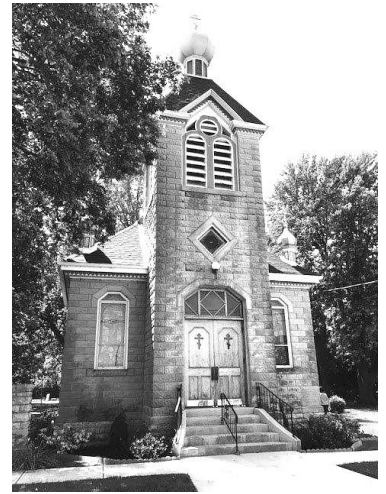


HOLY ASSUMPTION ORTHODOX CHURCH

110 EAST MAIN STREET, MARBLEHEAD, OH 43440

MARCH 5, 2023



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY, MARCH 5, 9:10 AM HOURS / 9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY / FOLLOWED BY LENTEN COFFEE HOUR

**WEDNESDAY MARCH 8, 6 PM
PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY
FOLLOWED BY SOUP SUPPER**

**MEMORIAL SATURDAY MARCH 11,
3:30 PM PANIKHIDA, 4 PM
VESPERS**

**SUNDAY OF ST. GREGORY
PALAMAS, 9:30 AM DIVINE
LITURGY / FOLLOWED BY LENTEN
COFFEE HOUR**

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

By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter,

choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin,

esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward.

And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets

who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens.

Women received their dead raised to life again. Others

were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection.

Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment.

They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented –

of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth.

And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise,

God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.

Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us,

looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

GOSPEL **John 1:43-51**

The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, “Follow Me.”

Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.

Philip found Nathanael and said to him, “We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote – Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.”

And Nathanael said to him, “Can anything good come out of Nazareth?” Philip said to him, “Come and see.”

Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!”

Nathanael said to Him, “How do You know me?” Jesus answered and said to him, “Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you.”

Nathanael answered and said to Him, “Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!”

Jesus answered and said to him, “Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.”

And He said to him, “Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.”

FOR YOUR PRAYERS Diane Tryon, 109 Joslyn Street, Arcadia, OH 44804;
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PRAYER LIST **Parishioners & Family:** James Bargdill / John Beadle / Carole Conaway/ Gary Conaway / Maryann Cook / Sharon Dietrich / Michael Glovinsky / Shirley Gresh / Joseph Habegger / Elaine Hileman / Betty Kovach / Helen Lis / David Mazurik / Child Stella Miller / William Pipenur / Earl Rindfleisch / Helen Jean Rofkar / Sonya Rose / Elaine Libb / Ron Royhab / George Royhab / Marianne Royhab / Stephanie Royhab / Stacy Kaplan / Kathy Jacob / Valerie Schutt / Joe Schutt / Tom Twarek / Diane Tryon / Ed Vangeloff / Irene Vangeloff / the child Bodhi Cassell / Nikki Williams & newborn Brexly / Trisha Monschein & newborn Zackary / Gleice & newborn Chloe / Gabrielle and her unborn child **Other Requests:** Donny / Marge Dziama / Child Ezra / Kurt Franck / Ben Franklin / Donald Gresh / Mark Ludvik / Marsha / Mark Masica / Jamie Philpot / Robert Piznar / Valerie Ritzenthaler / William / Rick Rowe / Sandy Scafaria / David Warner / Chuck Wiedenhoft / Sara / Chris / Tamman Haddad **Military:** Craig Cassell / Jake Ellithorpe / Jordon Fulton / Justin Issler / Tikhon / Nicholas / & all Military

MARCH CANDLE AND BULLETIN SPONSORS

Altar Candles: (\$50) Natalie Twarek for Birthday memory of Aunt Martha 2/ 24 and Aunt Anna 3/23; in loving Memory of my Godmother, Aunt Ella, 38 years, 3/23. **Bulletin:** (\$50) Available. **Chandelier:** (\$50) Diane Tryon in loving Memory of my brother, Richard for the 40th anniversary of his passing, March 13, 1983. **Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** (\$25) Available. **Candles at the Cross:** (\$15) Laura Kovach for Birthday blessings to Greg and in Memory of Russ. **Candles at St. Tikhon's Icon:** (\$15) For Safety of Nicholas, Tikhon, Gleice, and baby Chloe.

VIGILS FOR FEBRUARY 26

Tim Glovinsky (1) Birthday blessings for Dad

Susan Guzy (4) Special intentions

Laura Kovach (2) For health of Robin, Irene, Betty K., Ben F., Earl R., Mary P., Margaret M., Mark M., Dana M., Bodhi C., Hattie & Molly K., Pete R., Sharon D., Sonya, John D., Karen D., David W., and Chuck W. Safe travel for family and friends.

Sandy Martin (2) Health and recovery of Tony, Special intentions

Roddie & David Mazurik (2) Peace, Special Intentions

Diane Tryon (2) Birthday blessing to Uncle Bill 2/26, Special intentions

Natalie Twarek (7) In loving memory of Marguerite, Health and recovery of Tony, Birthday blessing for Basil and for Andy, Health and recovery of Father David, Health and recovery of Don & Judy Kiser, Mimi, For the health of Gabe, Robin, Valerie, Joe, Ed, Irene, Ron, Carole, Gary, Sharon, Kurt, Leslie & Ed, Health of Amber, Zach, Dottie, Jamie, Jim, Stephanie, Ezra, David, Helen Lis and Tina's dad, Earl, Tom, Loren, Sonya, Margi & Joe, Betty, Jackie, MaryAnn & Bob, Chuck, Bodhi, Diane, Stella, Jake, Pat, Karen

Greg Mazur (3) February 5, In loving memory of dad, Steve Mazur; In loving memory of Marguerite Bird; In loving memory of Joe Rose

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

3-Tony Monastra; 7-Tamera Blackford; 8-Rachel Adamcio; 8-Ruth Sheller; 11-Jason Monschein; 22- Ariana Holmes; 23-Mason Monschein; 30-Bobbie Royhab; 30-Fred Cassell; 31-Greg Mazur

MARCH REPOSED

1 George Danchisen (2018);3-Anna Stoyka (2018); 4-Andrew Mazur (2001); 6-Frank Guzy (2002); 6-Robert Haynal (2022); 8-Mat. Sonya Tutko (2021); 11-Ella Mazur (1918); 13-Richard Michael Benya (1983); 17-Frank Holodnak (1961); 23-Eva Pondillo (2001); 23-Ella Mazurik (1985); 23-Francis Mitchell (2008); 23-Barbara Ann Wasylenko (2017); 29-Todd Pollack (2019); 29-Carolyn Woodward (2000); 30-John Rofkar (2019)

ATTENDANCE

Saturday February 25 Vespers, 11 attended; Sunday February 26 Divine Liturgy, 27 attended; Sunday February 26, Forgiveness Vespers, 13 attended; Monday February 27 Great Canon, 12 attended; Wednesday March 1, Great Canon, 10 attended

From the Amvon of Father John Adamcio

This is the Apostolic Faith.

This is the Faith of the Fathers.

This is the Faith of the Orthodox.

This is the Faith that hath established the universe.

The Synodikon of Orthodoxy

The First Sunday of the Great Fast is dedicated to the Triumph of Orthodoxy, the restoration of icons to the Orthodox Faith. There was a time in the history of the Holy Orthodox Church that icons were no longer used either in the churches or personal veneration.

Early in the 8th Century, a group of Byzantine emperors, some under the political influence of Islam, began to destroy iconography, forbidding the use of icons in the worship of the Orthodox Church. These iconoclasts (icon-breakers), began a reign of terror within the Church and the Empire. This lasted for more than a century as icons were no longer used for veneration. Part of the rationale of this movement dealt with the Second Commandment not making graven images. Heretofore, icons were always used in personal and corporate veneration.

The Seventh Ecumenical Council was convened to discuss the problem, and finally restored icons to their proper place in the worship of the Church. On Sunday, March 11, 843, the First Sunday of the Great Fast that year, the Empress Irene proclaimed the decision of the Council.

On this day, the Church reminds us not only of the restoration of iconography and hymnography to their proper place, but also reaffirms the decrees and teachings of the First Six Ecumenical Councils and anathematizes all heresies (false teachings). It is important for us to always follow the true teachings of the Church.

However, even though times change, heresy and false teachings are often to be found hiding in plain sight. It could be said there was a second iconoclast movement during the time of the Protestant Reformation, when icons, and crosses, were expunged from the churches, It remains so even to this day!

The hymns of the Orthodox Church call us to worship the Creator, rather than creation. We see in these modern days not only a revival of false belief, but also of paganism itself.

The proliferation of non-Christian world religions in this pluralistic society is on the rise. We see belief systems that worship the created rather than our Lord Jesus Christ.

It is vitally important for us to study and understand the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Church, not falling into false or wrong beliefs which can influence us. Hold fast to the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed which we sing at every Liturgy, and many of the services of the Church.

Confession, *continued from February 26, 2023 bulletin*

We continue discussion of the Mystery of Repentance (Confession), getting to the “nitty-gritty” of what sin consists. Once we have established what sin is, then we can move forward towards repentance, reconciliation, and confession.

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another” (John 13:34-35).

This marvelous Scripture is vital to our understanding of our Christian life! These verses, in combination with verses from St. Paul’s First Epistle to the Corinthians, chapter 13, are set to Carpatho-Russian chant by His Eminence, Archbishop JOB (of thrice blessed memory), and have almost become the anthem of the Orthodox Church in America. These beautiful and meaningful verses impact our daily lives, if only we let them.

As Fr. Thomas Hopko writes: “This *new commandment* of Christ came to a world-without-God as something radically new. But it was not originally meant to be new at all! God wanted the world to be filled with His Love from the moment of creation. This was the original destiny of man: to live with God’s life and to fill all the ends of creation with His Divine Presence, which is Love Itself.” (cp 1 John 3 and 4)

All too often, we do not live up to this *New Commandment!* The Christian life to which we are called is not really a “state of being,” but rather can be understood as a “movement.” We are constantly moving towards Christ. Therefore it can be said that we are not completely human until we live completely in God’s love. This is eternal life!

How often should one come to Holy Confession? This is something which should be discussed with one’s Spiritual Father (generally the parish priest). A good “rule-of-thumb” is simply: whenever one has sinned, or feels the need to confess. The most common custom is to come to Holy Confession *at least* once each year. However, one can reap great spiritual benefit from coming more frequently. The more often we come, the easier it is. The more we examine our lives in the light of the Holy Gospel and the Church, the better we are able to see our sinful thoughts and actions. It would be beneficial to come to Confession during the fasting periods of the Church.

What, then, should one confess? One should confess the sins one has committed! We really know what sins are. They are those things which separate us from our Lord Jesus Christ! This not only includes the “general” sins (lying, stealing, judging, and gossiping), but also when we do bad things to other people; when we don’t forgive one another; when we refuse to change our bad ways; when we insult and degrade each other. These are just some of the ways we fall short of our high calling as Orthodox Christians.

SAVE THE DATE - HISTORICAL MARKER CEREMONY ON APRIL 1

On Saturday April 1 the Ottawa County Historical Society (OCHS) will recognize the Carpatho-Russians immigrants from Austro-Hungarian Empire, who founded Holy Assumption Orthodox Church, with the dedication of an Ohio Historical Marker. The “Holy Assumption Orthodox Church and County Immigrants” marker will be placed on church property in a 2:30 PM ceremony; the public is invited.

This designation highlights the contributions of immigrants to Ottawa County, and puts Holy Assumption on the map of historical markers in Ottawa County. Those who will be recognized came to Ohio from 1820 to 1920 to work in the limestone quarries.

A Church open house during the day and a Lenten reception following the ceremony are planned. Invite your family and friends to attend!

Details will follow.—Roberta Royhab

MAKE AN IMPACT—BE A MENTOR AT DANBURY LOCAL SCHOOLS!

The Family Advocacy Center (Ottawa County) is currently looking for caring adults to serve as positive role models for the **‘Til Next Time (TNT) Mentoring Program at Danbury Local Schools.**

Mentoring assures a young person that they are not alone—a mentor genuinely cares about them and what is going on in their life. Interested? Please contact Caroline Gatsch (phone or text at 419-798-6022), TNT Mentoring Coordinator at The Family Advocacy Center (Ottawa County) for Danbury & Put in Bay Schools.

LENTEN PIROGHI DINNERS at on March 10 & March 24, 4 to 7 PM, at SS PETER AND PAUL ORTHODOX CHURCH IN LORAIN; Live Music

Friday March 10 | Eat-In or Carry-Out • 6 Piroghis w/Cabbage & Noodles & Cole Slaw: \$10.00 • Lenten Soup (Large Cup): \$4.00 • Baked Goods: Assorted Prices • Cabbage & Noodles: \$4.00/container.

Friday March 24th | Carry-Out Only • 6 Piroghis w/Cabbage & Noodles & Cole Slaw: \$10.00 • Lenten Soup (Large Cup): \$4.00 • Baked Goods: Assorted Prices • Cabbage & Noodles: \$4.00/container • Stuffed Cabbage (Pre-Orders Only) \$24/Dozen or \$2.00 each. **SS Peter and Church is located at 2238 E. 32nd St. in Lorain**



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**MARCH 05, 2023
@ FIVE O'CLOCK
HOLY TRINITY**

**GREAT VESPERS ON
THE SUNDAY OF
ORTHODOXY**

CHIEF CELEBRANT & HOMILIST

Bishop Andrei, PhD
of Cleveland, Vicar Bishop to
the Romanian Episcopate, OCA

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

All are Encouraged
to bring Holy Icons & hold
them up during the procession

Join us at Holy Trinity Orthodox Church
6822 Broadview Road, Parma, Ohio 44134

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CLEANING SCHEDULE March 6, Sandy; March 13, Roddie; March 20, Natalie; March 27, Basil & Tim

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