

**Holy Assumption Orthodox Church**  
*Celebrating 125 years witnessing to the Apostolic Faith*

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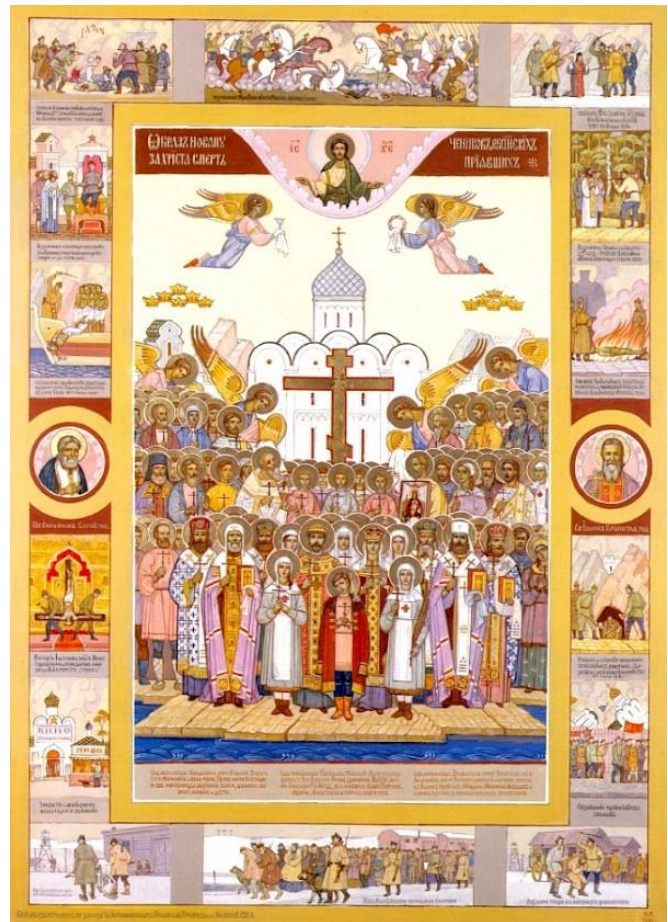
THIRTY FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**EPISTLE: Colossians 3:4-11**

Brethren: When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. Therefore, put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them. But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.

**EPISTLE: Romans 8:28-39**

Brethren: We know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. For those whom He foreknew, He predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, so that He might be the firstborn



**New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia**

among many brothers. And those whom He predestined, He also called; and those whom He called, He also justified; and those whom He justified, He also glorified. What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, yes, who is risen, who is also at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; we are counted as sheep for the slaughter." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, neither angels nor principalities nor powers, neither things present nor things to come, neither height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### **GOSPEL: Matthew 22:35-46**

Then one of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, and saying, "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets." While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?" They said to Him, "The Son of David." He said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying: 'The LORD said to my Lord, sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool'? If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his Son?" And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore.

### **GOSPEL: Luke 21:8-19**

The Lord said, "Beware lest you be deceived. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am He,' and 'The time has drawn near.' Therefore, do not go after them. When you hear of wars and commotions, do not be afraid. For these things must first take place, but the end will not be at hand." Then He said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. Great earthquakes will occur in various places, and there will be famines and pestilence. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. "But before all these things, they will seize you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for My name's sake. It will turn out as a testimony for you. Therefore, resolve in your hearts beforehand not to practice your defense. For I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your opponents will be able to neither refute nor resist. You will be betrayed by parents and brothers and relatives and friends. And they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all men for My name's sake, but not a hair of your head shall perish. In your endurance you will gain your souls.



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### **FOR YOUR PRAYERS**

Tony Monastra, 2119 Willow Cove Marblehead, OH 43440; Patti Owens, 311 Woodbridge Road, Vermilion, OH 44089; Basil Glovinsky, 1007 Glendale Drive, Port Clinton, OH

43452; Subdeacon Roger Pinta, P.O. Box 39, Middle Bass, OH 43446; Diane Tryon, 109 Joslyn Street, Arcadia, OH 44804; Ed & Irene Vangeloff, 454 Strouse Lane, Sandusky, OH 44870

**Please Note:** Diane Tryon finished her therapy and is back home!

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

<b>MON. Jan 29</b>	Hieromartyr Ignatius, the Godbearer and Bishop of Antioch; Hebrews 8:7-13, Mk. 8:11-21
<b>TUE. Jan 30</b>	Synaxis of the Ecumenical Teachers and Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom; Hebrews 9:8-10,15-23, Mk. 8:22-26
<b>WED. Jan 31</b>	Holy Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John, and those with them; Hebrews 10:1-18, Mk 8:30-34
<b>THU. Feb 1</b>	Forefeast of the Meeting of our Lord in the Temple, Martyr Tryphon of Lampsacus Near Apamea in Syria; Hebrews 10:35-11:16, Mk. 9:10-16
<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>VESPERS</b>
<b>FRI. Feb 2</b>	<b>MEETING OF CHRIST IN THE TEMPLE;</b> Hebrews 7:7-17, Lk. 2:22-40
<b>9:10 AM</b>	<b>HOURS</b>
<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>DIVINE LITURGY</b> – Blessing of the Candles
<b>SAT. Feb 3</b>	Afterfeast of the Meeting, Holy, Righteous Simeon the God-Receiver and Holy, Righteous Anna the Prophetess; Ephesians 5:1-8, Lk. 14:1-11
<b>4:00 PM</b>	<b>VESPERS</b>
<b>SUN. Feb 4</b>	<b>35th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 2</b> <i>Afterfeast of the Meeting, Ven. Isidore of Pelusium</i>
<b>9:10 AM</b>	<b>HOURS</b>
<b>9:30 AM</b>	<b>DIVINE LITURGY</b> Followed by Coffee Hour

### JANUARY CANDLE SPONSORS



**Altar Candles:** Fr. Peter & Mat. Michelle, For Health and God's Blessings for Barbara Wroblewski, Matushka's mother **(\$50)**; **Chandelier:** Fr. Peter & Mat. Michelle, For Health and God's Blessings for Michal Tomáš, Father's father **(\$50)**; **Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** Available **(\$25)**; **Candles at the Cross:** Laura Kovach, Birthday blessings to Jim and Sarah **(\$20)**; **Candles at St. Sophia Icon:** For Safety and Health of Nicholas, Tikhon, Gleice, & Chloe **(\$20)**



### JANUARY REPOSED

Andrew Matway (1906) No date provided; William Gratson (1908) No date provided; Eva Hritsko (1908) No date provided; Sara Rose (2005) No date provided; **3-** Mat. Marilyn Federoff (2019); **3-** Larry Naiser (2019); **3-** Elinor Williams (2021); **4-** Margaret Reavley (1965); **4-** Baby Clyde Madison (2020); **5-** Russell (2019) Heidi's relative; **5-** Donald (2019) Waynes Relative; **5-** Maria Semionow (1981); **11-** Anna Tomko (1960); **15-** Archpriest Pavel Soucek (2009) Former Pastor; **21-** Daniel Kowal (2006); **21-** Philip Kobb (2018); **23-** Helen Beadle (1988); **23-** Deborah Pribanic (2020); **25-** Jane (2019) Ron's Aunt; **25-** William "Bill" Alber (2021); **28-** Michael Tarasavage (2021); **29-** Anna Kravetz (1973); **29-** Marjorie Kowal (2003); **29-** Ernest Gresh (2020); **29-** Rick Schlotterer (2020); **30-** Anna Schofield (2021)



## FEBRUARY REPOSED

Helen Hritsko (1908) No date provided; Alexandra Brendza (1909) No date provided; Steve Danchisen (1909) No date provided; **2-** Nancy Pipenur (2018); **5-** Peter Kowal (2004); **6-** Steve Michael Mazur (1970); **6-** Elizabeth Kravetz Mc Mahon (1984); **12-** Glenn Schoonmaker (2002); **12-** Lawrence Beck (2018); **14-** Rose Polosky (1953); **17-** Stanley Guzy (1986); **20-** Linda Sue Alber & infant (1969); **20-** Dc. Mike Cinalli (2020); **21-** Mary Tomka Matso (1956); **21-** John Richard Elchisco (2021); **22-** Metro Mazur (1973); **22-** Marguerite Bird (2022); **23-** George Elchisco Sr. (1961); **26-** Elizabeth Millie (1998); **29-** Mary Uka Kostearly (1996)



### VIGILS FOR JANUARY 21

**Laura Kovach 3** Safe travel for friends.

For health and/or healing of Ron R., Diane T., Ruth S., Sarah F., James W., Patti O., Tony M., Hannah S., Barbara D., Pauline O., Margi H., Betty K., Ben F., Mark M., Dana M., Bodhi C., Sharon D., John D., Karen D., Carol & Greg, and Jim L.

Special intentions.

**Sandy Martin 1** Special intentions

**Natalie Twarek 8** Health and recovery of Diane, Health and recovery of Ron, For the health of Ruth, Health and healing for Father's dad Michal and Matushka's mom Barbara, For the health and recovery of child Ambrielle, Health of child Ezra, For the health of Rita Mumea(Gigi), Basil, Tony, Bev, Ed, Irene, Father David, Pauline, Judy, Tina, Carole, Gary, Sharon, Helen Lis and Tina's dad, Earl, Tom, Sonya, Margi & Joe, Betty, Jackie, MaryAnn & Bob, Chuck, Bodhi, Stella, Jake, Pat, special intentions

### PRAYER LIST

**Parishioners & Family:** Patti Owens / Tony Monastra / Barbara Wroblewski / Michal Tomáš / Ruth / Basil Glovinsky / Dale / Sophie / Jeanne Smith / Carol / David Martin / Fred Soski / Chris Hannon / Subdeacon Roger Pinta / Ed Vangeloff / Irene Vangeloff / Diane Tryon / Sonja Rose / Ron Royhab / James Bargdill / John Beadle / Carole Conaway / Gary Conaway / Sharon Dietrich / Michael Glovinsky / Shirley Gresh / Joseph Habegger / Elaine Hileman / Betty Kovach / Helen Lis / Child Stella Miller / William Pipenur / Earl Rindfleisch / Helen Jean Rofkar / George Royhab / Marianne Royhab / Stephanie Royhab / Kathy Jacob / the child Bodhi Cassell / Gleice, her unborn baby & Chloe / Carol / Debbie & Marco / Nora. **Other Requests:** Rita Mumea / Charles Schlett / Kathy Debevits / Maxwell Chaney / Sidharth Bijilani – friend of Subdeacon Roger and Debbie Pinta / Anthony / Archpriest David Lis / Bishop Matthias / Archpriest Emilian & Matushka Laryssa Hutnyan / Kurt Franck / Ben Franklin / Donald Gresh / Mark Ludvik / Robert Piznar / Mark Masica / Valerie Ritzenthaler / William / Rick Rowe / Chuck Wiedenhoft / Chris. **Military:** Craig Cassell / Jake Ellithorpe / Jordon Fulton / Justin Issler / Tikhon / Nicholas / & All Military



### READERS LIST

Sunday Jan 28 – Ron  
Sunday Feb 4 – Natalie  
Sunday Feb 11 – Jake  
Sunday Feb 18 – Tim



### ATTENDANCE

01/20 Vespers, 3 attending; 01/21 Divine Liturgy, 15 attending



### CHARITY OF THE MONTH

“OCMC Support a Priest” is the charity we donate to for the month of January.



## SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday, January 21, 2024

Tithe	\$ 240.00
Candles	\$ 14.00
Vigils	\$ 70.00
Donations	\$ 206.00
Liturgical Item Donation	\$ 60.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 590.00</b>

*May the Lord reward you for your financial and spiritual support!*



## THANK YOU, LETTERS, RECEIVED

Our parish received a Thank you letter from St. Elizabeth New Martyr Orthodox Mission for our gift of \$2,000.00 from our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We also received Thank you letters from Bistro 163 and Ottawa County Holiday Bureau for our donations from our monthly charity collections. Please see the copies of the letters in the bulletin.

## UP-COMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISH – MARK YOUR CALENDARS!



- Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>** MEETING OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE (*Friday*)
- Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>** Meetfare Sunday – Potluck after the Divine Liturgy
- Mar. 17<sup>th</sup>** Cheesefare Sunday (*Maslenitsa*) – Potluck after the Divine Liturgy
- Mar. 18<sup>th</sup>** Beginning of the Great Fast (*Monday*)
- Consider sponsoring a Sunday coffee hour following the Divine Liturgy



## CLEANING SCHEDULE

Jan 29, Sandy  
Feb 5, Greg  
Feb 12, Roddie & David  
Feb 19, Natalie



## THEOPHANY – THE ANNUAL BLESSING OF HOMES

If there is still someone who would like to have their house blessed, please fill out the form for the House Blessing which can be found in the vestibule of the church. Houses are blessed annually after the feast of Theophany until the beginning of the Great Fast (Lent). There is still a lot of time left to have your house blessed, as the Great Fast begins on March 18<sup>th</sup> this year. *Each household that requests this blessing will be contacted by phone to schedule the mutual convenient time.*



## New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia

Commemorated on January 28

On the Sunday closest to January 25, the Church commemorates the Synaxis of the Holy New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia, remembering all those Orthodox Christians who suffered for Christ at the hands of the godless Soviets during the years of persecution. These include the royal Passion Bearers Tsar Nicholas II and his family, and the Grand Duchess Elizabeth. Countless thousands of martyrs, both clergy and laity also suffered, some of whose names

are known, as well as millions of simple believers whose names have been lost to history.

It is estimated that the number of the New Martyrs of Russia, who were glorified by the Russian Orthodox Church at the Jubilee Council of 2000, far exceeds that of all the martyrs who died for Christ during the first three centuries of Christianity. The Russian Church lost millions of its sons and daughters, not only at the hands of external enemies, but also those of their own country. Among those who were murdered and tortured in the years of persecution were countless Orthodox: laity, monks, priests, and bishops, whose only "crime" was their unshakable faith in God.

In the long history of the world, never have so many new heavenly intercessors been glorified by the Church in such a way (more than one thousand New Martyrs were numbered among the saints). Among those who suffered for their faith were some who labored in America before the Russian Revolution: St. Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia (April 7); St. Alexander Hotovitzky (Dec. 4); St. John Kochurov (Oct. 31).



Bistro 163 thanks you all  
for your kindness!  
Greatly Appreciated!



Dear Members of Holy Assumption  
Church,

Thank you very much for  
your very generous donation of  
\$780 collected during your October  
2023 collections for the Danbury  
Unit of the Ottawa County Holiday  
Bureau. We know there are many  
outstanding organizations for  
you to choose from to donate to  
and sincerely appreciate you  
choosing to support the Danbury

Unit of the Ottawa County Holi-  
day Bureau. Thank you also  
for the very nice note which was  
included with your donation,  
acknowledging the work we do!  
We are extremely grateful for  
your donation and for your  
past very generous support of  
our efforts to make the Christmas  
Season more comfortable for  
many less fortunate members of  
our local community!



# St Elizabeth New Martyr Orthodox Church

Bulgarian Diocese, OCA

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01/19/2024

To: Rev Peter Tomas and the faithful of  
Holy Assumption Church.



Dear Fr. Peter, Matushka Michelle and all faithful of the Holy Assumption Church  
in Marblehead, Christ is in our midst!

With great joy and gratitude we have received Your generous donation of \$2,000  
to our newly formed Mission of St Elizabeth.

God bless Your hearts for desire to help His Holy Church and to support  
missionary efforts to spread the Apostolic teaching among the local people in  
Toledo area.

May our Lord Jesus Christ by the prayers of the Theotokos, St New Martyr  
Elizabeth and all the saints abundantly bless Your parish!

With love in our Lord,  
Igumen Arkady and all the faithful of  
St Elizabeth New Martyr Orthodox Mission

A handwritten signature in purple ink, which appears to read "Rev. Arkady". The signature is fluid and stylized, written over a light background.

# **A MID-WINTER FEAST**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2024**

**SAINT MARY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH HALL**

**506 EAST MAIN STREET**

**MARBLEHEAD, OHIO**

**DINNER 6:00 PM-9:00 PM**

**PLATED CANDLELIGHT DINNER WITH LIVE MUSIC**

**VOCALIST/GUITARIST STEVEN JADWISIAK AND VOCALIST JONATHAN LOYA**

**GROUP SEATING WITH SIX PER TABLE**

**BRING YOUR OWN BOTTLE**

**CHEF J. JOHN BOU-SLIMAN**

## **MENU**

### **Appetizer**

### **Dinner**

Rolls and Butter

Garden Salad with choice of two dressings

Lake Perch with Marinated Pork Loin

Steamed Green Beans

Rice

Coffee and Iced Tea

### **Dessert**

**TICKETS \$45 each or \$80.00 per couple**

**CALL 419-626-0375 by February 5<sup>th</sup> to reserve a seat.**

## **FUNDRAISER**

**Building Fund for Replacement of Church, Hall and Rectory Roofs**





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FEBRUARY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jan 28  9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy Parish Pot Luck followed by Annual Parish Meeting	Jan 29	Jan 30 <i>Three Holy Hierarchs</i>	Jan 31  Fast	1  6:00pm Vespers	2 <i>MEETING OF THE LORD</i>  9:10am Hours 9:30 Divine Liturgy  Fast: fish, wine, & oil	3  4:00pm Great Vespers
4  9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy	5	6	7  Fast	8	9  Fast	10  4:00pm Great Vespers
11  9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy	12	13	14  Fast	15	16  Fast	17  4:00pm Great Vespers
18 Zacchaeus  9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy	19	20	21  Fast	22	23  Fast	24  4:00pm Great Vespers
25 Publican and Pharisee  9:10 Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy	26  Fast free	27  Fast free	28  Fast free	29  Fast free	Mar 1  Fast free	Mar 2  4:00pm Great Vespers  Fast free

See Sunday Bulletin for changes.