



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

May 5th, 2024

Man born Blind Sunday

This Sunday: Tone 5, Epistle Acts. 16:16-34, Gospel John 9:1-38

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday, May 6, 2024: No Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, May 7, 2024: 8:00AM: Divine Liturgy for the Harriet A.W. Bolino by friend

Wednesday, May 8, 2024: 8:00AM: Divine Liturgy for Rick and Kathy Furgason & Family by a friend

Thursday, May 9, 2024: 9:00AM: Divine Liturgy: **Ascension Thursday Holy Day of Obligation**

Friday, May 10, 2024: No Divine Liturgy

Saturday, May 11, 2024: 4:00 PM: Divine Liturgy for Russell and Madeline Onak by Jeffrey and Kathleen Matyas

Sunday, May 12, 2024: 10:00 AM: 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: George Vesa, Susan Banks, Bob Banks, Joseph Popp, Emilia Adriana Russo, Mary Ann Signorelli, Vasile Moga, Florence Moga, Lisa Mickle, Stefana Pupek, Emily Thill, Carol Bristow, Lisa Onak, 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.

Sunday Collection: April 27, 28 2024

- Weekly Offerings: \$ 744.00
- Candles: \$ 146.00
- Building Fund: \$ 610.00
- St. Michael Cupboard: \$ 40.00
- Heat: \$ 60.00
- Loose: \$ 155.00
- Cemetery: \$ 130.00

Total Offerings: \$1,885.00

Thank you all for your support!

Ascension Thursday: A Holy Day of Obligation

Ascension Thursday, also known as the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, is a Holy Day of Obligation for Catholics around the world. On this day, the faithful celebrate Christ's ascension into Heaven on the 40th day after His Resurrection. Depending on the year, this day falls between May 8 and June 16.

Like other Holy Days of Obligation, parishioners are encouraged to spend the day in prayer and contemplation. Holy Days, also called Feast Days, have traditionally been celebrated with food, so some faithful also observe the day with a picnic to commemorate.

In the Eastern Church this feast is known in Greek as Analepsis, the "taking up", and also as the Episozomene, the "Salvation from on high", denoting that by ascending into His glory Christ completed the work of our redemption.

- **Candles:** During the month of **May 2024**, our candles have been graciously donated for a special intention!

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.

Announcements:

Save the dates:

May 19th - Spring Fundraising Brunch - Please see the attached flyer.

June 1st – First Day of Farmer's Market

More information to follow.

Donations to the Building Fund: We have received a generous offer to match all donations directed to the "Building Fund Steeple Renovation" from May 12th - July 14th up to \$10,000. This means whatever amount you give to the Building Fund during this time, our church will receive twice the amount. Please consider making a contribution to: St. Michael Church Building Fund and designating "Steeple Renovation Matching Donation". Thank you all for your generosity!

• **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 below.



To Tickle Your Funny Bone 😊

What do you call someone who only believes in 12.5% of the Bible?
An eighth-eist.

May Birthdays - Happy Birthday! La multi ani!

May 1: Lynn Matyas

May 2: Fr. Alin Dogaru

May 3: Vasile Moga

May 8: Adrian Cirstoiu

May 23: Paul Pinzino

May 23: Leon Saros

May 25: Debra Cobb

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