

It is good for us to be here

Upon Mount Tabor, Jesus revealed to his disciples a heavenly mystery. While living among them he had spoke of the kingdom and of his second coming in glory, but to banish from their hearts any possible doubt concerning the kingdom and to confirm their faith in what lay in the future by its prefiguration in the present, he gave them on Mount Tabor a wonderful vision of his glory, a foreshadowing of the kingdom of heaven.

These are the divine wonders we celebrate today; this is the saving revelation given us upon the mountain; this is the festival of Christ that has drawn us here. Let us listen, then, to the sacred voice of God so compellingly calling us from high, from the

summit of the mountain, so that with the Lord's chosen disciples we may penetrate the deep meaning of these holy mysteries, so far beyond our capacity to express. Jesus goes before us to show us the way, both up the mountain and into heaven, and – I speak boldly – it is for us now to follow him with all speed, yearning for the heavenly vision that will give us a share in his radiance, renew our spiritual nature and transform us into his own likeness, making us for ever sharers in his Godhead and raising us to heights as yet undreamed of.

Sermon of St. Anastasius of Sinai

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TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD



Icon of the Transfiguration of Our Lord



Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Parish

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August 6, 2023 - Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord Schedule of Services

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| Sunday | 6 | Feast of the Transfiguration of Our Lord 9:00 AM Matins 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation of Parishioners ~Harvest Blessing of Fruits and Vegetables~ |
| Thursday | 10 | 7:00 PM Divine Liturgy - +Brian Paulson by Deacon Tim & Linda Tkach |
| Friday | 11 | Paraklisis Service to the Mother of God 7:00 PM |
| Saturday | 12 | 8:00 AM Divine Liturgy - +Rose Baranko by the families of Nancy & Susan Hlebasko 5:00 PM Vespers |
| Sunday | 13 | 11th Sunday after Pentecost 9:00 AM Matins 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation of Parishioners |

We pray for the sick and homebound of our parish, especially:

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| Kim Hughes | Ken Hrusosky | Jean Rusnak |
| Dot Wochok | Mary Ann Baran | Mary Ann Home |
| Francis Hughes | Gloria Paulson | John Oreluk |
| Fr. Bernard Danber | Frank Miko | Joel Super |
| Steve Bieniek | William Home | William Davis |
| Sally Hughes | | |

Annunciation of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Parish

In all decisions regarding parish membership and Sacramental life, the pastor exercises the final decision and the confidentiality of the persons involved must be respected.

Parish Membership is determined by three things:

1. Being registered in the parish for a sufficient amount of time
2. Faithful and consistent participation in the liturgical life of the parish especially on Sundays and Holy days.
3. Regular financial support of the parish. Use of offertory envelopes by parish members is required for weekly donations

The Sacred Mysteries of Baptism, Chrismation and Matrimony are available only to those persons who comply with the above requirements of parish membership.

A Biblically based stewardship is part of the vision of Annunciation parish. Parishioners are encouraged to practicing tithing and also to consider Annunciation parish in planned giving such as trust funds, etc.

Couples who are planning to be married at Annunciation parish must be free to be married in the Church and must contact the pastor at least six months prior to their proposed wedding date. Persons applying for annulments of a previous marriage should not set a Church wedding date unless their annulment has been granted.

Couples who are cohabitating or involved in same sex civil unions or so-called same sex "marriages," as well as couples who are contracepting are asked to seek the pastor's help in understanding the Church's teaching and in conforming their lives to the moral teaching of the Church. Such persons **cannot receive Holy Communion** until their lives are reconciled with the Church.

Parish members entering the hospital or who are home-bound should contact the pastor or parish business office.

Prior to undergoing surgery or going under anesthesia parish members should contact the pastor.

No eulogies or public addresses by laity are permitted during funeral services.

Cremation is permitted but not encouraged. Ashes are not permitted in the church. Funeral services with the body of the deceased in the church must take place prior to cremation. Ashes are to be buried according to the burial rite of the Church. Ashes cannot be scattered or kept in homes.

Appropriate behavior and dress are required for all liturgical services. No audible conversations, or waving across the church. Electronic devices must be turned off. No food, candy, or gum chewing. Dress code is formal and modest for all services.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed every Friday. If this is not possible an equivalent penitential practice is to be observed.

The Annunciation Gator



Help us get a much needed Gator for our 10 acre property. This vehicle will allow us to easily access all areas of our property and take the stress off of Fr. Tom while he maintains our award winning Prairie.

We need your help to raise about \$8,000 to put toward the total cost of this very necessary vehicle.

If you would like to make a donation, please mark it as **GATOR**.

Thank you for any support you might be able to give!

ST. MARY BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH CELEBRATES 125 YEARS IN WHITING INDIANA & CHICAGOLAND

AUGUST 14: 6 P.M.
VESPERS AND SOLEMN
DEDICATION OF JUBILEE YEAR
ICE CREAM AND TACO SOCIAL

AUGUST 15: 10 A.M.
DIVINE LITURGY FOR THE
DORMITION OF THE MOTHER
OF GOD

Join us as we kick off a year of
celebration August 14 at 6 p.m.

2011 Clark St | Whiting, Indiana | stmarywhiting.org

CHURCH OPEN FROM 7 A.M.-7 P.M. FOR PRAYER WITH MOTHER OF GOD, SEARCHER
FOR THE LOST | CONFESSIONS ONE HOUR BEFORE PARAKLESIS



THE COURAGE TO BE MYRRH BEARERS

November 10th -12th

Where:

The Lial Retreat Center
5908 Davis Rd,
Whitehouse, OH 43571



The Eparchy of Parma and
Domitium of the Mother of
God Byzantine Catholic
Church are proud to sponsor
a women's renewal.
A weekend of empowerment,
spiritual reflection and
community fellowship.

Annunciation's 2023 Raffle

Sunday, December 10th

Grand Prize: \$5,000

Early Bird Drawings

Sundays, October 8th & November 12th

Make sure to pick up your tickets from the narthex and get them back so you don't miss out on any of the drawings! Each ticket has three chances to WIN if returned by October 8th.

The Fathers Tom Art Show

Inspiring Faith in God through Beauty

Sunday, August 13th

2:00pm - 4:30pm

**Original art by both priest artists
Fr. Tom Loya and Fr. Tom Koys**

- Listen to short talks given by each Father Tom on how beauty can lead to a deeper longing for the Divine Artist!
- Opportunity to purchase originals and prints of art created by each Father Tom
- Enjoy light refreshments with a summer sangria/wine and cheese buffet

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Event is co-sponsored by Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church and Sag Bridge Mission Society - historicstjames.org



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Plymouth, Michigan

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Use the promo code **PARISH23** when you register to get \$50 off!

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LOCKPORT YOUNG ADULTS PRESENTS

THEOLOGY ON TAP

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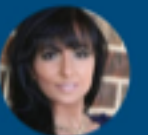
7 PM - DOORS OPEN
7:15 PM - TALK BEGINS

MONDAY
EVENINGS

EMBER'S TAP HOUSE
LOCKPORT, IL

July 10 Red and White Martyrdom of the Iraqi Christians

JULIANA TAIMOORAZY



July 31 How to Live a Baptismal Life: Knowing the Difference Between the Jordan and the Chicago River

FR. ANDREW SUMMERSON



August 7 Death Is Not the End: Our Purpose in Life

FR. PETE JANKOWSKI



August 21 How and Why Is Catholic the Way? Can and Should the Church Change Her Teachings?

FR. THOMAS LOYA



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