



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

February 9th, 2025

Sunday of the Pharisee and the Publican

This Sunday: Tone 5, Epistle 3 Tim, 3:10-15, Gospel Luke 18:10-14

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday, February 10 : No Divine Liturgy, Office closed

Tuesday, February 11, 2025: 8:00AM: Divine Liturgy for Vi Buga by Lynn Matyas

Wednesday, February 12, 2025: No Divine Liturgy

Thursday, February 13, 2025: 8:00AM: Divine Liturgy for Theresa Kuk by Steve Korody

Friday, February 14, 2025: - No Divine Liturgy

Saturday, February 15, 2025: 4:00 PM: Divine Liturgy for Russell Onak by Lisa and Marcia Onak

Sunday, February 16, 2025: 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy for all the members of St. Michael Church

CONFESSION: At any time by request

For emergencies, please contact Fr. 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: February 1 and February 2, 2025

- Weekly Offerings: \$985.00
- Building Fund: \$1,245.00
- Candles: \$52.00
- Loose: \$73.00
- Cemetery: \$200.00
- Membership: \$50.00
- Heat/AC: \$120.00
- Donation to Raisin Rose Bread: \$50.00

Total Offerings: \$2,775.00

Thank you for your generosity!

The Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee begins the Lenten Triodion, the liturgical book used in the services of Great Lent. It is the Sunday before the Sunday of the Prodigal Son. This is the pre-Lenten start of the Easter cycle of worship in the Byzantine Church.

The focus this Sunday is on the Gospel of Luke 18:10-14, in which two men went to the Temple to pray. One was a Pharisee, an externally decent and righteous man of religion, and the other was a publican, a sinful tax-collector who was cheating the people.

Though the Pharisee was genuinely righteous under the Law, he boasted before God and was condemned. The publican, although he was truly sinful, begged for mercy, received it, and was justified by God.

On this Sunday in the preparation for Great Lent, Byzantine Catholic Christians are to see that they should not have the religious piety of the Pharisee, but the repentance of the publican. They are called to think about themselves, in the light of Christ's teaching, as they really are and to beg for mercy. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and everyone who humbles himself will be exalted. (Luke 18:14)

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 😊

Faithful dog for sale read the ad, as such John called up the owner for details.

- Hey, I saw your offer for a faithful dog, I have a couple of questions.
- Shoot.
- Is he good with kids?
- Very. He is kind and gentle and has endless patience.
- Yard dog or house dog?
- House trained but loves the yard as well.
- Cool. Lastly, is he really faithful?
- Oh yeah, very faithful. This is the fifth time I'm selling him.

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.