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Christ Heals the Demoniac Boy

It is by Him that we have gained deliverance from the power of unclean spirits, this lesson proves. For we heard read that a man ran towards Him from among the multitude, and related the intolerable malady of his son. For he said that he was cruelly torn by an evil spirit, and suffered violent convulsions. But the manner of his approach was not free from fault: for he made loud outcries against the company of the holy apostles, saying that they could not rebuke Satan: whereas it would have been more fitting, had he honored Jesus when asking His aid, and imploring grace.

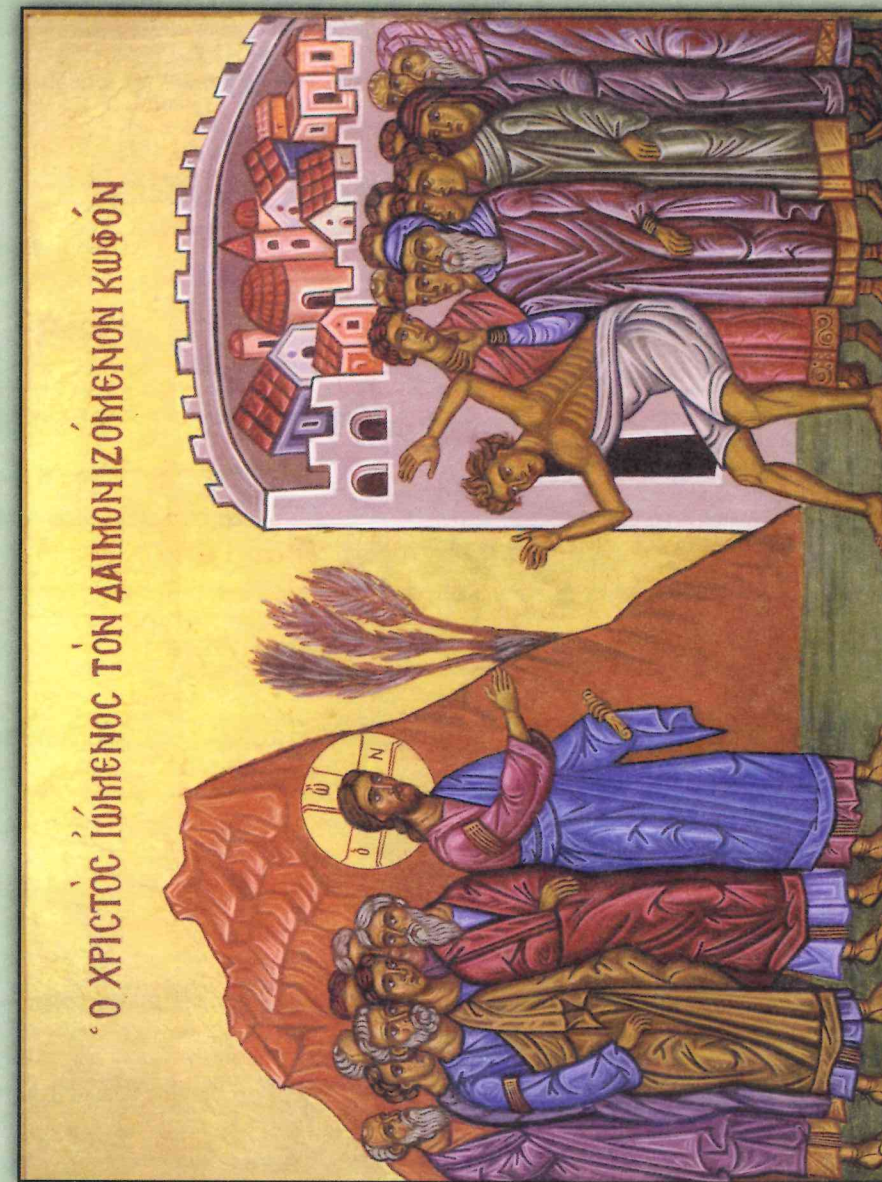
For He grants us our request when we honor and confide in Him, as being the Almighty, Whose power nothing can withstand. For He verily is the Lord of powers, and nothing can offer resistance to His will. Yea rather, every-

thing whatsoever that is capable of possessing power obtains entirely from Him the possibility of being what it is.

For just as He sheds His light upon those who are capable of being illuminated, as being Himself the true light; and just as in like manner He is the bestower of wisdom upon those who are capable thereof, as being Himself Wisdom, and perfect understanding: so, inasmuch as He is Power, He bestows power on those capable of receiving it. When then by our disbelief we despise His glory, and wickedly scorn His supreme majesty, we can receive nothing from Him: for, We must ask in faith, nothing wavering, as His disciple said.

Saint Cyril of Alexandria

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Healing of the Demoniac Boy

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



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SAT., AUG 1

(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)

6:00 p.m.

+Irene Kovalchick
(12th anniversary of passing 8.3)

requested by: Daughter: Alice Watkins

SUN., AUG 2

The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

+Richard "Rick" Gozur Sr.
(7th anniversary of passing 7.29)

requested by: Wife: Judith

Wed., Aug 5

**Vigil for the Feast of the Transfiguration of
Our Lord – Solemn Holyday - Blessing of Fruit**



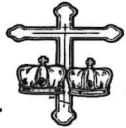
6:00 p.m.

+Christine Burger
(remembrance of 66th birthday today)

requested by: Andy & Marge Arendas

Fri., Aug 7

4:00 p.m.



Wedding Ceremony of Geri Romito & Abraham Santana



SAT., AUG 8

(Vigil Sunday Divine Liturgy)

6:00 p.m.

+Patricia "Patti" A. Tirpack
(1st anniversary of passing 8.5)

requested by: Jerry & Pauline Shirilla

SUN., AUG 9

**The Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost – Within the
Transfiguration Feast**

11:00 a.m.

+Marcella M. Hospodar
(5th anniversary of passing 8.2)

requested by: Son: David & Annette Hospodar



August 2 – Meeka Griffin
August 8 – Denise Norman

Church Attendance

Saturday 7/25 – 41 (6:00 pm)

Sunday 7/26 – 37 (11:00 am)

Pray for the Homebound, Sick, Hospitalized, & in Recovery updated: July 31, 2026

RESIDING AT HOME – Andy Arendas, Bonnie Cohn, Denise Cutrone, Michael Drotar, Geraldine Dubos,
Michael Katula, Kathi Klimis, Paul Kotch, Greta Marks, Patty Orenic, 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 July 25 & 26, 2026

Sunday Offering....\$1,880.00

Loose Currency....\$20.00

Candles....\$78.00

Holyday (July 20)....\$70.00

TOTAL: \$2,048.00

In memory of +Dr. John Galida: **\$750.00**



July 26th TOTAL:

\$294.00

Weekly Requirement to Meet Yearly Expenses			
Date	Collection	Required	(Shortage)
July 26	\$2,048	\$2,950	(\$902)
YTD	\$81,989	\$88,500	(\$6,511)

ENGLISH LESSON

Tsunami ——— T is silent

Honest ——— H is silent

Psychology ——— P is silent

Knife ——— K is silent

Wife ——— Husband is silent

Class dismissed ...

Quote of the Week

"Meaning is about
making a difference, not
having an audience."

— Adam Grant

Ice Cream Flavors Word Search

W J Y C O O K I E S A N D C R E A M C R
V B I R C H O C O L A T E C H I P V W S
Y U W L O R P M A T V F M W S C M N V Z
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Vanilla
Mint
Coffee
Neapolitan
Cotton Candy
Cherry
Mocha

Chocolate
Cookies and Cream
Butter Pecan
Cookie Dough
Lemon
Chocolate Chip

Strawberry
Rocky Road
Pistachio
Mango
Salted Caramel
Raspberry

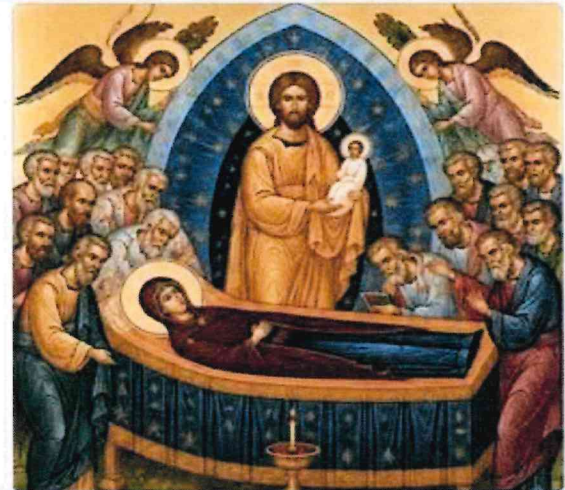
THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS

The Summer Pascha

In her falling asleep, the Theotokos did not leave the world, but passed into life, for she is the Mother of Life.

WHAT IS THE DORMITION?

The Dormition of the Theotokos (August 15) commemorates the falling asleep (koimēsis) of the Virgin Mary and her translation, body and soul, into heavenly glory.



WHY WE CALL IT THE "SUMMER PASCHA"

- Just as Christ's Resurrection is the Passover in Spring, Mary's Dormition is a Passover in Summer.
- Both feasts reveal victory over death and the promise of eternal life.
- Mary, who carried the Giver of Life, is now received into life everlasting.

HOW THE DORMITION IS OUR SUMMER PASCHA

				
1. PASSAGE FROM DEATH TO LIFE	2. THE FIRSTFRUITS OF RESURRECTION	3. HEAVEN OPENED FOR US	4. QUEEN TAKEN TO HER KING	5. HOPE AND CONSOLATION
Mary "falls asleep" in death, but as Christ rose from the tomb, He raises His Mother to life. It is a feast of victory, not of loss.	Mary is the first and most perfect fruit of the Resurrection. Her glorified body is a sign of what awaits all who are in Christ.	Through Mary's Dormition, heaven is shown to be open and real. She is our door to Christ.	The Mother of God is taken up to be with the King of Glory, crowned in honor as Queen of Heaven and Earth.	Her Dormition strengthens our hope that death is not the end, and that God will raise and glorify those who love Him.

FEAST DAY

The Dormition of the Theotokos is celebrated on August 15 each year. It is one of the Great Feasts of the Church.

"Your pure body is transferred into life, O Mother of God; for having borne the Creator, you cannot be held by death."

— Hymn of the Dormition

A FEAST OF JOY

The Church does not mourn on this day, but rejoices! Let us run to the Theotokos, our joy and our hope.



O ALL-HOLY MOTHER OF GOD, PRAY FOR US AND SAVE US!

The Dormition Fast; August 1-14th

On August 1st, we begun a simple fasting season in our Church. According to tradition, the Theotokos, in preparation for her death, prayed and fasted. In imitation of her and for proper spiritual preparation for the glorious Feast of her Dormition, the Church recommends a fasting period of two weeks beginning on the first of August and ending on the Feast of the Dormition (August 15th).

Days of fasting play an important part in the liturgical year. Fasting is one of the classic forms of penance and one of the great means of denying our physical impulses to focus on the spiritual. It is an abstinence that we voluntarily impose on ourselves as a way to reflect and to purposefully live our lives according to stricter standards. The Holy Scripture, both Old and New Testaments, are filled with praises of the holy practice of fasting. Fasting is a chance for us to bring renewal into our lives. It is a means through which we deny ourselves what brings us pleasure and imposes a purposeful shift on what we do and how we do it. We need to become mindful of our thoughts and actions—not only what we eat—in order to fully examine our consciences so that we may make not only a worthy confession, but also live our lives as clear examples of practicing Christians. We should focus on completely transforming ourselves in order to grow in our faith. This involves consciously changing ourselves and establishing different habits and behaviors that help us understand our faith as well as ourselves as children of God.

Read more Scripture. Attend more services. Donate more time and/or money to charities or helping those less fortunate. Refrain from exorbitant living. Live on a simple diet. These are all ways to observe the fast. And, ultimately, by denying ourselves and our own desires, we emulate the Theotokos who, in her humility and selflessness, said “Yes” to God and agreed to bear our Savior!

Parish summer picnic in 2 weeks – turn in form by next Sunday

Our Parish family summer picnic will be held on **SUNDAY, AUGUST 16th** here at our St. Michael Church grounds. Please submit the RSVP form in the bulletin. Join us for a fun filled afternoon with food, games, and parish fellowship.

Final Banns of Marriage

Geri Romito and Abraham Santana to receive the Holy Sacrament of Crowning (Marriage) at our St. Michael Church this Friday, August 7, 2026.

Calling Pirohi pinchers

Volunteers to make dough and pinch pirohi are asked to be at the Hall kitchen on **Tuesdays, August 11th, 18th, & 25th and Thursdays, August 13th & 20th**. Start time will be 10:00 a.m.

Parish Census taking place in September

Our last parish census was in 2014. Many of the census forms are not up to date with accurate phone numbers, e-mail addresses, and even home addresses. Father would like to do a census during the month of September. You will be asked to fill out a simple form (on-line or hand-written) with updated information. It won't take long and please kindly cooperate. Having updated parishioner information is very vital for your parishioner status.

Christmas Market at our Hall – Nov. 14&15 – Mark your calendars

The Transfiguration of our Lord – Wednesday Vigil

Our Lord had spoken to His disciples many times not only concerning His Passion, Cross, and Death, but also concerning the coming persecutions and afflictions that they themselves would endure. Since all these evils were near at hand, but the enjoyment of good things which they hoped to receive in their stead was yet to come, our Savior desired to give them full assurance, evidently and openly, concerning that glory which is prepared for those who endure to the end. Therefore, fulfilling that which He had promised shortly before, that "there be some standing here which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in His Kingdom" (Matt. 16:28), He took His three foremost disciples and ascended Mount Tabor, where He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as the light. Suddenly, together with this dread and marvelous effulgence of light, there appeared those pinnacles of the Prophets, Moses and Elias, who spoke with the Lord Jesus concerning His saving Passion which was about to take place. Standing before Him as reverent servants, they showed that He is the Lord of both the living and the dead, for Moses came forth from Hades, having died many centuries before, and Elias, as it were from heaven, whither he had been taken up while yet alive. After a little while a radiant cloud overshadowed them and out of the cloud they heard that same voice which had been heard at the Jordan at the Baptism of Christ, testifying to the Divinity of Jesus and saying: "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well-pleased; listen to Him".



The Solemn Blessing of fruits on Wednesday night



According to our Byzantine Catholic custom, grapes along with other fruits are blessed for the feast of our Lord's Transfiguration. Our forefathers, according to tradition, always waited for the Holy Day and would bring their first fruits to God's House (the Church) and give thanks for the harvest and ask God to bless their crops. To us, there is also a symbolic meaning in the blessing of fruits. As the seed of the fruit was planted and grew into trees and vines bearing fruits through many years of rain and sunshine under the protection of God and then brought forth fruit beautiful to look at and very good for taste and nourishment. In the same way, the seed of faith and belief in God is planted in our souls and is nourished through obedience to the commandments of God and grows into a great Christian tree bearing good fruit (our good deeds). In a symbolic sense also, the ripening of the fruit on the tree is somewhat of a mirror of the miracle of the Transfiguration. In spring we see the empty branches burst forth with new green leaves around the Feast of Pentecost. Soon the tree is covered with beautiful flowers. In time, nature transforms these flowers into little buds of fruit and as the weeks pass, the buds are transfigured into beautiful and fully ripened fruit.

Reverse Raffle only 2 months away

Saturday, October 3, 2026 - 5:00 p.m. apps; 6:00 p.m. dinner; 7:00 p.m. drawing begins.

200 tickets will be drawn with the grand prize of \$2,500.00. Other cash prizes and games, including liquor bottle card game, bingo, and 50/50. Tickets are \$100.00 & includes dinner, bar, and your number to enter drawing. Tickets are available in the narthex, or by email to stmikesbyzkids@gmail.com Get your lucky number(s) now! Don't wait.





St. Michael's PICNIC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16TH

11:00 a.m. OUTDOOR SUNDAY
DIVINE LITURGY WITH BLESSING
OF TEACHERS & STUDENTS

12:15-4:00 P.M. PICNIC TIME

FOOD • MUSIC • GAMES • FUN • ACTIVITIES

PLEASE BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE

RSVP BY AUGUST 9th

Name _____

#adults _____ #kids _____

place form in collection basket or mail it in