

ARCHANGEL MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

Sunday, November 16, 2025

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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!

Holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew

23rd Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 6.

EPISTLE READING

Eph. 2:4-10

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 10:25-37

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Nativity Fast

Sunday, November 16

9:30 am Divine Liturgy – LiveStream
Sunday School

Monday, November 17

5:00 pm Dinner/Serve @ St. Herman's
6:00 pm GCCOC – Unction Service at St. Demetrios GOC

Tuesday, November 18

11:00 am 55+ Club Meeting

Wednesday, November 19

7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting

Thursday, November 20

7:00 pm Vespers

Friday, November 21 Entrance of the Most holy Theotokos

9:30 am Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 22

11:00 am to 4:00 pm - Food Fair / Baba's Kitchen
5:00 pm Vespers/Confession

Sunday, November 23

9:30 am Divine Liturgy – LiveStream
Sunday School
HALOS Bake Sale

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Nov 25 – Prosphora Baking
- Dec 7 – SOLOS – White Christmas Play
- Dec 21 - YOLKA

NOVEMBER COFFEE HOUR

Sunday School

PRAYERS, CANDLES, 7-DAY VIGILS and FLOWERS

FOR THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF:

Phil Wienclaw (Health)..... by Judi Wienclaw

Patrick Matyas (Health; 7-d)
..... by Elizabeth Matyas & Jennifer Pishko

OR THE REPOSE AND BLESSED MEMORY OF:

Khouria Carol Alberts (Newly Departed)..... Fr. John/Mat. Jani

Annette Lapso (Departed; 7-d)by Dennis Lapso

Martha Musil (Departed; Birthday; 7-d)
..... by Linda & Denny Kovach

Phil Timko (Departed; 7-d).....
..... by Rebecca Timko & Gabrielle Palladino

Timothy Wolden (Newly departed; 7-d)by Dennis Lapso

The Flowers on the Tetrapod are given in loving memory of
Walter & Mary Dimitrijevs by The Dimitrijevs Family.

Sunday, November 16 - Altar Servers & Readers

Altar Servers: Michael Gaborick, Nikolai Hanchuk, Jackson Young, David Visocky, Thomas Visocky, Xavier Visocky, Lance Louie, Danny Reilly

Reader: Kathy Kovalak

Sunday, November 23 - Altar Servers & Readers

Altar Servers: Alex Foster, Silas Foster, Isaac Foster, Nicholas Gaydos, Justin Kormos, Andrew Ropchock, Jacob W Kormos, Gavin Lynagh

Reader: Judi Wienclaw

NATIVITY FAST

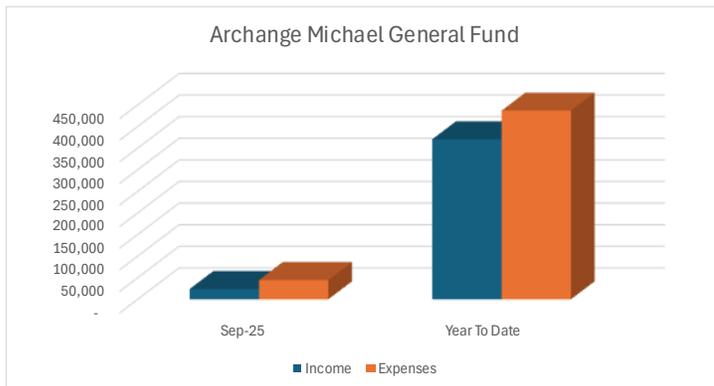
The Nativity Fast begins this Saturday, November 15. According to the practice of [the OCA](#), it is a strict fast: We refrain from meat, dairy products, and eggs. Fish, wine, and oil are allowed on certain days; these are marked on the wall calendar (e.g., if a day says "fish, wine, & oil," that means that those three foods are allowed on that day.

St. James Prayer List – November

*"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.*

Month End September 2025 – YTD



	September	Year-to-Date
Collected	\$ 23,899	\$370,428
Required for Expenses Paid	\$ 44,520	\$436,725
Surplus/(Short)	\$ (20,621)	\$ (66,297)

The Baba's Kitchen Fundraiser scheduled for November is planned. Additional fundraisers are required to help us meet our operating needs. A Fundraising Chairman is being sought to help us drive this process. Please see Darlene Dimitrijevs if you are interested in helping in this capacity.

Bulletin Information Deadline

Deadline for the bulletin Sunday, Nov 23 is Tuesday, Nov 18 - 12/noon. Church Office will be closed on Thursday, Nov 20. 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.

Thank you!

PAN ORTHODOX UNCTION SERVICE – Sponsored by the Greater Cleveland Council of Orthodox Clergy (GCCOC)

To be held on Monday, November 17, at 6:00 PM at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, 22209 Center Ridge Rd., Rocky River, OH. Refreshments in the hall afterwards.

CHARITY RAFFLE / to BENEFIT ST. VLADIMIR'S CAMP

Raffle tickets are on sale during coffee hour for the benefit of St. Vladimir's Camp. The first drawing was held on November 9th and will continue monthly through October 2026.

COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS – 2025

Thank you to those who have sponsored a coffee hour!

December – Board of Trustees

Happy Birthday to you who are celebrating this week



November

Kathy Kovalak	16	Patricia Bittner	20
Pdn. Daniel Kovalak	16	Mark Andrasek, Jr.	20
Megan Merick	17	Michael Gaydos	22

Happy Anniversary to those celebrating this week



November

Chris & Sarah Weizer	19	George & Sandra Hornfeck	21
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May God grant you many years!!

BABA'S KITCHEN / FOOD FAIR

We are looking for business donors for the upcoming Baba's Kitchen Food Fair. If your employer or a business you're familiar with may be interested, please use the attached letter of request, along with the flyer to provide information. Your support and assistance is greatly appreciated. Contact Donna Tesar Donnatesar@gmail.com, or Judi Wienclaw jawienclaw@gmail.com with questions.

Volunteers/helpers needed for Food Fair – Sign up sheet is in the basement.

CALLING ALL BAKERS!!

The Charities Committee will host a bake sale in honor of our HALO'S during coffee hour on Nov. 23. Please support our little turkeys by baking a pie, cookies or brownies!

Please drop your bakery off in the church basement to be priced Sunday 11/23 before Liturgy.

Please RSVP to Monica Visocky @ (216)469-1881 call/text- Thank you for your support!

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA FLOWERS



Donations for flowers can be made in honor of/or in memory of a loved one. Please see the attached flyer.

PLEDGE LETTERS and CARDS

All pledge cards and letters have been mailed out. To date we have received 101 pledges from over 265 distributed, **due date is December 1st**. **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 2025 pledge, the last Sunday to submit checks is December 28th. Any checks or cash received AFTER Dec. 28 will go towards your 2025 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 on-line to initiate this service.

ST. NICHOLAS SEMINARIAN FAMILY WISH LIST PROGRAM

The *Cleveland R Club* is once again supporting the FOCA's **St. Nicholas Seminarian Family Wish List Program**—but with a few changes this year.

Many of our seminarian families live on extremely limited incomes and **qualify for government assistance programs like SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)** to help feed their families. With the current government shutdown extending into November and the future of SNAP benefit distribution uncertain, these families are facing even greater financial stress. As a result, our parish has been assigned **one family from St. Tikhon's Seminary** instead of the usual two.

While their St. Nicholas Day wish list includes just a few gifts, we hope to go a step further by providing a **cash gift** to help them purchase **fuel for heating their home**—a critical need as their limited resources are stretched to cover other essentials. The seminary is also working with the local community to provide food assistance.

How You Can Help:

- 🌲 **The Giving Tree** will be set up in the church basement with tags for a few wish list gifts.
- 📦 **Amazon Wish List:** Visit <https://bit.ly/AMOCWish2025> to purchase additional wish list items that will ship directly to Becky Tesar.
- 💰 **Monetary Donations:**
 - Cash or checks (payable to *Cleveland R Club*) can be given to **Becky or Melissa Tesar** at church
 - Or mailed to: *4967 Berkshire Dr., North Olmsted, OH 44070*
 - Or sent via **Venmo** to @Cleveland-RClub

Additionally, we will have tags available for **Walmart gift cards**, which will be sent to **St. Herman's Seminary in Alaska**.

Deadline is November 30th. Thank you for your continued generosity. Our parish has always been a strong supporter of

this meaningful initiative, and we're grateful for your help in making this season brighter for our seminarian families.



Check out this Gift List – items for church school.

https://www.amazon.com/registries/g/guest-view/Y4L3U2W8RSGD?ref=cm_sw_r_apin_ggr-subnav-share_88D3XR35226PGJB837D&language=en-US

Any questions, please reach out to Angelika Mindala, AMOC Sunday School Director (609) 500-2696 - theangellines@gmail.com

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 it 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

Rest & Blessed Memory

Newly Departed * Death Anniversary * Birthday of the Departed

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

Save the Date(s)

Dine-in / Take-out Fish Fry

St. Andrew EOC
16029 Maple Park Dr., Maple Hts., OH
Friday's – 5pm – 7pm – December 5 & 19

Monday, November 17

Aladdin's

DINE TO DONATE

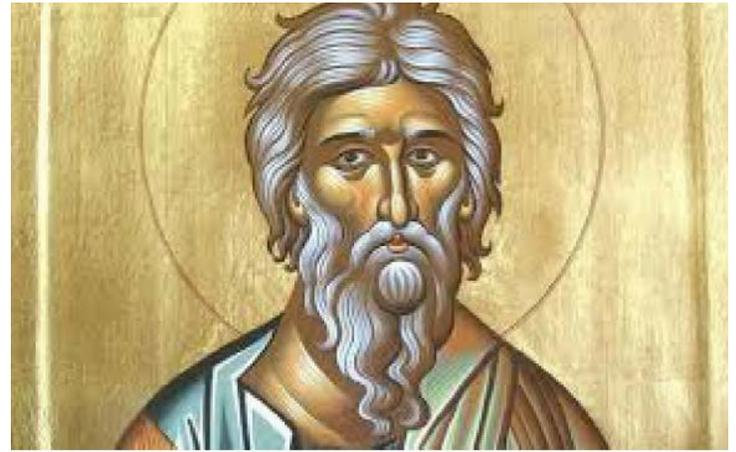
EAT GOOD. EAT HEALTHY. GIVE BACK.

On Monday, November 17, 2025, Aladdin's Medina will be donating 10% of dine-in and carryout sales to Medina Cub Scout Pack 3507 and Boy Scout Troop 507.




ALADDIN'S MEDINA
951 N. Court Street • Medina, OH • 330.636.7755 • aladdins.com

Sunday, November 30



ST. ANDREW'S DAY CELEBRATION

Join us to celebrate the Feast of the Holy Apostle Andrew, The Patronal Feast of the F.O.C.A. and the Altar Feast of St. Andrews Church

Sunday November 30, 2025 - 5:00 p.m.
Akathist to St. Andrew the First Called
St. Andrew Orthodox Church
16029 Maple Park Dr., Maple Heights OH
Light refreshments to follow

Saturday, November 22



Theotokos of Vladimir

**EASTERN ORTHODOX WOMEN'S GUILD
OF GREATER CLEVELAND**

Unity Through Participation

ICONS ARE
"WINDOWS TO HEAVEN"
REVEALING THE GLORY OF GOD!
THEY ACT AS A PORTAL AND SERVE AS A
"VISUAL" MEAN TO COMMUNE WITH
CHRIST, THE THEOTOKOS AND ALL OF OUR
HEAVENLY SAINTS.

Saturday, November 22, 2025 @10:00AM
St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church
22909 Center Ridge Road
Rocky River, Ohio 44116

**MEET ICONOGRAPHER EFFIE FILLIS
& SEE HER WORK IN PROGRESS**



Life of St. Philothea of Athens
Patron Saint of St. Demetrios' Chapel

- Working on Completing the Chapel of St. Demetrios
- Meet in the Fellowship Room
- Social and Refreshments

Friday, December 12 – Saturday, December 13

Christmas Cookie Walk

Friday, December 12, 2025 –
5 p.m. until 8 p.m.

and

Saturday, December 13, 2025 –
11 a.m. until 1 p.m.

\$15.00 per pound

St. Theodosius Cathedral –
Parish Hall

733 Starkweather Avenue
Cleveland (Tremont), Ohio 44113

*** Parking and Hall entrance behind Church ***

CASH or CHECK ONLY

Sunday, December 14

2025 Nativity Concert



December 14th, 2025
4:00 p.m.

Refreshments will be
served in fellowship hall
after the concert.

Holy Trinity
Orthodox Church

6822 Broadview Rd, Parma, OH 44134



An event of the

GREATER CLEVELAND COUNCIL OF

Orthodox Clergy

ARCHANGEL MICHAEL
ORTHODOX CHURCH

FOOD FAIR

Baba's Kitchen

FEATURING

BEEF STROGANOFF
CABBAGE & NOODLES
AND ETHNIC PASTRIES / PIES

Chicken Paprikash



Stuffed Cabbage



Pierogis



TAKE OUT OR DINE IN

BASKET RAFFLE - WINNERS

NEED NOT BE PRESENT

NOVEMBER 22, 2025 - 11AM TO 4PM
AT WOODSIDE EVENT CENTER
5025 E MILL ROAD
BROADVIEW HTS., OH





Archangel Michael Orthodox Church Broadview Heights, Ohio

Archpriest John Memorich, Rector
Orthodox Church in America, Diocese of the Midwest

Dear Friends of Archangel Michael Church:

We are very excited to announce our upcoming event on November 22nd - **Baba's Kitchen**.

During this event, we will be showcasing homemade foods and baked goods. You can expect to find Halupki (stuffed cabbage), Pierogi, Chicken Paprikas, Beef Stroganoff, and Halushka (cabbage and noodles). And we haven't forgotten dessert - there will be cookies and nut roll! We are happy to tell you that we are using authentic recipes so you can be sure the food is truly ethnic.

As a friend of our Church community, we'd love to invite you to join us. In addition, we need some extra help to make sure everything goes smoothly.

Would you please consider providing a donation of a gift basket to be raffled during the event? If you are unable to assemble a basket, a cash donation would be appreciated to prepare a basket in your name.

With this help, we can ensure that the Archangel Michael Charity Fund can be sustained into 2026. The charity fund is far reaching, including Saint Herman's House of Hospitality in Cleveland, Zoe House in Parma, St. Tikhon's Seminary, and St. Vladimir's youth camp. Many other organizations are also recipients from this fund.

Please contact Sharon Glagola, 440-263-2862, Sharonglagola@gmail.com or Donna Tesar, 216-401-2834, Donnatesar@gmail.com to make arrangements for your donation.

With sincere, thanks in advance,

The Baba's at Archangel Michael Orthodox Church

Beginning of the Nativity Fast 2025

To the clergy, monastics, and faithful of the Orthodox Church in America, beloved children in the Lord,



Christ is in our midst!

As we begin this sacred season of fasting in preparation for Our Lord's Nativity in the flesh, I desire first of all to give each of you my blessing and assure you of my prayers.

According to the sanctoral calendar of our Church, the first day of the Nativity Fast is also the memory of St. Paisius Velichkovsky, one of the great transmitters and exponents of the Byzantine hesychastic tradition among both Slavic and Romanian peoples. In marking this commemoration, we rightly take pride in our rich sacred tradition of prayer and watchfulness, of theology and contemplation. St. Paisius is a true teacher of Orthodoxy and knight of the faith, and, even as we begin our fast, we celebrate his feast with great joy.

St. Paisius was not merely a teacher, however; he also practiced what he preached. He lived a life of prayer, of study, of service to God and neighbor. Therefore, during this sacred season of repentance and preparation, let us be prompted by his example: not merely to lay claim to lofty theology and exalted spirituality with our words, but to live our Tradition daily. Without making Holy Tradition our own through practice, it is in vain that we celebrate St. Paisius and other teachers of Orthodoxy. "Orthodox" is not a shiny label that we proudly apply to ourselves; it is our path to living out the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, as we embark on the Nativity Fast, I urge that we each return to the pure springs of Orthodoxy: the New Testament, the Old Testament, the fathers, the saints. As we renew our study of our Tradition, we are not merely seeking so-called "head knowledge," though such knowledge is laudable and valuable. Rather, as an Athonite father once told me, we study the fathers in order to forget them: in other words, we study them so that their faith and their teachings become our very way of life.

We may liken this approach to learning to swim, to ride a bicycle, or to drive a car: abstract knowledge is put into practice until discursive thought disappears, and the task, whether swimming or riding or driving, becomes second nature. Likewise, the holy Tradition is not something that we should seek to show off self-consciously; rather, it should become the rhythm of our existence. This is not the way of disputes, of "long fringes" (Mt. 23:5), of spiritual pride: it is the way of humility, of daily dying through the offering of ourselves to God and neighbor.

We practice this humble self-abnegation every time we turn to God in prayer, even when we are tired, listless, and lacking in hope. We also practice it when, despite our own busy-ness and stress, we make time for our neighbor, our spouse, our child, our co-worker—or a stranger. We incarnate the holy Tradition when we choose, not to blame or complain, but to thank God and to wait on him.

This waiting lies at the heart of the Nativity Fast, when we recall how the world lay in darkness before the First Coming of the Messiah. Indeed, this waiting is at the heart of the Christian faith: our entire life should be oriented toward his Second Coming, when Christ, who is our Life, shall appear to reign forever.

I pray that, through the intercessions of St. Paisius Velichkovsky, this time of the fast may be a time of renewal for us all, inviting us to learn from our holy Tradition and thereby be oriented in all things toward Our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ, whose coming again in glory we await—and also anticipate, in and through faith, hope, and love.

With my primatial prayers and blessing for these holy days of anticipation,

+ Tikhon
Archbishop of Washington
Metropolitan of All America and Canada

ARCHANGEL MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME - CLOCKS FALL BACK						Unmercenaries & Wonderworkers Cosmas & Damian 5pm – Vespers/Confession
2	3	4	5	6	7	Synaxis of the Archangel Michael 8
9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School					5:30pm-Vespers 6:00pm-HALOS Event	9:30am-Divine Liturgy 5pm – Vespers/Confession
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School Banquet		7pm-Adult Education	9:30am- Molieben/Samaritans	St. John Chrysostom 10am-Adult Education	Holy Apostle Philip	Nativity Fast Begins 5pm – Vespers/Confession
Holy Apostle & Evangelist Matthew 16	17	18	19	20	Entrance of the Most Holy Theotokos 21	22
9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School	5pm-Dinner/Serve @ St. Herman's 6pm-GCCOC – Unction Svc @ St. Demetrios GOC	11am-55+ MTG	7pm-Board of Trustee Mtg	7pm-Vespers	9:30am-Divine Liturgy 7pm-Book Club	11am-4pm – Food Fair / Baba's Kitchen 5pm – Vespers/Confession
St. Alexander Nevsky 23	24	25	26	THANKSGIVING 27	28	29
9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School HALOS Bake Sale	Grtrmtyr. Catherine	St. Clement of Ochrid 10am – Prospora Baking 7pm-Adult Education				5pm – Vespers/Confession
Holy Apostle Andrew 30						
9:30am-Divine Liturgy Church School						

