

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 Contact the parish office.

Holy Mystery of Marriage Contact the parish office at least 8 months prior to wedding.

Religious Education Classes Summer recess until September.

BryanTEEN Youth Group Parochial/Community activities; 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.

Elijah's (Elias') Journey

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind, he and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here, please. The LORD has sent me on to Bethel." Elisha replied, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel. The guild prophets who were in Bethel went out to Elisha and asked him, "Do you know that today the LORD will take your master from you?" He replied, "Yes, I know that. Be still."

Elijah said to him, "Stay here, please. The LORD has sent me on to the Jordan." Elisha replied, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two went on together. Fifty of the guild prophets followed and stood facing them at a distance, while the two of them stood next to the Jordan.

Elijah took his mantle, rolled it up and struck the water: it divided, and the two of them crossed over on dry ground. When they had

crossed over, Elijah said to Elisha, "Request whatever I might do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha answered, "May I receive a double portion of your spirit." He replied, "You have asked something that is not easy. Still, if you see me taken up from you, your wish will be granted; otherwise not." As they walked on still conversing, a fiery chariot and fiery horses came between the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind, and Elisha saw it happen.

He cried out, "My father! my father! Israel's chariot and steeds!" Then he saw him no longer. He gripped his own garment, tore it into two pieces, and picked up the mantle which had fallen from Elijah. Then he went back and stood at the bank of the Jordan. Wielding the mantle which had fallen from Elijah, he struck the water and said, "The LORD, the God of Elijah - where is he now?" He struck the water: it divided, and he crossed over. (2 Kings 2:1-15)



SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST ELIJAH - GREAT PROPHET



Icon of Saint Elias -- July 20th



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



SAT., JUL 19
(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy) Fr. John Welch, Celebrant
The Blessing of Vehicles
+Anna Drotar requested by: Family
6:00 p.m.

SUN., JUL 20
THE 6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & THE FEAST OF ST. ELIJAH, THE PROPHET –
The Blessing of Vehicles
+Betty A. Stanko requested by: Gary & Margee Stanko
11:00 a.m.
(remembrance of 96th birthday 7.19)

MON., JULY 21 - FRI., JULY 25
No divine services scheduled this week



SAT., JUL 26
(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)
+Richard A. Gozur requested by: Wife: Judy
(6th anniversary of passing 7.29)
6:00 p.m.
+Daniel Watkins requested by: Alice & John Watkins
(12th anniversary of passing today)

SUN., JUL 27
THE 7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
+Dan Vokish requested by: Family
11:00 a.m.
(remembrance of 79th birthday today)



July 20 – Carmela Circelli
July 21 – Greta Marks
July 24 – Dorothy Leone, David Penwell
July 25 – Elizabeth McGarry
July 26 – Carson Brown, Jennifer Pirigyi

Church Attendance
Saturday 7/12 – **37** (6:00 pm)
Sunday 7/13 – **47** (11:00 am)

Pray For The Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: July 14, 2025

RESIDING AT HOME – Jeremy Clark, Michael Drotar, Geraldine Dubos, Greta Marks, Vera Orosz, Frank Phillips, Lindsay Perrone, Lucille Puhak, Marge Shabella, Martha Swantek, Ed Tirpack.
The Inn at Ironwood (6699 Ironwood Blvd., Canfield, OH 44406) – Dorothy Leone.
Windsor House at St. Mary's (1899 W. Garfield Rd., Columbiana, OH 44408) – Anne Thomas.
Park Vista (1216 5th Ave., Youngstown, OH 44504) – Andy Arendas.
St. Elizabeth Hospital (1044 Belmont Ave., Youngstown, OH 44504) – Ed Puhak.
Shepherd of the Valley (7148 West Blvd., Youngstown, OH 44512) – Patti Tirpack.

Church offerings from July 12 & 13, 2025

Sunday Offering \$3,457.00
Loose Currency\$55.00
Candles \$100.00
Holyday\$5.00
TOTAL: **\$3,617.00**



July 13th TOTAL:
\$150.00



Weekly Requirement to Meet Yearly Expenses			
Date	Collection	Required	Overage (Shortage)
July 13	\$3,617	\$2,850	\$767
YTD	\$69,443	\$79,800	(\$10,357)

Quote of the Week
“There is no such thing as accident; it is fate misnamed.”
-Napoleon Bonaparte



Car Makers

Find the names of the car manufacturers in the grid. The names may be vertically, horizontally or diagonally placed and may also be backwards. Which is your favorite car?

ACURA
AUDI
BMW
BUICK
CADILLAC
CHEVROLET
CHRYSLER
CITROEN
DAEWOO
DODGE
EAGLE
FERRARI
FORD
GMC
HONDA
HUMMER
HYUNDAI
INFINITI
ISUZU
JAGUAR
JEEP
KIA
LAMBORGHINI
LAND ROVER
LEXUS
LINCOLN
LOTUS
MASERATI
MAZDA
MERCEDES BENZ
MERCURY



MITSUBISHI
NISSAN
OLDSMOBILE
PEUGEOT
PONTIAC
PORSCE
RENAULT

SAAB
SATURN
SUBARU
SUZUKI
TOYOTA
VOLKSWAGEN
VOLVO



Who is Elijah, the Prophet?

Today, we commemorate the glorious Prophet Elijah, also known as Elias, who is a prophet of the Old Testament. His name has been variously translated as "whose God is the Lord," "God the Lord," "the strong Lord," "God of the Lord," "my God is the Lord," & "the Lord is my God,"

In the Old Testament, Elijah is first introduced in 1 Kings 17:1 as delivering a message from God to Ahab, king of Israel. He is sometimes known as the "Tishbite," being from the town of Tishbe. Having delivered his message to Ahab, he retired at the command of God to a hiding-place by the brook Cherith, beyond Jordan, where he was fed by ravens. When the brook dried up God sent him to the widow of Zarephath, a city of Zidon, from whose scanty store he was supported for the space of two years. During this period the widow's son died, and was restored to life by Elijah (1 Kings 17:2-24). During these two years a famine prevailed in the land. At the close of this period of retirement and of preparation for his work, Elijah met Obadiah, one of Ahab's officers, whom he had sent out to seek for pasturage for the cattle, and bade him go and tell his master that Elijah was there. The king came and met Elijah, and reproached him as the "troubler of Israel." It was then proposed that sacrifices should be publicly offered, for the purpose of determining whether Baal or the Israelite God was the true God. This was done on Mount Carmel; the result was that a miracle took place convincing those watching that Baal was false and that the Israelite God was real. The prophets of Baal were then put to death by the order of Elijah.

Jezebel, enraged at the fate that had befallen her priests of Baal, threatened to put Elijah to death (1 Kings 19:1-13). He therefore fled in alarm to Beersheba, and went alone into the wilderness, and sat down in despondency under a juniper tree. As he slept, an angel touched him, and said unto him, "Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee." He arose and found a cake and a cruse of water. Having partaken of the provision, he went forward on his way for forty days to Horeb, where he took residence in a cave. Here God appeared to him and said, "What dost thou here, Elijah?" In answer to Elijah's despondent words God manifests to him his glory, and then directs him to return to Damascus and anoint Hazael king over the Arameans (Syria), Jehu king over Israel, and Elisha to be prophet in his room (1 Kings 19:13-21; compare 2 Kings 8:7-15; 9:1-10).

Some six years after this, he warned Ahab and Jezebel of the violent deaths they would die (1 Kings 21:19-24; 22:38). He also, four years afterwards, warned Ahaziah, who had succeeded his father Ahab, of his approaching death (2 Kings 1:1-16). During these intervals he probably withdrew to some quiet retirement, no one knew where. His interview with Ahaziah's messengers on the way to Ekron, and the account of the destruction of his captains with their fifties, suggest the idea that he may have been in retirement at this time on Mount Carmel. The Carmelites have a tradition that they were founded by Elijah at this time.

The time now drew near when he was to be taken up into heaven (2 Kings 2:1-12). He went down to Gilgal, where there was a school of prophets, and where his successor Elisha, whom he had anointed some years before, resided. Elisha was distraught by the thought of his master's leaving him, and refused to be parted from him. The two went on and came to Bethel and Jericho, and crossed the Jordan, the waters of which were "divided hither and thither" when smitten with Elijah's mantle. Upon arriving at the borders of Gilead, which Elijah had left many years before, it "came to pass as they still went on and talked" they were suddenly separated by a chariot and horses of fire; and "Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven," Elisha receiving his mantle, which fell from Elijah as he ascended. Thus, it became our Byzantine custom to bless our "chariots" (our cars) this day.



Blessing of vehicles this weekend

Because of this ascension of Elijah into heaven on a fiery chariot (July 20), it became the Byzantine tradition to bless cars. This blessing is not only to preserve the car and its passengers from all evil, but we also pray that this blessing may show us the way of salvation. We pray that the grace of God may help us to be ever intent on doing good works so that we may attain everlasting joys and blessings after the trials in our earthly pilgrimage are over. Thus, this blessing like all blessings is not a mere superstitious formula, but rather a reminder that it is through the grace of God that we are able to live the type of life which will bring about our salvation. The purpose of the blessing is not so much as to drive away evil spirits as it is a call for us to live Christ-like lives, dedicating all that we are and have to His divine plan.



100% Compliant with Fire Code



This past Monday, the ansul system, which has been installed, was tested by the city's fire chief and a representative from the county. Everything is good and passed inspection. Therefore, our church building and hall building are all compliant with the fire code for public buildings and fire chief.

Furthermore, the ansul system will undergo inspection twice a year as mandated.

Final Week for Civic Club YSU scholarship

The Civic Club is pleased to announce that Youngstown State University Scholarships will again be offered this year. Three (3) Awards of \$500 each will be available. For details & submission form, contact Regina Sferra @ 330-755-9177. Deadline for submissions is July 26th.

3-Tier Auction initial planning meeting this week

All are Welcome! We need you and your input! There will be an informational and preparatory meeting on **Thursday, July 24th** at 5 p.m. at The Bedford Trails Golf Course 713 Bedford Rd, Lowellville, OH 44436. RSVP to Regina (330-720-2100) by text or phone by TODAY. Everyone is responsible for their own food and drink. Please bring your ideas and suggestions so that we can make this a big success.

If you can't make this initial meeting, but still would like to help in anyway, please do. This is just simply a prep meeting. We still need your help!

Last call for 2025 wedding anniversary milestone



The Archeparchy of Pittsburgh will pay tribute to couples who are celebrating their **10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, and additional years that are multiples of five** wedding anniversary in this year of 2025. A special Liturgy will be offered on Sunday, September 7, 2025 at St. Elias Church in Munhall by Archbishop William for couples to attend if they wish. If you have celebrated or going to celebrate one of these milestones this year of 2025, please inform our pastor by this Monday. You will receive a special certificate from the Archbishop.

Parishioner turns "95"

Our Saint Michael Parish offers Happy Birthday wishes to **ED TIRPACK** who celebrates his **"95th"** birthday July 19th. May the Lord God grant to His servant, Ed, peace, health, and happiness, for many years, na mnohaja i blahaja l'ita! Happy 95th Birthday Ed!



Congratulations Jubilarians

Our St. Michael Church offers Congratulations to **MARLENE & GEORGE HAHN** celebrating their **45th Wedding Anniversary** this month. They were married on July 5, 1980. May the Lord God grant to His servants, Marlene and George, peace, health, and happiness for many years, na mnohaja i blahaja l'ita!

Pastor's mom turns "84"

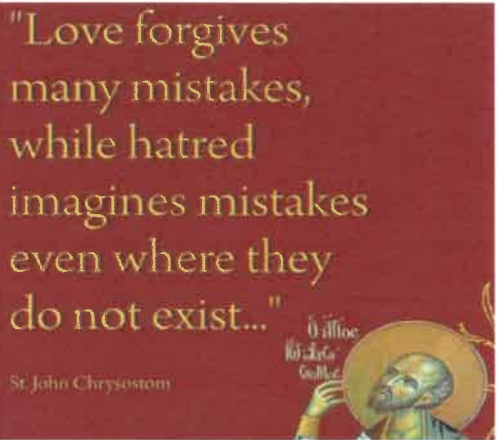
Our Saint Michael Parish offers Happy Birthday wishes to **GRETA MARKS** who will celebrate her **"84th"** birthday on Monday, July 21st. May the Lord God grant to His handmaid, Greta, peace, health, and happiness, for many blessed years, na mnohaja i blahaja l'ita! Happy 84th Birthday Greta!

60TH ANNUAL ASSUMPTION PILGRIMAGE

Archbishop William has been invited to celebrate a Liturgy on **Thursday, August 14th** at 7:00 p.m. at the Maronite National Shrine of Our Lady of Lebanon, North Jackson, OH. Our pastor will be attending, and this will count in fulfilling your obligation for the Dormition holyday if you attend.

Holy pledge

To live a life of prayer and help along life's road to all those who stumble there;
To see the good in folks, to laugh with them and sing;
To find a bit of beauty within each trivial thing;
To let my heart overflow with tenderness and love; to keep my thoughts in tune with those of His above.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Basilica

ITALIAN FESTIVAL

**ITALIAN FOOD ~ FRIENDS
FAMILY ~ MUSIC**

**Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Basilica
2025 Festival Raffle**

\$500 EACH
Book of 5 Tickets: **\$20.00**

FIRST PRIZE \$5,000
EARLY BIRD PRIZE \$1,000

Nightly Drawings of \$1,000 on
Thursday, Friday and Saturday of Festival
(Early Bird winner will eligible for final drawing)
Selling raffles \$15.00 for Early Bird
and First Prize Drawings only
WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT
Tickets compliments of St. Elias Church
and Maria Santucci General Store

July 24-27th

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