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Eve Sundays & Feast Days

5:00 PM Confessions

6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sundays and Feast Days

8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Please check weekly schedule
for specific days (last page).

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FEBRUARY 19, 2023

36TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY OF THE LAST
JUDGMENT



Today's Gospel reading is Matthew 25:31-46, the parable of the Last Judgment. It reminds us that while trusting in Christ's love and mercy, we must not forget His righteous judgment when He comes again in glory. If our hearts remain hardened and unrepentant, we should not expect the Lord to overlook our transgressions simply because He is a good and loving God. Although He does not desire the death of a sinner, He also expects us to turn from our wickedness and live (Ezek. 33:11). This same idea is expressed in the prayer read by the priest after the penitent has confessed his or her sins (Slavic practice).

The time for repentance and forgiveness is now, in the present life. At the Second Coming, Christ will appear as the righteous Judge, "Who will render to every man according to his deeds" (Rom. 2:6). Then the time for entreating God's mercy and forgiveness will have passed.

As Father Alexander Schmemmann reminds us in his

book GREAT LENT (Ch. 1:4), sin is the absence of love, it is separation and isolation. When Christ comes to judge the world, His criterion for judgment will be love. Christian love entails seeing Christ in other people, our family, our friends, and everyone else we may encounter in our lives. We shall be judged on whether we have loved, or not loved, our neighbor. We show Christian love when we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, visit those who are sick or in prison. If we did such things for the least of Christ's brethren, then we also did them for Christ (Mt.25:40). If we did not do such things for the least of the brethren, neither did we do them for Christ (Mt.25:45).

Today is the last day for eating meat and meat products until Pascha, though eggs and dairy products are permitted every day during the coming week. This limited fasting prepares us gradually for the more intense fasting of Great Lent.

Church School Calendar

Saturday March 4

Saturday April 8 (Lazarus Saturday)

Saturday May 6

Saturday June 3

The Sermon on the Mount (*Matthew Chapters 5, 6, and 7*)

A Brief Catechism by H. Paul Finley

Presented at St. Theodosius Orthodox Church

First Five Wednesdays of Great Lent following Presanctified Liturgy

The Sermon on the Mount begins with the Beatitudes, but the whole of the sermon gives us instruction on how to live out those beatitudes, "the blessings," in our day-to-day life. It is that life which leads us to heaven, where we will see the Risen Christ face to face and dwell with the Saints forever.

March 1, 2023 - The Beatitudes: A Stairway to Heaven (Matthew 5:1-16)

March 8, 2023 – Living the Beatitudes from the Inside Out (Matthew 5:17-48)

March 15, 2023 – Staying in Shape as We Climb the Stairway: Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving (Matthew 6:1-24)

March 22, 2023 – Don't be Distracted by Possessions and Worry as You Make the Climb (Matthew Chapter 6:25-34)

March 29, 2023 - Seven Traps as You Climb the Staircase (Matthew Chapter 7)

St. Vladimir's Orthodox Summer Camp

2795 Wakefield Creek Road
Farmdale, OH 44417



St. Vladimir's Summer Camp offers three different sessions.

	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3
When	July 2-8, 2023	July 9-15, 2023	July 16-22, 2023
Ages	8-12	10-17	13-17
Also Know		Junior Olympics / NJSST	

Sessions 1& 3 are focused around crafts and service projects. Each camp week has a theme for the week and crafts and fun with father focus the learning times around that theme.

Session 2 is a sports based camp in which we also tie orthodox learning lessons with the resident priest into the week. We encourage Orthodox fellowship and encourage the campers to cheer on everyone. Trying to teach the campers that winning is more than medals, trophies and scores!



Visit www.stvladimirscampohio.com to register and check out more camp information. Or visit our Facebook Page or Instagram both St. Vladimir's Summer Camp

VISITATIONS

Fr. Cizmar would like to know who requires visitation. He is eager to visit those who might have gone a long time without visitation for any reason at all. A key duty of a priest's ministry is to visit the sick and confined, those unable to attend the holy services for any reason. His phone number and email address are printed on the front of every Ambo, and are repeated here:

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FOCA

On Sunday, February 26th, the FOCA will meet after Divine Liturgy. All members are urged to attend this meeting as we will be discussing the future of our chapter.

Subdeacon Darrell Felon
Chapter President

Boys' Night Out

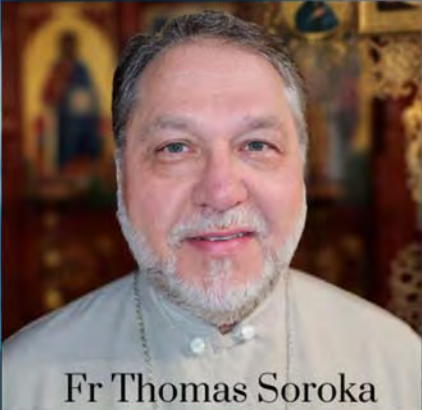
Gentlemen! Boys' Night Out is set for February 19th, at 5:00 PM at

Pioneer

2407 Lorain Ave, Cleveland, OH 44113 * Contact **Dan Morris** if you plan to attend!



BEING ORTHODOX
RESILIENCE
in a Time of Doubt
Saturday, March 11, 2023
1:00 pm to 4:00 pm



Fr Thomas Soroka

Archangel Michael Orthodox Church
5025 East Mill Road
Broadview Heights, Ohio 44147
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440-526-5192 or info@stmichaelscleveland.org

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THE IOCC CLEVELAND METROPOLITAN COMMITTEE

invites you to the

31st Annual Banquet

Monday, May 8, 2023

Dinner 6:00 pm

WOODSIDE EVENT CENTER
AT ST. MICHAEL'S

5025 E. Mill Rd. | Broadview Heights, OH 44147

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PRAYER REQUESTS

as of 2/19/2023

Deceased

Archpriest Daniel Rentel

Kristin Robinson (*friend of Nicholas Kozak*)

Marion Wojnarowski

Special Intentions:

Subdeacon Theodore Lentz

Subdeacon Igor Gajewsky

Reader Paul Pangrace

Reader Frank Tkacz

Daniel Boerio

Jennifer Boerio

Horia Dascalescu (*Lavinia's brother*)

Diane Kearsey (*Janice Tkacz's Sister*)

Janice Tkacz

Eleanor Wachovec (*friend of Karen Felon*)

Rachel Ohlin (*relative of Tatiana*)

Erin Zawolowycz

Joseph Czajkowski (*son of Jerry*)

Carol Nielsen (*Paul Pangrace's sister*)

Virginia Medvec

Stephen Chwalyk

Jeffrey Parhamovich (*brother of Karen Felon*)

Margaret Parhamovich (*sister-in-law of Karen Felon*)

Margaret Peyton (*Cathy's aunt*)

Jean Woycitzky Thompson (*Frank's cousin*)

Anna Marie Luvison (*daughter of Matthew & Katie (Ellis) Luvison*)

Debra Parhamovich (*sister of Karen Felon*)

Grace Mary Parhamovich (*mother of Karen Felon*)

Peter

Gayle Vidovich

Elizabeth Balasz

Christina Hile (*Nisi & Cindy's sister*)

Lonnie Ellis (*Husband to Debra Ellis*)

Robert Martin Prock

Andrew (*Nephew of Deborah Finley*)

Valentina Zawolowycz (*mother of Paul Z*)

Melvin Timm

Michael and **Nichole** Zolikoff and **unborn child**

Jennifer Humphrey

Danitza Pozderac

Barbara

Chrystophora

Kathleen

Michelle Ermic (*family friend of Cathy*)

Richard Orthen (*family friend of Cathy*)

Mary Ann Reck (*mother of Cathy*)

Helga Timm

Please submit names to the Prayer List by emailing them to Fr. Jan Cizmar st.theodosiuscathedral@gmail.com

Or calling at 1(440) 732-8182

Names remain on the list for 30 days unless requested otherwise.

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

<p>Sunday, February 19 Mark 16:9-20 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Matthew 25:31-46</p>	<p>Wednesday, February 22 Joel 2:12-26 Joel 3:12-21</p>	<p>41, 45, 48, 54 Composite 9 - Malachi 3, 4 Composite 3 - Wisdom of Solomon 4, 5 Luke 7:17-30 2 Corinthians 4:6-15 Matthew 11:2-15</p>	<p>Saturday, February 25 Galatians 5:22-6:2 Matthew 11:27-30 Romans 14:19-23, 16:25- 27 Matthew 6:1-13</p>
<p>Monday, February 20 3 John 1:1-15 Luke 19:29-40, 22:7-39</p>	<p>Thursday, February 23 Jude 1:11-25 Luke 23:2-34, 44-56</p>	<p>Friday, February 24 Zechariah 8:7-17 Zechariah 8:19-23 Composite 8 - Isaiah 40,</p>	<p>Sunday, February 26 Luke 24:1-12 Romans 13:11-14:4 Matthew 6:14-21</p>
<p>Tuesday, February 21 Jude 1:1-10 Luke 22:39-42, 45-23:1</p>			

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Sunday, February 19
36th Sunday after Pentecost
Sunday of the Last Judgement
Meatfare Sunday
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Coffee Hour
5:00 PM Boys' Night Out (Pioneer)

Monday, February 20
St. Leo, Bishop of Catania in Sicily (ca. 780)

Tuesday, February 21
Saint Makarios of Glinsk Hermitage (19th c.)
6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 22
Uncovering of the Relics of the Holy Martyrs at the Gate of Eugenius at Constantinople (395-423)
6:00 PM Akathist
Short lecture on spiritual life to follow

WEEKLY SCHEDULE 2023



Thursday, February 23
Hieromartyr Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna (167)

Friday, February 24
First (4th c.) and Second (452) Finding of the Honorable Head of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist of the Lord, John

Saturday, February 25
Commemoration of All Departed Righteous Monastics
6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sunday, February 26
37th Sunday after Pentecost
The Expulsion of Adam and Eve from Paradise
Cheesefare Sunday
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Forgiveness Vespers to follow
Coffee Hour
FOCA meeting