# Saint Michael Byzantine Catholic Church

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

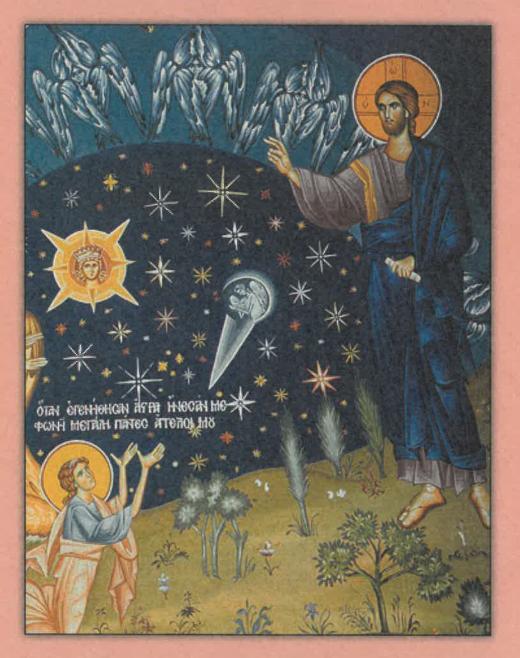
HOLYDAYS: 6:00 p.m.

### The Beginning of the Ecclesiastical New Year

There are three types of Indictions: 1) That which was introduced in the West, and which is called Imperial, or Caesarean, or Constantinian, and which begins on the 24th of September; 2) The so-called Papal Indiction, which begins on the 1st of January; and 3) The Constantinopolitan, which was adopted by the Patriarchs of that city after the fall of the Eastern Empire in 1453. This Indiction is indicated in their own hand on the decrees they issue, without the numeration of the fifteen years. This Indiction begins on the 1st of September and is observed with special ceremony in the Church. Since the completion of each year takes place, as it were, with the harvest and gathering of the crops into storehouses, and we begin anew from henceforth the sowing of seed in the earth for the production of future crops, September is considered the beginning of the New Year. The Church also keeps festival this day, beseeching God for fair weather, seasonable rains, and an abundance of the fruits of the earth. The Holy Scriptures (Lev. 23:24-5 and Num. 29:1-2) also testify that the people of Israel celebrated the feast of the Blowing of the Trumpets on this day, offering hymns of thanksgiving. In addition to all the aforesaid, on this feast we also commemorate our Savior's entry into the synagogue in Nazareth, where He was given the book of the Prophet Esaias to read, and He opened it and found the place where it is written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach good new to the poor..." (Luke 4:16-30).

It should be noted that to the present day, the Church has always celebrated the beginning of the New Year on September 1. This was the custom in Constantinople until its fall in 1453 and in Russia until the reign of Peter I. September 1 is still festively celebrated as the New Year at the Patriarchate of Constantinople; among the Jews also the New Year, although reckoned according to a moveable calendar, usually falls in September. The service of the Menaion for January 1 is for our Lord's Circumcision and for the memorial of Saint Basil the Great, without any mention of its being the beginning of a new year.

#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of Creation

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



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Sat., Aug 31 (Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)
6:00 p.m. +Norene C. Kotasek

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requested by: Kotasek Family

Sun., Sept 1

THE 15TH SUNDAY AFTER

**PENTECOST** – Labor Day Weekend – Annual Pilgrimage at

Mt. St. Macrina, Uniontown

11:00 a.m.

+Margaret A. Hudak

requested by: Daughter: Regina Rovnyak

(2nd anniversary of passing 8.23 & remembrance of 90th birthday 9.10)

Mon., Sept 2-Fri., Sept 6

No Divine services scheduled



Sat., Sept 7

(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)

6:00 p.m.

+Mary Babich (remembrance of 103rd birthday 9.8)

requested by: Jack & Betty Macala

Sun., Sept 8

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Grandparent's Day

11:00 a.m.

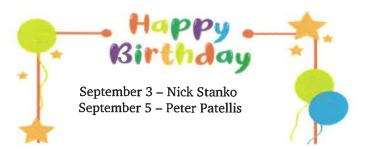
+Anna P. Drotar

requested by: Family

(16th anniversary of passing 9.9 & remembrance of birthday 9.16)

Health & God's Blessings Upon Grandparents





#### Church Attendance

Saturday 8/24 – **42** (6:00 pm) Sunday 8/25 – **45** (11:00 am)

#### Pray For Our Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: August 30, 2024

RESIDING AT HOME – Vera Orosz, Lucille Puhak, Martha Swantek, Maria Tirpack.

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.

Hampton Woods (1517 E. Western Reserve Road, Poland, OH 44514) – Francis Kotasek.

## Church offerings from August 24 & 25, 2024

Sunday Offering .... \$1,440.00 Loose Currency .... \$16.00

Candles .... \$81.00 <u>Holydays.... \$10.00</u> TOTAL: \$1,551.00



August 25th TOTAL;

\$322.00

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Weekly Requirement to Meet Yearly Expenses					
Date	Collection	Required	(Shortage)		
Aug 25	\$1,551	\$2,850	(\$1,299)		
YTD	\$81,940	\$96,900	(\$14,960)		

#### **Quote of the Week**

"There is no Saint without a past, no sinner without a future."

— St. Augustine



Find all of the hidden Labor Day words in the word search puzzle.





WEEKEND COMMUNITY LABOR WORKER
SCHOOL BREAK SUMMER
HOLIDAY SEPTEMBER TEACHER
PICNIC PARADE OFFICE CELEBRATE



#### How do we act?

We've heard the saying "age is just a number," meaning that, even as we age, we are exactly as old as we think we are. Sure, there are problems that arise as our bodies begin to get older, but a healthy, positive mindset can help us beyond any medications sometimes. Beyond the mindset, our relationship with God is of importance; our personal and communal prayer lives give us the spiritual sustenance to endure the harsh realities of our world. Faith and trust in God allows us to conquer all fear, all ailment, all self-pity.

As Christians, we are all called "children of God;" we are all equal in His eyes—young or old, man or woman, black or white, rich or poor. In this light, we are called to treat each other with mutual love and respect, to care for one another as one family



in relation to God, our Creator. However, oftentimes, as we age, we tend to forget what childhood was like, what teenage years were like, what being a newlywed was like, what being a first-time parent was like, and so forth. We become quick to judge, quick to temper when parents don't know how to handle their child(ren), or we become defensive when younger people become interested in helping at church or working in church affairs because we are afraid of "losing our job."

It is important to remember that everyone goes through the same aging process and that, as we age, we have, somewhere inside of us, the younger version of ourselves, the same younger version that couldn't sit still, that rebelled from time to time, that was interested in helping out, that secretly yearned to know God through others.

Now, we so often hear people so many people ask "where are all the young people?" Or "why are we always the ones who have to do everything in church?" We need look no further than into the past to when, possibly, younger people were interested in being a part of the "team," but were written off as inexperienced, know-it-alls, or not good enough to perform various functions in the church.

Let us always be mindful of our ways, of our words, of our actions. They say that, with age, comes wisdom, and wisdom comes from God. Let us then, when we age, use our age and wisdom to help others grow closer to God, without forgetting that we all are children in God's eyes. We should be inviting people to take part, to share in God's Kingdom and to be participating members of the Body of Christ. Each day is a blessing, another opportunity for us to grow in faith and love.

We cannot dismiss the fact that the young and children are the future of our Church. When we talk about a failing society in morals and standards and faith, sometimes it starts with us and the examples that we set—or didn't set—for future generations to follow! Let us remember our youth, be conscientious in our words and actions. Only then, can we do the true work of our Church in maintaining the faith and spirituality through acceptance, learning, and sharing!

### Happy Church New Year today

On **September 1st**, our Byzantine Catholic Church begins the Ecclesiastical New Year. Christian tradition relates that Jesus began His public ministry in the month of September, leaving His hometown of Nazareth and embarking upon a three year period as in itinerant preacher. Thus in the Byzantine Empire, the civil year began on the 1st of September. Once again in this forthcoming liturgical year, the Lord Jesus beckons us to follow after Him, to observe His commandments, to listen to His preaching, to implement His teachings, and to recommit ourselves to His way of life. As mature Christians,



we have the opportunity in this new year to demonstrate our love, loyalty, fidelity, and obedience to the merciful, compassionate, and forgiving Jesus. His divine love is ineffable and unfathomable; it is truly immeasurable and inscrutable. We begin again this Church New year with the Lord Jesus Christ, Who is the *Alpha* and the *Omega*-the "A" and the "Z"-the *Beginning* and the *End* of all things. We must promise to make more time for Christ by increasing and improving our prayer life. Make a firm resolution for this to be a truly good church year for your individual spiritual life and also for our St. Michael Parish

#### The first Labor Day



The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City, in accordance with the plans of the Central Labor Union. The Central Labor Union held its second Labor Day holiday just a year later, on September 5, 1883. In 1884 the first Monday in September was selected as the holiday, as originally proposed, and the Central Labor Union urged similar organizations in other cities to follow the example of New York and celebrate a "workingmen's holiday" on that date. The idea spread with the growth of labor organizations, and in 1885 Labor Day was celebrated in many industrial centers of the country.

# **Banns Of Marriage II**

Helen Wacht and Joshua Gabrick to be married at our St. Michael Church on Saturday, September 21, 2024.

## **Sponsor(s) needed for flowers for the Cross**

If you wish to sponsor flowers for around the Holy Cross for September 14-15, 2024 weekend, you may do so in honor of someone or in memory of someone. Please call Ed Stanko at GEMS FLORAL at 330-758-4190.

# Irons Mill Farmstead outing in 2 weeks

The annual parish outing to Irons Mill Farmstead is being planned for **Sunday**, **September 15th**. Sign-ups are in the narthex.



### Reverse Raffle event about a month away!

**Saturday, October 5th.** 200 tickets will be drawn with the grand prize of \$2,500.00. Other cash prizes and games! Tickets are \$100.00 & includes dinner, bar, and your number to enter drawing.

#### Ticket numbers available as of the morning of August 31st:

87,89,91,93,96,97,98,99 104,105,108,119,135,136,137,139,140 141,142,155,156,157,160,165,166,177,178, 181,185,187,188



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\$100.00 per person \$150.00 w/guest
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#### Requesting bottles for Reverse Raffle

This year's Reverse Raffle will have a new chance to win a prize – a wine/liquor drawing. The way it works is that an individual purchasing a chance, will draw a playing card. They will win the bottle of wine or liquor corresponding with the card they have drawn. Therefore, the PAC, who leads the Reverse Raffle event, is seeking donations of wine or liquor. Donations of wine or liquor should be of better quality, but all donations will be gratefully accepted. Please place donations in the back of the church in the marked bin. For more information, you may see Atty. Brian Macala

# Life begins each morning...

Whether one is twenty, forty, or sixty: whether one has succeeded, failed, or just muddles along: whether yesterday was full of sun or storm or any one of those dull days with no weather at Life begins each morning' Life is a day..this day!

All past days are gone beyond retrieving. All days that still may come for you or me are veiled in one great mystery, and for all we know, there may not be another for either of us. Therefore, this day is Life, and Life begins anew with it.

There is no stated age or period of which it can be said., "Here is the dawn of life's. day." Today is the dawn of that day. Take and use it as best you can or as you choose. It is your life, and if you prefer to waste it, that is your privilege, though it be unwise to do so, and unprofitable as well.

However you have used gone days, you can start each morning, if you desire. You can use this day for consolidating past gains of spirit, brain, and hand, or you can use it for tearing down the old structure of self and laying the foundation of a new building.

Each night of life is a wall between today and the past. Each morning is the door to a new world...new vistas, new aims, new trying. The greatest fact in life is this, that it never is too late to start again.

History overflows with startling examples of this truth. And if we had access to the vast number of unrecorded lives, we would find an overwhelming mass of supporting testimony.

However discouraging your days may have been thus far, keep this thought burning brightly in your mind LIFE BEGINS EACH MORNING!