

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.

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. **HOLIDAYS:** 6:00 p.m.

Christ and the Law

When Christ says to him, "if you would enter life, keep the commandments," the man expects him to add immediately, "My commandments." "Which ones?" he asks. He was quite deceived in his expectation. For Christ did not answer him as he expected, but simply pointed him to the law.

This is not because the law is perfection, for "no one is justified by the law," as it is written, but because the life lived according to the law is a kind of introduction to the eternal life, briefly acquainting trainees to the things above. "For the law was put in charge to lead us to Christ."

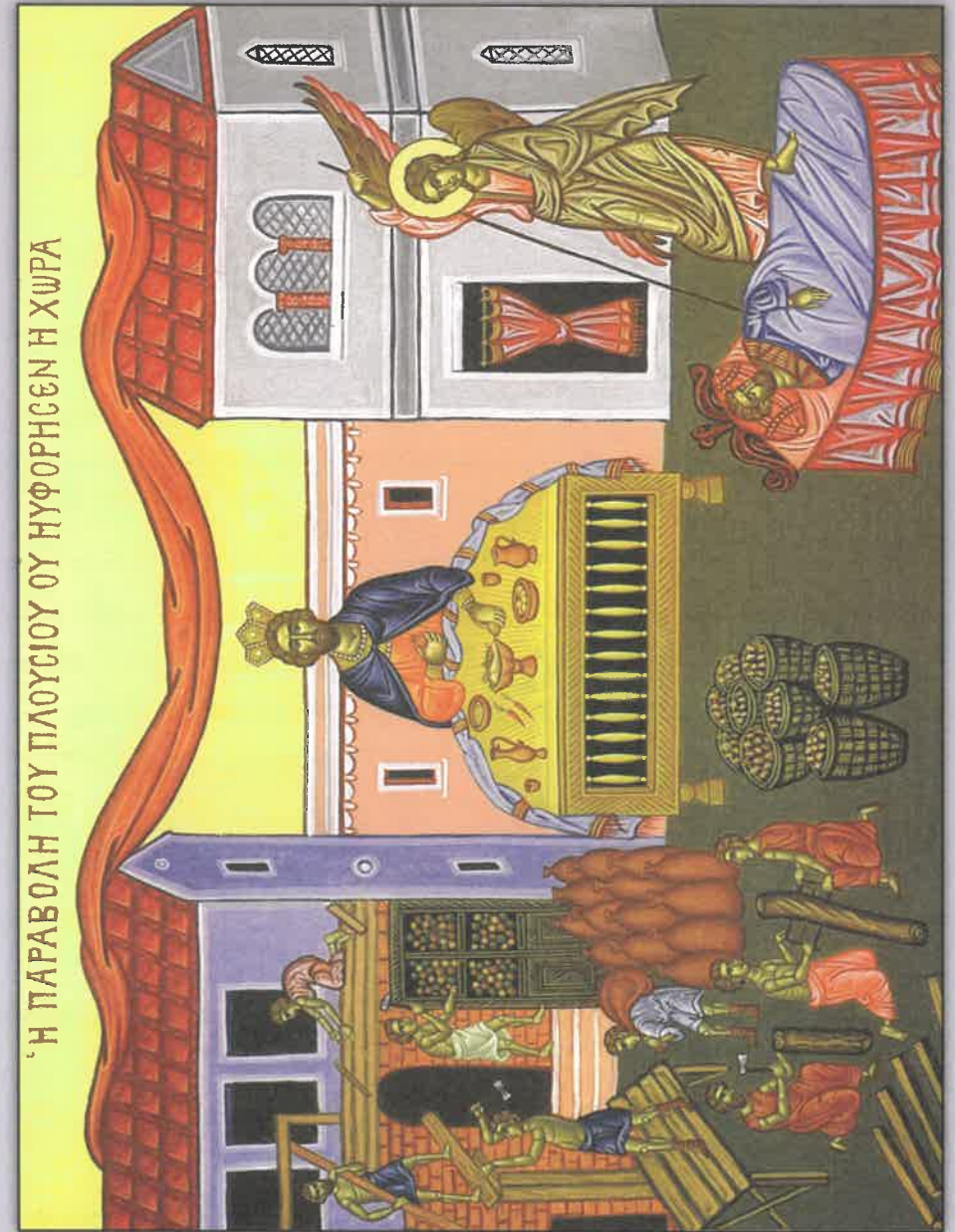
The law is the starting point for social justice. Christ is the perfection. For the beginning of good is to act justly, He says. Just action then is shown by the law, but goodness is shown by Christ. The law taught us to repay those who wish to harm us, as in "eye for eye, tooth for tooth."

But Christ taught us to let go such balanced vengeance, with the view to the greater good, teaching that "if anyone strikes you on the right cheek, turn to him the other also; and if anyone would sue you and take your coat, let him have your cloak as well."

St. Cyril of Alexandria



TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Rich Fool (Luke 12:16-21)



**Glory to Jesus Christ!
 Glory Forever!**

SAT., NOV 22

6:00 p.m.

(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)

+Stephen "Mickey" Burich requested by: Jimmy & Pam Vasilchek
(remembrance of 79th birthday today)

SUN., NOV 23

11:00 a.m.

THE 24TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — 2nd

Sunday of St. Philip's Fast

+Daniel Vokish requested by: Wife & Family
(5th anniversary of passing today)

+George R. Swantek requested by: Wife & Children
(4th anniversary of passing 11.26)

12:30 p.m.

Baptism, Chrismation, & First Eucharist of Josephine Helen Yash



Home Traveling Vocation Icon Participants for November 23-29:
 Nick & Silvia DuBos

WED., NOV 26

5:00 p.m.

Thanksgiving Eve Divine Liturgy — Mirovanije

Thanksgiving for God's abundant blessings



SAT., NOV 29

6:00 p.m.

(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)

+Stephen "Mickey" Burich requested by: M/M Ken Kish
(1st anniversary of passing 12.2)

45th Wedding Anniversary of requested by: Family
 Dr. Frank & Marcia Turocy (11.28)

SUN., NOV 30

11:00 a.m.

THE 25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — 3rd

Sunday of St. Philip's Fast

+John S. Stanko requested by: Regina Sferra
(9th anniversary of passing 12.1)



November 23 – Gina Bigley, John Watkins
 November 25 – Teagan Zackasee
 November 26 – Dominic Circelli
 November 29 – Celeste Penwell

Church Attendance

Saturday 11/15 – **59** (6:00 pm)

Sunday 11/16 – **41** (11:00 am)

Thursday 11/20 – **16** (6:00 pm)

Pray For The Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & In Recovery updated: Nov. 21, 2025

RESIDING AT HOME – Michael Drotar, Geraldine Dubos, Marian Katula, 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 Nov. 15 & 16, 2025

Sunday Offering....\$1,995.00

Loose Currency....\$85.00

Candles....\$32.00

Holydays....\$10.00

TOTAL: \$2,122.00



November 16th TOTAL:
\$190.00

Weekly Requirement to Meet Yearly Expenses			
Date	Collection	Required	(Shortage)
Nov 16	\$2,122	\$2,850	(\$728)
YTD	\$108,242	\$131,100	(\$22,858)

Quote of the Week

"When asked if my cup is half-full or half-empty, my only response is that I am thankful I have a cup."

—Sam Lefkowitz



THANKSGIVING



100 Hidden Words to Find

- TURKEY
PIE
FALL
CORN
LEAF
FEAST
BREAD
GRAVY
PLATE
THANKS
COOK
TABLE
FORK
BLESS
APPLE
YAMS
FRUIT
FARM
SOUP
ROAST
FAMILY
PILGRIMS
FRIENDS
PUMPKIN
BLESSING
HARVEST
SHARE
STUFFING
NATIVE
INDIAN
MAYFLOWER
SETTLER
PARADE
GIVING
DINNER
AUTUMN
SQUASH
PECAN
NAPKIN
GOURD
ENJOY
PEACE
WARMTH
THANKFUL
SWEET
JOY
BLESSINGS
GRATEFUL
KINDNESS
HAPPY
- HUG
SMILE
LOVE
TOGETHER
CARE
HELPING
CORNUCOPIA
POTATO
GREEN
CRANBERRY
CIDER
CELEBRATE
GOBBLE
NEIGHBOR
NOVEMBER
ABUNDANT
PEACEFUL
PILGRIM
TRADITION
STUFF
FELLOWSHIP
BOUNTY
TRADITION
STUFF
GATHER
ROASTING
ACORN
WREATH
CHARITY
FESTIVE
FAMILY
HAPPY
COMMUNITY
MEMORIES
LAUGHTER
HOPEFUL
REMEMBER
KINDNESS
GENEROUS
FELLOWSHIP
TRADITION
SHARING
REFLECTION
APPRECIATE
HOMEMADE
PARDONED
SERENE
UNITY
CHERISH
TRADITION

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Excuses, Excuses

It has become rather common in our society today to give—and even accept—excuses. To consider a more specific example, years ago, if you missed school or an assignment, you would need to have a doctor’s note to excuse you from said time. The same applied to workplace situations where people were absent for a period of time. However, today, we have become more accepting of “word of mouth” excuses rather than looking for justifiable reasons. If we ask for justification, then we risk being told that it’s “none of our business” or that we are not “respecting someone’s privacy.” As innocuous as this may appear, it has greater effects on how we operate, not only as a society, but also within the practices of our faith.

Years ago, going to church was a cornerstone of faithful Christians’ weekends. Sunday mornings and afternoons were reserved to pray with one’s family, within one’s church community, and to spend time sharing a meal with them or visting family. It was a day of rest, and it was time to pray, rest, and recharge to get ready for the week ahead. Even in quite a few faithful families, parents and children would exercise the Mystery of Repentance on a Saturday afternoon in preparation to receive the Holy Eucharist on Sunday morning. Such observations put Christ at the center of what each Sunday is for. However, today, people seem to have all kind of excuses to not attend Divine Services: they’re too long...they’re not at a ‘convenient’ time for me...I want to sleep in on Sunday morning...I don’t like the incense...my kids have a soccer game...I’m on vacation, and I can skip church for a week or two... And the list goes on and on and on. We feel comfortable with offering such excuses without realizing the harm that they do to our soul. Part of this is the blind acceptance with which people accept excuses in daily life: we feel that we can apply the same to our faith and spiritual lives. Such thinking is indeed gravely dangerous, for it puts our souls at peril.

Even in the modern era, it has become a practice to “watch” church on YouTube or Facebook in our pajamas rather than actually attend Divine Services at church. Indeed, this is not the same as we are not physically there, as part of the community of believers, raising one voice to God in song and prayer. Furthermore, we deprive ourselves of the Holy Mysteries—especially Repentance and the Eucharist—if we remain physically absent from the church.

Of course, there are extreme times when such practices cannot be avoided. However, they are not to become the norm or a justification for our absence from church when such extreme times are not present. Rather than having excuses for attending church, going to church should be a stolid reason—not an excuse—for postponing or missing other things. If church is “too long,” then what do you think an eternity is going to feel like in the presence of God—or without the presence of God? If we keep excusing ourselves, no time will be convenient for us to attend church. Those who seek the extra ‘rest’ on a Sunday morning negate the rest and comfort that we can find in our Lord, in His teachings through the Gospel, and through the reception of Holy Communion. If incense bothers us, then why not change where we place ourselves in the temple? Is our kid’s soccer coach going to be there when we’re judged, to provide an excuse for us for missing so many Sundays? Perhaps, God will be on “vacation” when we seek entrance into Paradise. How would we feel then?

As we continue with the Nativity Fast, let us be mindful of what can be a justifiable reason versus a common excuse. We should not live our lives by providing excuses, for such a precedent is not only dangerous to ourselves, but it provides a really bad example for others around us, especially our children and loved ones. It takes a lot of work to overcome the ease of giving an excuse, but this is what our faith demands of us.

Holupki dinner TODAY

There is a STUFFED CABBAGE DINNER TODAY, November 23rd from 12 noon – 2 p.m. You can either EAT IN or TAKE OUT. This \$15 Dinner includes: 2 Stuffed Cabbage (holupki), real mashed potatoes, a vegetable, bread/butter and dessert. Drinks will be available for eat in only. Adults \$15 – Child’s \$7 (12 and under) portion includes 1 Stuffed Cabbage.

Stock up on Holupki for Christmas
6 Stuffed Cabbage - \$18; 12 Stuffed Cabbage - \$35

Thanksgiving Eve Divine Liturgy



The Thanksgiving Holiday Divine Liturgy will be offered at our Church on **Wednesday, November 26th at 5:00 p.m.** Start the holiday off right by coming to Church and giving thanks to Almighty God. There will also be the Thanksgiving Liturgy at St. Michael’s, Hermitage, on Thursday, November 27th at 10:00 a.m.

Purple linens & vestments signify Pre-Nativity season

The Holy Table (Main Altar), side altars, and tetrapod are covered with purple linens until Christmas. The color purple is a penitential color in the Byzantine Catholic Church and signifies that we are in the liturgical season of the Philippian Fast (Advent). As we journey to the cave of Bethlehem to welcome the newborn King on Christmas, let us use these weeks, not just for shopping and getting stressed out, but for spiritual growth by more prayer, fasting, and being generous to our neighbor.



No ECF classes this Tuesday – one more class this year

Due to Thanksgiving recess, there are no ECF classes for this Tuesday, November 25th. ECF resumes on Tuesday, December 2nd at 6:00 p.m. This will be the final class until January 13, 2026..

Bring in Toy(s) by next Sunday

Our St. Michael Church started a “Toys For Tots” drive. Through the gift of a new toy or book, Marine Toys for Tots programs bring the joy of Christmas and send a message of hope to America’s disadvantaged children. You may bring an unwrapped new toy or book and place it in the cardboard box to donate to this cause. All toys will be picked up on December 1st.



Civic Club December meeting

The St. Michael’s Civic Club decided last Sunday that a meeting is needed in December. It will take place on **Sunday, December 14th at 12:15 p.m.** to discuss Night At The Races.

Christmas “In Heaven” Candles

Our St. Michael Church will have memorial candles to be displayed in the church window sills for Christmas Eve and through all of Christmas week. A label with your intention will be attached to the candle. \$3 each. Please text or call Annette at 330-540-4334 with your order. There are also forms in the narthex. Deadline to order is Sunday, December 14th.

Parishioner falls asleep in the Lord

+LOUISE M. MACABOBBY, 98, of Youngstown, fell asleep in the Lord on Tuesday, November 11, 2025. Her Memorial Divine Liturgy was offered at our St. Michael Church on Friday, November 21, 2025. May God grant to His departed handmaid, +Louise, blessed repose and eternal memory, vicnaja jej pamjat.



REBORN IN WATER & SPIRIT

Our Saint Michael Parish offers our prayerful best wishes and Congratulations to **JOSEPHINE HELEN YASH** who will receive the Holy Mysteries of Initiation (Baptism, Chrismation, and Eucharist) on Sunday, November 23, 2025. She is the daughter of Kathryn & David Yash. May God grant to His newly enlightened handmaid, Josephine, peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years, na mnohaja i blahaja l’ita.

Holiday Food & Cookie Sales

Pirohi Sales : \$10/dozen - Potato/Cheese - Sweet Cabbage - Lekvar
Drive thru 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. - December 5th, 12th, 19th
Please pre-order - Call/Text Regina at 330-720-2100

Halushki Sale – Friday, December 12th - Drive Thru 2:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. - \$10/quart

Homemade Christmas Cookie Trays - 5 doz Homemade Cookies - \$50
Little Nut Rolls (Kolachi) - Apricot Stars (Kolachi) - Clothespin Cookies - Snowballs - Buckeyes - Pizzelles (vanilla) - Chocolate Chip - Peanut Butter Blossoms - Spritz - 7 Layer Cookies - Pecan Pie Bars - Raspberry Jam Bars - Decorated Cutout Cookies - Butter Dreams
Call/Text Regina at 330-720-2100 Cookies baked by St. Michael parishioners



Kitchen Volunteer work

Tuesdays December 2,9,16: – 10:00 a.m.
Fridays December 5,12,19: – 9:00 a.m.

Parish Christmas party set for Saturday, December 13th

Enclosed in today’s bulletin is the RSVP form for our Parish’s annual Christmas Party! It will be held on **Saturday, December 13th.** Our Christmas Party will begin at 7:00 p.m. The evening will be filled with great fellowship, holiday cheer, our favorite Christmas tunes, a visit from Santa and more being planned in the works. Join us for a festive Saturday evening as we journey to the cave of Bethlehem. The cost is \$30 per person and through a giver for the kids, kids are free.



**WISHING ALL OUR PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS A VERY
HAPPY, BLESSED, AND SAFE THANKSGIVING DAY!**



The image shows a festive Christmas party RSVP card for St. Michael's. The card is decorated with a border of red and green squares. At the top, there are yellow stars and colorful Christmas ornaments. The text 'St. Michael's' is in green, 'Christmas' is in large red cursive, and 'Party' is in green cursive. The date and time are 'December 13th 7:00 p.m.' in green. A green diagonal banner says '\$30 PER PERSON; KIDS FREE'. The title 'Parish Christmas Party RSVP' is underlined. Below are fields for 'Name', 'Phone', '# adults', and '# kids'. A 'Payment Enclosed \$' field is also present. A dashed line separates the top section from the bottom. The bottom section has a blue background with a white moon and stars, and a red banner that says 'RSVP by Dec. 7th'. At the very bottom, there are illustrations of a church, trees, and gifts.

St. Michael's
Christmas
Party

December
13th
7:00 p.m.

\$30 PER PERSON; KIDS FREE

Parish Christmas Party RSVP

Name _____

Phone _____

adults _____ **# kids** _____

Payment Enclosed \$ _____

Place in collection basket or mail in

RSVP by Dec. 7th