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

RRIGHT WEEK SCHEDULE: Inside Cove HOLYDAYS: 6:00 p.m.

The Lamb Who Was Slain Has Delivered Us from Death and Given Us Life

There was much proclaimed by the prophets about the mystery of the Passover: that mystery is Christ, and to Him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

For the sake of suffering humanity He came down from heaven to earth, clothed Himself in that humanity in the Virgin's womb, and was born a man. Having then a body capable of suffering, He took the pain of fallen man upon Himself; He triumphed over the diseases of soul and body that were its cause, and by His Spirit, which was incapable of dying, He dealt man's destroyer, death, a fatal blow.

He was led forth like a lamb; He was slaughtered like a sheep. He ransomed us from our servitude to the world, as He had ransomed Israel from the land of Egypt; He freed us from our slavery to the devil, as He had freed Israel from the hand of Pharaoh. He sealed our souls with His own Spirit, and the members of our body with His own blood.

He is the One who covered death with shame and cast the devil into mourning, as Moses cast Pharaoh into mourning. He is the One who smote sin and robbed iniquity of offspring. He is the One who brought us out of slavery into freedom, out of darkness into light, out of death into life, out of tyranny into an eternal kingdom; who made us a new priesthood, a people chosen to be His own forever. He is the Passover that is our salvation.

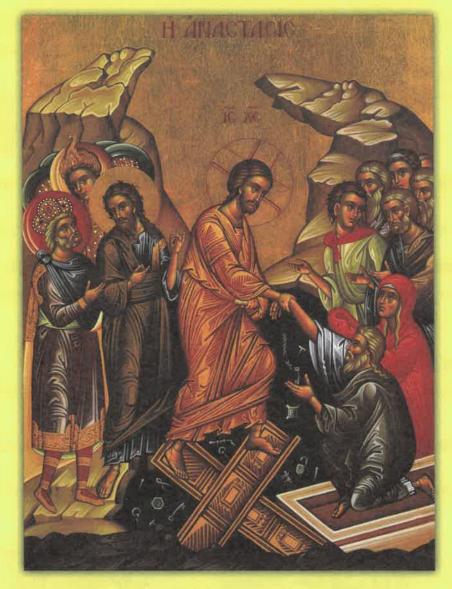
It is he who endured every kind of suffering in all those who foreshadowed Him. In Abel He was slain, in Isaac bound, in Jacob exiled, in Joseph sold, in Moses exposed to die. He was sacrificed in the Passover lamb, persecuted in David, dishonored in the proph-

It is He who was made man of the Virgin, He who was hung on the tree; it is He who was buried in the earth, raised from the dead, and taken up to the heights of heaven. He is the mute lamb, the slain lamb, the lamb born of Mary, the fair ewe. He was seized from the flock, dragged off to be slaughtered, sacrificed in the evening, and buried at night. On the tree no bone of His was broken; in the earth His body knew no decay. He is the One who rose from the dead, and who raised man from the depths of the tomb.

St. Melito of Sardis

PASCHA:

THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST



Icon of the Descent into Hades

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







EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 20 THE RADIANT RESU OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST The Great Day



EASTER SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY WITH THE

READING OF THE GOSPEL IN LATIN, CHURCH SLAVONIC, & ENGLISH





MON., APR 21

BRIGHT MONDAY — Procession with the reading of the Resurrectional Gospels — Solemn Holy Day

+Betty A. Stanko

requested by: Atty. Brian J. Macala

TUES., APR 22

6:00 p.m.

BRIGHT TUESDAY & Vigil for the Feast of St. George

6:00 p.m.

+Ruth Kinnick (22nd anniversary of passing)



requested by: Joe Kinnick & Family

SAT., APR 26

(Vigil Paschal Sunday Divine Liturgy)

6:00 p.m.

+Gloria M. Katula (2nd anniversary of passing 4.18)

requested by: Bill Leombruno

SUN., APR 27

THE SUNDAY OF ST. THOMAS – 2nd Paschal Sunday

Distribution of the Artos Bread

11:00 a.m.

+Joann L. Evan

requested by: Dr. Stephen & Barbara DuBos

(1st anniversary of passing 4.25)







April 19 – Bryson Streb

April 22 – Vincent Flauto, Barb Timcisko, Jimmy Vasilchek

April 23 – Madison Kinnick

April 24 – Alexis Norman

April 26 - Yianniko Freeman, Anna Schrader

Church Attendance

Saturday 4/12 - 68 (6:00 pm)

Sunday 4/13 - 86 (11:00 am)

Holy Tuesday 4/15 - 76 (6:00 pm)

Holy Wednesday 4/16 - 37 (6:00 pm)

Good Friday 4/18 - 94 (5:00 pm)

Pray For Our Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: April 19, 2025

RESIDING AT HOME - Jeremy Clark, Michael Drotar, Ted Fesz, Greta Marks, Vera Orosz, Lucille Puhak, Marge Puhak, Martha Swantek, Ed 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,

Church offerings from April 12 & 13, 2025

Sunday Offering \$1,995.00 Loose Currency \$75.00

Candles \$133.00

Holyday \$5.00 Easter \$1,000.00

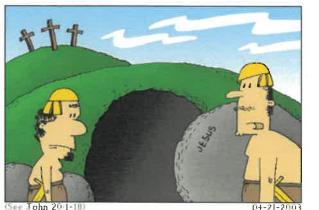
TOTAL: \$3,208.00





April 13th TOTAL: \$520.00

Weekly Requirement to Meet Yearly Expenses			
Date	Collection	Required	Overage (Shortage)
Apr 13	\$3,208	\$2,850	\$358
YTD	\$33,248	\$42,750	(\$9,502)



BETCHA TEN SHEKELS THOSE CHRISTIANS HAVE FIFTY NEW SONGS BY THIS WEEKEND



Quote of the Week

"The very first Eater taught us this: that life never ends and love never dies."

— Kate McGahan



RESURRECTION EASTER

APOSTLES
CALVARY
CELEBRATION
CHRIST
CROSS

CROWN OF THORNS
CRUCIFIXION

FAITH

GETHSEMANE

GOOD FRIDAY

HOLY WEEK

HOPE

JESUS

LAMB

LOVE

MESSIAH

MIRACLE

PASSOVER

PONTIUS PILATE

PRAYER

REDEMPTION

RESURRECTION

RISEN

Easter is a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ after his death on the cross, providing salvation to any who will trust in Him. (Read John 19 and 20.)

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SACRIFICE SAVIOR SOLDIERS THIEVES





2025 Easter Message from our Pastor

My Dear St. Michael Parishioners:

Christ Is Risen! Christós Voskrése!

Why did Jesus rise from the dead? Probably so we can have an Easter egg hunt, wear a nice new Easter dress, get together for an Easter brunch, and enjoy a few days off from work and school.

That sounds a tad sarcastic, but chances are, many people in our world might think of Easter this way. As Byzantine Catholics, we know that Jesus' death was the perfect sacrifice that reconciles us to God. We also know that the Resurrection of Jesus paves the way for our resurrection from the dead and eternal life with him forever in heaven. And we know that faith in Jesus enables us to receive these blessings.

The Bible presents faith in Jesus as a kind of friendship, like the trust you have in a friend who has always been there for you. Jesus wants to show you that God has always been there for you even though you have not always been faithful to God. It is precisely in the daily moments of our lives that the Risen Jesus comes to meet us. He wants to take your hand and walk with you each day. He wants to reveal to you how loved you are, that you are never alone, and that you don't have to figure out life for yourself. He wants to heal the spiritual, emotional, and even physical wounds that are keeping you from living a full life. The eternal life of heaven is actually just a continuation of the friendship that you have with God here and now.

So how do you get started on a friendship with God? First, realize that God desires a friendship with you even more than you desire a friendship with Him. Second, be with your friend Jesus every Sunday in His house, the Church. Don't miss spending time with Hm by putting other things and other people ahead of your friendship. Third, pick up your Bible and read the Acts of the Apostles over the next 50 days. You will begin to notice God's presence and action in your life like never before. And you will begin to realize, "It was for me that Jesus rose from the dead."

Your Pastor & Protopresbyter (Dean),

Fr. KEVIN

Eating of Paschal foods

Following the Solemn Blessing of the Paschal Foods in our Easter Baskets, we partake of the Sanctified Foods for our Paschal Meal. The Ruthenian people refer to this meal as the SANCTIFIED **DINNER.** This is a beautiful and meaningful custom passed on to us. May we always cherish it and pass it to future generations as a part of our particular custom so that God's grace bestowed on these bountiful gifts may be received by all.



Today's Gospel read in various languages



The Holy Gospel lesson for the Resurrectional Divine Liturgy is taken from the Holy Apostle and evangelist John's Prologue. It is divided into 12 separate verses, representing the fact that the twelve apostles were to preach Jesus' message of salvation throughout the whole world. These verses are chanted in various languages symbolizing that the Good News, the words of Christ, is spread throughout the whole world and to all nations. During these verses, the bells of the church ring, symbolizing the jubilant message.

Bright Monday & Bright Tuesday - @ water pouring @



After The Divine Liturgy, having exited the Church, the young people (and young at heart) energetically throw water on each other. On Bright Monday, the boys throw water on the girls and then on Bright Tuesday the girls throw water on the boys, saying Christ Is Risen. This Ruthenian Folklore reminds us that Jesus' followers were so overwhelmed with the joy of Easter, that they went though the streets of Jerusalem proclaiming the Resurrection. Their opponents tried to squelch their enthusiasm by throwing water on them. Our Byzantine Catholic Ancestors called it "POLIVANKA" or Water-Pouring.

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.

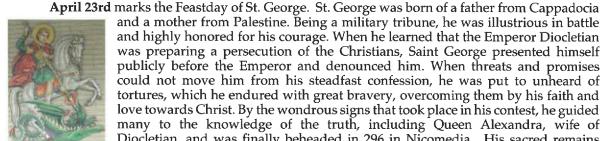


The Empty Tomb remains in Church for 40 days



Over the course of the next 40 days, the Empty Tomb will remain in our church as a reminder that Christ Is Risen! It is meant to motivate us in giving witness to this through and to bring others to experience Him. The burial shroud is placed on the altar signifying that the Resurrected Christ remains with us vicariously as He was with His disciples strengthening them in their Faith.

The Feast of St. George



and a mother from Palestine. Being a military tribune, he was illustrious in battle and highly honored for his courage. When he learned that the Emperor Diocletian was preparing a persecution of the Christians, Saint George presented himself publicly before the Emperor and denounced him. When threats and promises could not move him from his steadfast confession, he was put to unheard of

tortures, which he endured with great bravery, overcoming them by his faith and love towards Christ. By the wondrous signs that took place in his contest, he guided many to the knowledge of the truth, including Queen Alexandra, wife of Diocletian, and was finally beheaded in 296 in Nicomedia. His sacred remains

were taken by his servant from Nicomedia to Palestine, to a town called Lydda, the homeland of his mother, and then were finally transferred to the church which was raised up in his name.

No fasting any day this week

For all Byzantine Catholics, Bright Week begins a period of celebration that continues for fifty days until Pentecost. Because of our Lord's Resurrection, there is NO FASTING this whole week, especially on Friday. Enjoy God's bountiful gifts.

Civic Club meeting next Sunday

The Civic Club meeting will be next Sunday, April 27th, at 12:15 p.m. in the bar room.

ECF Classes winding down

The final ECF class for this school year will be on Tuesday, April 29th.

5 children preparing for First Confession

On Thursday, May 8th, 5 of our young ones will mark a spiritual milestone in their life by making their First Confession. Then on Saturday, May 10th, they will make their First Solemn Communion at a special Divine Liturgy. Please remember them as they prepare for their big days: Lucia Beatty, Madyn Brown, Elizabeth Hicks, Gabrianna Hohos, & Joshua Morales.

Spring lottery basket raffle winner

The winner of the spring lottery basket drawn last Sunday was Madyn Brown. Congrats!

Sock Hop this Saturday

Tickets On Sale - Call 330-720-0843

Limited Seating for this event.

Must get advanced tickets no later than April 23rd.

Celeste is happy to announce that this year Ronnie Navarra will be opening. Ronnie has opened for The Drifters, Platters and much more.

