



St. Michael

Romanian Byzantine Catholic Church

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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

August 9th, 2026

The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

This Sunday: T2, Epistle 1 Cor 9:2-12, Gospel Matt 18:23-35

Monday, August 10, 2026: Office Closed, No Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, August 11, 2026: 8:00 AM: Divine Liturgy for Gheorghe Veres
by Calin and Adina Veres

Wednesday, August 12, 2026: No Divine Liturgy

Thursday, August 13, 2026: 8:00AM: Divine Liturgy for Thomas and
Mary Banks by Jim and Susan Banks

Friday, August 14, 2026: No Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, August 15, 2026: 4:00PM: Dormition of the Mother of God –
Holy Day of Obligation**

Sunday, August 16, 2026: 10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy for all the
parishioners of. St. Michael Church

CONFESSION: At any time by request. For emergencies, please contact
Fr. Remus

**Please pray for our sick and others: Gheorghe Veres, Keith Huff, Dona
Popp, Joseph Popp, Susan Banks, Emilia Adriana Russo, Mary Ann
Signorelli, Florence Moga, Vasile Moga, 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: August 1 and August 2, 2026

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| • Weekly Offerings: \$1,500.00 | • Candles: \$25.00 |
| • Loose: \$200.00 | • Building Fund: \$100.00 |
| • Cemetery: \$240.00 | • Bake Sale Ing.: \$20.00 |
| • Heat/AC: \$130.00 | |

Total Offerings: \$2,215.00

Thank you all for your support!

Dormition of the Most Holy Mother of God

In the Byzantine Catholic tradition, the Dormition of the Most Holy Mother of God is one of the Twelve Great Feasts, celebrated on August 15. The word *Dormition* means "falling asleep," expressing the Church's belief that the Virgin Mary experienced a peaceful death before being taken into heavenly glory by her Son. According to ancient Christian tradition, the apostles were miraculously gathered to her bedside, where Christ Himself received her most pure soul. Three days later, when her tomb was opened, it was found empty, witnessing to her bodily assumption into heaven. The feast is preceded by a two-week fast (August 1–14), inviting the faithful to prayer, repentance, and imitation of Mary's humility and obedience. The Dormition reminds us that death is not the end but the doorway to eternal life. As the first among the redeemed, the Mother of God becomes a sign of hope, assuring all believers of the resurrection and the glory promised through Christ.

• **St. Michael Cemetery – Memorial Service: Saturday, September 5th** at 10:00 am, you are all invited to our Cemetery (1035 Aurora Avenue) where Fr. Remus will celebrate a Memorial Service for all the deceased members of St. Michael Church and all the deceased from your families.

• Candles

During the month of **August 2026**, our candles have been graciously donated by Joe and Dona Popp.

Thank you for your generosity!

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.

• Save the Date:

- Saturday, September 5, 2026: Blessing of Graves
- Sunday, September 27, 2026: St Michael Annual Fundraiser Picnic
- Sunday, November 8, 2026: St. Michael Feast Day (Hramul Bisericii)

*****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.



To Tickle Your Funny Bone 😊

A visitor attended his first Byzantine Divine Liturgy and said,
"Father, everyone was standing, bowing, crossing themselves, and singing. I was afraid I would do something wrong!"
The priest smiled and replied,
"Don't worry. If you leave loving Christ a little more than when you arrived, you did everything right."

August Birthdays Happy Birthday! La multi ani!

August 1: Ioan Naghi

August 8: Jim Moldovan

August 8: Amy Beyer

August 8: Ana Muresan

August 12: Stephen Korody

August 19: Tom Chivari

August 23: Radu Radulescu

August 21: Joseph Popp

August 28: Corina Radulescu

If you would like your birthday in the bulletin, please ask Father to list in future bulletins.