

There is Life in the Church because in the Church is the Spirit

My brothers and sisters, if you want the Holy Spirit to dwell in you, listen carefully. Our spirit, by means of which each individual lives, is called the soul. And look what the soul does in the body. It gives life to all the limbs. It sees with the eyes, hears with the ears, smells with the nose, speaks with the tongue, works with the hands, walks with the feet. It is present at one and the same time in all the limbs to make them live. It gives life to all the limbs and to each limb its function. It is not the eye that hears, not the ear that sees, not the eye or the ear that speaks. Yet they are nonetheless alive. The ear is alive, the tongue is alive. Their functions are different, the life is the same.

The Church of God is like that. By means of some believers she performs miracles, by means

of others she teaches the truth; by means of some she keeps virginity, by means of others she respects marital fidelity. The tasks are different, the life is the same. What the soul is to the body of a human being, the Holy Spirit is to the Body of Christ, the Church. The Holy Spirit does for the whole Church what the soul does for the body of the individual. Look then and see what you ought to fear and what you ought to avoid. If the body suffers an amputation (for example of a finger or a hand or a foot) does the soul go with the limb that has been cut off? While it was in the body, that limb was alive; when it is cut off it loses its life. It is like that with Christians. They are alive only while they are in the Body. If they are cut off from the Body, the Holy Spirit is no longer with them.

St. Augustine of Hippo

SUNDAY OF PENTECOST



Icon of Pentecost



Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Parish

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June 8, 2025 Pentecost Sunday Schedule of Services

Sunday	8	<u>Pentecost Sunday</u> 9:00 AM Matins 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation of Parishioners
Monday	9	<u>Pentecost Monday</u> 7:00 PM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation for Laura & Mary Kizior & Lea Rodbarry
Saturday	14	8:00 AM Divine Liturgy - +Elsie Krajny by Marth Loya 5:00 PM Vespers
Sunday	15	<u>Sunday of All Saints</u> 9:00 AM Matins 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation of Parishioners

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

Dot Wochok	Mary Ann Baran	Mary Ann Home	Mike Sheedy
Francis Hughes	Gary Dorencz	Michele Lewis	Kim Hughes
Frank Miko	Ken Hrusosky	Fr. Bernard Danber	Mitchell Stachnik
Aida McManigal-wc	Anna Chagnon-wc	Abbie Sheedy-wc	Jim Forkal
Steve Bieniek	Ned Grabavoy	Paul Kaderabek	

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.

Dance of the St. John Bugs!

Tuesday, June 24th
Feast of St. John the Baptist

7:00PM Divine Liturgy

Following Liturgy we will have a family bonfire and craft while we wait to watch the dance of the St. John Bugs!



Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth.
You are everywhere present and fill all things.
Treasury of blessings and Giver of Life,
come and dwell with in us,
cleanse us of all stain,
and save our souls,
O Gracious One.

Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit (Isaiah 11:1-2)

Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude,
Knowledge, Piety, Fear of the Lord

Twelve Fruits of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23)

Charity, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Generosity,
Gentleness, Faithfulness, Modesty, Self-Control, Chastity



Mary's Helpers Potluck Wed, June 11th - NOON

Mary's Helpers is a group of seniors that have met over the years to enjoy each other's company, share good times and help the church as they are able. In the past, we have had outings that included visits to religious sites, musical programs, and restaurants. The group is open to any member of the church that would like to participate and all are welcome.

Our next event is a Potluck luncheon scheduled for **Wednesday, June 11th at Noon** at church. Because after Pentecost the apostles went to all nations, this potluck will have a multi ethnic theme. Bring a dish that has an international theme – something Chinese, Irish, Polish, Greek or even Slovak. Tacos will be served. Your international dish will make it a scrumptious fare. Join us for a meal and to enjoy each other's company.

Sign up sheet in the Narthex



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Join us for a trip to the Basilica of St. Josaphat in Milwaukee Thursday, June 12th

6:00 PM - Byzantine Vespers
6:30 PM - Lecture by Fr. Andrew Summerson



Hymning the Icon of the Invisible God:

How the Later Christological Councils Show Us the Christ

"Who do you say that I am?" Jesus asks a heavy question. To get this question wrong, risks getting Christianity itself wrong. In the second half of the first millennium, this query from the gospel still echoed. Christians labored over the right responses to Jesus's words in their theology, prayer, and preaching to draw others more deeply into the mystery of Christ. In this lecture, Fr. Andrew will give an overview of the councils, contexts, and figures that shaped this language and how we are to look upon Christ - God's human face - and praise him with the words and traditions formed in this period from Chalcedon to Nicaea II.

See sign-up sheet in the Narthex to join us for this special trip. We will leave Annunciation around 1:00pm with a scheduled arrival at 3pm. Tour of the Basilica will begin around 3:30pm followed by a light dinner before Vespers. We would return to Annunciation around 9:30pm - 10:00pm.

Deepen Your Faith

5th Annual Byzantine Young Adults Retreat

Thurs, July 31th - Sun, Aug 3rd

St Mary's Byzantine Church
Marblehead, OH

Open to young adults between 18-35 years of age. Brochures are available in the office. Transportation will be provided by the parish bus and registration fee will be covered for parishioners. byzantineyoungadults.com

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JULY 10TH

THE EPARCHY OF PARMA PRESENTS
**3RD ANNUAL
Family Liturgy & Life Camp**
Life Transfigured by the Light of the East
3-8 August 2025
CEDAR LAKE MINISTRIES
CEDAR LAKE, INDIANA

Registration is available at parma.org/family-camp

The poster features a background image of a diverse group of people, including children and adults, gathered outdoors. The text is overlaid in various colors and fonts, with the main title in large, bold letters.

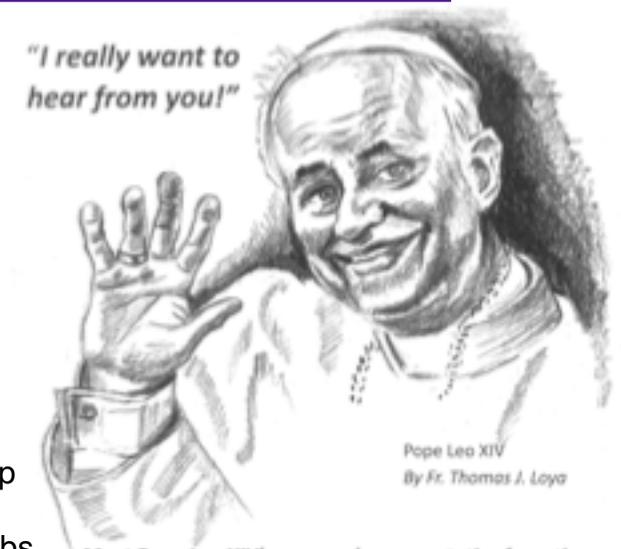
Join us for a prayerfully fun week of activities for all ages. Meet Byzantine Families from around the country while also learning about the riches of our Liturgical Life. This camp is a very affordable option for families of all ages and sizes.

We hope to see you there!

Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking for volunteers who can help welcome attendees at the Byzantine Assembly in Whiting. Details of specific jobs will be forthcoming. If you have some time during the Assembly dates and would like to volunteer, please leave your name, phone number and email in the address and we will contact you with more details.

We will also need some volunteers on Friday, July 19th at Annunciation to welcome a group of attendees to our parish.



Meet Pope Leo XIV's personal representative from the Dicastery for the Eastern Catholic Churches as he hears from us about our Eastern Churches and offers insight and counsel.

Wed-Sun July 16-20, 2025 at the

Byzantine Assembly
in Whiting, Indiana

For a list of location, events, and to register go to:
byzantineassembly.org