



# **St. Michael**

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## Romanian Byzantine Catholic Church

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Bishop of the Romanian Greek Catholic Diocese of Canton, OH

Diocese website: [romaniancatholic.org](http://romaniancatholic.org)

**Administrator – Rev. Father Remus Orian**

**Rectory Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm**

Cantors and Readers (Cantori ai Bisericii)

Saturday: Diane Moreau, Lynn Matyas, Denise Matyas

Sunday: Ana Muresan, Marius Misca, Ioan Ileni

**January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Holy Cross – Zacchaeus Sunday**

This Sunday: Tone 3, Epistle 1 Tim 4:9-16, Gospel Luke 19:1-10

**Weekly Liturgy Schedule**

**Monday, January 27: No Divine Liturgy, Office closed**

**Tuesday, January 28, 2025:** 8:00AM: Divine Liturgy for Louis and Marian Matyas Jr. by Jeffrey and Kathleen Matyas

**Wednesday, January 29, 2025:** No Divine Liturgy

**Thursday, January 30, 2025:** 8:00AM: Divine Liturgy for Vi Buga by Jim and Susan Banks

**Friday, January 31, 2025:** - No Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, February 1, 2025:** 4:00 PM: Divine Liturgy for Vi Buga by Philippe and Diane Moreau

**Sunday, February 2, 2025:** 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy for all the members of St. Michael Church

**CONFESSION: AT ANY TIME BY REQUEST, PLEASE CONTACT FATHER REMUS DIRECTLY at 330-809-2500**

Please pray for our sick and others: Dona Popp, Joseph Popp, Leon Saros, Susan Banks, Bob Banks, Emilia Adriana Russo, Mary Ann Signorelli, Vasile Moga, Florence Moga, Lisa Mickle, Stefana Pupek, Tudor Mathew Soncodi, Emily Thill, Carol Bristow, Gabriel Manu and all others who are confined to their homes or are in nursing homes.

\*\*\*Please let Father Remus know if you have an upcoming surgery, illness, etc., so we can place your name on our prayer list.

**Collection: January 18 and January 19, 2025**

- Weekly Offerings: \$1,250.00
- Building Fund: \$600.00
- Candles: \$68.00
- Loose: \$243.00
- Cemetery: \$210.00
- Membership: \$400.00
- Heat/AC: \$20.00
- Initial Offering: \$20.00
- In memory of Vi Buga: \$100.00
- In memory of Fr. Sergiu Cornea: \$50.00

**Total Offerings: \$2,961.00**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## **2024 Tax Donation Letters:**

Thank you to everyone who helped support our church with your time, talents, and treasures throughout the year. May you be blessed with good health and happiness! The 2024 Tax Donation Letters are available this weekend in the narthex. If you do not pick up your letter, it will be mailed to you.

## **Holy Three Hierarchs: January 30**

The Three Hierarchs (Ancient Greek: Οἱ Τρεῖς Ἱεράρχαι; Greek: Οι Τρεις Ἱεράρχες) of Eastern Christianity refers to Basil the Great (also known as Basil of Caesarea), Gregory the Theologian (also known as Gregory of Nazianzus) and John Chrysostom. They were highly influential bishops of the early church who played pivotal roles in shaping Christian theology. In Eastern Christianity they are also known as the Three Great Hierarchs and Ecumenical Teachers, while in Roman Catholicism the three are honored as Doctors of the Church. The three are venerated as saints in Eastern Orthodoxy, Catholicism, Anglicanism, and other Christian churches.

## **Candles**

During the month of **February 2025**, our candles have been graciously donated by Diana Brown in memory of Marion Tatar and Florence Tatar Wondrak.

We are also in need of donations for future months. The total cost for altar candles, incense, and another liturgy supplies for one month is \$100.

### **• Office**

**\*\*\*To facilitate accurate accounting, please make sure that you use separate checks/cash for the Special Collection, Candles, Heat and A/C, Building Fund, Cemetery, and Saturday and Sunday collection envelopes.**

**\*\*\*For Holy Baptism**, contact the Parish Office at least one month prior to the date requested.

**\*\*\*For Weddings**, contact the Parish Office at least **six** months prior to the date requested. **No exceptions!**

**\*\*\*For Funerals**, please contact Fr. Remus **before** making the arrangements with the funeral home.

• **Online donations:** Check out our online offering page! You can also sign up for Online donations to St. Michael Church by scanning the QR Code below.



### To Tickle Your Funny Bone 😊

Three men meet Saint Peter at the Holy Gates and Saint Peter demands that they recount their deeds in life!

The first man steps up. "I was a doctor," he says. "I could have gone into private practice and made a lot of money, but I preferred to take care of the poor and impoverished. I like to think that I brought happiness into their lives."

"Wonderful!" says St Peter. "Go in through the first door. Welcome!"

The second man says, "I was a lawyer. I could have made a lot of money working solely for the rich, but I spent my time assisting the poor and impoverished with their legal problems. I like to think I brought some happiness into their lives."

"That's beautiful! Go right in and take the first door!"

The third man approaches. "I was a comedian. I was very good at it, and I made a lot of people laugh. I could have made a lot of money from movies and TV, but I preferred the smaller clubs, brightening the lives of the poor and impoverished. I like to think I brought some happiness into their lives."

"Great!" say St Peter. "Go right in. Take the second door, go through the kitchen, up the stairs and get ready. You're on in five minutes!"

### February Birthdays

**Feb. 4: Andra Matesan**

**Feb. 13: Ava Grace Pinelli**

**Feb. 5: Florica Moga**

**Feb. 22: Alin Lodina**

**Feb. 5: Georgeta Naghi**

**Feb. 22: Erin Tamasi**

**Feb. 10: Nicolae Carasel**

**Feb. 25: Teodor Dogaru**

**Feb. 10: Fr. Remus Orian**

*If you would like your birthday in the bulletin, please inform Father, so it will be listed in the future.*