



# **St. Michael**

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## **Byzantine Catholic Church**

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**Most Reverend John Michael Botean**

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, Mark Buga,

**February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Forgiveness Sunday**

This Sunday: Tone 4, Epistle Rom 13:11-14, 14:1-4, Gospel Mt.6:14-21

Beginning of Great Lent

**Weekly Liturgy Schedule**

**Monday, February 20, 2023:** - No Divine Liturgy – OFFICE CLOSED

**Tuesday, February 21, 2023:** -No Divine Liturgy

**Wednesday, February 22, 2023:** - 4:00 PM: —Presanctified Liturgy

**Thursday, February 23, 2023:** -No Divine Liturgy

**Friday, February 24, 2023** - 12:00 PM— Presanctified Liturgy

**Saturday, February 25, 2023:** 4:00 PM: Divine Liturgy for Rev. Carillo by a friend

**Sunday, February 26, 2023:** 10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy for Violet Buga by family

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

**Please pray for our sick and others: Joseph Popp, Emilia Adriana Russo, Mary Ann Signorelli, Vasile Moga, Florence Moga, Lisa Mickle, Stefana Pupek, Steve Korody, Michael McGray, Viola Moldovan, Kaylee Atwell, Carol Bristow, Darlene Ardelean, Debbie Cobb, Iulian Ionutas and all our 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 may add your name to our prayer list.

**Collection: February 11 & 12, 2023**

- Weekly Offerings: \$ 1,075.00
- Loose \$ 92.00
- Candles: \$ 28.00
- Building Fund: \$ 190.00
- Heat/AC: \$ 30.00
- Bake Sale Ingredients: \$ 100.00
- Membership: \$ 400.00

**Total Offerings: \$ 1,915.00**

*Thank you all for your support!*

## The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is a Byzantine Rite liturgical service, author being Gregory the Dialogist also known as Pope Gregory the Great, which is performed on the weekdays of Great Lent, during which communion is received from Gifts (the Body and Blood of Christ) that are sanctified (consecrated) in advance, hence its name; this Divine Liturgy has no anaphora (eucharistic prayer).

The Presanctified is used on the weekdays of Great Lent, a season of repentance, fasting, and intensified prayer when the more frequent reception of communion is desirable; however, the full Divine Liturgy having a joyful character is not in keeping with the somberness of the season of repentance (Eucharist literally means "thanksgiving") and so the Presanctified is substituted. Although this service may be performed on any weekday (Monday through Friday) of Great Lent, common parish practice has been to celebrate it only on Wednesdays, Fridays, and on the feast day of the Holy Forty Martyrs.

The service is a wonderful combination of the Old Testament readings combined with, prostrations and receipt of Communion. It is truly recommend that you participate in these services for your own spiritual benefit.

### • Save the date!

On February 26<sup>th</sup>, following the Divine Liturgy, we will have a Romanian Placinta & Langos Sale. You are all invited to purchase and enjoy the best placinta & langos ever!

For more details, please see the attached flyer.

### • Easter Chifla & Colac Sale:

Pick up will be **Saturday March 18, 2023 from 12:00-4:00pm**

Orders may be placed with Debbie Cobb:

Cell/Text: (630) 862-7991

Home: (630) 898-5468

Please give your name, phone number, product you are ordering and quantity.

Pricing: Chifla \$20.00 Round Colac \$12.00 Loaf \$10.00

The deadline for placing an order is **March 9, 2023**.

With the increase in the cost of ingredients, donations towards their purchase would be greatly appreciated.

### In Gratitude...

- **Candles:** During the month of **February 2023**, our candles have been graciously donated in memory of **Fr. John Buga**.

### **Thank you for your generosity!**

We are also in need of donations for future months. The total costs for altar candles, incense, and other 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!**

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



### **To Tickle Your Funny Bone 😊**

A little boy was overheard praying: "Lord, if you can't make me a better boy, don't worry about it. I'm having a real good time like I am."

### **February Birthdays - Happy Birthday! La multi ani!**

**Feb. 4: Andra Matesan**

**Feb. 5: Florica Moga**

**Feb. 5: Georgeta Naghi**

**Feb. 10: Nicolae Carasel**

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

**Feb. 13: Ava Grace Pinelli**

**Feb. 22: Alin Lodina**

**Feb. 22: Erin Tamasi**

**Feb. 25: Teodor Dogaru**