# ARCHANGEL MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, December 10, 2023

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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!**

Martyrs Menas, Hermogenes, and Eugraphus, of Alexandria (ca. 313).

27th Sunday after Pentecost (12th of Luke). Tone 2.

EPISTLE READING Eph. 6:10-17 GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 17:12-19

# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

#### Sunday, December 10

9:30 am Divine Liturgy – Live Stream

Church School – Yolka Practice Samaritans Cookie – Drop Off

4:00 pm Pan Orthodox Concert – AMOC Host

#### Tuesday, December 12

6:00 pm - Woodside Board Meeting

7:00 pm – Adult Education – "Holy Night Supper: Then and Now"

# Wednesday, December 13 - Repose of Ven. Herman of Alaska

9:30 am Molieben / Samaritans

Package Cookies for Delivery to Seniors

# Saturday, December 16

5:00 pm Vespers / Confession

# Sunday, December 17

9:30 am Divine Liturgy – Live Stream

Yolka / Brunch

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- December 17 Yolka / Brunch (Yolka registration deadline is Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>)
- December 17 St. Theodosius Landmark Concert 3 pm
- December 18 Prosphora Baking @ 10 am
- December 20 Board of Trustees Meeting
- December 24 Christmas Eve Vespers @ 4 pm
- December 25 Christmas Day Festal Liturgy @ 9:30 am
- December 28 55+ Christmas Lunch (RSVP by 12/17)
- January 14 11th Annual Chili Cook-Off
- February 25 Annual Parish Meeting

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# CANDLES, 7-DAY VIGILS & FLOWERS

# FOR THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF:

Holly Cook (Birthday)	by The Cook Family
Christine Lynn (Health; 7-d)	by Dennis Lapso
Frieden, Christine's Father (Health; 7-d)	by Dennis Lapso
Isaac Steven Cook (Baptism; 7-d) by Grandpare	nts, John & Laurie Cook
Holly Cook & Corban Costello (Parents; 7-d)	. by John & Laurie Cook
Sarah Cook & Joe Sipko (Godparents; 7-d)	. by John & Laurie Cook
Mikulas Kormos (Birthday; 7-d) by Helen &	Joe Sekerak and Family
Fr. Rastislav Ignac (Bajerovce, SK; Birthday)	by Helen & Joe Sekerak

#### FOR THE REPOSE AND BLESSED MEMORY OF:

William Gernat (Departed; 7-d)	by Karen Gernat Chorba
Richard Jarold (Newly Departed; 7-d)	by Ramsay & Muzic Families
Annette Lapso (Departed; 7-d)	by The Lapso Family

The **Flowers on the Tetrapod** are given in honor of **Candace Carter's** birthday from Andrew Ropchock.

#### Sunday, December 10 - Altar Servers & Readers

Altar Servers: John Kormos, Jacob Kormos, Sam Watts, Nicholas Watts, Nikolai Hanchuk, Andrew Hanchuk, David Visocky, Thomas Visocky

Reader: Monica Visocky

# Sunday, December 17 - Altar Servers & Readers

Altar Servers: Silas Foster, Isaac Foster, Andrew Kovalak, Michael Gaborick, Danny Reilly, Nicolas Gaydos, Joshua Gaydos, Augustin Mindala

Reader: Tim Klembara

# CHRISTMAS COOKIE BAKERS - SAMARITANS - THANK YOU TO THE BAKERS!!

Thank you to those who have baked cookies which will be distributed to AMOC's shut-ins and members over 80+.

#### AS MANY HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED INTO CHRIST!

Congratulations to the newly Baptized and Illumined servant of God **Isaac Steven Cook**, his parents Holly Cook and Corban Costello, and his Godparents! Many Years!

# KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED / RECUPERATING

- Andrew Buswell Parma Hospital
- Pat Sima Cleveland Clinic Rehab @ Beachwood

# **ADULT EDUCATION**

- Tuesday, January 9 Topic TBA
- Tuesday, January 23 Topic TBA

#### **CONFESSION NOTE**

Confession is in order for all during the Advent Season. Please approach in a timely manner.

# **PLEDGE LETTERS and CARDS**

All pledge cards and letters have been mailed out. To date we have received 131 pledges from over 270 distributed. **Please** return those ASAP! Food for thought – instead of contributing to McDonald's or Starbuck's bottom line – donate to your church.

# The impact is significant!

To meet your 2023 pledge, the last Sunday to submit checks is December 24th. Any checks or cash received AFTER Dec. 24 will go towards your 2024 pledge. Thank you for your prayers and financial support to the parish.

NOTE: Direct payments can be made thru your bank via an on-line banking service where the bank can send the check directly to the church in a given amount on a specific date offered for FREE vs using PayPal, which charges a 3.48% fee on each transaction you make. Contact your bank or go online to initiate this service.

# **CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA FLOWERS**



Donations for flowers can be made in honor of/or in memory of a loved one. Please note that names to be included in the December 24<sup>th</sup> bulletin **must be submitted by Sunday, December 17**<sup>th</sup>. Names submitted after the 17<sup>th</sup> are not

guaranteed to be listed. Please complete the order form and return to the Church before the deadline; flyer is attached.

#### **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.

# PIZZA! PIZZA! – Support Troop 218

Please consider supporting Boy Scout Troop 218 by ordering from Zeppe's on 12/16! Mention Troop 218 when you place your order. Thank you for your generosity and continued support of David & Tommy Visocky and Troop 218.

Zeppe's Pizza: 1 (440) 582-5400: 13983 Ridge Rd: No Royalton OH

# St. James Prayer List — December

"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.

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Thank you for your Stewardship. May God bless you for your generosity.					
Collection for Sunday		12/3	Dec Wk-T-D		
GENERAL FUND					
Pledge **	\$	3,245.00	3,245.00		
PayPal / Pledge	\$	96.52	96.52		
PayPal/Other	\$	0	0		
Candle Desk	\$	160.00	160.00		
Candles/Vigils – Prayers	\$	90.00	90.00		
Offering	\$	100.00	100.00		
Children's Offering	\$	1.00	1.00		
Flowers	\$	0	0		
Christmas Flowers	\$	320.00	320.00		
Loose Cash	\$	29.00	29.00		
Special Occasion	\$	20.00	20.00		
OTHER INCOME	\$				
EOWG – 12/10 Donation	\$	100.00	100.00		
IMO J Memorich Incense	\$	100.00	100.00		
Weekly INCOME	\$	4,261.52	4,261.52		
Weekly EXPENSE *	\$	6,778.00	6.889.00		
(UNDER) / OVER	\$	-2,516.48	-2,516.48		
SPECIAL FUNDS INCOME					
Charity	\$	0	0		
Improvement	\$	0	0		
Renovation	\$	0	0		
Grave Sales	\$	0	0		
Liturgical	\$	0	0		
Endowment	\$	0	0		
Craft Fair	\$	20.00	20.00		
Weekly Total /					
Deposit to Spec Fund	\$	20.00	20.00		

<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 Thursday - 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!

<sup>\*\*</sup>Pledge total may include donations towards the 2023 Pledge Campaign

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

earmarked for payment from the Spec Funds Acct.

# **55+ CLUB MEMBERS**

Please remember to let MaryJane Lucak know by Sunday, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup> (440-237-6284) if you will be attending the Christmas Luncheon on Thursday, Dec. 28 to be held at Woodside @ 11:00 am. The cost of Luncheon for Members is only \$5.00!

If you would like to bring a guest, their cost will be "lunch price" of approximately \$15-20 per person. Also, if you want to participate in "Gift Exchange." Value of gift should be \$10.00 and appropriate for Male or Female member.

Thanks, and hope you can attend!

#### **FOCA – ST. NICHOLAS GIVING TREE**

Thank you to everyone who contributed gifts and gift cards to the FOCA St. Nicholas Day Seminarian Wish Lish Program. Through your generosity, we were once again able to fulfill the wish lists of two Seminarian families and collect additional gift cards to support the seminarians at St. Herman's Seminary in Alaska. THANK YOU!

# AMOC SUNDAY SCHOOL

# SUNDAY SCHOOL CALENDAR

- December 10 St. Nicholas / Nativity Yolka Practice following church
- December 17 Yolka / Brunch w/Santa
- December 24 No Church School
- December 31 No Church School

# YOLKA REGISTRATION is OPEN and REQUIRED



Please Fill out this form here if you will be attending the brunch or if your child will be in our Yolka. Registration is required. Deadline is Sun Dec 10.

bit.ly/Yolka2023

Join us for our Nativity pageant and afterwards for Brunch with Santa; the students performing will all receive a

free ticket to Brunch. Brunch tickets are \$5 per person, any additional donations are welcome.

Payment may be made to Angelika Mindala via cash or Venmo @theangellines

# **Littlest Angels Registration:**

https://bit.ly/LittlestAngels

Our NEW Sunday School GroupME link:

https://bit.ly/AMOCSSGroupMe

We also need our Highschool students to serve, as well as other helpers on the day of our celebration! Please sign up here for anything you can!

https://bit.ly/Brunch2023Help

# **COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS - 2024**

Below are our upcoming sponsors for January thru June 2024. Thank you to those who have sponsored a coffee!

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

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



# **HALOS** – January Event –

Friday, Jan 5 – 5:45 pm to 8:00 pm

Get Air Trampoline Park located at 7204 Pearl Road, Middleburg Hts.

Jump into the New Year – feet first at our annual Get Air Event.

- RSVP by Jan 2<sup>nd</sup> so we can order enough pizza, etc. Our Party Area is scheduled from 6-8 pm, but feel free to arrive 15 minutes early!
- \$10 per Jumper (includes: socks, pizza; and adults can jump too, if so inclined). Let Sarah Mindala know the number of jumpers and non-jumpers when you RSVP.
- Go online to complete the release waiver at <u>www.trampolineparkclevelandoh.com</u> (Waivers need to be updated annually).

# **Don't forget** to use the GroupMe app!

Please join for an easier way to stay in the loop with our activities / events / announcements! Activity on the app will send you a direct text (choose to accept notifications during setup) so you do not have to check the app unless you are prompted to by the text! I can create polls and events in there too, so you never miss a Halos announcement. Halos is for the whole family beginning with your toddler up to Jr. High.

Thanks for your help! Here is the link:

You are invited to my new group 'Archangel Michael Halos' on GroupMe. Click here to join:

Archangel Michael Halos groupme.com

# **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!

# **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.

# **ZOE FOR LIFE!**

If anyone would like to volunteer at Zoe House, please contact Kathy Kovalak at 440-842-6639 or email babaof08@gmail.com. Most volunteers work one day a week for about 3 hours, but any amount of time you can give would be greatly appreciated.

#### **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.

#### ATTENTION:

St. Herman's is currently in need of food items, shelf stable items vegetables, canned fruit, pasta/tomato sauces, mac & cheese, canned meats (tuna or chicken).

- 10-12 oz. Paper coffee cups (not styrofoam)
- Kool-Aid or Iced Tea Drink Mix
- Bottled Water Aluminum Foil
- Plastic shopping
  - bags

· Powdered coffee creamer

They also have an Amazon Wish List. Here is the

link: https://a.co/d2ayNm3

# **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: 33579 Password: 42854

There are instructions to add the directory to iBook, also.

# **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

#### **FOCA NATIVITY CONCERT**

On Saturday, 3 December, the Choir recorded our submission for the FOCA Virtual Nativity Concert. I would like to personally thank the choir members who participated: Board of Trustees President Darlene Dimitrijevs, Kathy Kovalak, Monica Visocky, Sarah Mindala, Debbie Geletka, Anysia Wharton, Helen Gaborick, Cindy Henry, Joy Pfeiffer, Denise Louie, Dennis Lapso, Mike Herzak, Reader Michael Herzak, and Len Dimitrijevs. Your contribution and sacrifice of time and talent is appreciated! We have a very nice recording to contribute and had a great time doing it! I would like to thank Phil Tesar, and his assistant Kai Tesar, for providing a professional audio and video recording. The final presentation is stellar! Also, a thank you to Lara Herzak, who suggested we participate in this event. Lara's encouragement was the impetus to even try and get this accomplished. Thank you to everyone involved!

Based on this year's success, we will try and participate yearly going forward. The FOCA Virtual Nativity concert will be streamed on 25 December on the FOCA YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/@F.O.C.A.

In Christ, Subdeacon Benjamin

# Happy Birthday to those celebrating this week:

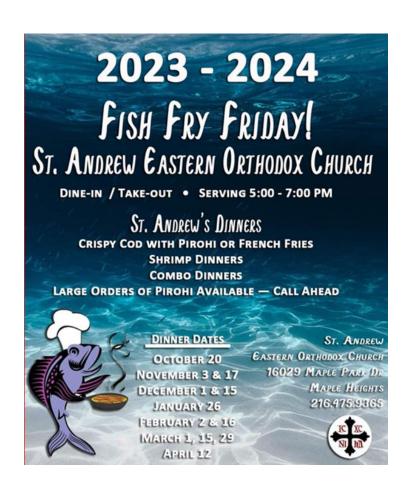


# Happy Anniversary to those celebrating this week:



	December	December	
Brock Malinowski	12		
Candace Carter	13	NONE	
Holly Cook	14		

# May God grant you many years!!





# 2023 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS



Once again, we will be decorating the church for the Holiday Season with Poinsettia flowers.

Please consider a donation in honor or memory of your loved ones. Flowers will remain in the church until the New Year – and your donation helps defray the cost of the flowers.

All names will appear as printed below in the bulletin on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>.

# DEADLINE TO SUBMIT NAMES/DONATIONS IS SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17

(Names submitted after December 17 are not guaranteed to be included.)

Please complete this form and return it to the Church Office with your donation check/cash (made out to Archangel Michael Orthodox Church) – marked as Christmas Poinsettia Flowers.

Orders can be returned in the Sunday Collection basket or mailed to the church office.

Be sure to note "Poinsettia" on your donation check.



# PLEASE PRINT

Name:	Envelope #:	Check #:	Amount:
Phone: ( )	Email:		
Donated By:			
(how it will be listed in the Bulletin, i.e. The Memorich	Family or Bob & Mary Ja	ne Lucak)	
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ONLY INFORMATION LISTED ON THIS SHEET WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE BULLETIN ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24th.

(attach a separate sheet if necessary)

# ARCHANGEL MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

# December

2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
					6-8 pm - HALOS	5 pm – Great Vespers
3	4	5	St. Nicholas 6	7	8	9
9:30am – Divine Liturgy Church School			9:30am – Divine Liturgy			Postion / Jose Cook
Church School		7pm – Great Vespers				3 pm – Baptism / Isaac Cook 5 pm – Great Vespers
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9:30am – Divine Liturgy Church School			9:30 am – Molieben / Samaritans			
		6pm – Woodside Board				5 pm – Great Vespers
4pm – Pan Orthodox		Meeting	Chair Dahaaral			
Concert @ AMOC		7pm – Adult Education	7pm – Choir Rehearsal			
Sunday of the Forefathers 17	18	19	20	21	22	23
9:30am – Divine Liturgy	10am – Prosphora					
Yolka/Brunch	Baking		20714			
	Mathetas as London	Synaxis of the Most	7pm – BOT Meeting	-0		5 pm – Great Vespers
24	Nativity of the Lord 25	Holy Theotokos 26	St. Stephen 27	28	29	30
9:30am – Divine Liturgy	Fast Free	Fast Free	Fast Free	Fast Free	Fast Free	Fast Free
No Church School	9:30am – Festal Divine	9:30am – Divine Liturgy				
4pm – Great Vespers	Liturgy		7pm – Choir Rehearsal	11am – 55+ Christmas Lunch		5pm – Great Vespers
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9:30am – Divine Liturgy						
No Church School						