

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) Recess until September 2026.

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.

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.

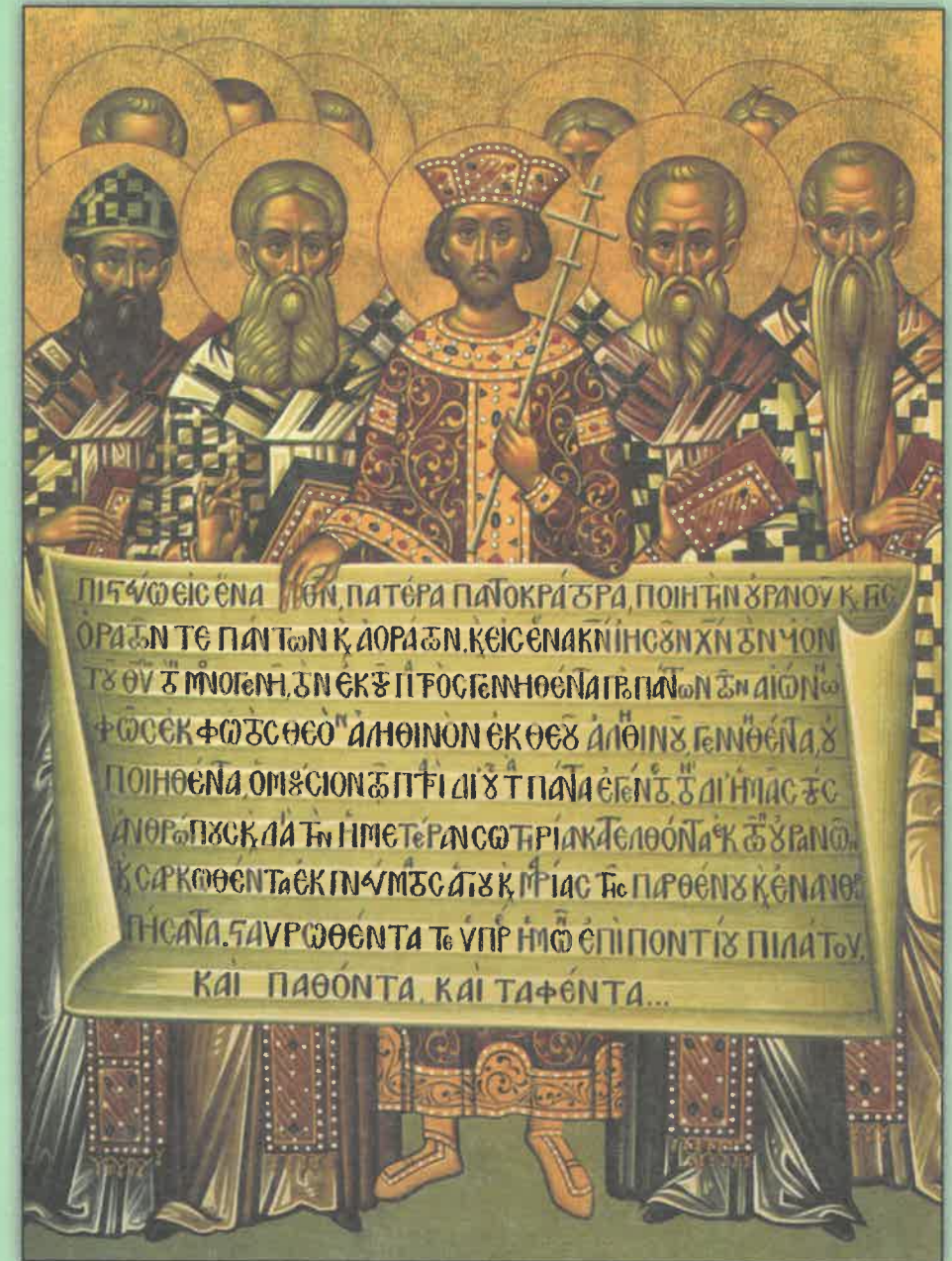
Knowledge of the True God Nurtures Us to Eternal Life

Are we saying that knowledge is eternal life? Are we saying that to know the one true and living God will suffice to give us complete security for the future without need of anything else? Then how is "faith apart from works dead?" When we speak of faith, we mean the true knowledge of God and nothing else, since knowledge comes by faith. The prophet Isaiah tells us this: "If you do not believe, neither shall you understand." But he is not talking about a knowledge that consists in barren speculations, which is entirely worthless. For one of the holy disciples said, "You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe and shudder." What then shall we say to this? How is it that Christ speaks the truth when He says that eternal life is the knowledge of God the Father, the one true God, and with Him of the Son? I think, indeed, we must answer that the saying of the Savior is completely true. For this knowledge is life, laboring as it were in birth of the whole meaning of the mystery and

granting to us participation in the mystery of the Eucharist, whereby we are joined to the living and life-giving Word. And for this reason, I think, Paul says that the Gentiles are made fellow members of the body and fellow partakers of Christ, inasmuch as they partake in His Blessed Body and Blood. And our members may in this sense be conceived of as being members of Christ. This knowledge, then, which also brings to us the Eucharist by the Spirit, is life. For it dwells in our hearts, reshaping those who receive it into son-ship with Him and molding them into incorruption and piety toward God through life, according to the Gospel. Our Lord Jesus Christ, then, knowing that the knowledge of the one true God brings to us and promotes our union with the blessings of which we have spoken, says that it is eternal life. It is the mother and nurse of eternal life, being in its power and nature pregnant with those things that cause life and lead to life.

St. Cyril of Alexandria

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL



Icon of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council of Nicea

*Christ Is Glorified!
Exalt Him Forever!*



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Ascension

SAT., MAY 16
6:00 p.m.

(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)

+Geraldine Ann Testa
(5th anniversary of passing 6.12)

requested by: Husband: Jim & Family

SUN., MAY 17

The Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council – Within the Ascension Feast

11:00 a.m.

+Bernie Kovach
(remembrance of 83rd birthday 5.16 & 2nd anniversary of passing 4.2)

requested by: Daughter: Annmarie DeWitt

FRI., May 22
5:00 p.m.

The 5th & Final Universal All Souls

+All Souls with the reading of the Hramoty



SAT., MAY 23
6:00 p.m.

(Vigil Pentecost Sunday Divine Liturgy)

+Anna P. Drotar



requested by: Family

SUN., MAY 24

PENTECOST SUNDAY – The Descent of the Most Holy Spirit – Kneeling Prayers – Mirovanije

11:00 a.m.

Thanksgiving: 22nd Anniversary of Priesthood Ordination (5.23.04)

requested by: Fr. Kevin

12:30 p.m.

Panachida & Blessing of Graves at our St. Michael Cemetery



May 18 – Nancy Ann Modarelli
May 19 – Dominic J. Cutrone

Church Attendance

Saturday 5/9 – **35** (6:00 pm)
Sunday 5/10 – **56** (11:00 am)
Thursday 5/14 – **44** (6:00 pm)

Pray for the Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & in Recovery updated: May 15, 2026

RESIDING AT HOME – Andy Arendas, Bonnie Cohn, Michael Drotar, Geraldine Dubos, Ted Fesz, Kathi Klimis, Paul Kotch, Atty. Brian Macala, Greta Marks, Frank Phillips, Martha Swantek.
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.

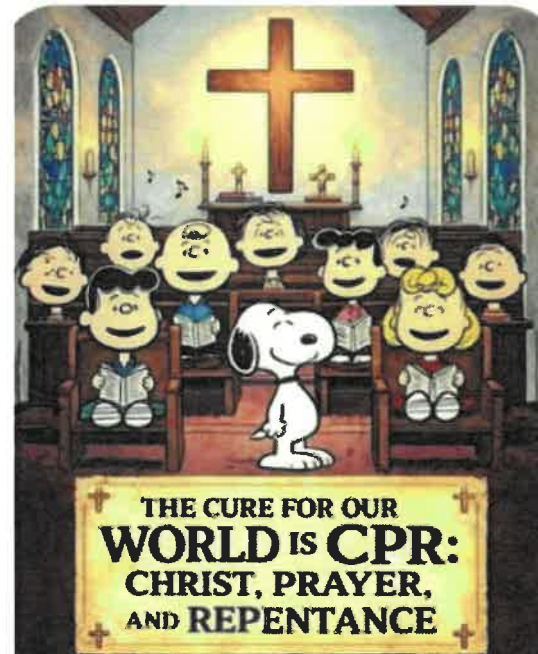
Church offerings from May 9 & 10, 2026

Sunday Offering....\$2,175.00
Loose Currency....\$80.00
Candles....\$118.00
Easter....\$50.00
Holydays....\$15.00
TOTAL: \$2,438.00



May 10th TOTAL
\$1,185.00

Weekly Requirement to Meet Yearly Expenses			
Date	Collection	Required	(Shortage) Overage
May 10	\$ 2,438	2,950	(\$512)
YTD	\$ 57,365	\$56,050	\$1,315



Quote of the Week

“It’s not the years in your life that count. It’s the life in your years.”

— Abraham Lincoln

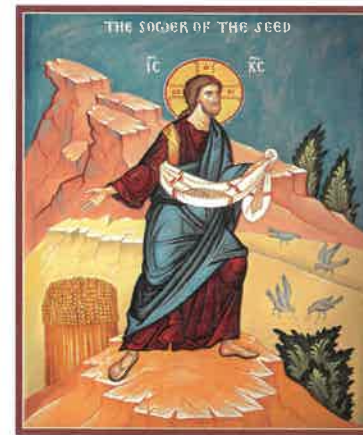
Heaven

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RIGHTEOUSNESS	BOOK OF LIFE	FAITHFULNESS	SELF-CONTROL
BEATITUDES	OBEDIENCE	GOODNESS	GRATEFUL
HUMILITY	KINDNESS	PATIENCE	BLESSED
HONESTY	DIVINE	PURITY	AGAPE
BIBLE	FAVOR	GRACE	JESUS
MERCY	PEACE	HOLY	LOVE
JOY			

Getting ready for Pentecost

It is the time between the Feasts of the Ascension of Our Lord and Pentecost.



St. Matthew ends his Gospel with Our Risen Lord commissioning the Apostles, “the eleven”, and to “make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit...” (John 28:19) The Lord goes on to commission the Apostles as teachers: “teaching them to observe (keep) all that I (the Lord) have commanded you.” (v. 20) And the Lord God through the Holy Spirit shall be present and not abandon us.

This period gives us the opportunity to reflect on how we, as Byzantine Catholics, can heed this call of Christ. Our Lord commissions all of His disciples of each and every generation to spread the Good News of salvation and to baptize those who have not yet professed their belief in Christ. Indeed, this is a long and arduous task. It is one that we are to work at for the rest of our lives. This we do in co-operation with the graces and talents God bestows on us.

Our ministry of mission is to those who do not yet have a clear understanding of the truths of the Faith. We strive toward this while still living on earth so that all may become partakers of eternal which the Risen Lord has already prepared for us. Christ’s Resurrection is a pledge, a promise of our own resurrection, if only we remain faithful to Christ. Who are the ones who are called to this task? Each and every member of the Church, the Mystical Body of Christ. This includes all: the clergy, those in religious orders (monks and nuns), and the faithful. How can all be involved in this task? Through prayers offered for the individuals who are formally commissioned and support, both spiritual and financial, for the success of this pastoral ministry.

May we all be active members of the Byzantine Catholic Church. Many have been baptized in our churches; however, they have not attended Liturgy or other Divine Services with great frequency. Nonetheless, this can all change – by the grace of God along with our care and compassion for one another.

The harvest is great, but the laborers are few. Let’s not to take the first step, or see how it goes before we enter in. Rather, let the Holy Spirit guide and direct us. May we continue to do the work of our Heavenly Father, following the example given by Our Lord God and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Did you purposely miss church for Ascension Holyday???

– it's no light matter to miss!!!

The first precept of the Church teaches that the Christian faithful attend The Divine Liturgy on **ALL Sundays of the year, as well as on ALL Holydays of Obligation.** Besides ALL Sundays, there are 5 Holy Days of Obligation in our Byzantine Catholic Church. The Feast of the Ascension of our Lord was a Holy Day of Obligation this past Thursday, May 14th. Did you attend Church? Only a serious or honorable reason should've prevented you from attending. When you purposely miss a Sunday (Sat. vigil) or Holyday of Obligation without a serious or honorable reason or dispensation from a priest, the Church teaches you are in the state of sin. The Sacrament of Confession is the remedy for this.

Civic Club meeting TODAY

St. Michael's Civic Club will hold a meeting **TODAY, Sunday, May 17th at 12:15 p.m.** in the bar room. This will be the final meeting until September. The agenda is discussion on Scrappers game, scholarships, & steak raffle.



Breaded chicken dinner TODAY

TODAY, Sunday, May 17th, from 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m., our St. Michael Church is sponsoring a Breaded Chicken Dinner with mash potatoes, gravy, vegetable, coleslaw and dessert. \$15.00 per dinner. Eat in or take-out.

Wear green next weekend for Pentecost

According to our Byzantine Catholic custom, **GREEN** is the color of Pentecost because it symbolizes the **NEW LIFE** given to us by the Holy Spirit. Each of us should wear some green to church next Saturday night & Sunday morning.



The fifth & final All Souls Saturday

On the Saturday before Pentecost, our Byzantine Catholic Church commemorates the Fifth & Final Universal All Souls' Saturday for this liturgical year. Join us **Friday evening, May 22nd, at 5:00 p.m.** for this Liturgy along with the reading of the Hramoty.



St. Michael's Golf League commences

The Church & Civic Club Golf League will begin the new season **this Tuesday, May 19th.** Play will be at Tanglewood Golf Course. New players are welcomed. Call Jerry Shirilla @ 330-534-9104 with any questions.

Last call for any 2026 graduates?

If you are graduating this year, either from high school, college/university, or other school, let our pastor know of your graduation. You will be honored at a Liturgy in June.

Pastor attends clergy days this week out of town

Our pastor will be attending Clergy Days this week (Tuesday -Thursday) at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Munhall, PA. These are fraternal and required business meeting days with the Archbishop for all priests and deacons. Our pastor will be giving a presentation on Vocations on Wednesday. You may reach him by his cell phone if need be.

Blessing of Graves next Sunday afternoon

The annual blessing of graves at our St. Michael Cemetery will take place **next Sunday, May 24th at 12:30 p.m.** A Panachida will be offered followed by the blessing of graves of any loved ones you request. Due to our pastor's participation in the city's Memorial Day service on Monday, it is moved to Sunday this year. If it rains, another date will be scheduled.



Voting day Thanks to...

Arlene Arendas, Nancy Coccitto, Dr. Steve DuBos, Marge Ford, Monica Ohlin, Marge Puhak, & Diana Vrabel for donating desserts for the primary election day food sales on Tuesday, May 5th.

Arlene Arendas, Marge Arendas, Nancy & Cosmo Coccitto, Marge & Phil Ford, Fr. Kevin Marks, Marge Puhak, Sue Rappach, Regina Rovnyak, Terry Tirpack, & Diana Vrabel for working in the Hall & Kitchen for the primary election day on Tuesday, May 5th.

TOTAL PROFIT FROM KITCHEN SALES: \$747.000

Sign-up for Scrappers game by TODAY



Hope you and your family can join the Civic Club for the Mahoning Valley Scrappers baseball game on **Tuesday, June 2nd** with a picnic included! Game time is 7:05 p.m. The Civic Club is subsidizing the ticket price, so the cost for the group outing is **ONLY \$10.00** per parishioner (the price for non-parishioners is \$30). The deadline to sign up for the game is TODAY, Sunday, May 17th.

Feel called to be a Deacon?

The admissions process for the 2027 School of Diaconate Studies is now open. Men who are discerning a call to diaconal service in the Church are encouraged to apply. Classes for the first year of the 4 year program will be held June 13–26, 2027 at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary. A two week residency is required each year. Please submit the registration form in the narthex and, candidates will then be contacted by the Vocations Office. **Deadline for the registration form is July 1, 2026.** For any further inquiries, you may e-mail vocations@archpitt.org

Civic Club Raffle Tickets in narthex

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