



ST. MICHAEL BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES: JUNE 22nd – JUNE 28th, 2026

<u>Mon.</u> 6/22	The Holy Martyr Eusebius, Bishop of Samosata	6.00 pm	Akathist to St. Michael
<u>Tue.</u> 6/23	The Holy Martyr Agrippina	6.00 pm	Great Vespers with Litia
<u>Wed.</u> 6/24	THE NATIVITY OF THE HOLY PROPHET, FORERUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN	9.00 am	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
<u>Thu.</u> 6/25	Post-festive Day of the Nativity of the Holy Baptist John The Holy Venerable Martyr Febronia	6.00 pm	Vespers
<u>Fri.</u> 6/26	Our Venerable Father David of Thessalonica	6.00 pm	Vespers
<u>Sat.</u> 6/27	Our Venerable Father Sampson the Hospitaller	5.00 pm	Vigil Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (+ Robert Lesak – by Ann Libak)
<u>Sun.</u> 6/28	THE 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST The Translation of the Relics of the Holy Unmercenary Physicians Cyrus and John	9.45 am 10.00 am	Third Hour Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (+ Jessica Soderlund – by Marlene Soderlund)

HOLY CONFESSION is available on Saturday from 4 pm to 4:45 pm or by appointment.

“Come, wretched soul, with your flesh, confess to the Creator of all. In the future, refrain from your former brutishness and offer to God tears in repentance.” St. Andrew of Crete

PRAY FOR THE SICK OF ST. MICHAEL'S:

Fr. Michael Evanick, Ann Libak, George Batcha, Edward Ivanyo, Casimir Laczkowski, Barbara Fedorchak, Susan Hlebasko, George Primich, John Olenik, Steve Zikmund, Anthony Slinker, Jackie Petyo, Jacob Soderlund, Veronica Bodak, Elisabeth Babich, Rosemarie Stith, Nora Bloch, Nicholas Cuban, Nicholas Cuban

Sr., Jennifer Adamo, Carol Zakutansky, Austin Gaydos, Todd Wert, Ed Moncada, Bridget Bowman, Matthew Malyj, and Gary Lazor.

EPARCHY OF PARMA FOUNDATION'S
2025-2026
**STEWARDSHIP
APPEAL**
TIME. TALENT. TREASURE. NOW JUNE 30, 2026!
THIS YEAR'S APPEAL WILL RUN FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2025 TO MAY 31, 2026

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

FOR MORE INFORMATION INCLUDING REGISTRATION VISIT: WWW.PARMA.ORG/FAMILY-CAMP

Parish Support
June 13 & 14

Weekly.....	1,481.00
Candles.....	31.00
Total.....	\$1,512.00

FISH FRY
PIROHI
EVERY
FRIDAY
4 – 7 PM
Volunteers are needed on Friday morning and evening.

Happy
FATHER'S
Day

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99 The Lord is not like us. He is passing meek and merciful, and good; and when the soul knows Him she marvels greatly and exclaims: 'O what a Lord is ours! The sinful soul which does not know the Lord fears death, thinking that the Lord will not forgive her her sins. But this is because the soul does not know the Lord and how greatly He loves us. But if people knew this, then no man would despair in his heart, for the Lord not only forgives but rejoices exceedingly at the return of a sinner. Though you be at death's door believe firmly that the moment you ask you will receive forgiveness.

Saint Silouan the Athonite
Wisdom from Mount Athos

Saint David of Thessalonika

Commemorated on June 26

Saint David of Thessalonika

pursued asceticism at the monastery of the holy Martyrs Theodore and Mercurius. Inspired by the example of the holy stylites, he lived in an almond tree in constant prayer, keeping strict fast, and enduring heat and cold. He remained there for three years until an angel told him to come down.

Saint David received from God the gift of wonderworking, and he healed many from sickness. The holy ascetic gave spiritual counsel to all who came to him. Having attained to passionlessness, he was like an angel in the flesh, and he was able to take hot coals into his hands without harm. He died the year 540.

<https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/1996/06/26/101817-saint-david-of-thessaloniki>

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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.

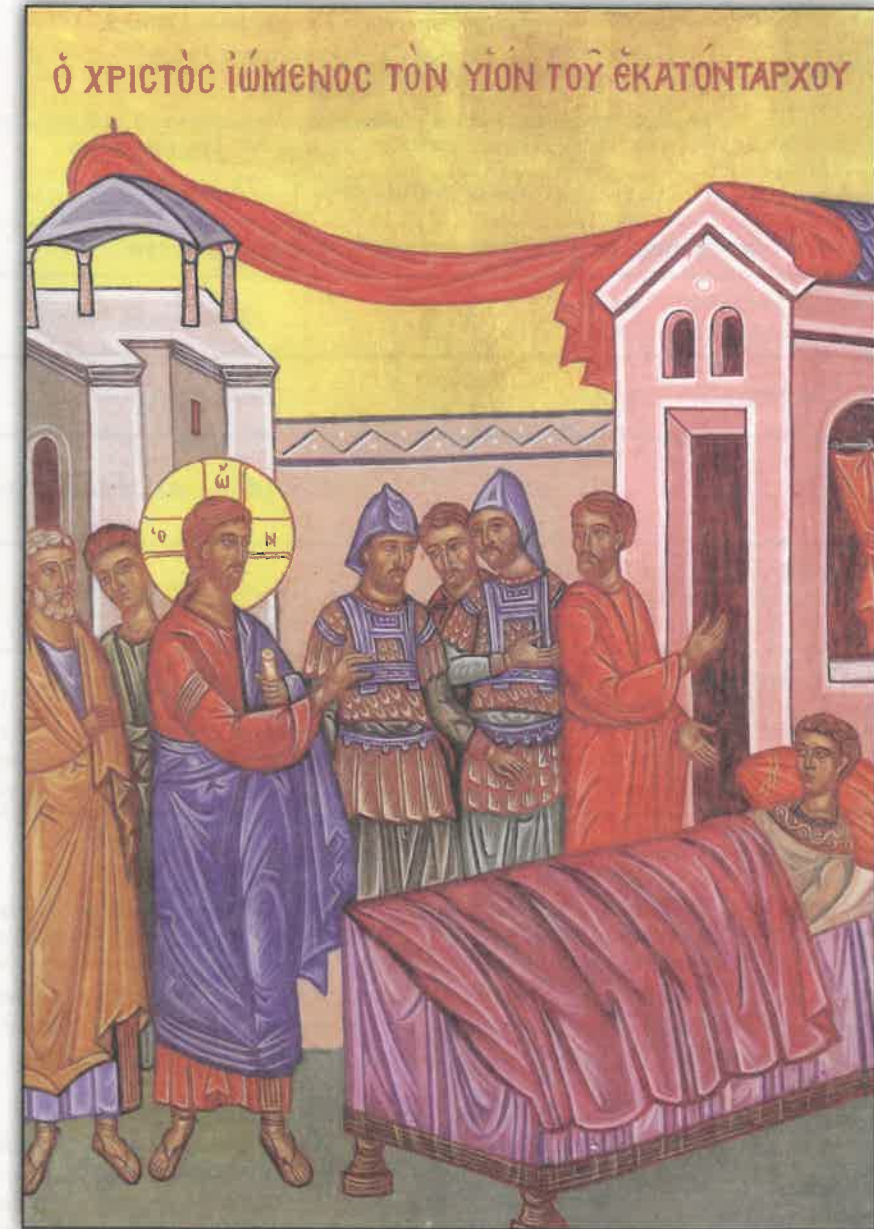
But what emboldened the centurion to act as he did? I am under authority myself, he said, and have soldiers under me; and I say to one man, Go,

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