

# 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 (ECF) ..... Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

ByanTEEN 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](mailto: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 Word of Warning

Store up in your minds the Lord's words which you receive through your ears, for the word of the Lord is the nourishment of the mind. When His word is heard but not stored away in the memory, it is like food which has been eaten and then rejected by an upset stomach. A person's life is despaired of if he cannot retain his food. So if you receive the food of holy exhortations, but fail to store in your memory those words of life which nurture righteousness, you have good reason to fear the danger of everlasting death. Be careful, then, that the word you have received through your ears remains in your heart. Be careful that the seed does not fall along the path, for fear that the evil spirit may come and take it from your memory. Be careful that the seed is not received in stony ground, so that it produces a harvest of good works without the roots of perseverance. Many people are pleased with what they hear and resolve to undertake some good work, but as soon as dif-

ficulties begin to arise and hinder them they leave the work unfinished. The stony ground lacked the necessary moisture for the sprouting seed to yield the fruit of perseverance.

Good earth, on the other hand, brings forth fruit by patience. The reason for this is that nothing we do is good unless we also bear with equanimity the injuries done us by our neighbors. In fact, the more we progress, the more hardships we shall have to endure in this world; for when our love for the present world dies, its sufferings increase. This is why we see many people doing good works and at the same time struggling under a heavy burden of afflictions. They now shun earthly desires, and yet they are tormented by greater sufferings. But, as the Lord said, they bring forth fruit by patience, because, since they humbly endure misfortunes, they are welcomed when these are over into a place of rest in heaven.

*St. Gregory the Great*

## EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. MEMORY OF THE FATHERS AT THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL



*Icon of the Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council*





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



**SAT., OCT 11**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)**

+Patti Tirpack

requested by: Penwell Family

**SUN., OCT 12**

**11:00 a.m.**

**THE SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE  
7<sup>TH</sup> ECUMENICAL COUNCIL**

+Stephen DuBos

requested by: Richard & Brenda Shevetz

*(9th anniversary of passing 10.2)*



Home Traveling Vocation Icon Participant for October 12-18:  
Nancy Modarelli

**TUES., OCT 14**  
**6:00 p.m.**

*ECF classes at St. Michael Hall*



**SAT., OCT 18**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)**

+Msgr. Victor G. Romza

requested by: Cutrone Family

*(8th anniversary of passing 10.23)*

**SUN., OCT 19**

**11:00 a.m.**

**THE 19<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

+John +Marge Hudak

requested by: Daughter: Regina Rovnyak

*(remembrance of 69th wedding ann. 9.8)*



October 14 – Alicia Muzina

October 16 – Peter Dubos, Sandra Vrabel

## Church Attendance

Saturday 10/4 – **18** (6:00 pm)

Sunday 10/5 – **78** (11:00 am)

Pray For The Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: October 10, 2025

**RESIDING AT HOME** – Bonnie Cohn, Michael Drotar, Geraldine Dubos, Greta Marks, Frank Phillips, 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.

McMurray Hills Manor (249 W. McMurray Rd., McMurray, PA 15217) – Rita Romza-Smochko.

## Church offerings from Oct. 4 & 5, 2025

Sunday Offering....\$2,014.00

Loose Currency....\$58.00

Candles....\$69.00

Holydays....\$105.00

**TOTAL: \$2,246.00**



**October 5th TOTAL:**

**\$373.00**

Weekly Requirement to Meet Yearly Expenses			
Date	Collection	Required	Overage
Oct. 5	\$2,246	\$2,850	(\$604)
YTD	\$94,556	\$114,000	(\$19,444)

**All the saints in heaven when  
they see you going to confession:**



## Quote of the Week

“Nothing causes us to  
so nearly resemble God  
as the forgiveness of injuries.”

- St. John Chrysostom

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

AMERICA  
ATLANTIC  
BAHAMAS  
CAPTAIN  
CARIBBEAN  
COLUMBUS  
COMPASS  
CREW  
DISCOVERY  
EUROPE  
FERDINAND  
GOLD

# Christopher Columbus

## Word Search

C	A	R	I	B	B	E	A	N	D	E	B	W	J	C	A	D	N	G
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E	F	O	I	O	G	E	D	I	L	E	A	H	K	A	U	M	D	X
G	D	N	V	L	W	P	W	C	C	O	S	N	V	P	H	E	C	Z

ISABELLA	PORTUGAL
LAND	SAIL
LATITUDE	SANTA CLARA
LONGITUDE	SANTA MARIA
MAP	SHIP
NAVIGATE	SPAIN
NEW WORLD	TRADE ROUTE
OCEAN	VOYAGE
PINTA	WEST INDIES



# Church.

You can come curious.  
You can come skeptical.  
You can come sad, messy, or late.  
You can come broken, weary, or searching.  
You can come with questions or even with doubt.  
Because here, you don't have to be perfect—  
you just have to be willing.

This is where grace meets you.  
This is where love welcomes you.  
This is where Jesus is waiting with open arms.

This is your invitation.  
Won't you come?

O pen your heart to God's daily grace.  
C hoose peace over worry.  
T rust His timing in every season.  
O vercome fear with faith.  
B less others with kindness.  
E mbrace His Word as your anchor.  
R est in His unfailing love.



# Celebrating the 7th Ecumenical Council today

The Seventh Ecumenical Council was held in Nicea September 24-October 23, 787. It was the Second Ecumenical Council held in the city of Nicea and is also known as the Second Council of Nicea. In the eighth century an outburst of heated controversy concerning the sacred images, the holy icons: Were they true worship, or were they idolatry which is forbidden by the Ten Commandments? The conflict broke out in 730 when Byzantine Emperor Leo III order the destruction of icons. This action met with great opposition especially from the monastic community. This controversy raged through the succeeding decades. Upon the accession to the throne of Empress-Regent Irene who favored the veneration of the holy icons, an Ecumenical Council was called to judge what the teaching regarding the holy images should be. The Seventh Council did not merely declare that using the holy images was acceptable. Rather, they went so far as to declare that refusal to use the holy icons and to venerate the holy images is a denial of the incarnation of the Word of God, Jesus Christ! The Council went on to solemnly define that the veneration of images is quintessentially true worship. The seventh session of the Council held on October 13 formulated this decree which is why the Church still reserves the Sunday between October 11-17 for the commemoration of the Holy Fathers who participated in this 7th Ecumenical Council.



## Pastor Appreciation Day today



Pastor Appreciation Day began with the establishment of Clergy Appreciation Month. In Timothy 1 (5:17), St. Paul began the concept of clergy appreciation when he stated that the elders of the church are worthy of a double honor. He reiterated this idea in Thessalonians 1 (5: 12-13) when he stated that those who work hard among you should be held in the highest regard for their work. This idea became Clergy Appreciation Month in 1992, established by pastors and religious workers. Eventually, Pastor Appreciation Day would form out of the second Sunday in October.

## 2025 Reverse Raffle thanks

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO Parishioners, Friends, City Officials, Attorneys, and Businesses who supported the 2025 Reverse Raffle held last Saturday. Congratulations to all the winners! The profit will be announced soon. (we are waiting for the food/bar invoices). The final 5 names drawn were: Dr. Frank Turocy, Janice Hutchings, Tom Cook, Bill Ohlin, & Annette Hospodar. They decided to split, each winning \$500. Just out of fun when the final 5 split, numbers are drawn to see who would've won if it went down to the final 2. The winner would've been Annette Hospodar.



## Work & fun in our Kitchen this week

There will be pirohi making this **Tuesday, October 14th** at 10:00 a.m. On Monday, November 3rd, we will also be making Halushki and other food for Election Day beginning at 10:00 a.m. Please consider putting your kitchen skills to good use. It be great to get some evening pirohi sessions going. If you are interested, contact Annette at 330-540-4334. Come join in the fun.

## Civic Club news – submitted by Nick DuBos, club president

“Save the Date: The 2nd annual Civic Club Night at the Races will take place on **Saturday, January 31, 2026**. More information will be forthcoming as we draw nearer to this exciting event.

Have you ever wondered where the money raised by the Civic Club goes? Our two major fundraisers are the Night at the Races and the Steak Raffle (which we did very well, thanks to your support).

- We support our Church programs, especially related to youth, such as donating funds used for the Easter egg hunt, our youth ECF programs, and the Summer Vacation Bible School.
- We donated a 70” TV and money towards the 3-Tier Auction Raffle, purchased 3 tickets for the Reverse Raffle, subsidized parishioner tickets for the Civic Club MVS Baseball game and have awarded annually between 1-3 \$500 academic scholarships to deserving YSU students.
- We also make donations to the church to be used towards facility upkeep.
- The Civic Club is also involved in the community, as we sponsored a Campbell Youth Baseball team this past summer and regularly donate funds towards the Micky Soroka Fund.

If you would like to be a part of the Civic Club, please join us at our next meeting on **Sunday, October 19th at 12:15 p.m.** at the Hall (following the 11 a.m. Sunday Divine Liturgy).”

## Seminary benefit dinner

The 68th Annual St. Nicholas Celebration is **Sunday, December 7th** at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Munhall, PA. If you would like to attend this year, please let our pastor know. Father is sponsoring 10 tickets, so 10 parishioners may attend.



## Banns of Marriage II

Erica Griffin and James Moland to be married at our St. Michael Church on Saturday, October 25, 2025 at 1:00 p.m.

## Learn how to do an icon at Hermitage church

Saint Michael Byzantine Catholic Church in Hermitage, PA is sponsoring an iconography workshop at the beginner’s level for adults the **October 31st-November 2nd**. For registration or further info, call Marylyn Barone at 412-678-9453 or email her at: [mwbarone@comcast.net](mailto:mwbarone@comcast.net).

## Food drive collection soon to begin

Our ECF students, in conjunction with the GCU, will be sponsoring a food drive of non perishable foods and personal items for the Second Harvest Food Bank of the Mahoning Valley. More information will be available next weekend and you may see Geri Romito for any questions. The GCU will donate \$500 in matching funds, so let’s do good in bringing in items to reach over that amount.

## PACK THE VALLEY – some more volunteers still needed

On **Tuesday, October 28th from 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.**, at the United Way Center in Boardman, over 140,000 meals will be packed for families in need right here in the Mahoning Valley. Sign-up’s are in the narthex, and still need some more volunteers to help out. See Geri Romito for any questions.



## CARING FOR LOVED ONES AT LIFE'S END

Surround them  
with love, and  
support, and  
companionship  
that are “anchored  
in unconditional  
respect for their  
human dignity,  
beginning with  
respect for the  
inherent value of  
their lives.”

To Live Each Day with  
Dignity, USCCB



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*An old Irish proverb says, “It is in the shelter of each other that the people live.” Indeed, we are created to depend upon one another and walk together in suffering. But when family members or friends approach life’s end, we may not know how best to “shelter” them. Here are some concrete ways we can compassionately care for them.*

### 1. Invite God In

Pope Francis has said that “praying in difficult situations is like opening the door to the Lord, in order that he might enter.”<sup>1</sup> The dying process is a sacred time—a final season to seek closure in this life and prepare for the next in the hope of sharing in Christ’s Resurrection. As you enter into this season with your friend or family member, ask God to accompany both of you.

### 2. Listen

Try to discover your loved one’s values and how best to honor his or her wishes. This requires true empathy. It can be hard not to assume he or she wants the same thing you *think* you would want if you were in the same situation. Listen with a non-judgmental ear so your loved one feels free to speak openly.

### 3. Inform Yourself

Be aware that a person’s wishes for refusing ordinary or proportionate treatment<sup>2</sup>—or for pursuing assisted suicide—are usually rooted in fears of dependency, helplessness, or pain. Make yourself available to discuss these or any concerns. Know that hospice care focuses on alleviating pain and other symptoms, meeting basic needs, and providing comfort. Seek to understand the Catholic Church’s teaching on end-of-life care, which can help you provide authentically loving support that respects life.\*

### 4. Be Steadfast in Compassion

As Pope Francis reminds us, “Compassion means ‘suffer with.’”<sup>3</sup> Your friend or family member will likely face ups and downs. Recognize these as part of a natural process. Surround him or her with love, support, and companionship that are “anchored in unconditional respect for their human dignity, beginning with respect for the inherent value of their lives.”<sup>4</sup> The patient’s suffering can be alleviated by your empathy, as well as by quality hospice care by medical personnel.

### 5. Help Them Achieve Closure

Help your family member or friend define the unfinished personal projects, financial concerns, unresolved relationships, or other matters that occupy his or her mind. Due to changing circumstances, some goals may need to be reframed. Creating and accomplishing this list of unfinished business can help the person discover a sense of purpose and feel more at peace.



## 6. Provide Opportunities for Resolution

Ira Byock, a hospice medical director, illustrates in his book *The 4 Most Important Things*\*\* how saying "I love you," "I'm sorry," "I forgive you," and "Thank you" can promote much-needed healing during the dying process. You can help ensure a peaceful transition for your loved one by facilitating opportunities for reconciliation with others and for mutual expressions of love and gratitude. Consider offering to invite a priest to hear his or her confession and to administer the Eucharist as viaticum<sup>5</sup> and the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, all of which heal the soul and prepare us to meet the Lord.

## 7. Reminisce

Our appetites may diminish as our bodies experience a decreased need for food and fluids when we near life's end. Provide smaller amounts of your family member or friend's favorite foods. Even if unable to eat them, he or she may still enjoy the aromas and reminisce with you about special memories they evoke. Think of other small comforts you can provide that would spark meaningful memories, like special photos or mementos.

## 8. Provide a Peaceful Presence

There comes a time of natural withdrawal from surroundings when dying persons may lose interest in many activities that used to be enjoyable. Your own quiet, patient presence can provide important support as your loved one prepares emotionally and spiritually for his or her passing. Hearing can become very acute, so placing the phone in another room, playing favorite music, reading a favorite passage, praying together, or simply sitting quietly with him or her can all be very soothing.

## 9. Show Tenderness

Those who are dying remain in need of the tenderness of personal human contact. Ask if you might gently brush your loved one's hair, apply lotion to her hands or feet, or simply hold his hand. Tell stories, laugh, and share memories to reassure the person he or she is a cherished gift, not a burden in any way.

## 10. Bear Their Transition Patiently

Transition, the time immediately preceding death, may bring rapid physical changes, such as in breathing patterns, as well as changes in mental or emotional states. Try to be patient, and allow the "how" and "when" of death to be between God and your loved one. Ask God for the wisdom to know what final words to say—if any—and when. As you are able, give your loved one permission to make the transition. For example, you might say, "I love you. It's okay to go home now."

Accompanying a loved one in his or her last days is enormously important, but we do not need to fear our own limitations. Pope Francis tells us, "[God] comes to assist us in our weakness. And his help consists in helping us accept his presence and closeness to us. Day after day, touched by his compassion, we also can become compassionate towards others."<sup>6</sup>

\*As our bishops teach, "Respect for life does not demand that we attempt to prolong life by using medical treatments that are ineffective or unduly burdensome."<sup>7</sup> At the same time, intentionally hastening death—whether through drugs or deliberate neglect of basic care—offends our God-given dignity and is never morally permissible. More information: [www.usccb.org/ToLiveEachDay](http://www.usccb.org/ToLiveEachDay)

\*\*References do not indicate endorsement.

<sup>1</sup> Pope Francis, *Morning Meditation in the Gospel of the Beatitudes* (Sanctus Spiritus: Choosing the Better Part, 6 October 2013), Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2013.

<sup>2</sup> More information: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *Ethical and Religious Directives for Catholic Health Care Services*, 5th ed. (Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2009); United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Physician-Assisted Suicide* (Washington, DC: United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, 2011).

<sup>3</sup> Pope Francis, *General Audience, Wednesday, April 27, 2016*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2016).

<sup>4</sup> United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Physician-Assisted Suicide*, 10.

<sup>5</sup> Viaticum is "the Eucharist received by a dying person. It is the spiritual food for one's 'passing over' to the Father from this world. With Penance and the Anointing

of the Sick, the reception of Holy Communion as Viaticum constitutes the last sacraments of the Christian." *Catechism of the Catholic Church, Catechism of the Catholic Church*, 1333, 1362, 1367, 1524–25.

<sup>6</sup> Pope Francis, *Misericordiae Vultus*, (Vatican City: Libreria Editrice Vaticana, 2015), no. 14.

<sup>7</sup> United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, *To Live Each Day with Dignity: A Statement on Physician-Assisted Suicide*, 10.

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