



This Weeks Schedule
St Michael Orthodox Church

SUNDAY of the Myrrbearing Women, May 8th

Mother's Day
 Hours @ 9:10 AM
 Divine Liturgy @ 9:30 AM
followed by
 Coffee Hour

THIS WEEK

WED @ 11 AM: Private Prayer/Confessions

11 AM-1:30 PM

WED @ 5 PM: Daily Vespers

NEXT WEEKEND

SAT, May 14th: 9th hour/Great Vespers @ 5 PM, Confessions

SUN, May 15: Hours @ 9:10 AM, Divine Liturgy @ 9:30 AM, Coffee Hour

ANNOUNCEMENTS

& Upcoming Parish Events



Upcoming Fundraisers: We need YOUR help to make our upcoming fundraisers possible. If you would like to plan something please get with me to discuss the details and the dates such as **Peirogi Project:**

Financial Meeting: Tuesday May 10th @ 2:00 PM

Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday May 10th @ 4:00 PM

Parish Work Day: TBD

Jude 1:9 "Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee."

Holy Archangel Michael Pray unto God for us!



FROM THE AMBON

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SUN, May 8th, 2022 3RD SUNDAY OF PASCHA TONE 2. MYRRBEARING WOMEN
CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Happy Mothers Day!

Bless all our Mothers!

Birthdays: Daniel Jones (5/30)

Nameday: Emily Krenitsky (5/30)

Baptism: Fr Michael and Matushka Emilia Shepherd (5/8); Maximus Shepherd (5/16); Rodion Shepherd (5/18)

Anniversary: Fr Michael Shepherd - Priest Ordination (5/26)

Travelers: For all who are traveling this week

Visitors: Please stay after the service and join us for an Agape Meal, which is provided by Fr Michael and his family on the occasion of Mother's Day.

Kitchen Schedule: Need volunteers for Kitchen

Prosphora Schedule: May - Marie Pasternak

June - Fr Michael

July - Need Volunteer

Parish Prayer List

PARISH PRAYER LIST Living: Matushka Paula Soucek, Fr Theodore Orzolek, Mike Jadick, Bernie Elko, Rose Krenitsky, Margaret Pregmon, Dr David Lezinsky, Fr John Nightingale, Stella Krenitsky, Marie Buranich, Helen Wytovich, Tammy Wytovich, Rosemary Kuzmich, Sandra Pritchkyk, Marie Pasternak, Sandy Batton, Paula Stavisky, Al Pritchkyk, Dr. Eli Stavisky, Evelyn Bunevitch

Departed: Archbishop Paul

DEAR GUESTS AND FRIENDS: A most sincere and heartfelt welcome to you from our community. According to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared to receive the Holy Sacrament through prayer and fasting. If you have questions please let us know!

How Much is my tiche

Weekly	2%	4%	5%	10%
\$200	\$4	\$8	\$10	\$20
\$500	\$10	\$20	\$25	\$50
\$750	\$15	\$30	\$37	\$75
\$1000	\$20	\$40	\$50	\$100
\$1500	\$30	\$60	\$75	\$150

WEEKLY GIVING UPDATE: We thank you for your continued giving in gratitude for all that our loving God does for each of us, for His Holy Church, and all the blessings we receive through her.

Weekly Cost to Keep the Church Open: \$2,551.08
Monthly Cost to Keep the Church Open: \$10,204.29
Collections last Sunday: \$1684.00

What does the Bible say about Stewardship?

Give without show

“Let not your left hand know what your right hand is doing.” (Matt.6:3).

Give with regularity in proportion

“Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God has prospered him.” (I Cor. 16:2)

Give liberally

“He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.” (II Cor. 9:6)

Give cheerfully

“Let everyone give as his heart tells him, neither grudgingly, nor under compulsion, for God loves the man that gives cheerfully.” (II Cor. 9:7)

If you would like to pay tithes or donate online, visit our website and click on the donate button.



Words of Wisdom

From the Saints & Teachers

16:2 *They Went to the Tomb*

The Sequence of Burial Events. Bede: As to its being said in the gospel reading that holy women came to see the sepulcher “on the evening which was growing on toward the dawn of Sunday,” we should understand this thus: they started to come during the evening, but reached the sepulcher as the morning of Sunday was dawning; that is, they prepared the spices with which they wanted to anoint our Lord’s body on [Saturday] evening, but brought the spices that they had prepared in the evening to the sepulcher in the morning. Matthew, for the sake of brevity, wrote this more obscurely; but the other evangelists¹⁰ show more distinctly the order in which it was done. After our Lord had been buried on Friday, the women went away from the tomb and prepared spices and ointments for as long as it was permitted them to work. They then refrained from activity on the sabbath, in accord with they commandment, as Luke clearly reports.¹² When the sabbath was over, as evening was coming on, the time for working had returned. Being resolute in their devotion, they bought the spices that they had not prepared [earlier] (as Mark records it) so that they might come and anoint him. Exposition on the Gospel of Mark 2.7.

Oden, T. C., & Hall, C. A. (Eds.). (1998). [Mark \(Revised\)](#) (p. 229). Downers Grove, IL: InterVarsity Press.

16:6 *You Seek Jesus of Nazareth, Who Was Crucified*

The Tree as Sign. John of Damascus: When we worship the likeness of the priceless and life-giving cross, we know that it is made out of a tree. We are not honoring the tree as such (God forbid), but the likeness as a symbol of Christ. For he said to his disciples, admonishing them, “Then shall appear the sign of the Son of Man in Heaven,” meaning the cross. And so also the angel of the resurrection said to the woman, “You seek Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified.”³⁸ And the apostle said, “We preach Christ crucified.” For there are many named Jesus and many who may claim to be the Christ, but we worship the one crucified. He does not say pierced but crucified. It behooves us, then, to worship the sign of Christ. For wherever the sign may be, there also will he be. But it does not behoove us to worship the material of which the image of the cross is composed, even though it is gold or precious stones. The Orthodox Faith 4.11.

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