Saint Michael Byzantine Catholic Church

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Holy Mystery of Reconciliation	Available before/after liturgies.
Holy Mysteries of Baptism, Chrismation, & Eucharist	Contact the parish office.
Holy Mystery of Anointing	
Holy Mystery of Marriage	
Religious Education Classes	Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. at Hall.
ByanTEEN Youth Group	
GCU	Call Ed Stanko at 330-758-4190.
St. Michael's Civic Club Call Nick DuBos at 412-726-8527	7 or email him at nicholasdubos@gmail.com.
St. Michael Hall, 405 Robinson Road	
St. Michael Cemetery, Sanderson Avenue	Call Jerry Shirilla at 330-534-9104.
Your Will	our 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.

PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGIES: Wednesdays 6:00 p.m. The Mystery of Mankind's Reconciliation with God

He who is true God was born in the complete and perfect nature of a true man, whole in His own nature, whole in ours. By our nature we mean what the Creator had fashioned in us from the beginning, and took to Himself in order to restore it.

He took the nature of a servant without stain of sin, enlarging our humanity without diminishing His divinity. He emptied himself; though invisible He made himself visible, though Creator and Lord of all things He chose to be one of us mortal men. Yet this was the condescension of compassion, not the loss of omnipotence.

Beyond our grasp, He chose to come within our grasp. Existing before time began, He began to exist at a moment in time. Lord of the universe, He hid His infinite glory and took the nature of a servant. Incapable of suffering as God, He did not refuse to be a man, capable of suffering. Immortal, He chose to be subject to the laws of death.

He who is true God is also true man. There is no falsehood in this unity as long as the lowliness of man and the pre-eminence of God coexist in mutual relationship.

As God does not change by His condescension, so man is not swallowed up by being exalted. Each nature exercises its own activity, in communion with the other. The Word does what is proper to the Word, the flesh fulfills what is proper to the flesh.

One nature is resplendent with miracles, the other falls victim to injuries. As the Word does not lose equality with the Father's glory, so the flesh does not leave behind the nature of our race.

One and the same person – this must be said over and over again – is truly the Son of God and truly the son of man. He is God in virtue of the fact that in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He is man in virtue of the fact that the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.

St. Leo the Great

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST MEMORY OF OUR HOLY MOTHER MARY OF EGYPT



Icon of Saint Mary and Saint Zosimos

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



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SAT., APR 5

(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)

6:00 p.m.

+Raymond Tirpack (remembrance of 83rd birthday 4.17)

requested by: Atty. Brian J. Macala

SUN., APR 6

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT

FAST - The Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt

11:00 a.m.

+Dorothy H. Lisko (2nd anniversary of passing 3.26) requested by: Lynn DeChellis & John Lisko

TUES., APR 8

6:00 p.m.

ECF classes at our St. Michael Hall

WED., APR 9

6th Wednesday of the Great Fast - No Meat OBLIGATED

6:00 p.m.

The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

FRI., APR 11

6th Friday of the Great Fast - No Meat OBLIGATED

SAT., APR 12

(Vigil Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy)

6:00 p.m.

+Mary +John Muzina

requested by: Annette & Dave Hospodar

(9th ann. of passing 4.3) (31st ann. of passing 4.10)

SUN., APR 13

THE ROYAL ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM – PALM (FLOWERY) SUNDAY

11:00 a.m.

+Ruth Kinnick

(remembrance of 76th birthday 4.10)

requested by: Joe Kinnick & Family









April 6 - Michael Backes

April 8 – Karen Lindberg

April 9 – Krissy Cruz, Gregory Hymes, Diana Vrabel

April 12 – Emily Vasilchek

Church Attendance

Saturday 3/29 - **52** (6:00 pm)

Sunday 3/30 - 57 (11:00 am)

Wednesday 4/2 - 38 (6:00 pm)

Pray For Our Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: April 4, 2025

RESIDING AT HOME – Michael Drotar, Ted Fesz, Greta Marks, Vera Orosz, Lucille 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 Mar 29 & 30, 2025

Sunday Offering \$1,625.00 Loose Currency \$186.00

Candles \$65.00

Holyday (Mar 25) \$130.00

Easter \$10.00 TOTAL: \$2.016.00





March 30th TOTAL: \$700.00

Date	Collection	Required	(Shortage)
Mar 30	\$2,016	\$2,850	(\$834)
YTD	\$27,340	\$37,050	(\$9,710)

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MAN I HAD ABSOLUTELY THE WEIRDEST SLEEP LAST NIGHT

Quote of the Week

"You don't know how to pray? Put yourself in the presence of God, and as soon as you have said, 'Lord, I don't how to pray!' you can be sure you've already begun."

— St. Josemaria Escriva

APRIL

ARBOR DAY

ARIES

BASEBALL

BLOSSOMS

DAFFODIL

DAISY

DIAMOND

EARTH DAY

EASTER

FOOL'S DAY

GARDENING

GREEN

KITE

POETRY

RAIN

RENEWAL

SHOWERS

SPRING

SPROUTS

SUNSHINE

TAURUS

TAXES

THAW

TULIPS

UMBRELLA

WINDY



WORD SEARCH DIRECTIONS: Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

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A Deeper Look At Confession

The Mystery of Repentance offers us all an opportunity for a new life, but our part must be done with the greatest scrutiny and sincere self-examination. It's funny... we are so quick to criticize and judge others, yet we feel it sometimes "too harsh" when the Church directs us to examine our own consciences. Some say "I don't sin" while others will be quick to tell someone "YOU need to go to Confession!" We all need to confess our sins, for we are all sinners.

In today's world, the concept of sin is quite loose. This is the "world's" (and perhaps some even within the various Christian denominations) viewpoint. We, however, as baptized Byzantine Catholics, are to have a clearer understanding of sin, and we are to be cognizant for the accounting of our own immortal souls. Some will say "I didn't kill anyone!" Or "At least I'm not as bad as so-and-so..." Such fallacious reasoning will not account for our deeds in this life when we come face to face with our Creator! Just because the "world" and others may seem sinful behavior acceptable, we should have a clear understanding of what sin is, and we need to atone for it through penance and reconciliation. Beyond our confession, it is on us to set things right, either by seeking forgiveness, making restitution, or even enhancing the service and charitable works that we should be doing. Most importantly, it is on us to change our ways!

The priest, being the Spiritual Father during the performance of this profound Mystery, should advise us how to avoid sin and offer the appropriate spiritual medicine to strengthen our will power. If the priest finds it necessary, he may give the penitent spiritual penance, like reading the Holy Bible or religious books, saying more prayers every day, doing charities, and so forth. The purpose of this "Penance" is to help us to sin no more, always having in mind the Law of God for steady spiritual and moral improvement in our Christian lives.

For this Mystery, the disciples of Christ transmitted the divine power given to them to their successors: bishops and priests. To them, writes Saint John Chrysostom, "authority has been given to govern things in heaven. Such an authority has been entrusted by God not even to the angels. Civil judges on earth can bind the body in prison, but the bond with which the spiritual judges, the priests, tie the soul on earth, is perpetuated eternally in heaven." For those who say that, "I can confess directly to God or before the Icon of Christ, and not to the priest," the words of Saint Basil The Great tell us, "When we suffer, we expose our bodies for examination, not to everyone, but to those only who know how to cure. In the same way, confession must be made to those who are able to cure, to those who have been entrusted with the dispensation of God's Mysteries (Sacraments)." St. John Chrysostom also tells us that "There is no medicine other than Holy Confession for blotting out sins. It is only there, that the handwriting of our sins is torn up. It is only there, that the unclean soul gets washed from the deadly poison of sin, and is made clean and rendered as white as snow and as wool."

Our faith is not a ticket-punch faith. We do not receive "credit" for attending Divine Services or confessing our sins. This is only part of what our duties as faithful Byzantine Catholics entails. We are called to become icons of Christ, living examples of our Lord's mercy and good works on this earth. We are called to change, to be examples for others, not to be judged or wallflowers either in public worship or in life itself. The Mysteries of our Church—Baptism, Chrismation, the Eucharist, Repentance, Marriage, Holy Orders, and Holy Anointing—are all transformative. In other words, they are acts that we undergo, exercises if you prefer, that should transform our minds and bodies, exercises that should guide us to live as Christ teaches, with Him at the center of our existence. If we neglect these practices and teachings, if we weigh our own sins against those of others, if we dismiss or write off our own sinful ways, then we work to condemn our own immortal soul at the judgment of our Lord.

Come to Confession this Lent! Exercise your soul and make peace with God. Make peace with others. Make peace with yourself. You are the only one that can account for—and will be held accountable for—your own sins.

Holy Week services scheduled - don't miss any

Enclosed in today's bulletin is the schedule for Holy Week and Bright Week. It only comes once a year. Strive to attend as most if not ALL the services scheduled. Holy Week is a special week that we should make church our number one priority! Don't miss a great spiritual opportunity to walk vicariously with our Lord through his passion, suffering, death, and Resurrection!

The Solemn Blessing of Palms & Willows info

Next weekend, we celebrate our Lord's Royal Entry into Jerusalem. According to our Byzantine Catholic custom, palms along with pussywillows are blessed and distributed this day to symbolize our Lord's triumphal entry into Jerusalem. The palms and willows will be solemnly blessed at the beginning of the weekend Liturgies and then you will be asked to come forward to receive them. We will hold the palms and willows throughout the Divine Liturgy.



40th Day of the Great Fast this Friday

This coming Friday is the 40th day of the Great Fast. In our Byzantine Catholic Church, Holy and Great Week is a separate week from the rest of Lent, thus it is not counted among the first 40 days. Our attention is now directed to the end of the 40 days which prepares us for Holy & Great Week.

THE RAISING OF LAZARUS THIS SATURDAY



On the Saturday before Palm Sunday, we celebrate the miracle of our Lord Jesus raising his friend Lazarus from the dead. The raising of Lazarus was to confirm the universal resurrection of man. The Church rejoices in the fact that Jesus promises us that our resurrection is certain, for even here on earth He displayed His power to raise Lazarus from the dead. It was necessary for Christ to perform such a public miracle in order that the people would have no doubt about Him. Jesus knew that the dead man would someday be raised from the dead, but He wanted to give a public expression of His knowledge. He knew that His word would create and give life because God wills it so. When He cried out with a loud voice: "Lazarus, come forth," His words were addressed to all mankind. By these words Christ calls us to believe.

Spaghetti dinner NEXT SUNDAY

NEXT SUNDAY, April 13th, is our Palm Sunday Spaghetti Dinner from 12 Noon until 2:00 p.m. at our St. Michael Hall (Dine-in or Take-out). The dinner will be Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad, Bread/Butter and dessert. The price per dinner for adults is \$12.00; children ages 10 & under is \$6.00. Forms are available in the narthex. Get your ticket(s) now for a delicious Palm Sunday dinner!



Volunteer Worker's Schedule For Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday, April 12th - 10:00 a.m. - set up eat-in tables, take-out table & other details.

Sunday, April 13th - 9:00 a.m. - cooking begins; all final details needing done.



Sympathy extended

Our St. Michael Church extends sympathy and condolences on the falling asleep in the Lord of our city's mayor **+BRYAN TEDESCO**. Mayor Tedesco was supportive of our church and spoke at our Centennial banquet in 2022. May God grant to His departed servant, **+Bryan**, blessed repose and eternal memory, vicnaja jemu pamjat.

Halushki sale this Friday

This **Friday, April 11th** will be a Halushki (\$10 per quart) sale. Drive Thru 2:00-6:00 p.m. You may pre-order in the narthex or call/text Regina at 330-720-2100.

Final week for Lenten parish project tree

Just a reminder that this in the final week to bring any items in for our parish Lenten project for Akron Children's Hospital.

Spring lottery basket raffle

A \$100.00 lottery basket raffle is now underway. 6 tickets for \$5. You can buy tickets in the narthex and at the spaghetti dinner. The winner will be drawn at the spaghetti dinner at 2:00 p.m.

Guest Confessors available on Holy Tuesday

On **Holy & Great Tuesday, April 15th**, our Parish will have visiting priests helping our pastor with confessions following the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy at 6:00 p.m. We will also welcome faithful from area Byzantine Catholic Parishes. A reception will follow at our Hall. The priest confessors will be: **Fr. Miron Kerul-Kmec Jr., Fr. Michael Farynets, and Fr. John Welch, & Fr. Richard Lambert.**

Note on Holy Thursday this year

On Holy Thursday, April 17th, Archbishop William is requiring all priests to attend the Liturgy at the Cathedral in Munhall. He will consecrate new chrism. Because of this, there will be no services this day in Campbell or Hermitage. You are invited to attend the Cathedral Liturgy at 11:00 a.m.

12 Passion Gospels in Hermitage

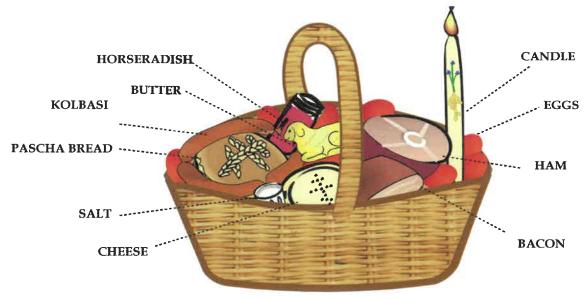
The 12 passion gospels (Good Friday Matins) will be celebrated on **April 18th at 8:30 a.m. at St. Michael's, Hermitage**. It is highlighted by 12 men holding candles for each gospel read. Please sign-up in the narthex if you would like to participate for this service in Hermitage.

Easter date trivia

On our Gregorian calendar, the date of Our Lord's Resurrection [Easter Sunday] can fall on 35 different dates. The earliest it can be is March 22nd. The last time that happened was 1818. The next time it will happen is 2285. The latest it can be is April 25th. The last time that happened was in 1943. The next time it will happen is 2038.



HOW TO PUT TOGETHER A TRADITIONAL EASTER BASKET





PASCHA - The Easter Bread (Pron. Pa-ska.) A sweet yeast bread rich in eggs, butter, etc. Symbolic of Christ Himself who is our True Bread. Usually round loaf baked with a golden crust decorated with a symbol indicative of Christ. Sometimes a cross (+) of dough is placed on top encircled by a plait given it a crowned effect or Greek

CHEESE - (Rusyn: Hrudka or Sirec) A custard type cheese shaped into a ball having a rather bland but sweet taste indicative of the moderation that Christians should have in all things. Also creamed cheese is placed in a small dish and both are decorated with symbols (see Pascha) out of cloves or pepper



figure of a Lamb or small cross and decorated

as the cheese. This reminds us of the

goodness of Christ that we should have

HAM - (Rusyn: Šunka - pron. shoon-ka.) The Flesh meat popular with the Slavs as the main dish because of its richness and symbolic of the great joy and abundance of Easter. Some may prefer Lamb or Veal. This is usually well roasted or cooked as well as other meats so the festivity of the day will not be burdened with preparation and all may enjoy the Feast.



SAUSAGE (Rusyn: Kolbasi-pron. kolbus-i.) A spicy, garlic sausage of pork products indicative of God's flavor and



BACON - (Rusyn: Slanina pron. sla-ni-na) A piece of uncooked bacon cured with spices. Symbolic of the overabundance of God's



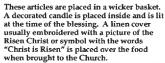


SALT - (Rusyn: Sol' pron. sol') A condiment necessary for flavor reminding the Christian of his duty to others.

EGGS (Rusyn: Pisanki pron. pi-sun-ki) Hardboiled eggs brightly decorated with symbols and markings made with beeswax, indicative of new life and resurrection. Red eggs are also traditional date back to a story with St. Mary Magdalene. Having been dyed with onion skins saved over the past year, red shows the color of life and victory that came through Christ's blood.

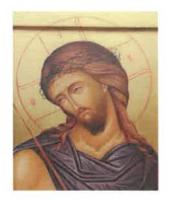


HORSERADISH (Rusyn: Chrin pron. khrin) Horseradish mixed with grated red beets (optional) symbolizes the Passion of Christ still in our minds but sweetened with some sugar because of the Resurrection. A bitter-sweet red colored mixture reminds us of the sufferings of Christ.



In some places a large Easter Bread (Pascha) is made and brought separately in a large linen cloth. If the origin of the people was from a wine growing area, a sweet wine may be brought





2025



Holy Week & Bright Week Liturgical Schedule April 14 - 23, 2025

St. Michael Church, Campbell, OH

St. Michael Church, Hermitage, PA



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St. Michael Byzantine Catholic Church 2230 Highland Road, Hermitage, PA



Holy & G	Great Tuesd	ay - Ap	ril 15,	2025
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Holy & Great Wednesday – April 16, 2025

Holv & Great Thursday - April 17, 2025

Divine Liturgy with Archbishop William - Consecration of Chrism - St. John Cathedral, Munhall, Pa 11:00 a.m. You are invited to attend

Holy & Great & Good Friday - April 18, 2025

Holy & Great Saturday - April 19, 2025

with Solemn Blessing of Easter Baskets (Paschal Foods provided - everyone invited to stay afterwards)

**EASTER SUNDAY – APRIL 20, 2025

Bright Monday - April 21, 2025

Bright Tuesday & Vigil for the Feast of St. George - April 22, 2025

Holyday Liturgy......6:00 p.m.





Extra Confession Time

Holy Tuesday, April 15th. following the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy with deanery priests confessors

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**Fulfills Easter obligation

