



St. Michael

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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,

March 19th, 2023

Sunday of Saint John the Ladder

This Sunday: Tone 8, Epistle Heb 6:13-20, Gospel Mark 9:17-32

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday, March 20, 2023: - No Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, March 21, 2023: - No Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, March 22, 2023: - 4:00 PM— Presanctified Liturgy for
+Madeline Onak by Marcia & Lisa

Thursday, March 23, 2023: - No Divine Liturgy

Friday, March 24, 2023 - 4:00 PM— Presanctified Liturgy

Saturday, March 25, 2023: 9:00 AM: Divine Liturgy – Annunciation, Holy
day of Obligation

4:00 PM: Divine Liturgy

Sunday, March 26, 2023: 10:00 AM: Divine Liturgy

**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, 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: March 11 & 12, 2023

- Weekly Offerings: \$ 1,032.00
- Loose \$ 20.00
- Candles: \$ 50.00
- Building Fund: \$ 455.00
- Heat/AC: \$ 50.00
- Bake Sale Ingredients: \$ 50.00
- Cemetery \$ 1,030.00
- Donation for special expenses: \$ 85.00
- Initial offering: \$40.00

Total Offerings: \$ 2,812.00

Thank you all for your support!

Fourth Sunday of Great Lent: Sunday of Saint John the Ladder

The Sunday of St. St John of the Ladder (Climacus) is the fourth Sunday of Great Lent. It commemorates St John Climacus (+649), the author of the work The Ladder of Divine Ascent.

At the request of the Abbot of Raitho (near the shore of the Red Sea), who was also named John, our venerable father wrote his wonderful book, The Ladder of Divine Ascent, in which he sets out the whole of Christian life as a divine ascent of thirty steps to Christ.

Within the text, Saint John of the Ladder does not necessarily institute rules; instead, he sets forth practical recommendations and short, concise maxims designed to engage the soul. As such, it is useful not only to monastics, but to all devout Christians, and has been considered a pearl beyond price in the Byzantine world since its writing.

• Easter Chifla & Colac Sale:

Thank you to the volunteers, those that donated money toward the purchase of the ingredients and those that purchased chifla & colac. The profit from the sale will be listed in next week's bulletin.

• Candles: During the month of **March 2023**, our candles have been graciously donated for a special intention.

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 😊

The pastor habitually told his congregation that if they needed a pastoral visit to drop a note in the offering plate. One evening after service, he discovered a note that read: "I am one of your loneliest members and heaviest contributors. May I have a visit tomorrow evening?" It was signed, "Your Wife."

March Birthdays

Happy Birthday! La multi ani!

Mar. 5 Georgeta Hategan Pupek

Mar. 6: Adrian Olaru

Mar. 6: Andrew Ionutas

Mar. 11: Cristian Vesa

Mar. 16: Kris Pupek

Mar. 17: William Russo

Mar.17: Adrian Muresan

