ARCHANGEL MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, January 21, 2024

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V. REV. FR. JOHN MEMORICH (C) 216.548.8757 frjohn@stmichaelscleveland.org Our parish welcomes you and thanks you for joining us in worship this morning.

If you desire any information about our parish, our diocese, or the Orthodox

Church and Faith, please contact Fr. John Memorich. Check us out online or visit

our Facebook Page which is updated regularly!



CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!

Ven. Maximus the Confessor.

33rd Sunday after Pentecost Tone 8.

EPISTLE READING
Col. 1:12-18

GOSPEL LESSON

Matt. 22:1-14

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, January 21 -

9:30 am Divine Liturgy – Live Stream

Sunday School

6:00 pm Prayer Service for the Unborn Children @ St. Paul's G.O.C.

Monday, January 22 - Apostle Timothy of the Seventy

Tuesday, January 23

7:00 pm Adult Education – False Christs

Wednesday, January 24 - Ven. Xenia of Rome; Blessed Xenia of St. Petersburg

7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting / ZOOM Call

Thursday, January 25 – St. Gregory the Theologian

Friday, January 26 - St. Paula

Saturday, January 27

5:00 pm Vespers / Confession

Sunday, January 28 – New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia

9:30 am Divine Liturgy – Live Stream

Sunday School

KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED / RECUPERATING

- Ray Kogler Anna Maria of Aurora, 889 Aurora Rd., Aurora
- Walter Dimitrijevs Southwest Hospital, Middleburg Hts.

ADULT EDUCATION

Tuesday, February 6 - Topic: Prophet Daniel
 Topic: Prophet Da

• Tuesday, February 20 – Topic: Prophet Jonah

RESERVE THE DATE – Saturday, March 9

There will be a special Banquet held by St. Tikhon's Seminary at Woodside honoring Mickey Herzak, and will also be a fund raiser for the Seminary.

CANDLES, 7-DAY VIGILS & FLOWERS

FOR THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF:

Laurie Cook (Traveling) by The Cook Family Jamie (Health; 7-d) Nephew of Fran Foster Sharon Glagola (Health) by Mary Jane Lucak Max Hanchuk (Names Day) by Pat Tim Hanchuk (Names Day) by Pat Greg Hanchuk (Names Day) by Pat Evelyn Olszewski (Health) by Mary Jane Lucak

FOR THE REPOSE AND BLESSED MEMORY OF:

Kuzma Hanchuk (Departed)	by Pat & Family
Don Kormos (Departed; 17 yr. Anniv; 7-d)	by Marge Kormos
Annette Mary Lapso (Departed; 7-d) by Der	nnis Lapso & Family
Donna Morilak (Newly Departed) by Bob	& Mary Jane Lucak

Sunday, January 21 - Altar Servers & Readers

Altar Servers: Joseph Kormos, Justin Kormos, David Visocky, Thomas Visocky, MJ Herzak, Andrew Kovalak, Charlie Herzak, Gavin Lynagh, Jacob Kormos

Reader: John Mindala Sr.

Sunday, January 28 - Altar Servers & Readers

Altar Servers: Silas Foster, Isaac Foster, Andrew Hanchuk, Nikolai Hanchuk, Connor Noll, Nicolas Gaydos, Joshua Gaydos, Lance Louie, Augustin Mindala

Reader: John Mindala II

CHILI COOK-OFF WINNERS

Congratulations to the Winners of this year's Chili Cook-Off:

Traditional – Darlene Dimitrijevs Non–Traditional – Becky Tesar Hot & Spicey – Chris Arkutik

Thank you to all who entered the Cook-Off – 14 entries – and to all who brought bakery!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Mon, February 19 Dinner/Serve @ St. Herman's
- Tues, February 20 11 am 55+ Parastas / Meeting
- Fri, February 2 Meeting of the Lord, Divine Liturgy 9:30 am
- Sun, February 25 Annual Parish Meeting

NEWLY DEPARTED

Please keep in your prayers the newly departed servants -Archpriest Moses Berry, David Strongosky, and Mother Elizabeth. May their Memory by Eternal!

HOUSE BLESSINGS

If you wish to have your house blessed during the season of Theophany. PLEASE contact the Church Office to set up a date and time. House Blessings are done by request only.



In preparation for your house blessing, please have a white tablecloth, a bowl with holy water, a candle, an icon, or a cross, and the list of names of all the living members and/or deceased of your household to be

included during the service. Please be sure that radios / tv / phones are switched off. When it is time, the head of the household should lead the priest through the rooms which you want to be blessed. We thank you and entreat the Lord to bless you with fullness of health in the New Year!

PLEDGE CARDS

To date we have received 177 pledges from over 270 distributed. If we haven't received yours, **Please** return it ASAP! Thank you for your prayers and financial support to the parish

R CLUB – SUPER BOWL SQUARES

R Club is once again holding their annual Super Bowl Square fundraiser. The first Superbowl pool is sold out, BUT a 2nd one is available at \$10 per square. Winners will be those who have matching numbers from the 1st Quarter, Halftime, 3rd Quarter, and Final Score of the Super Bowl game on Sun, Feb 12^{th.} Please contact John Mindala, or Kathy Mindala, call John at 330.338.3917 or email at jim50342@yahoo.com. Squares will go on sale on Sun, January 7th. Make checks payable to CLEVELAND R CLUB and/or mail to:

John Mindala 13840 Prince Charles Drive No. Royalton, OH 44133

OR – pay using the R Club Venmo Account - @Cleveland-RClub They go fast, don't be left out!

ANNUAL PARISH REPORT

An email has been sent out to everyone who provides a report for the Annual Parish Report (Vikas). This booklet will be produced and distributed for the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on **Sunday, February 25, 2024**. If you are one of the individuals who submits a report, please do so as soon as it is ready. Thank you!

GIVING STATEMENTS

have been distributed for the period ending 12/31/23. Questions ?? – please call the church office.

St. James Prayer List — January

"The prayer of the righteous has great power in its affects"
(St. James 5:1)

For the complete St. James Prayer List, please see the most recent issue of the Archangel.

Add to Departed: Archpriest Moses Berry, David Strongosky, Mother Elizabeth

Stewardship

Thank you for your Stewards	ship. Ma	ay God bless you fo	or your generosity JAN	
Collection for Sunday	1/142024		Wk-T-D	
GENERAL FUND				
Pledge **	\$	10,104.00	20,482.00	
PayPal / Pledge	\$	0	100.00	
PayPal/Other	\$	0	970.61	
Candle Desk	\$	103.00	223.00	
Donation	\$	10.00	30.00	
Candles/Vigils – Prayers	\$	180.00	225.00	
Offering	\$	0	0	
Children's Offering	\$	3.00	4.00	
Loose Cash	\$	31.00	43.00	
Special Occasion	\$	0	25.00	
OTHER INCOME	\$			
Sunday School	\$	20.00	20.00	
Weekly INCOME	\$	10,451.00	21,122.61	
Weekly EXPENSE *	\$	6,778.00	13,556.00	
(UNDER) / OVER	\$	3,673.00	8,566.61	
SPECIAL FUNDS INCOME				
Charity	\$	20.00	45.00	
Improvement	\$	20.00	20.00	
Renovation	\$	0	0	
Grave Sales	\$	0	0	
Liturgical	\$	0	2,000.00	
Endowment	\$	0	0	
Minuteman Press	\$	0	210.94	
	\$			
Weekly Total / Deposit to Spec Fund	\$	40.00	2,275.94	
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^{*}Weekly expenses are based on the current year's approved budget, divided by 52 weeks in the year. *

Bulletin Information Deadline

Deadline - is Thursday - 10 AM

Please forward any information you would like to have added to the bulletin to the church email – info@stmichaelscleveland.org

OR call 440-526-5192, Mat. Lu Timko.

Thank you!

^{**}Pledge total may include donations towards the 2024 Pledge Campaign

***Transfer from Special Funds (SF) covers expenses which have been earmarked

for payment from the Spec Funds Acct.

2024 R CLUB DUES

Dues for 2024 are \$60 and are being collected. Please pay your dues promptly to Karen Visocky, you have three options:

- 1. Venmo: @Cleveland-RClub
- 2. Give cash or check directly to Karen on Sunday's
- Mail checks payable to CLEVELAND R CLUB to Karen Visocky, 115 Valley Brook Blvd, Hinckley, OH 44233

AMOC SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY SCHOOL CALENDAR

- January 21 St. Xenia / Studying Saints
- January 28 Understanding The 3 Hierarchs
- February 4 Understanding the Presentation of Our Lord, Understanding 40 Days

Our NEW Sunday School GroupME link:

https://bit.ly/AMOCSSGroupMe

COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS – 2024 – January thru June

Thank you to those who have sponsored a coffee hour!

January – Samaritans April – Junior "R" Club February - HALOS May – 55+ Club

March – Senior "R" Club June – BOT (Board of Trustees)



DROP, DASH, AND DINE! - February 2

Drop your kids off at the gym at 6 PM on February 2nd and enjoy a date night with your Valentine or with your friends! Last year it was a big hit, so you don't want to miss it! All the Grandparents and Volunteers from church will be caring for our Halos. Be back to pick them up at 8 PM. Happy Early Valentines Day!

Contact Sarah at 330-592-7153 with questions. Please RSVP on our GroupMe App to let us know who will be coming! Thank you!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Grandparents of our parish or those who enjoy spending time with children, this service opportunity is for you! Please text or call Sarah Mindala at 330-592-7153 if you would like to help with our February Event on Friday, February 2nd from 6-8 PM. Thank you!

VIDEO STREAMING

The Video Streaming Team is looking to add a few more producers/operators to our regular rotation.

NO VIDEO EXPERIENCE IS NECESSARY. Our entire team can train anyone who is interested - all ages are welcome! It would be great to have people who would be available to help with weekday funerals or weekday liturgies - as well as Vespers and Sunday Liturgies.

If interested, please contact Phil Tesar at 216.210.9825 or at philtesar@gmail.com. A monthly signup has been created, and you are free to sign up for what fits your schedule.

NEW LITURGICAL ITEMS NEEDED:

There are a number of liturgical items needed to help replace those which are old and worn. We are looking at replacing some clergy vestments, altar cloths, altar covers, as well as some new chalice sets and other liturgical pieces.

Over the years some of you mentioned that you had monies left over from relatives' funerals that you wanted to purchase something for the church. However, at that time we didn't need anything. Here is an opportunity to now use that money and donate in a loved one's memory.

If you have existing funds that you wish to utilize, or if you simply wish to donate items yourself, or in memory of your family, please see Fr. John and let him know so that these new liturgical items may be purchased.

CHURCH MOBILE DIRECTORY INSTRUCTIONS

Do not forget that you can access our Church Directory on your mobile device! The instructions are at the back of your directory OR:

Schedule.mychurchdirectory.com/mobile

· Church Name: Archangel Michael Orthodox Church

Username: 33579Password: 42854

There are instructions to add the directory to iBook, also

OUTREACH – COOKING & SERVING MEALS

We will be cooking and serving dinner at St Herman's the 3rd Monday of every month. If you can donate a few hours each month to cook and/or serve dinner for the men at St Herman's, please contact Kathy Kovalak, 440-842-6639.

Also we will be starting a list of people willing to cook a meal or 2 for one of our parishioners who might be III, in hospital, new baby, etc., as the need arises. We are a Church family and how wonderful it would be to help each other. Please contact **Kathy Kovalak** at 440-842-6639 if you are interested.

Happy Birthday to those		No Anniversaries		
celebrating thi	s week	this week		
	January			
Cheryl Andrews	22			
Jarrett Mehalik	25			
Andrew Kovalak	26			
Hope Nestor	27			

May God grant you many years!!

ZOE HOUSE NEEDS YOUR HELP

Cold weather is coming and ZOE House needs winter coats for children. Gently used or new coats in sizes 12-month, 18 months, and 2T would help us to help those in need. If you are able to assist, age-appropriate (newborn-2 yrs.) toys are also needed, as well as diapers, wipes, and new and used clothing (up to 2T). Donations can be placed in the church narthex (vestibule). Thank you for your support.

CANDLES & PRAYERS

Have your loved one(s) remembered or prayed for during the Liturgy by requesting Candles & Prayers. Each request includes a listing in the bulletin, the name read during the service and the specific candle you would like. A \$3 candle burns during the service; a \$15 Seven-Day candle burns all week. There are specialty candles as well (i.e., Tetrapod Candles, High Place, Altar Table, etc.). Prices for those range from \$20-\$30. Call or email the church office to submit your request — or leave your request in the collection basket or at the candle desk. Call the church office with any questions!

Health & Well-Being

Health * Birthdays * Anniversaries * Name Day * Traveling

Repose & Blessed Memory

Newly Departed * Death Anniversary * Birthday of the Departed

ANCIENT FAITH - SINGLES RETREAT

Great opportunity to meet young people. Ancient Faith Radio is hosting a 30+ single's retreat happening February 29th-March 3rd at the Antiochian Village in Pennsylvania. The current ratio of men to women is 1:3, and so single women outnumber the men. About 75% of those currently attending have no kids and have never been married. Organizers say they aren't strict on the 30+ age limit.

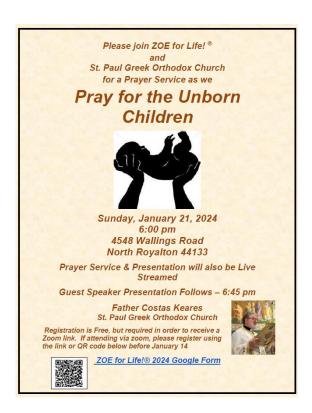
Information on speakers, accommodation, schedule, and registration can be found <u>HERE</u> and questions can be asked in the <u>Facebook group</u>

Rest in Peace, Mother Elizabeth!

Mother Elizabeth (96) of the Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Ellwood City, Pa., was called to the Lord. She was buried Monday, January 8th by His Eminence Archbishop Nathaniel, clergy and the Reverend Mothers and Sisters of the monastery. We will always



remember her for her inner peace, her smile and kindness and especially for the dedication and special care for the Mother Abbess, the Very Rev. Mother Alexandra, Princess of Romania.



Diaconal ordination of Fr. Daniel Ressetar

For those of you who might be interested in seeing some old video footage of our parish, its parishioners, Fr. Vladimir Prislopsky, Archbishop John, and others, the Ressetar family has posted Fr. Dan's diaconal ordination from 1958. Just go to You Tube and search for "ordination of Daniel Ressetar." It is quite interesting and perhaps you will see your parents, grandparents, or even yourselves in this video!

Read about the Saints of the week -

Apostle Timothy of the 70 -

https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/01/22/100262-apostle-timothy-of-the-seventy

St. Xenia of Rome -

https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/01/24/100286-venerable-xenia-of-rome-and-her-two-female-servants

Blessed Mother Xenia of St. Petersburg -

https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/01/24/100297-blessed-xenia-of-st-petersburg

St. Paula - https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/01/26/100322-saint-paula

His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon Announces Sanctity of Life Sunday, January 21, 2024

His Beatitude <u>Metropolitan Tikhon</u> has announced Sunday, January 21, 2024, as Sanctity of Life Sunday to be observed in parishes of the Orthodox Church in America. In conjunction with this occasion, His Beatitude has <u>released the following statement</u>, and resources for liturgical prayers and petitions can be accessed on the <u>Sanctity of Life</u> Resource Page.

Sanctity of Life Sunday falls two days after the annual March for Life, which is set to take place on Friday, January 19, 2024. This date marks the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade ruling that legalized abortion in the United States of America. The March will include the participation of members from the Holy Synod of Bishops, representatives from the stavropegial seminaries, and other Orthodox Christians from around the country.



To the Clergy, Monastics, and Faithful of the Orthodox Church in America,

My Beloved Children in the Lord,

As we mark Sanctity of Life Sunday this year, there will be much discussion of the "right to life." Of course, we Orthodox Christians believe that certain rights, the right to life among them, should be respected, enshrined in law, and protected by civil authority. But human life is something even more precious than a mere right: it is a divine gift.

"Lo, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward," as the Psalmist says (Ps. 126:3). We are called to recognize every human life, from conception to natural death, as a gift of the Lord. This means protecting the unborn, but in a broader sense this means helping our broken society and broken world to view our fellow human beings not as mere mouths to feed or potential threats or problems to be solved or subjects to be controlled, but as blessings from above. The unborn are a blessing; children are a blessing; the elderly are a blessing; the difficult people in our lives are a blessing; even our enemies—perhaps especially our enemies—are a blessing.

Moreover, we speak of the sanctity of life for two reasons: because life comes from the Lord, and because it should be offered back to the Lord through service to him and to others, resulting in sanctity. If we understand that we are merely servants, doing as we have been bidden (Lk. 17:10), and if we recognize that the greatest and holiest is the one who became a servant of all through his Incarnation, his ministry, and his Passion and Rising (Mt. 23:11), then we are in the best position of all to treat each human being as a blessing, not in an abstract sense, but in the sense of someone whom we are privileged to serve.

Living in this way, we also better understand our own life as a blessing, a blessing because it is an opportunity to attain to holiness. If we truly live according to our belief in the profound sanctity of life, then we will naturally "commend ourselves and each other and all our life unto Christ our God," sending up thanksgiving and blessing his holy Name on account of the incalculably precious gift of human life and for every man who comes into the world (Jn. 1:9).

On this Sanctity of Life Sunday, we pray that all people of North America and throughout the world would come to recognize the good and perfect gift (Jam. 1:17) that is human life and learn to cherish that gift and render glory unto the Giver, the benevolent Creator of all things, one God in Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, unto the never-ending ages.

Yours in Christ,

+Tikhon Archbishop of Washington Metropolitan of All America and Canada

ARCHANGEL MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

January

2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
NO Meeting in January for 55+ Club	Happy New Year! Circumcision of Christ	2	3	4	5 Eve of Theophany Strict Fast	Theophany of Christ 6 9:30 am-Festal Liturgy of Blessing of Water
					7pm – Vigil	5pm – Great Vespers
7 9:30am-Divine Liturgy Sunday School	8	9	9:30am – Molieben / Samaritans	Ven. Theodosius the Great	12	13
		6pm – Woodside Hall Bd Meeting 7pm- Adult Education			5:45 -8 pm - HALOS – Get Air Event	5pm – Great Vespers
9:30am-Divine Liturgy Sunday School Chili Cook-Off	15 10am – Prosphora Baking 5-7 pm – Dinner/Serve at	16	Ven. God-bearing Anthony the Great	18	Pro-Life March / Washington DC	Ven. Euthymius the Great 1pm/Book Club/Lunch 5pm – Great Vespers
9:30am-Divine Liturgy Sunday School	St. Herman's	23	24	25 St. Gregory the Theologian	26	27
6pm – Pray for the Unborn Children – St. Paul GOC		7pm – Adult Education	7pm – Board of Trustees / ZOOM Meeting			5pm – Great Vespers
New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia 28 9:30am-Divine Liturgy Sunday School	29	30 Synaxis 3 Hierarchs; Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom	31	31		