

SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

Fifth Paschal Sunday

April 28, 2024

Epistle: Acts 11:19-26,29-30 Gospel: Jn 4:5-42 Matins Gos. 7: Jn 20:1-10



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Facebook: search St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church, Lorain

This week at St. Nicholas

Sat.	4/27	3 p.m.	Great Vespers
		4 p.m.	Vigil Divine Liturgy <i>*for the people of the parish</i>
Sun.	4/28	<i>Sunday of the Samaritan Woman; The Holy Apostles Jason & Sosipater; The Holy Martyrs Dadas, Maximus & Quintillian; Our Holy Father Cyril, Bishop of Turov</i>	
		8:30 a.m.	Sunday Matins
		9:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy <i>for +Martha Teleha</i> by Ryan & Mary Bard (64-17)
Mon.	4/29	<i>Nine Holy Martyrs of Cyzice; Our Venerable Father Memnon the Wonder-worker</i>	
		9 a.m.	Divine Liturgy
		6:30 p.m.	Scouts
Tue.	4/30	6:30 p.m.	Pastoral Council Meeting
Wed.	5/1	<i>Leave-taking of Mid-Pentecost; The Holy Prophet Jeremiah</i>	
		6:30 p.m.	Moleben to the Holy Spirit
Fri.	5/3	<i>Martyr Timothy & Wife Maura; Ven. Father Theodosius of Monastery of the Caves</i>	
		9 a.m.	Divine Liturgy
Sat.	5/4	2 - 2:30 p.m.	Confessions - Holy Mystery of Reconciliation (1st Saturday)
		3 p.m.	Great Vespers
		4 p.m.	Vigil Divine Liturgy [+ <i>Mary Kolcun</i> by Ann/Larry Jewell (64-19)]
		5 p.m.	Rosary (1st Saturday)
Sun.	5/5	<i>Sunday of the Man Born Blind: Sixth Paschal Sunday</i>	
		<i>Holy & Glorious Martyr Irene; Ven. Father Nicephor of the Medikion Monastery</i>	
		8:30 a.m.	Sunday Matins
		9:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy <i>*for the people of the parish</i>

Upcoming Holy & Special Days: Ascension (May 8 Vesperal Liturgy at 7pm, May 9 Festal Matins at 9am); 5th All Souls Saturday (May 18 at 9am); Pentecost Monday (May 20 at 9am)

Eparchy of Parma Website & Facebook: See parma.org or Facebook

App for Byzantine Divine Praises
The daily Divine Praises with changeable parts are on the free app ECPubs.com.

Byzantine Catholic Radio & Podcast
“Light of the East”

Program hosted by Fr. Thomas Loya
Sundays 11:30am-12noon
(replay 11:30 pm) on 1260AM The Rock
Podcasts of previous broadcasts (to 2009)
available at byzantinecatholic.com/podcast

Fasting Requirements: No food or drink (except water) one hour before receiving Communion. Simple abstinence (no meat) every Friday, except on days exempt by law. Simple abstinence required on days with the calendar “fish” symbol; may be moved if it falls on Sunday (Sept. 14, Dec. 24, Jan. 5, Aug. 29, Holy Saturday). During the Great Fast, simple abstinence required Wed./Fri. Strict abstinence (no meat, eggs, dairy) on the 1st day of the Fast & Good Friday.

What Kind of Church is St. Nicholas Parish?

- We are a Ruthenian Byzantine Catholic Church, in communion with the holy father, Pope Francis.
- Our tradition is rooted in the authentic apostolic tradition. The Byzantine Churches have roots in the Church of Constantinople, which played a central role in the formation of the Nicene-Constantinopolitan Creed, commonly called the Nicene Creed, and in all the early ecumenical councils (1st through 7th).
- The Byzantine-Ruthenian Church began when the territory of Greater Moravia called Rus’ was evangelized by SS. Cyril & Methodius in A.D. 863-864. receiving a Byzantine rite bishop as attested by Patriarch Photius in 867. Our bishop is Bishop Robert M. Pipta of the Eparchy of Parma, a suffragan eparchy of the Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh.

Byzantine Catholic Radio & Podcast

“Beyond the Veil”:

Program hosted by Fr. Thomas Loya
The program can be heard
(<https://radiomaria.us>).

Archives of previous shows can be found at: <https://radiomaria.us/beyond-the-veil/>

Eucharistic Renewal

The faithful are to attend the divine liturgy (and/or the divine praises) on Sundays and holy days, as is fitting for the People of God.

Confession: Sacrament of Reconciliation

A Guide to Confession and a Guide for Examination of Conscience are available in the narthex. If you have committed sins of a grave nature (*i.e.* “mortal” sins), please go to Confession before receiving Holy Communion.

God With Us Online Learning

Resources: God With Us Eastern Catholic Formation is the official catechetical apostolate of the Eastern Catholic Churches of the USA.

God With Us Eastern Catholic Formation’s mission is to educate, equip, and inspire missionary disciples in Eastern Catholic Churches to serve in the vocation of evangelization and catechesis. This is accomplished through four primary apostolates:

- God With Us Radio*
- God With Us Books*
- God With Us Online*
- God With Us Institute*

To find these ever-expanding resources, go to:

<https://godwithusonline.org>

Pastoral Council: Anne Dillon, Sue Druga, Sandra Farnsworth, Linda Skibo

Economic Council: Joanne Mrosko, Bruce Skibo, Adrienne Terleck

Eastern Christian Formation: Anne Dillon, Debra Obergas, Madeline Zaworski, (Fr. Andrew)

Kitchen Leadership: Bruce Skibo, Linda Skibo, Sandra Farnsworth

Strategic Planning: Rita Deliman, Sue Druga, Erna Kodman, Rosemary Moroni, Debra Obergas, Sarah Skrepich, David Stacko

First Friday Visits to Sick and Shut-Ins

The First Friday of the month will be devoted to visiting the sick and the shut-ins, for distribution of Holy Communion, and any other necessary sacraments. Fr. Andrew will contact those on our prayer list (in-state only) any others he is aware of unable to attend church due to reasons of illness, disability or transportation. Please let Fr. Andrew know if you know anyone who would need Fr. Andrew to visit. Appointments for sacraments may be made anytime, especially for those gravely ill or in the hospital.

Mystery of Reconciliation (Confessions): 1st Saturday of the Month from 2 - 2:30 p.m.

Also by appointment (or just ask the priest!)

Sunday Vespers and Matins

The liturgical celebration of each day begins with Vespers on the prior evening. Vespers is the church's traditional prayers for sundown. Matins is the church's traditional prayers for sunrise.

If a person is unable to attend Divine Liturgy, the Sunday obligation may be fulfilled by attending Vespers or Matins. The faithful are encouraged to attend all of the services.

Rosary: First Saturday of the month after the 4pm divine liturgy (approximately 5 pm).

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Supporting the mission of our parish:

April 21 totals: Sunday \$1282, Bright Monday \$50, St. George \$10, Candles \$72, Building \$100, GCU Annual Parishes Support \$1000. TOTAL \$2,514.00.

Thank you for supporting St. Nicholas Parish!

Parish

Christ is Risen!

Indeed He Is Risen!

Divine Liturgy Propers Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

After Blessed is the Kingdom:

Priest: Christ is risen...

People: Christ is risen... (twice)

Troparia: 186

Kontakia: 187

Prokeimenon: 188

Alleluia: 188

Magnification & Irmos: 188

Communion Hymn(s): 188

Instead of "We Have Seen...":

Christ is Risen... (83)

Instead of "Glory to the Father...":

Christ is Risen... (90)

Paschal Special Dismissal (94)

Volunteers Needed for Property Landscaping We need several volunteers to help with cutting the church grass, weed whipping and edging the property. If you are able to help, please contact John Gresh (440)-986-5006 for additional information regarding what needs to be done, keys, and operation of the equipment.

Volunteers Needed - Baking Prosfora (Communion Bread) There is a sign-up

sheet in the narthex. The sheet includes the previous names and the months they were previously signed up for.

We are currently looking for a volunteer to make the bread for May. Other months are available. We have some extra from previous months, that could last us through mid-May.

Praying for Divine Guidance for Our Parish: Moleben to the Holy Spirit

We will celebrate the Moleben to the Holy Spirit on Wednesday, May 1 and Wednesday, May 29.(6:30 p.m. both days). Our special intention is to ask for divine wisdom to guide our parish planning for the future.

1st Saturday - Rosary will be after the Divine Liturgy on Saturday, May 5 (starting just after 5 p.m.).

2nd Annual Mother's Day Tea This popular event is returning for the second year! It will be on Sunday, May 12 (Mother's Day). All women are invited to attend. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex for those who wish to attend. Please sign up by May 5.

Parish Planning Survey Presentation & Survey - May 19 Weekend In April, our parish received estimates for ALL of the repair work that needs to be done. Our parish Strategic Planning Commission has also investigated other options.

Our path forward will require a serious commitment from the members of the parish, and may require a willingness to sacrifice.

All parishioner will be asked to stay after the Divine Liturgy on the May 18-19 week-

end for a brief presentation (remaining in the church). The surveys will be distributed and all parish members will be asked to make thoughtful and honest consideration when answering.

Eucharistic Revival Our final scheduled presentation will be on Sunday, May 26 after the morning divine liturgy (re-scheduled from May 19 due to the Parish Planning Survey Presentation).

Eparchy of Parma Stewardship Appeal 2023/24 This weekend marks the end of the promotion for this year's Stewardship Appeal. Payments may continue to be made through the end of this fiscal year, June 30, 2024. Visit parma.org to make your donation. Thank you to everyone who participated with their time, talent, and treasure. Your participation has allowed our Eparchy of Parma to continue to provide funds to support four important needs in the Eparchy: Development of Parishes; Vocations and Seminarian Education; Works of the Apostolate; and Retired Priests. God Bless you!

As of 4/3/2024, St. Nicholas Parishioners have pledged **\$7,620**, which is **91.8%** of the way toward the parish goal of \$8,300. This number does not reflect any monies that were received after April 3 in the eparchial office.

This means that we are only \$680.00 away from meeting our parish goal.

If you have not already contributed, please consider making a donation to the Eparchy's Stewardship Appeal (please indicate St. Nicholas Parish in Lorain when asked). Donations may be made online at www.parma.org/stewardship-message2023

If you need a paper form, there is a link on the website, or call the parish office if

you are unable to access the weblink. **Quarterly Raffle** Tickets for the 2nd Quarter Raffle (April-May-June) are available after the weekend Divine Liturgies. The drawing will be on Sunday, June 30.

Divine Liturgy Intentions We are accepting Divine Liturgy intention requests. Please indicate if "exact day", "Saturday evening", "Sunday", "day near", or "any day" is requested for the intention, which may be for the living or the deceased. The suggested stipend of \$20 is a free-will offering.

Coming Soon - Coffee Social With gratitude toward volunteers who have helped set up a new lounge seating area in the parish hall, parishioners will be invited to stay after the Sunday divine liturgy for fellowship - even when we do not have a scheduled event on the schedule.

Parish Committee/Council Meetings:
Pastoral Council - Apr. 30 at 6:30 p.m.
Economic Council - May 7 at 10 a.m.

Upcoming Parish Events:

Sunday, May 12
Mother's Day Tea
Saturday & Sunday, May 18-19
Parish Planning Survey Presentation
Sunday, May 26
Final Eucharistic Revival Session
Sunday, June 16
Father's Day Grill Out
Sunday, July 14
Parish Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch
Sunday, August 11
Parish Picnic and Outdoor Liturgy

Parish Birthdays in April

4 Joanne Mrosko
11 Fr. Andrew Nagrant
20 Debbie Gresh
30 Rebecca Camp

Eparchy of Parma Pre-Cana Weekend May 4-5. Required for all couples preparing for marriage. Register online at taborlife.org. Please contact the parish office to speak to the parish priest about marriage preparation, since the Pre-Cana Weekend goes hand-in-hand with the preparations done at the parish. For more Pre-Cana info, please see the flyer in the narthex.

2024 ByzanTEEN Rally Registration This year's National ByzanTEEN Rally will be at the University of San Diego, June 27-30. It will be time for fun, fellowship and faith for the future of our Church. Featuring keynote speakers Fr. Chris Zuger, Mother Iliana of Christ the Bridegroom Monastery, and Trent Horn of Catholic Answers. The cost of the weekend is \$380. FINANCIAL HELP for Parma Byzanteens available. To register as a teen or chaperone, go to: <https://archpitt.org/byzan-teen-youth-rally-2024>. Final registration deadline is May 31. For more details, or to inquire about financial help, contact the parish priest

Family and Cantor Camp 2024: Liturgy and Life. Join Byzantine Catholic families from across the Eparchy of Parma from August 11-16 in Cedar Lakes, Indiana to have some faith-focused, family-friendly fun! This year's camp will feature Fr. Andrew Summerson and special guests, who will lead a Cantor Camp for both children and adults. Cantor Camp will bring families together to build up our rich tradition of Byzantine

Catholic worship and enrich the spiritual lives of our families through singing. Alongside Cantor Camp, there will be daily Liturgy and community prayer, as well as plenty of outdoor activities. This year's camp will be hosted at Cedar Lakes Ministries, which has an abundance of on-site facilities for families to have fun together outdoors, including a private beach, playground, campfire sites, and multiple fields and courts for sports. Find out more and register at <https://parma.org/family-camp>.

Upcoming Events for the Eparchy of Parma & Metropolitan Church:

May 4-5
Eparchy of Parma
Pre-Cana Weekend
May 25
Shrine of Mariapoch Gala
June 27-30
ByzanTEEN Youth Rally
San Diego, CA
July 25-30
Byzantine Young Adult
4th Annual Retreat
Marblehead, OH
Aug. 11-16
Eparchy of Parma Family Camp
Cedar Lake, IN
Aug. 17-18
Eparchial Pilgrimage
Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch
Burton, OH
Oct. 12-13
100th Jubilee Weekend of the
Metropolitan Church
Washington DC & Annandale VA
Oct. 25-27
Eparchial Women's Renewal