



# Welcome to St. Michael's Orthodox Church

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

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## Sunday, January 28, 2024

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### This Week

#### Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>

8:45 AM – Orthros

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

11:30 AM – Church School

12:00 PM – Inquirer's Class

#### *Jr. Altar Boys*

01/28 – Andrew Hahey

#### *Fellowship Hosts*

01/28 – POTLUCK

#### *Lock Up*

01/28 – Gust Flizanes

#### Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>

#### Synaxis of The Three Hierarchs

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

#### Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

6:00 PM – Vespers (Confession Follows)

#### Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup>

#### Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

5:00 PM – Festal Orthros

6:00 PM – Divine Liturgy

#### Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

4:30 PM – Catechism Class

6:00 PM – Great Vespers

(Confession Follows)

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### Divine Liturgy Variables on Sunday, January 28, 2024

*Thirty-first Sunday after Pentecost & Fourteenth Sunday of Luke Our  
Righteous Father Ephraim the Syrian Venerable Palladios of Antioch;  
Venerable Theodosios of Totma*

#### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE ONE

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

#### APOLYTIKION OF ST. EPHRAIM THE SYRIAN IN TONE THREE

Out of Paradise, a river floweth, flooding all the earth with joy unending, cheering souls with compunction and saving fear: Ephraim, the wine bowl of gladness inspired of God, from all eternity chosen to light the Church with his sacred hymns, his sermons, his shining canticles, whereby he filleth faithful souls with godliness.

#### KONTAKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

#### EPISTLE — 1 Timothy 1:15-17

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. And I am the foremost of sinners; but I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display His perfect patience for an example to those who were to believe in Him for eternal life. To the King of Ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory to the ages of ages. Amen.

#### THE GOSPEL – Luke 18:35-43

At that time, as Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to Him; and when he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed Him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

## Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>

8:45 AM – Orthros

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

11:30 AM – Church School

12:00 PM – Antiochian Women's Mtg

### Jr. Altar Boys

02/04 – Noor Sahawneh

### Fellowship Hosts

02/04 – Still Needed

### Lock Up

02/04 – Carolyn Hill

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### Live-Streaming Services

[Holy Transfiguration Monastery](#)

Ellwood City, PA

[Holy Cross Monastery](#)

Wayne, WV

[St. Tikhon's Monastery](#)

Waymart, PA

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### Catechism Class Begins Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>

We will be starting a Catechism Class on Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will meet on **Saturdays at 4:30pm**, followed by Vespers. Our first class will be an explanation of what it means to be a catechumen, what the class will entail, and an explanation of the prayers to be prayed to become a catechumen in the Orthodox Church. Typically, the stage of being a catechumen is around one year (maybe more, maybe less) depending on each person's circumstances as guided by the parish priest. We will be reading a book titled, "[The Orthodox Faith, Worship, and Life](#)" by Hieromonk Gregorios and published by New Rome Press. The price of the book is \$26.00. If you cannot afford the book, assistance is available.

This class is for **Catechumens Only**. A catechumen is a person who is in the preparation process to enter the Orthodox Church through the sacraments of Holy Baptism and/or Holy Chrismation.

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**Many Years to Cassandra Rose Cuff**, 7 lbs., 10 oz, born on Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup> to Andrew & Mary Cuff. Mother and baby are doing well.

## Sign Up for Theophany House Blessings

January & February

*Sign-up sheets are located on the shelf beneath the church office window.*

If you have questions, contact Fr. David at [frdavidhyatt@gmail.com](mailto:frdavidhyatt@gmail.com) or call / text 218-576-8324.

**What to have prepared** when Fr. David arrives to bless your home:

- Table space cleared & cleaned
- At least one icon (Christ, Virgin Mary, Patron Saint, etc.)
- Candle to be lit during prayers
- Small bowl (cereal bowl sized)
- List of family members who live in your home
- If desired, but not required: censer, charcoal and incense

**After the blessing of your home**, Fr. David would like to visit with you for a few minutes as a way to encourage you in your life of faith. A meal and refreshments are not necessary, but a nice cup of coffee or tea would be appreciated. May God grant us all a spiritually fruitful year to come!



### New Church Database - Realm

This past week you should have received an email that contains an invitation to log in to the Realm website where our new church database is maintained. **Please follow in the link** provided in the email to create a user password and then log in to your profile and complete / update all of the information requested. **Please fill out all the fields provided.** This is very important. We need you not to skip a field, each one is important.

If you have difficulties or questions, please contact either Fr. David Hyatt ([frdavidhyatt@gmail.com](mailto:frdavidhyatt@gmail.com)) or Sara Armanious ([marmani515@yahoo.com](mailto:marmani515@yahoo.com)) and they will help you complete your profile. Thank you for helping us to have correct information for your family!

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### New Plan for Fellowship Hour on Sundays

Due to the high price of food and the growing size of our parish, we are asking that **three (3) families** sign up to host each Sunday. We are asking that you **sign-up** for one of the weeks on the calendar – three months will be posted at a time. If three families do not sign up for a given week, we will only serve coffee. Additionally, the **last Sunday of every month** will be a **Potluck** – so bring what you are able to share! Questions? Talk with Raymounda Chaho, Fellowship Hour Coordinator, at [laziza2002@hotmail.com](mailto:laziza2002@hotmail.com) or 412-558-5877.



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CHRISTIANS FOR LIFE  
ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Please return the **Baby Bottles** by next **Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**. All funds collected go directly to **Lifeway Family & Pregnancy Support** ([www.lifewayfamilies.org](http://www.lifewayfamilies.org)),

for counting and deposit. For more information, talk with Bernadette McNicol ([bernadette McNicol@gmail.com](mailto:bernadette McNicol@gmail.com)), Paulette Sproch ([pmssproch@comcast.net](mailto:pmssproch@comcast.net)), or Kh. BethAnn Hyatt ([khhethann@gmail.com](mailto:khhethann@gmail.com)).

## Gift Card – Fundraiser

Next Gift Card Order Date is Sunday, February 25th. Please bring your check book and order all of your gift cards from St. Michael's. There are 500+ gift cards to purchase with different amounts ([www.raiseright.com](http://www.raiseright.com)).

The gift cards are NOT at the church, only what is purchased on Sunday, February 25th will be delivered. Please support your church and order all of your gifts card needs through us. See Fotini if you have questions.



Sarris Candy Easter Fundraiser has begun! Online only ordering directly from [sarriscandiesfundraising.com](http://sarriscandiesfundraising.com). Please use the St. Michael's Group ID number 10-2891 for all orders placed online. There is a \$5 fee per address for online orders. The deadline for online orders is *Friday, March 22, 2024*.

**Donations needed** for the **Food on the Hill** ministry which provides meals on a monthly basis for those in need through a cooperative relationship with Greater Things ministry. If you would like to contribute, please mark your donation for "Food on the Hill."

We are thankful for the **new gold Altar Boy robes** that were purchased recently, as the old ones were past due for replacement. Thank you to all who donated to the **John Mansour Memorial fund**.

## Serving Schedule

### Jr. Altar Boys

02/11 – Andrew Hahey

02/18 – Noor Sahawneh

### Fellowship Hosts

02/11 – Christina Armanious, Sara

Armanious & Violet Kharma

02/18 – Ray Chaho, Samar Khalil, Mona

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### Lock Up

02/11 – Christina Armanious

02/18 – Samar Khalil



## Adult Choir to Restart Practices in February

Those who are interested in singing in the Adult Choir please **RSVP** with Kh. BethAnn Hyatt ([khbethann@gmail.com](mailto:khbethann@gmail.com)). Attendance at choir practices, **the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month after the Divine Liturgy**, is necessary to participate. Basic music reading instruction will be provided at each practice.

*Nothing so arouses the soul, gives it wings, sets it free from the earth, releases it from the prison of the body, teaches it to love wisdom and to despise all the things of this life, as concordant melody and sacred song composed in rhythm.* +St. John Chrysostom (On Psalm 41)

## Valentine's Dance

Featuring the Big Band Sounds of the  
**Wayne Macuga Combo**

**Saturday, February 17, 2024**

7:00 -10:00 pm

\$10 per person

Dessert table and coffee included with admission.

BYOB and table snacks

(if you wish)

A **Silent Auction** will be offered at  
dance. *Baskets to Include:*

1. Valentine/candies/chocolates
2. Pamper Yourself  
Movie Night
3. Fine Wine
4. Specialty Foods/ varieties/  
Ethnic

If anyone wants to donate to the making of the baskets, new items or money, they may. Donations to Paulette Sproch, Fotini Wetzel or Ray Chaho.)

For advance tickets or to reserve a table for 6 please call:

(724) 757-6929

Tickets will also be sold at the door.

(Adults only please)

A graphic of a heart shape with a scalloped edge. Inside the heart, the text "and the greatest of these is love" is written in a cursive, calligraphic font. The heart is light gray and has a subtle shadow.

## Intercessory Prayer List

(Orthodox & Non-Orthodox)

Please pray for the following people this week. **Names will remain on the list for 2 weeks.** Please contact Fr. David to add a name for prayer.

PAULETTE Weiss (*Ongoing Cancer Treatment*)

TOM & MARY Andrews

RICH & HARRIET Mirilovich

KRISTIN Zyvith (*Janet Mochak's daughter recovering from surgery*)

ROBERT Stupack (*Janet Mochak's brother-in-law with Parkinson's*)

MILANA (Mila) Beer (*Granddaughter of Lewis & Michelle Gajewski who is having a heart procedure on January 31<sup>st</sup>*)

JOHN Hull (*Friend of Sara Armanious suffering with prostate cancer*)

MARY & CASSANDRA ROSE Cuff (*Recovering from a healthy delivery*)

ALMA Fatoosh (friend of Laura Simmons) fighting cancer

## Prayers of Oblation

...in memory of ANDREW Papinchak  
(Husband of Nellie Papinchak, 13<sup>th</sup>  
anniversary of his repose) by Nellie  
and family

...in memory of HELEN Ciavarra  
(Valerie Flizanes' mother)

by Bill & Terry Paterson

...in memory of ADEL Armanious by  
Dr. David & Tamara Richards

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*"Our grief over the death of our close  
ones would be inconsolable and  
boundless if the Lord had not given  
us eternal life. Our life would be  
meaningless if it ended with death.  
What benefit, then, would there be  
from virtue or good deeds? They  
would be right who say, "Let us eat  
and drink, for tomorrow we die!" But  
man was created for immortality..."*

+ St. John of Maximovitch of Shanghai  
and San Francisco

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## JANUARY MEMORIAL

(All those depart from our parish in the month of January)

*With the spirits of the righteous made perfect give rest  
to the souls of Thy servants, O Savior; and preserve them in the life  
of blessedness which is with Thee, O Thou who lovest mankind.*

**ZACHARIA** Chaho (1/1/20), **SHARON** Albert (1/2/2017), **DORA**  
Solomon (1/6/2006), **GEORGE M. Elias** (1/7/1996), **WILLIAM**  
Monsour (1/7/2013), **HELEN** Koza (1/8/1969), **CATHY** Abbott Wedel  
(1/8/2021), **BERTHA** Isbir (1/9/1995), Pr **MICHAEL** Totin (1/10/2015),  
**NETTIE** Anton (1/11/1999), **GEORGE** Pilipovich (1/11/1970),  
**WALTER** Dydiw (1/14/2013), **GEORGE** Hayden (1/14/1997),  
**STEPHEN** Teplica (1/14/20), **JAMES** DiFlorio (1/17/1991), **PAUL**  
Andreychek (1/17/16), **ALEXANDRIA** Tony (1/18/1995), **ROBERT J.**  
Smolcic (1/19/2005), **MILDRED** Pilipovich (1/20/1976), **DAVID** Assard  
(1/22/2016), **PAULINE** Panagis (1/22/20), **RUTH** Bober (1/23/1996),  
**JOHN** Mirilovich (1/22/2003), **ANTHONY** Flizanes (1/24/2010),  
**DOLORES** Abbott (1/26/2002), **ANDREW** Papinchak (1/26/2011),  
**DONALD** Kushner (1/29/2016), **CHARLOTTE** Mowry (1/29/2017),  
**JOSEPH** Nicholas (1/30/1997), **JOANNE** Chedrick (1/31/2022).

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## LONG TERM CALENDAR

(Upcoming Dates to Remember)

### Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>

**St. Parthenius, Bishop of Lampsacus**

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

6:00 PM – Vespers

### Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

12:00 PM – Adult Choir Practice

12:00 PM – Inquirer's Class

### Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>

**St. Theodore the Tyro, Great Martyr**

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

6:00 PM – Great Vespers

7:00 PM – Valentine's Dance

### Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>

6:00 PM – Parish Council

# St. Michael's Valentine Dance



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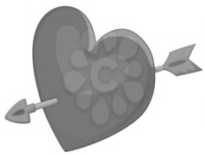
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