

CATHEDRAL OF ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
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DIVINE WORSHIP THIS WEEK

All services at St Michael's Cathedral unless otherwise noted.

Cathedral services are always livestreamed on Sundays and Holy Days.

SUNDAY OF MEATFARE FEBRUARY 20	8:15am 9:00am 11:00am	Matins Divine Liturgy for the Faithful; Divine Liturgy for the Faithful; +Anna & Stefan Makara (<i>Chapel</i>)
Monday February 21	8:00am	+Fr. Jody by Mary Chanda
Tuesday February 22	8:00am	+Paul Kozmoski with Panachida by Vlado & Olga Kandravay
Wed. February 23	8:00am	+Michael Gimon by Elizabeth Duch and Family
Thurs. February 24	XXXXX	No Divine Services
Friday February 25	8:00am	+John Sabiaski by Mary Anne Kozmoski
Sat, February 26	8:00am	+Clifford Dobol by Richard & Dorothy West
SUNDAY OF CHEESEFARE FEBRUARY 27	8:15am 9:00am 11:00am 3:30pm	Matins Divine Liturgy for the Faithful; +Frank & Helen Niewodowski Divine Liturgy for the Faithful (<i>Chapel</i>) Forgiveness Vespers for the Beginning of the Great Fast (<i>Cathedral</i>)

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<http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfGN9bRHQ2BbVvjI5sLQPg>

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *The Ill and homebound:* Fr. Marcel, Deacon William Tizio, Sr. Teresa, Bonaventure Rodeiro, Oksana Hrubec, Adele Petričko, Nadia Szanislo, John Vilchoc, Jane Booth, Joseph Napovier, Teresa Onufer, Robert Gelenius, Julian Letchworth, Joan Barat, Julia Duch, Helen Rock, Michael Hrehovčik, Diane Rabiej, RJ Fedor, Lucille Filliman, Eva Croneberger, Ann Gupta, Vilma Babin, Mary Kovach, Kenny Dec, Helen Popovich, Barbara MacDonald, Carson Kenworthy, Joanne Graf, Stella Madey, Conor Haag, Diane Borowski, Gerald Kerzetski, Nancy Salch, John Mihalecko. Veronica Durante, Beth Savage, Michael, Alissa (special intentions), Kathleen and Francis Cunningham.
Vocations: Subdeacons Timothy Fariss and Bryan Scotton; Allen Blehl, Christian Frank, Joe Muir.

REGULAR HOURS FOR CONFESSIONS: Saturdays immediately following Divine Liturgy Sundays during Matins (8:30-8:45); or following Divine Liturgy at the Chapel. Confessions may also be arranged by appointment.

VIČNA LAMPA DEDICATIONS: *February 20 – March 5:* *At the Cathedral:* +Deceased of the Chan Family by Karen Philibert. *At the Chapel:* +Thomas & Helen Duch by Thomas & Cheryl Duch. Dedications \$20.00 for two weeks.

OUR FOOD PANTRY always needs rice, beans, canned meats, tuna, canned veggies, peanut butter, grape jelly, canned fruit, hearty soups, mac and cheese, spaghetti and tomato sauce. You may leave donations in the Cathedral vestibule; at the Chapel, please place them in Fr. Jack's trunk.

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR FEBRUARY 13: \$2,015.00 (including \$400.00 in online donations).

IT TAKES \$7000.00 each week to fund all our operations. Factoring in the school lease, we need \$3750 in offerings each week. **MAKE YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS ONLINE:** Go to www.stmichaelsarchangel.org, click on the "Donate" button, and be directed to a safe, encrypted site. All online donations are recorded for tax purposes.

EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION FOR CHILDREN meets via Zoom on Saturdays at 10am (11am on All Souls' Saturdays). For information and to register contact: ecfpassaic@gmail.com.

THE PRE-LENTEN SEASON CONTINUES. We continue to sing Psalm 137 at Matins, expressing the sense of exile from paradise because of sin, experienced by every human since Adam and Eve. The hymns of Matins urge us to repentance now by reminding us of the Final Judgment each of us will face. **In the traditional fasting regimen, today is the last day that meat is eaten until Pascha.** The last-ditch feasting on meat survives in Roman Catholic customs like Mardi Gras and Carnival (Latin for "Farewell to Meat") even though the West has abandoned the fast. Are you ready to embrace fasting a little more seriously this year than last?

NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27: FORGIVENESS VESPERS marks the transition into the season of the Fast. The beautiful Vespers service offers us encouragement to embrace a Lenten lifestyle that will make a real difference. We begin the Fast very practically by acknowledging our own shortcomings in our dealings with each other and exchanging forgiveness, just as Jesus teaches us to do in this Sunday's Gospel. Only a handful of parishioners have ever participated in this powerful experience. **Break a habit, upset your routine, try a little harder, choose not to make excuses, and join us this year.**

PLEDGES FOR THE ELEVATOR PROJECT We have heard from 64 of our 160 parish households and have received \$47,000 from other friends of the Cathedral. Thank you to all who have donated! **Have we heard from you yet?**

HAVE YOU RESPONDED TO THE BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL? Our goal is \$25,200.00. If we reach our goal 40% of all pledges will be returned to our parish and will be put toward improvements here. **Make your check payable to "Eparchy of Passaic" and return it to the Eparchy** in the envelope provided. **Please do not make your check payable to the parish and please do not return it here.** Thanks in advance for your generous response!

LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR 2022: *Both Sunday Divine Liturgies are celebrated for the intentions of all the faithful.* You may request commemorations of the living or the deceased on Sundays; the suggested offering is \$5.00 per name. ***Weekday Divine Liturgies are offered for your private intentions for the living or the deceased.*** Bishop Kurt has set the suggested Divine Liturgy offering at \$20.00; Panachida or Moleben: \$5.00. Please call the Office between 9:30 and 1:30 weekdays to schedule particular dates. You may also drop your intentions in the collection or mail them to the parish office.

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL ALUMNI: DON'T MISS OUT! Did you attend St Michael's Parochial School? Then you're invited to join us for a St Michael's School Reunion, Saturday, April 30, 2022. To get on the guest list, please send your contact information to us at passaiccathedral@gmail.com. **We have no records. We will not know unless you tell us!** Please spread the word to any St Michael's alums you may know. Do you have photos or St Michael's School memorabilia? We'd love to see them. Send photos to us at the same email. Are you willing to help with the organization of this event? Let us know. See you in April!

THIS WEEK! OUR COOKS NEED YOUR HELP TO MAKE PIROHI at the Cathedral. **Thursday, February 24** - potato peeling beginning 8 am; **Friday, February 25** - potato scooping, beginning at 8 am; **Saturday, February 26** - pinching, cooking and packaging - any time after 6 am. DEADLINE FOR ORDERS is February 21 (\$7.00 per dozen). Send text to 201-370-2656 or email Vlasta.Berry@gmail.com to place order or if you will volunteer.

YOU HAVE BEEN INVITED BY POPE FRANCIS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UNIVERSAL SYNOD that will convene in Rome this October! Your input matters! Watch for more information next week on how you can participate right here in your Cathedral parish.