# ARCHANGEL MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, February 23, 2025

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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!



# **GHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!**

Sunday of Meatfare.
Sunday of the Last Judgment.

34th Sunday after Pentecost - Tone 2

**EPISTLE READING** 

GOSPEL LESSON

1 Cor. 8:8 - 9:2

Matt. 25:31 - 46

#### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

#### Sunday, February 23

9:30 am Divine Liturgy - Live Stream (LS\*)

Sunday School – Choir Day Annual Parish Meeting

#### Tuesday, February 25

7:00 pm Adult Education -

"Making our Lenten Journey Great!"

Thursday, February 27 St. Raphael, Bishop of Brooklyn

Saturday, March 1

5:00 pm Vespers / Confession

Sunday, March 2 Forgiveness Sunday

9:30 am Divine Liturgy - Live Stream (LS\*)

Sunday School – Choir Day

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Sun, March 9 Sunday of Orthodoxy 5pm at
   St. Sava Serbian Orthodox Cathedral (Broadview Rd.)
- Tues, March 18 55+ Parastas/Meeting/Lunch
- Mon, March 31 Prosphora Baking

#### **FEBRUARY COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR**

**Thank you** to the HALOS for sponsoring Coffee Hour this month!

#### MARCH COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR

Senior 'R' Club

# PRAYERS, CANDLES, 7-DAY VIGILS and FLOWERS

# FOR THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF: Kathy Yacobian (Health) ...... by The Cook Family Gabrielle Palladino (Health) ...... by Rebecca Timko Lisa Hanchuk (Birthday)..... by Pat Hanchuk Thomas Rigby (Birthday) ......by Mom & Dad Tammy (Health; 7-d)...... by Dave & Sue Rigby Kathy Mindala (Birthday; 7-d) ...... Mat. Lu FOR THE REPOSE AND BLESSED MEMORY OF: Philip Timko (Departed)...... by Rebecca Timko Tom Herberth (Departed)......by Pat Hanchuk Timothy Glagola (Departed; 9 yr Anniv, 7-d)..... ......by Sharon Glagola Thomas Herberth (Departed; 1 yr Anniv, 7-d) .. by Liz & Family Annette Lapso (Departed; 7-d) ...... by Dennis Lapso Jerry Michaels (Departed; 7-d) .....by The Tesar Family John Morilak (Departed; 7-d) .....by The Tesar Family Sam Noah (Departed; 7-d) ...... by Marianne Noah Caroline Ressetar (Departed; 32 yr Anniv, 7-d) ..... ......by The Lapso Family

#### Sunday, February 23 - Altar Servers & Readers

**Altar Servers**: Sam Watts, Jacob Kormos, John Kormos, Danny Reilly, Nicholas Watts, Joseph Deyling, Mathias Hoffman, Lance Louie

Reader: Nick Rolin

#### **Sunday, March 2** - Altar Servers & Readers

**Altar Servers**: David Visocky, Connor Noll, Nicholas Gaydos, Joshua Gaydos, Thomas Visocky, Charlie Herzak, MJ Herzak, Xavier Visocky

Reader: Monica Visocky

#### **CHARITY RAFFLE /**

BENEFITING ST. THEODOSIUS FIRE RESTORATION

Next drawing is - Sunday, March 9th.

# St. James Prayer List — February

"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.

### Stewardship

Thank you for your Stewardship. May God bless you for your generosity.

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GENERAL FUND	2/16	February MTD
Pledge **	\$ 4,017.00	15,337.00
PayPal / Pledge	\$ 30.00	180.00
PayPal/Donation	\$ 0	0
Candle Desk	\$ 116.00	384.00
Candles/Vigils–Prayers	\$ 173.00	323.00
Cash Offering/non-Pledge	\$ 40.00	160.00
Children's Offering	\$ 2.00	3.00
Flowers	\$ 0	0
Loose Cash	\$ 20.00	56.00
Spec Occasion	\$ 0	40.00
OTHER INCOME	\$ 	
Library	\$ 0	20.00
Livestream	\$ 0	100.00
Reimb/Postage	\$ 0	172.50
2023 Lost funds/regranted	\$	
payments	\$ 0	328.65
IMO	0	100.00
Baptisms	\$ 0	400.00
Basement Rental	\$ 0	100.00
Weekly INCOME	\$ 4,398.00	17,704.15
Weekly EXPENSE *	\$ 7,082.00	7,082.00
(UNDER) / OVER	\$ -2,684.00	-3,451.85
SPECIAL FUNDS INCOME		
Charity	\$ 20.00	45.00
Endowment	\$ 0	1,500.00
Improvement	\$ 20.00	145.00
Renovation	\$ 0	65.00
Liturgical	\$ 0	0
Archangel Advertising	\$ 300.00	300.00
Weekly Total /	\$ 340.00	2,055.00
Deposit to Spec Fund	340.00	2,033.00

<sup>\*</sup>Weekly expenses are based on the current year's approved budget, divided by 52 weeks in the year.

#### **Bulletin Information Deadline**

#### Deadline – is Wednesday – 12 pm / Noon

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!

### Sunday of Meatfare of the Last Judgment

Today's Gospel reading is Matthew 25:31-46, the parable of the Last Judgment. It reminds us that while trusting in Christ's love and mercy, we must forget His righteous judgment when He comes again in glory. If our hearts remain hardened and repentant, we should



not expect the Lord to overlook our transgressions simply because He is a good and loving God. Although He does not desire the death of a sinner, He also expects us to turn from our wickedness and live (Ezek. 33:11). This same idea is expressed in the prayer read by the priest after the penitent has confessed his or her sins (Slavic practice).

The time for repentance and forgiveness is now, in the present life. At the Second Coming, Christ will appear as the righteous Judge, "Who will render to every man according to his deeds" (Rom. 2:6). Then the time for entreating God's mercy and forgiveness will have passed.

As Father Alexander Schmemann reminds us in his book GREAT LENT (Ch. 1:4), sin is the absence of love, it is separation and isolation. When Christ comes to judge the world, His criterion for judgment will be love. Christian love entails seeing Christ in other people, our family, our friends, and everyone else we may encounter in our lives. We shall be judged on whether we have loved, or not loved, our neighbor. We show Christian love when we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, visit those who are sick or in prison. If we did such things for the least of Christ's brethren, then we also did them for Christ (Mt.25:40). If we did not do such things for the least of the brethren, neither did we do them for Christ (Mt.25:45).

Today is the last day for eating meat and meat products until Pascha, though eggs and dairy products are permitted every day during the coming week. This limited fasting prepares us gradually for the more intense fasting of Great Lent.

#### **Lenten Meals**

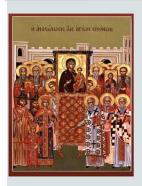
We are looking for groups/individuals to help prepare a Lenten Meal (pot-luck) following Wednesday evening Presanctified Liturgies. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Mindala – 440-263-7427.

<sup>\*\*</sup>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.

### **Sunday of Orthodoxy**



Please, join us for choral rehearsals as we prepare for the Triumph Of Orthodoxy

Rehearsals will be held at 6:30pm Tuesdays: February 18, 25 and March 4. (additional dates can be discussed at the 1st rehearsal)

All rehearsals will be held at:

Saint Sava Cathedral 6306 Broadview Road Parma, OH 44134

Everyone is Welcome!

#### 55+ Club

Next meeting will be **Tuesday, March 18**<sup>th</sup> with Memorial Service at 11 AM, followed by meeting and lunch. Members are also reminded to pay their dues at this meeting if they have not done so yet.

#### **EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT**

Tommy Visocky will be joining the ranks of Eagle Scout through his upcoming Project, which will be through Audrey's Outreach in Brook Park, OH. In his effort to achieve this goal, he is asking for donations of



non-perishable food items (rice / jelly / dry pasta /soup); clothing items, such as shoes, coats, new socks / underwear, and linens. A box will be placed in the vestibule for this purpose (2/2 thru 2/23). Please be generous in your donations for this worthy cause.

#### **GREETERS MINISTRY**

Although we do a very good job of welcoming guests into our church, we are looking to expand this parish ministry by adding more volunteers, especially families. This would entail not simply opening the door and welcoming, but also taking the time to introduce yourself to our guests, offer to sit with them, help them follow along in our service books, and escort them to Coffee Hour and help introduce them to others in the parish.

If you would like to participate, we are hoping to have enough volunteers to make up a schedule which would rotate regularly, perhaps quarterly. If you would like more information, please contact Fr. John or Darlene Dimitrijevs.

#### **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, wonderful it would be to help each other. Please contact **Kathy Kovalak** at 440-842-6639 if you are interested.

#### **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



Friday, March 7

6:00 pm - Akathist Service

6:30 pm - HALOS Fellowship in the AMOC Gym



#### **CALENDAR**

- March 2 Forgiveness Sunday
- March 9 Sunday of Orthodoxy

Please join our **GroupMe Chat** and check out our Amazon Supplies List, as well! <a href="https://bit.ly/AMOCSSGroupMe">https://bit.ly/AMOCSSGroupMe</a>

#### **COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS – 2025**

Thank you to those who have sponsored a coffee hour!

March – Senior 'R' Club April – Junior 'R' Club

May – HALOS

June – 55+ Club July – Senior 'R' Club August – Junior 'R' Club September – Samaritans

October - HALOS

November – Sunday School December – BOT (Board of Trustees)

### ST. ANDREW'S FISH FRY SCHEDULE

16029 Maple Park Drive, Maple Hts. Serving 5 pm to 7 pm February 21 March 7, 14, 21 April 4 and 11

# Happy Birthday to those celebrating this week



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# February

Lisa Hanchuk	23	Thomas Rigby	26
Michael Sekerak	23	Aiden Farris	27
Hannah Mehalik	25	Robert Chamberlin	28
Kathy Mindala	26		

## March

Nikolai Hanchuk

No anniversaries this week.

May God grant you many years!!

# **OUR JOURNEY TO PASCHA! 2025**

#### SUNDAYS

### THEMES / GOSPEL READING

#### HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

## Fast - Free Week FEBRUARY 9th



Publican and the Pharisee Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Luke 18:10-14 Gospel:

Show compassion on the poor and distressed. Trust in God, not yourself and ask for His help before every task this week.

Normal Fast Week FEBRUARY 16th

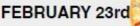


The Prodigal Son Returns!

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Gospel: Luke 15:11-32

Schedule a Confession. Every morning say, "Today I will be humble." Use up/freeze meats this week.

Meatfare





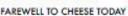
The Last Judgement

1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Epistle: Matthew 25:31-46 Gospel:

Pray facing East this week. Christ is returning from the East and we wait for Him! Use up/freeze dairy this week.

Cheesefare

MARCH 2nd



Adam and Eve are cast from Paradise! FORGIVENESS SUNDAY

Romans 13:11-14:4 Epistle: Matthew 6:14-21 Gospel:

Ask each other for forgiveness each evening this week before bed.





GREAT LENT BEGINS WITH FORGIVENESS VESPERS

VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY

Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2

Gospel: John 1:43-51

2nd Sunday of Lent MARCH 16th



ST GREGORY PALAMAS

for a procession. Bring a prayer rope to be

Bring an icon to church

3rd Sunday of Lent



Epistle: Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Gospel: Mark 2:1-12

blessed today! Use it and pray the Jesus Prayer each day this week.

MARCH 23rd



HALF WAY TO PASCHAL Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 Mark 8:34-9:1 Gospel:

Wear your cross to church and kiss the cross each morning with a bow!

4th Sunday of Lent MARCH 30th



ST JOHN of the LADDER

Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20 Mark 9:17-31 Gospel:

Every time you climb stairs this week ask St. John to help you reach Paradise with the sign of the cross!

5th Sunday of Lent APRIL 6th



ST MARY of EGYPT

Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14 Mark 10:32-45 Gospel:

Ask the Theotokos to offer you and the world pure thoughts and ideas this week.

FLOWERY (PALM) SUNDAY!

APRIL 13th GREAT WEEK BEGINS GREAT AND HOLY WEEK

ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9 John 12:1-18 Gospel:

Place your palm branches and pussywillows behind an icon at home and in your car!

GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

APRIL 18th



GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS CHECK WITH YOUR PARISH FOR ROYAL HOURS AND VESPERS SCHEDULE

Refrain from TV, Internet & Phones to honor Christ's Death.

FEAST OF FEASTS!

APRIL 20th NO FASTING!



BRIGHT WEEK

HOLY PASCHA! (CHRIST IS RISEN!)

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8 Gospel: John 1:1-17

Greet everyone with "CHRIST IS RISEN!" & say it before

good morning and goodnight!

# ARCHANGEL MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURECH

# March - 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						5pm – Vespers/Confession
Forgiveness Sunday 2 9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School Parastas – Tom Herberth	3 Beginning of Great Lent	4	5	6	7 6:30pm-Akathist	5pm –
7pm-Foregiveness Vespers	7pm-Canon of St. Andrew	7pm-Canon of St. Andrew	7pm-Canon of St. Andrew	7pm-Canon of St. Andrew	7:00pm-HALOS	Vespers/Confession
9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School Parastas – Abraham / Memorich	10	11 6pm-Woodside Bd Mtg	9:30am/Molieben / Samaritans	13	14 7pm-PreSanctified	5pm – Vespers/Confession
5pm-Sundy of Orthodox		(Zoom Call)	Liturgy w/Meal		Liturgy w/Meal	voquita comodiani
St. Gregory Palamas 16 9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School Parastas – Hanchuk /	17	18 11am-55+Meeting	19	St. Photini	21	22
Shuleva LCBA Meeting in Library	5pm-Dinner/Serve @ St. Herman's		6pm-PreSanctified Liturgy w/Meal		7pm-Akathist	5pm – Vespers/Confession
The Precious Cross 23 9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School	24	Annunciation 25 9:30am-Vesperal Liturgy	26 Archangel Gabriel	27	28	29 5pm –
5pm-Akathist @ St. Nicholas in Mentor, OH			6pm-PreSanctified Liturgy w/Meal		7pm-Akathist	Vespers/Confession
St. John Climacus 30 9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School	31 10am-Prosphora Baking					