



# **St. Michael**

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## Romanian Byzantine Catholic Church

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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

**November 23rd, 2025**

**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

This Sunday: T7, Epistle Eph.5:8-19, Gospel Lk 12:16-21

**Weekly Liturgy Schedule**

**Monday, November 24, 2025:** No Divine Liturgy. Office closed.

**Tuesday, November 25, 2025:** 8:00am: Divine Liturgy for a special intention by Fr. Remus

**Wednesday, November 26, 2025:** No Divine Liturgy

**Thursday, November 27, 2025:** 8:00am: Divine Liturgy for Rebecca and Jerry Rongstad and family by Jeffrey and Kathleen Matyas

**Friday, November 28, 2025:** No Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, November 29, 2025: 4:00PM:** Divine Liturgy for Emily Korody by Steve Korody

**Sunday, November 30, 2025:** 10:00AM: 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: James Bauler, Dona Popp, Joseph Popp, Gert Saros, 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, 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 that your name can be placed on our prayer list.

**Collection: November 15 and November 16**

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| • Candles: \$26.00              | • Weekly: \$1,385.00       |
| • Cemetery: \$1,040.00          | • Building Fund: \$ 250.00 |
| • Loose: \$105.00               | • Bake Sale Ing.: \$200.00 |
| • St. Michael Cupboard: \$10.00 |                            |

**Total Offerings: \$3,016.00**

**•In memory of Nellie Johnson: \$2,500.00**

*Thank you all for your support!*

**Thanksgiving**, for us as Catholic Christians, is much more than a national holiday or a festive meal. It is a profound invitation to recognize that our entire life is a gift — a gift from God. At the heart of the Catholic faith is the Eucharist, and the very word *Eucharist* means “thanksgiving.” In this sense, any true celebration of Thanksgiving naturally leads us back to the altar, where the Church continually offers thanks to God for the gifts of life, faith, and salvation.

On this day, we are called to look honestly at the blessings we have received: family, community, work, health, opportunities, and even the challenges through which God shapes our hearts. Gratitude is not just a fleeting feeling but a spiritual disposition that deepens our relationship with God. A grateful heart becomes more attentive to the needs of others, more willing to give, and more sensitive to the suffering of those around us.

From a Catholic perspective, Thanksgiving becomes a moment of prayer, reflection, and generosity. It is a day when we gather not only around the table but around the spirit of gratitude itself. And our deepest thanksgiving, like a heartfelt prayer, rises to the Father, the source of every blessing.

- **Sarmale For Christmas Sale**

Our church will again be hosting a Cabbage Roll Sale. Price: 1 dozen for \$20. Please place your order by **December 11<sup>th</sup>** by calling or texting the church special event number: 331-274-3632.

Pick up will be on December 21<sup>st</sup> between 1pm and 3pm.

- **Saints Peter and Paul Church, Chicago – Sausage Sale**

Sausage is sold in 5lb.packages for \$30.00.

Please call 630-897-8115 to place your order.

The deadline for placing an order is Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Pick up your order at St. Michael Church on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> after the Divine Liturgy.

Make your check payable to Saints Peter and Paul Church.

Thank you for supporting our sister parish.

- **Candles:** During the month of **November 2025**, our candles have been graciously donated by Edward and Isabela Manu.

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.

• **Holiday Chifla and Colac Sale:** Thank you to all those that participated in the Holiday Chifla and Colac Sale. The profit from the sale will be announced in next week's bulletin.

• **Sarmale Sale: December 21<sup>st</sup> - Save the date. More details to follow.**

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

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

**\*\*\*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 😊**

A parishioner asks the priest: "Father, is it a sin to play cards?"

The priest replies: "It depends... playing cards? No."

"Playing cards during my homily? Definitely yes!"

### **November Birthdays Happy Birthday! La multi ani!**

**November 24: Alexandra Naghi**

**November 22: Claudia Dogaru**

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