

WELCOME TO THE GOD-LOVING 8. GOD-PROTECTED PARISH OF ST. MICHAEL'S!

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"Each one shall give what he has decided in his own mind, not Grudgingly or because he is made to - for God loves a cheerful giver." - II Cor. 9:7

January 21, 2024 CHRIST IS BAPTIZED! GLORIFY HIM! ХРИСТОС РАЖДАЕТСЯ! СЛАВІМ ЙОГО! *XRYSTOS NARODYVSJA! SLAVIM YOHO!*

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday, Jan. 21: Sunday after Theophany / Ven. Gregory, wonderworker of the Kyiv Caves

Tone 8 / Epistle: Eph. 4:7-13; Gospel: Mt. 4:12-17

9:00AM Divine Liturgy of – Live video broadcast on our Facebook page: page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/StMichaelUOC/</u>

[Orthodox Christians have their homes blessed after Theophany. Please let Fr. Borislav know when he can come by and bless your home.]

WEEKDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon., Jan. 22: Ven. Jonah of the Kyiv Caves Epistle: Heb. 8:7-13; Gospel: Mark 8:11-21 <u>Tues, Jan. 23</u>: St. Gregory of Nyssa Epistle: Heb. 9:8-10, 15-23; Gospel: Mark 8:22-26 <u>Wed., Jan. 24</u>: Ven. Theodosius the Great, the Cenobiarch – FAST Epistle: Heb. 10:1-18; Gospel: Mark 8:30-34 <u>Thur, Jan. 25</u>: Martyr Tatiana of Rome Epistle: Heb. 10:35-11:7; Gospel: Mark 9:10-16 <u>Fri., Jan. 26</u>: Martyrs Hermylus and Stratonicus at Belgrade – FAST Epistle: Heb. 11:8, 11-16; Gospel: Mark 9:33-41 <u>Sat., Jan. 27</u>: Leave-taking of the Theophany / The Holy Fathers slain at Sinai and Raithu: Isaiah, Sabbas, Moses and his disciple Moses, Jeremiah, Paul, Adam, Sergius, Domnus, Proclus, Hypatius, Isaac, Macarius, Mark, Benjamin, Eusebius, Elias, and others Epistle: Eph. 5:1-8; Gospel: Luke 14:1-11

<u>Sunday, Jan. 28</u>: 34th Sunday after Pentecost / Venn. Paul of Thebes Tone 1 / Epistle: Col. 3:12-16; Gospel: Luke 18:18-27 9:00AM Divine Liturgy of – Live video broadcast on our Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/StMichaelUOC/</u>

Remember: even when you are absent, expenses continue

SCRIPTURE READINGS: SUNDAY, JAN. 21, 2024

Ephesians 4:7-13 (Epistle)

BRETHREN, grace has given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men." (In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is he who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, for the equipment of the saints, for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

Matthew 4:12-17 (Gospel)

A that time when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth he went and dwelt in Caper'na-um by the sea, in the territory of Zeb'ulun and Naph'tali, 14 that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zeb'ulun and the land of Naph'tali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles —the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

PARISH NEWS

--<u>WE EXTEND BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO:</u> Nate Smulling (Jan. 16), Pamela Fontaine (Jan. 16), Sharon Lipsky (Jan. 16), Daniel Bourgery (Jan. 20), and Fr. Borislav Kroner (Jan. 21) may God grant you all, Many, Happy Years! Многая літа!

--FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY / Dues and Diocese Obligation: \$105 A reminder that St. Michael parish must meet a monetary obligation of \$105 per adult member to the Consistory of the UOC of USA at the beginning of each year. TO RECONFIRM YOUR MEMBERSHIP with St. Michael parish each year we ask that you please use an envelope marked "dues and diocese" and submit this obligation as soon as possible at the start of each calendar year. There are envelopes available at the desk in the narthex of the church. (Use memo: "Dues and Diocese 2024" if paying by bank check, online bill pay or PayPal... Thank you!)

Reminder: Only parishioners who have reconfirmed their membership by submitting their yearly Dues and Diocese obligation and participate in the life of the parish (members in good standing) have the right to participate in votes/elections that happen the annual meeting. Please keep this in mind as we have a special vote coming up this year regarding the possibility of adopting the Revised Julian Calendar as our liturgical calendar. (More details forthcoming)

Yearly giving statements for 2023 are being prepared this month. They will be available in the narthex of the Church by early February. If you would like to received yours by email instead, please email Erika Namaka <u>einamaka@gmail.com</u>

IMPORTANT: If you have recently moved or have new contact information (email/phone number), please contact Erika ASAP so the parish database can be updated and the correct information will appear on your statement.

Offering Envelopes. There are some boxes of offering envelopes available in Narthex of the Church for those that use them. Offerings can also be submitted by mail or through your bank's "bill pay" system when you are unable to attend services in person. (This is helpful to the parish so that we can continue to keep up with any weekly or incidental expenses that arise!)

Please contact Erika (Financial Secretary) with any questions regarding membership or to confirm that your information is up to date in the Parish database. Erika - <u>einamaka@gmail.com</u> Thank you!

--2024 LITURGICAL CALENDARS ARE IN! They are available in the vestibule. Suggested donation of \$3.00.

--WE WELCOME ANY AND ALL DONATIONS TO THE

CHURCH, LARGE OR SMALL: We are most grateful for your kindness. Your donation is essential to the church. From your contribution, we pay the priest's salary and health insurance, as well as pay the utilities for the church including water, heat, electricity, lawn care and at this time of year, snow plowing and salting the ice on the driveway.

Checks should be made out to St. Michael Ukrainian Orthodox Church. Please offer your donations during the church collection or send your dues and donations to:

> St. Michael Ukrainian Orthodox Church 74 Harris Ave. Woonmsocket, RI 02895

--DESPERATELY SEEKING COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS:

We are seeking volunteers to sponsor a coffee hour. There will be a white board setup in the Hall with the dates. Simply, write your name for the Sunday you wish to sponsor. Usually the coffee pot and water kettle are ready to go upon your arrival. The coffee pot needs to be plugged in by 8:30 am. You are responsible for purchasing milk and half & half for the coffee. There are presently packaged goods in the kitchen. There also may be frozen items in the freezer designated for coffee hour. Feel free to bring your own items as well. At the end of coffee hour, you are responsible for washing the coffee pot, utensils, plates, etc., wrapping any leftovers, cleaning the food tables and kitchen counter. Please ask if you have any questions or need help with your coffee hour. Thank you for volunteering. Thanks, Eleanor

--ST. MICHAEL CEMETERY ACCESS: Polish National Cemetery has a contract to excavate and to remove gravel from their cemetery. The operation will take place Monday thru Friday between 7am – 5pm and Saturday 9am – 12 pm. Be aware that you may encounter quite a bit of activity involved on the shared road. Excavation and removal of the sand has begun, so please be careful entering and leaving the cemetery. --<u>2ND COLLECTION</u>: The Special Collection will be to help with the expenses of repairing the front steps of the Church and other capital improvements. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you!

KITCHEN SESSIONS

Monday January 22nd -- Cook Onions

Tuesday January 30th -- Cabbage Filling

Wednesday January 31st -- Cabbage varenyky

Tuesday, February 6th -- Potato filling

Wednesday February 7th -- Potato Varenyky

Wednesday, February 21st -- Meat holubtsi, mushroom holubtsi (make & bake)

Wednesday, February 28th – fried perohe

UPCOMING PARISH & INTER-PARISH EVENTS

--<u>2nd Thursday of every month</u> - Akathist to the Mother of God, Healer of Cancer @ 7PM / Followed by Adult Religious Education class. Please submit the names of those you want to have remembered to Fr. Boris.

UOL CORNER

--UOL'S MISSION STATEMENT: "The Ukrainian Orthodox League is a national volunteer organization of members in the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, who are committed to promoting the Orthodox Faith, supporting the Church, developing the potential of our youth and their active participation in the life of the Church, and preserving Ukrainian heritage and culture."

--UOL MOTTO: "Dedicated to our Church, Devoted to Its Youth"

--<u>GOALS OF THE UOL</u>:

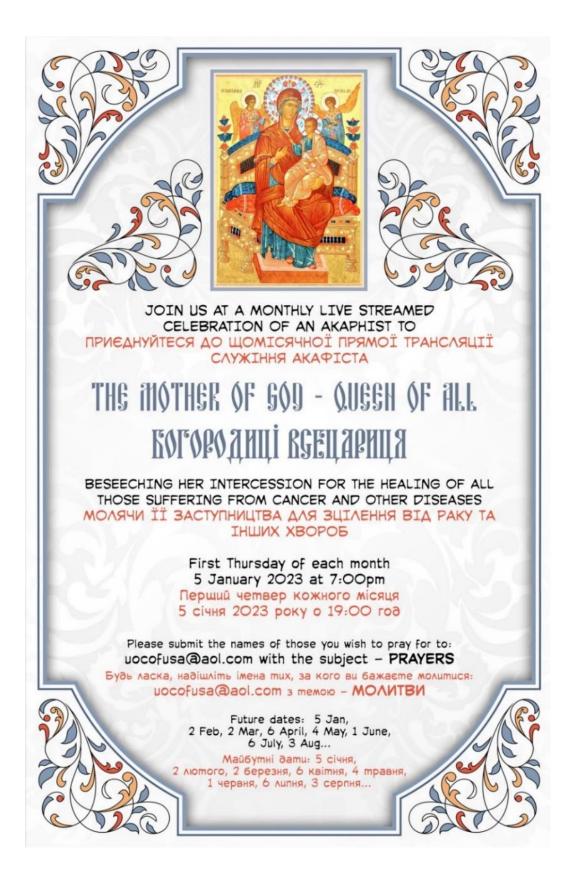
- Promoting active participation in all aspects of the Orthodox faith and supporting the Church.
- Developing and maintaining programs and projects which educate members and promote dedication and commitment to the Church, Her teachings, traditions, and missions.

- Proving opportunities for the development of leadership skills and responsibility among the youth of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA.
- Providing and promoting information on Ukrainian heritage and history to the general public and establishing means which ensure the continuation of cultural awareness and pride within our membership.

--<u>FEB. 11, 2024</u>: Souper Bowl Sunday --<u>MAR. 31ST</u>: UOL Soup Sale \$5 for a bowl/container

CHURCH SCHOOL CORNER

--15 MINUTES WITH FATHER -- Last Sunday of the month.









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NATIVITY OF OUR LORD, GOD AND SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST

РІЗДВО ГОСПОДА БОГА І СПАСА НАШОГО ІСУСА ХРИСТА

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SYNAXIS OF THE BIRTHGIVER OF GOD СОБОР ПРЕСВЯТОЇ БОГОРОДИЦІ

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HOLY PROTOMARTYR AND ARCHDEACON STEPHEN

СВ. АП. ПЕРШОМУЧЕНИКА І АРХИДИЯКОНА СТЕФАНА

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HOLY INNOCENTS СВВ. МУЧЕНИКІВ (14,000 INFANTS SLAIN BY HEROD IN BETHLEHEM) (14,000 НЕМОВЛЯТ ВБИТИХ ІРОДОМ У ВИФЛЕЄМІ)

14 ST. BASIL THE GREAT СВТ. ВАСИЛІЯ ВЕЛИКОГО

18 ЕVE OF THE THEOPHANY НАВЕЧІР'Я БОГОЯВЛЕННЯ

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НОLY THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD/BAPTISM OF CHRIST СВЯТЕ БОГОЯВЛЕННЯ, ХРЕЩЕННЯ ГОСПОДА БОГА

20 SYNAXIS OF THE FORERUNNER, JOHN THE BAPTIST

СОБОР ПРЕДТЕЧІ І ХРЕСТИТЕЛЯ ГОСПОДНЬГО ІОАНА

30 ST. ANTHONY THE GREAT

ПРП. АНТОНІЯ ВЕЛИКОГО

