

Nowhere in Israel Have I Found as Much Faith

The Lord Jesus agreed to go to the centurion's house to cure his servant, but he replied: *I am not worthy to have you under my roof; only say the word and my servant will be healed.* In protesting his unworthiness the centurion showed himself worthy to have Christ enter not his house but his heart. Yet he could not have said this with such faith and humility unless he already bore within his heart the One he was too overawed to have within his house. In any case, there would have been no great happiness at the entry of the Lord Jesus within his walls if he were not present in his heart.

But what emboldened the centurion to act as he did? *I am under authority myself,* he said, *and have soldiers under me; and I say to one man, Go,*

and he goes; to another, Come here, and he comes; to my servant, Do this, and he does it.

Now the man who said this was a Gentile as well as a centurion. He was a professional soldier and, as a centurion, acted according to his rank: subject to authority and exercise in authority, obeying as a subordinate and giving orders to those subordinate to him. As for the Lord, though living among the Jewish people, He was already beginning to make it known that His Church would extend throughout the whole world into which He was about to send His apostles. Although the Gentiles would not see him they would believe in him, whereas the Jewish leaders who saw him would put him to death.

St. Augustine of Hippo

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of Christ Healing the Centurion's Servant



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June 21, 2026 4th Sunday After Pentecost Schedule of Services

Sunday	21	<u>4th Sunday After Pentecost</u> 9:00 AM Matins 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Health & Salvation of Parishioners
Tuesday	23	<u>Vigil for the Feast of the Birth of John the Baptist</u> 7:00 PM Divine Liturgy - +Helen Ventrella by Ken & Karen Krown
Thursday	25	7:00 PM Divine Liturgy - +Mary Minarich by Xara Bogal
Saturday	27	8:00 AM Divine Liturgy - +Mark Rosine by family 5:00 PM Vespers
Sunday	28	<u>5th Sunday After Pentecost</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 Horne	Gary Dorencz
Michele Lewis	Kim Hughes	Joel Super	Fran Zeimetz
Carrie Thompson	Michael Sheedy	Bonnie Hughes-wc	Lea Popek -wc
Claire Resuta			

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
danielpopek12@gmail.com.

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

"He must increase but I must decrease"



St. John the Baptist still works today to
prepare the way for the Lord. Every time
we remember his words, his life and his
example, we must work to set ourselves
aside and place God first - to know His
will, to walk in His ways, to give Him the
glory, and to serve Him in all we do.

Celebrating the Nativity of St. John the Baptist Dance of the St. John Bugs!

Tuesday, June 23rd
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!*



A Mary's Helpers Route 66 Road Trip

Tuesday, June 23rd - NOON

Join Mary's Helpers for a fun, historic, (local) road trip
along Route 66 to celebrate its 100th Anniversary.
The first stop will be Dell Rhea's Chicken Basket for
their famous fried chicken and mac and cheese.

Depart church at Noon to visit this nostalgic
roadhouse that started in the 1930s as a lunch
counter next to a gas station and is now listed
on the National Register of Historic Places.

See the sign up sheet in the narthex or talk
to Georgia about joining them on this fun
road trip. Don't worry, you will be home
before street lights come on.

***Keep watch for the next Route 66
Adventure with Mary's Helpers
planned for July!***



Don't miss out on these wonderful summer activities. Sign-up deadlines are quickly approaching

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.

ACTIVITIES

- Daily Prayer
- Age-Specific Programming
- Joyful Fellowship
- Outdoor Games
- Campfire

EVENT DATE

AUGUST 9-14, 2026

CEDAR LAKE MINISTRIES
CEDAR LAKE, IN

\$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.



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

LOVE ONE ANOTHER



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



Stars & Stripes Concert

AMERICA 250

Sat July 4th
4pm - 6pm

Open Lawn Seating

\$5 Parking

Celebrate America's 250th Anniversary with an afternoon of patriotic music including a special salute to our Armed Forces performed by the Southwest Community Concert Band.

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