

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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May 24, 2026 Pentecost Sunday Schedule of Services

Sunday	24	<u>Pentecost Sunday</u> 9:00 AM Matins 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation of Parishioners
Monday	25	<u>Pentecost Monday</u> 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Special Intention for deceased +Michael Galajdik, +Joseph Kapinus, +Frank Snitzer, Jr. and all others who died in war 
Thursday	28	7:00 PM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation of Carrie Thompson by family
Saturday	30	8:00 AM Divine Liturgy - +Marvin, +Mirriam, & +David Super by Joel & Madeleine Super 5:00 PM Vespers

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

Dot Wochok	Mary Ann Baran	Mary Ann Home	Francis Hughes
Gary Dorencz	Michele Lewis	Kim Hughes	Joel Super
Fran Zeimetz	Carrie Thompson	Bonnie Hughes-wc	Michael Sheedy

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.



Join the Fool's Hope Farm
CSA at Annunciation Parish!

Get a weekly share of a variety
of garden vegetables, all grown
by a fellow parishioner, Dan
Popek.



If you are interested, text me at 779-279-9895 or email at
danielpopek12@gmail.com.

Vegetable pick-ups will begin on June 21st, contact Dan to learn
how you can get fresh vegetables all summer long.

Pentecost reminds us that the Holy Spirit is not distant. He is the Comforter who strengthens us, the Advocate who guides us, and the Fire who rekindles our courage when our hearts grow cold. Today, we ask Hlm to renew the face of the earth, beginning with our own souls.

Living the Gospel as Missionary Disciples

1. Ask the Holy Spirit for guidance before making a decision, even a small one. Whisper, "Come, Holy Spirit," and trust His quiet direction.
2. Bring light into a place of tension - a family conflict, workplace stress, or strained friendship - by choosing patience, gentleness, or forgiveness.
3. Set aside a few minutes each day to pray in silence, letting the Spirit breathe peace into your heart.

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



Parish Goal - \$21,000

**Current Total Pledged
\$15,399**

Appeal Ends on May 31st

There is still time to make your
donation count!

Help us reach our parish goal by making a pledge today. The bishop is asking for each household to make a **pledge of \$175** in hopes to increase the number of participants for this appeal. Please see the inside spread to learn more about how this money is used throughout the Eparchy and the importance of this appeal. With your help and support, we can reach our goal.

If you are interested in attending this year's Family Camp, please register this week. This is a great way to meet other wonderful families from around the Eparchy who hold many similar values. There are many activities for parents and children, it is great way to spend the last days of summer!



THE EPARCHY OF PARMA'S ANNUAL

FAMILY LITURGY & LIFE CAMP

Join families from across the Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Parma for a week of faith-focused, family-friendly fun! This year's camp programming will focus on the four "ships" described in Bishop Robert's teaching, Christ God our Hope: Discipleship, Worship, Fellowship, and Stewardship.

\$250 PER ADULT (18+)
\$60 PER CHILD (4-17)

FREE for children ages 3 & under
Registration fees include the cost of basic lodging & all meals.


ACTIVITIES	EVENT DATE
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Daily Prayer• Age-Specific Programming• Joyful Fellowship• Outdoor Games• Campfire	AUGUST 9-14, 2026 CEDAR LAKE MINISTRIES CEDAR LAKE, IN



<https://parma.org/family-camp>

If you are interested in attending this year's young adult retreat, please see Andrew Wood for more details and to coordinate transportation to Marblehead. Annunciation will cover the registration fees for any active parishioner.

Please note: The QR code below has been updated and is now working for registrations.



LOVE ONE ANOTHER



6th Annual Young Adult Retreat
THURSDAY JULY 23RD -
SUNDAY JULY 26TH
506 E Main Street
Marblehead, OH

