after this man was cured many of those who knew him before did not recognize him. He is still the same man but something has significantly changed about

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.

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SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND



Icon of the Gospel of the Man Born Blind

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



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Sat., May 4

6:00 p.m.

(Vigil Paschal Sunday Divine Liturgy)

+Helen C. VanSuch
(remembrance of birthday)

requested by: Marge Shabella

Thanksgiving: 68th Wedding
Anniversary of Ed & Maria Tirpack

requested by: Children &
Grandchildren

Sun., May 5

11:00 a.m.

The Sunday Of The Man Born Blind – The 6th
Paschal Sunday

+Anna Drotar

requested by: Family

Thurs., May 9

6:00 p.m.

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



+Bernie Kovach
(40th day of passing 5.11 &
remembrance of birthday 4.16)

requested by: Mary Jane Bury

Fri., May 10

6:00 p.m.

First Reconciliation of Nikola Adams, Mila Lencyk
& A.J. Vazquez



Sat., May 11

12:30 p.m.



First Solemn Communion Of: Nikola Leann Adams,
Amelia Mae Lencyk, & Abimael Juan Vazquez

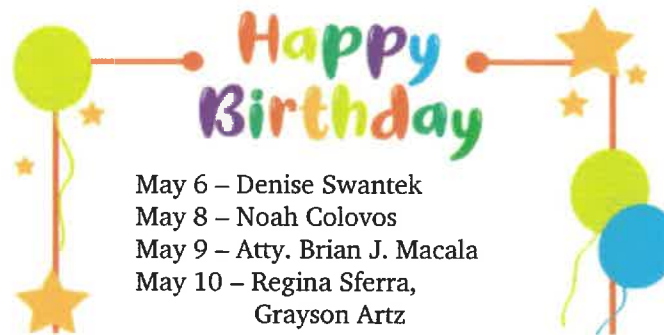


(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy) – Fr. Tim Fariss, Celebrant
All Living +Deceased Mothers

Sun., May 12

11:00 a.m.

**The Sunday Of The Fathers Of The First
Ecumenical Council** – Within the Ascension – Mother's Day
All Living +Deceased Mothers



May 6 – Denise Swantek
May 8 – Noah Colovos
May 9 – Atty. Brian J. Macala
May 10 – Regina Sferra,
Grayson Artz

Church Attendance

Saturday 4/27 – **32** (6:00 pm)

Sunday 4/28 – **54** (11:00 am)

Pray For Our Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: May 3, 2024

RESIDING AT HOME – Julie Brozman, Nicholas Ihnat, Francis Kotasek, Maria Tirpack.
Concord Care Center of Cortland (4250 Sodom Hutchings Road, Cortland, OH 44410) – Lucille Puhak.
The Inn at Ironwood (6699 Ironwood Boulevard, Canfield, OH 44406) – Dorothy Leone.
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.

Church offerings from April 27 & 28, 2024

Sunday Offering \$1,779.00
Loose Currency \$69.00
Candles \$101.00
Holyday 105.00
TOTAL: \$2,054.00



April 28th TOTAL:
\$462.00

Weekly Requirement to Meet Yearly Expenses

Date	Collection	Required	(Shortage)
Apr. 28	\$2,054	\$2,850	(\$796)
YTD	\$44,863	\$48,450	(\$3,587)



Thanks to Kent Koehler (See Acts 1:10-11) 04-06-1999
I'LL BE BACK

Quote of the Week

"Impossible is just an opinion."
— Paulo Coelho

Jesus ascension

Word Search Puzzle

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WORSHIPPED	CLOUD
DISCIPLES	BIBLE
WITNESSES	SKY
JERUSALEM	ASCENSION



The Theotokos honored throughout May



As the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us. Redeemed by reason of the merits of her Son and united to Him by a close and indissoluble tie, she is endowed with the high office and dignity of being the Mother of the Son of God, by which account she is also the beloved daughter of the Father and the temple of the Holy Spirit. Because of this gift of sublime grace she far surpasses all creatures, both in heaven and on earth. At the same time, however, because she belongs to the offspring of Adam she is one with all those who are to be saved. (*Lumen Gentium*, no. 53) Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed." The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf.



9 RULES FOR A CHRISTIAN LIFESTYLE FROM ST BENEDICT OF NURSIA

Prefer nothing to the love of Christ	Know for certain that God sees you everywhere	Venerate the seniors and love the juniors
Do not make a false peace	When you see any good in yourself attribute it to God, not to self	When you begin anything, pray that it may be carried through by Him to its conclusion
In case of discord with anyone make peace before sunset	In the love of Christ pray for your enemies	Do not wish to be called holy before you are



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

St. Michael, Campbell – Thursday, May 9th at 6:00 pm

St. Michael, Hermitage – Wednesday, May 8th at 6:00 pm & Thursday, May 9th at 10:00 am

Putting away of Burial Shroud & Tomb

Before the Feast of the Ascension this Thursday, the burial shroud will be removed from the Holy Altar, where it has been placed since the beginning of the Resurrectional Matins. It remained on the altar since Easter because it symbolized the Radiant Resurrection of Christ and His constant appearance to His disciples during His last forty days on earth. It is solemnly removed off the altar on the day before the Feast of the Ascension symbolizing the time when Our Lord, having completed His redemptive mission here on earth, ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father. Also, the empty tomb is now removed from the church.



First Confession this Friday & First Solemn Communion



This **Friday, May 10th**, 3 of our children will mark a spiritual milestone in their life by making their First Confession. Then on **Saturday, May 11th**, they will make their First Solemn Communion at a special Divine Liturgy at 12:30 p.m. Anyone is invited to this Liturgy. Please remember them in prayer as they prepare for their big days: Nikola Adams, Amelia Lencyk, & A.J. Vazquez.

Chicken Parm dinner in two weeks

On **Sunday May 19th**, from 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m., our St. Michael Church is sponsoring a Chicken Parmesan Dinner **\$12.00 per dinner**. Eat in or take-out. Pre-Orders guaranteed, walk-ins welcome until sold out. Call or text Sue at 330-402-6673.

Parishioner falls asleep in the Lord

+**JOANN L. EVAN**, 80, of Poland fell asleep in the Lord on Thursday, April 25, 2024. She is the mother of parishioners Dr. Kristen (Greg) Hymes and grandmother of Lauren, Gregory, & Matthew Hymes. Her Paschal Funeral Divine Liturgy was offered on Saturday, May 4, 2024 at our St. Michael Church with interment at our St. Michael Cemetery. May God grant to His departed handmaid, +Joann, blessed repose and eternal memory, for Christ Is Risen!



Congratulations Jubilarians

Our St. Michael Church offers Congratulations to parishioners **ED & MARIA TIRPACK** who are celebrating their **68th Wedding Anniversary**. They were married on May 6, 1956. May the Lord God grant to His servants, Ed & Maria, & peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years, because Christ Is Risen!

REBORN IN WATER & SPIRIT

Our Saint Michael Parish offers Congratulations to **ABIMAE L. JUAN "A.J." VAZQUEZ** who received the Holy Mysteries of Initiation on Monday, April 29, 2024. May God grant to His newly enlightened servant, A.J., peace, health, and happiness for many blessed and happy years, for Christ Is Risen!

Celebrating Our Pastor's 20th Anniversary Of Priesthood

On **Sunday, May 26th**, a breakfast at our St. Michael Hall will be held at 12:00 noon to honor the priesthood, in particular, Fr. Kevin's 20th Anniversary of Priesthood Ordination. He was ordained a priest on May 23, 2004. It is a free breakfast but sign-up's are required by Monday, May 20th! Please sign up in the narthex if you are attending the breakfast.

Food sales profit continued...

Election Day Food Sale – March 12	\$1,044.50
Palm Sunday Spaghetti dinner – March 23	\$904.39
Easter Cheese Sale	\$410.00
Kolachi Sale	\$720.00
Stuffed Cabbage Dinner – April 14	\$1,216.00

Play Ball at Scrappers Opening Night!

Join the Civic Club for the 2nd annual outing to the Mahoning Valley Scrappers baseball game on Friday, **June 7th** against the Frederick Keys, with a picnic included! **Game time is 7:05 p.m.** The deadline to sign up for the game is Sunday, May 19th. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex and a civic club officer will be present after most Sunday Liturgies to collect payment. If you have questions, please email Civic Club president Nick DuBos at: nicholasdubos@gmail.com.

