



*Welcome to St. Athanasius the Great Byzantine
Catholic Church*

*Glory to Jesus Christ! Slava Isusu Christu!
Glory to Him Forever! Slava Naviky Bohu!*

We welcome all to the Divine Services at our parish. Our restrooms are in the Dormition Hall behind the next door Rectory. On Sundays, after Divine Liturgy, our potluck luncheon is open to everyone, especially our guests. Please bring a main dish, side or dessert to share.

We appreciate all the help from each of you when you can join us, even 1 or 2 hours is a huge help! We pray for all of our workers, bakers, and volunteers who support our parish!

Need to request an appointment with Father?

Father is available for confession or spiritual direction by appointment and he welcomes you to contact him whenever you need him.

Prayers for the sick or other intentions:

If you have a special intention for the sick, birthdays, deceased, need to request a Liturgy or other service to be offered for someone please give a note, text or call Father at 216-532-6364.

Announcements:

Paska bread is now available. You can purchase them after services on Saturdays and Sundays or during bake days Tuesday through Friday. Small \$12, Medium \$14, Large \$16. Add \$1 for raisins. Call the parish at 317-632-4157 to arrange pick-ups. Thank you for helping with our parish's fund-raising.

ECF Class

We welcome kids of all ages from our parish to participate in ECF class on Sundays after Liturgy and Lunch for 30 minutes.

An adult ECF class will be held on Sundays in our church as well. Please bring your friends to our church to help build our church community.

Stewardship Appeal

Please consider making a sacrificial gift to this year's Appeal that reflects the importance of the Church in your life and in the lives of those close to you. The Eparchy needs your support. Your gift will make a positive difference, such as: Development of Parishes, Vocations and Seminarian Education, The Works of the Apostolate and Retired Priests of the Eparchy.

The Great Fast is from February 20 through Palm Sunday.

This is a 40 days fast for those who are healthy between the ages of 14 through 60. Fasting restrictions include no meat, dairy, eggs or any alcohol. Everyone can come for services, make their own office/prayers at home or read the Holy Bible, make good deeds to each other, come to confession, visit sick people, call your parents, etc. Sick people, pregnant/lactating women, kids younger than 14 and adults older than 60 are not expected to fast.

SCHOLARSHIP

The Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma will be providing one scholarship to a young member of our Eparchy which will cover the cost of the full trip July 20 - August 8, 2023, including airfare. The recipient will serve as a chaperone for an English summer camp in Slovakia and enjoy a European road trip to Portugal, stopping in Nice, Lourdes, and Fatima, before arriving to Lisbon to participate in the World Youth Day Pilgrimage. Visit www.parma.org/WYD2023 to learn more and **Apply by April 1, 2023.**

FOOLS FOR CHRIST

The 3rd annual young adults retreat theme is learning how to become Fools for Christ. Check us out at Byzantineyoungadults.com

When: July 27-July 30, 2023 Cards are on the back table of the church

Where: St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church Lakeside Marblehead OH

Email: byzantineyoungadults@gmail.com Phone: 440-720-4679

Services for the week of Mar. 12, 2023				
	Day	Time	Service	Readings
Sunday	March 12 3 rd Sunday of the Great Fast Veneration of the Holy Cross	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 12:10 PM 1:00 PM	Matins Divine Liturgy ECF Class Vespers	Heb 4:14-5:6 Mk 8:34-9:1
Monday	March 13 Translation of the Relics of Nicephorus	6:00 PM	Psalter Jesus Prayer	9 th Kathisma
Tuesday	March 14 Benedict Venerable	6:00 PM	Psalter Jesus Prayer	10 th Kathisma
Wednesday	March 15 Agapius & Others Martyrs Mid-Lent	6:00 PM	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy	Gen 9:18-10:1 Prov 12:23-13:9
Thursday	March 16 Sabinus & Papas	6:00 PM	Psalter Jesus Prayer	11 th Kathisma
Friday	March 17 Alexus, Man of God	6:00 PM	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy	Gen 12:1-7 Prov 14:15-26
Saturday	March 18 4 th All Souls Saturday	9:00 AM 5:00 PM	Divine Liturgy & Panachida Vespers & Holy Repentance	Heb 6:9-12 Mk 7:31-37
Sunday	March 19 4 th Sunday of the Great Fast St. John Climacus	8:15 AM 10:00 AM 12:10 PM 1:00 PM	Matins Divine Liturgy ECF Class Vespers	Heb 6:13-20 Mk 9:17-31

VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Today, the 3rd Sunday of the Great Fast, we will bless crosses. The cross stands in the midst of the church in the middle of the Lenten season not merely to remind men of Christ's redemption and to keep before them the goal of their efforts, but also to be venerated as that reality by which man must live to be saved. "He who does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me" (Mt.10:38). For in the Cross of Christ Crucified lies both "the power of God and the wisdom of God" for those being saved (1 Cor.1:24).

The most common icon associated with the Veneration of the Cross is the same icon used on the Feast of the Universal Exaltation of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross, September 14. It is on the front cover of today's bulletin. In the icon, Patriarch Macarius is standing in the pulpit elevating the Cross for all to see and venerate. On each side of the Patriarch are deacons holding candles. The elevated Cross is surrounded and venerated by many clergy and lay people, including Saint Helen, the mother of Emperor Constantine. In the background of the icon is a domed structure that represents the Church of the Resurrection in Jerusalem. This church was one of the churches constructed and dedicated by Emperor Constantine on the holy sites of Jerusalem.

ALMS GIVING

Fill the Pantry

You can help with the Lenten mission of giving alms by donating various foods to the parish's pantry. We have a number of needy men and women who come to our hall each week. Bring shelf stable items to fill the pantry shelves Suggestions: canned meat, fish, soup, fruit & vegetables with pop tops, boxed milk, crackers, peanut butter, stuffing mix, cooking oil, salt & pepper, spices, tuna, granola bars, nuts, string cheese, juice, water. Thank you for your generosity.

BEAUTIFYING OUR CHURCH

As you've noticed we've been using live flowers in the church for many months. You are urged to bring flowers to be displayed on the tetrapod or in front of the iconostasis. In the current season of the Great Fast red flowers are to be used. You can bring red flowers on Holy Thursday to adorn the burial shroud on Good Friday. During the Paschal (Easter) season white flowers are used. Bring white flowers on Holy Saturday. Thank you for helping to decorate our church.

PSALM 8

Divine Majesty and Human Dignity

- ¹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- ² Out of the mouths of babes and infants
you have founded a bulwark because of your foes,
to silence the enemy and the avenger.
- ³ When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
- ⁴ what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
mortals^[a] that you care for them?
- ⁵ Yet you have made them a little lower than God,^[b]
and crowned them with glory and honor.
- ⁶ You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet,
- ⁷ all sheep and oxen,
and also the beasts of the field,
- ⁸ the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,
whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- ⁹ O LORD, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!



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Weekend Divine Services

Saturday: 5 PM Vespers

Sunday: 8:15 AM Matins

10 AM Divine Liturgy

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