



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 11th, 2024

Forgiveness Sunday- Cheese Fare Sunday

This Sunday: T4, Epistle Rom 13:11-14; 14:1-4, Gospel Matt. 6:14-21

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday, February 12, 2024 - Beginning of Great Lent - No Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 - No Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, February 14, 2024 - 4:00 PM - Presanctified Liturgy for Glenn Bruce by Jim and Sue Banks

Thursday, February 15, 2024 - No Divine Liturgy

Friday, February 16, 2024 - No Divine Liturgy

Saturday, February 17, 2024 - 4:00 PM: Divine Liturgy for Russell Onak by Lisa and Marcia Onak

Sunday, February 18, 2024 - 10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy for all the members of St. Michael

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

Please pray for our sick and others: Susan Banks, Bob Banks, Joseph Popp, Emilia Adriana Russo, Mary Ann Signorelli, Vasile Moga, Florence Moga, Lisa Mickle, Stefana Pupek, Steve Korody, Carol Bristow, 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 may add your name to our prayer list.

Collection: February 3 & 4, 2024

- **Weekly Offerings: \$553.00**
- **Candles: \$14.00**
- **Building Fund: \$925.00**
- **Cemetery: \$95.00**
- **Loose: \$68.00**
- **Holy Day: \$25.00**
- **St Michael Cupboard: \$15.00**

Total Offerings: \$ 1,695.00

Thank you all for your support!

What is Lent?

Lent is the period of 40 days before Easter.

For Christians, Lent is a time to prepare for Easter and to think about their relationship with God. It represents the 40 days when Jesus was tempted by the Devil in the desert. During this time, He did not eat or drink anything. Because of this, some Christians give up some food or 'fast' for Lent. For some people this is giving up all food and just drinking, but for others, they just give up luxury food like chocolate or cream cakes!

During Lent in many churches, the altar is covered with a purple cloth. Purple is traditionally a royal color and having a purple cloth on the altar helps people remember that Jesus is king and that he died at Easter.

- **Candles:** During the month of February 2024, our candles have been graciously donated by Jim Moldovan for the Moldovan Family living and deceased. **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.

- **Placinta & Langos Sale:** Sunday, March 3rd following the Divine Liturgy, we will be selling Spinach Placinta, Potato Placinta & Langos. You are all invited to purchase and enjoy the best Placinta & Langos; the perfect Romanian food for Great Lent. The cost is \$5.00 each. Please place your orders by calling 630-897-8115.

- **St. Michael's Cupboard:** The cupboard is filled with religious treasures for purchase: Bibles, Prayerbooks, Rosaries, Icons, Statues, Cookbooks, Mugs, and more. Proceeds to the Building Fund.

- **New email address:** Beginning Monday, February 12th, our church will have a new email address: saintmichaelchurcaurora@gmail.com. It was necessary to create this new email address because of issues with the previous email address used for church correspondence. The email address remuso@rcdcanton.org will remain, however please use

saintmichaelchurchaurora@gmail.com so that communications between us will continue. Sorry for any inconvenience or omissions caused by the previous email address problem.

- **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's by scanning the QR Code:



To Tickle Your Funny Bone 😊

What did the taxidermist say in Confession?

“Bless me Father, for I have skinned.”

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.