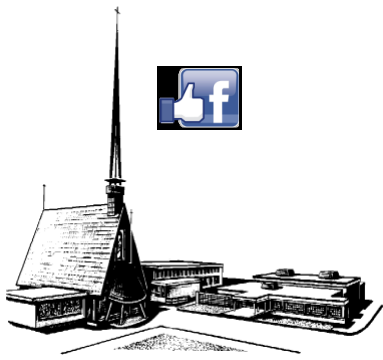


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Attached: Protospyter Dr. Remus Grama (retired)

Rev. Deacon Nick Neagoe



Paraschiva Vasu-Family,
in memory of loving husband,
father and bunicu Dumitru
Vasu. Always in our hearts.
Memory eternal!

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SPIRITUAL CALENDAR: 19th Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 1. Mat. Gos.7. Epis. 2 Corinthians 11:31-33; 12:1-9; Gos. Luke 6:31-36.

19th Sunday After Pentecost

Sermon on the Plain – Love your enemies

A 19-a Duminică după Rusalii

Predica de pe munte – Iubirea vrăjmașilor

Loving as the Father Loves

The Gospel reading places before us one of the most demanding teachings of the Lord Christ: “*Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, and pray for those who mistreat you.*” These words challenge the natural instincts of the human heart. It is easy to love those who love us, to be kind to those who treat us well, and to forgive when little has been lost. Christ, however, calls His disciples to a higher way of life.

Christian love is not simply an emotion or a response to another person’s goodness. It is a decision to see every human being as created in the image of God. To love an enemy does not mean approving injustice or pretending that evil is good. Rather, it means refusing to allow hatred, resentment, and the desire for revenge to take possession of our hearts. We may oppose what is wrong while still praying for the person who has wronged us.

The Lord asks: if we love only those who love us, what credit is that to us? Even sinners do the same. The Christian is called to go beyond ordinary human calculations: to give without expecting repayment, to forgive without demanding satisfaction, and to show mercy even when mercy is undeserved. The reason is found in Christ’s final command: “*Be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.*” Our love must therefore reflect God’s own love, freely offered to both the grateful and the ungrateful.

The Epistle reading (2 Cor. 11:31-33; 12:1-9) reveals this same truth from another perspective. St. Ap. Paul speaks not of his strength, but of his weakness. After describing extraordinary revelations, he tells us of the “*thorn in the flesh*” that kept him humble. Three times he asked the Lord to remove it, but Christ answered: “*My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.*”

Together, the Epistle and Gospel remind us that the Christian life cannot be lived by human strength alone. Loving an enemy, forgiving an injury, and responding to hatred with mercy may seem beyond our ability. Yet precisely there, in our weakness, the grace of Christ becomes powerful. When we surrender pride, resentment, and self-reliance, God gives us the strength to love beyond our natural limitations and to become truly “*sons of the Most High.*”

Therefore, let us remain in Christ, place our trust in Him, and work together with Him!

Rev. Fr. Cezar Pelin

Together, for the Glory of the Holy Trinity and our salvation!

Iubind așa cum iubește Tatăl

Pericopa evanghelică ne pune înainte una dintre cele mai exigente învățături ale lui Mântuitorului Hristos: „*Iubiți pe vrăjmașii voștri, faceți bine celor ce vă urăsc, binecuvântați pe cei ce vă blestemă și rugați-vă pentru cei ce vă fac necazuri.*” Aceste cuvinte pun la încercare pornirile firești ale inimii omenești. Este ușor să-i iubim pe cei care ne iubesc, să fim buni cu cei care se poartă frumos cu noi și să iertăm atunci când nu am pierdut prea mult. Hristos însă îi cheamă pe ucenicii Săi la un mod de viață mai înalt.

Iubirea creștină nu este doar un sentiment sau un răspuns la bunătatea celui alt. Ea este hotărârea de a vedea în fiecare om chipul lui Dumnezeu. A iubi un vrăjmaș nu înseamnă a aproba nedreptatea sau a pretinde că răul este bine. Înseamnă, mai degrabă, a refuza ca ura, resentimentul și dorința de răzbunare să pună stăpânire pe inimile noastre. Putem să ne împotrivim răului și, în același timp, să ne rugăm pentru cel care ne-a nedreptățit.

Domnul ne întreabă: dacă îi iubim numai pe cei care ne iubesc, ce răsplată ni se cuvine? Și păcătoșii fac la fel. Creștinul este chemat să depășească socotelile omenești obișnuite: să dăruiască fără să aștepte răsplată, să ierte fără să ceară satisfacție și să arate milă chiar și atunci când aceasta pare nemeritată. Motivul se află în porunca finală a lui Hristos: „*Fiți milostivi, precum și Tatăl vostru este milostiv.*” Iubirea noastră trebuie, așadar, să oglindească iubirea lui Dumnezeu, oferită în mod liber atât celor recunoscători, cât și celor nerecunoscători.

Apostolul zilei (2 Cor. 11:31-33; 12:1-9) ne descoperă același adevăr dintr-o altă perspectivă. Sf. Ap. Pavel nu vorbește despre puterea sa, ci despre slăbiciunea sa. După ce amintește descoperiri extraordinare, el vorbește despre „*ghimpele în trup*”, care îl păstra în smerenie. De trei ori l-a rugat pe Domnul să-l îndeparteze, dar Hristos i-a răspuns: „*Îți este de ajuns harul Meu, căci puterea Mea se desăvârșește în slăbiciune.*”

Împreună, Apostolul și Evanghelia ne amintesc că viața creștină nu poate fi trăită numai prin puterea omenească. A iubi un vrăjmaș, a ierta o nedreptate și a răspunde urii cu milă pot părea mai presus de puterile noastre. Tocmai acolo însă, în slăbiciunea noastră, harul lui Hristos devine lucrător. Când renunțăm la mândrie, resentimente și încrederea numai în noi înșine, Dumnezeu ne dă puterea de a iubi dincolo de limitele noastre firești și de a deveni cu adevărat „*fiii Celui Preaînalt*”.

Așadar, să stăm în Hristos, să avem încredere în El și să lucrăm împreună cu El!

Pr. Cezar Pelin

Împreună, spre Slava Preasfintei Treimi și mântuirea noastră!

**THE CALENDAR IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE!
POT INTERVENI SCHIMBĂRI ÎN CALENDAR!**

THIS WEEK:

Sunday, October 4: 8:30 am Matins; 9:30 am Divine Liturgy

Monday, October 5: 6:00 pm Acatist (Service only in Romanian); 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 9: 6:00 pm Men's Club

Saturday, October 10: NO Vespers

NEXT WEEK:

Sunday, October 11: 8:30 am Matins; 9:30 am Divine Liturgy

Monday, October 12: 6:00 pm Acatist (Service only in Romanian); 6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Friday, October 16: 6:00 pm Akathist - Service only in English; 6:30 pm Ask your Priest

Saturday, October 17: 10:00 am Parastas; 5:00 pm Great Vespers with Litya; 5:45 pm Memorial Service for the Founders and Benefactors of the Cathedral.

Sunday, October 18: 8:30 am Matins; 9:30 am Divine Liturgy; 11:30 am Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing of the Anniversary Couples; 11:45 am Group Photograph followed by Anniversary Banquet.

Nursing Home

Virginia Cucu.....Maple Ridge Senior Living, Willoughby

Hospitalized

Dorina Riscutta.....Fairview Hospital

ALTAR BREAD - PRESCURI

- Simona Cismașiu ÎM tatălui meu Ioan și a tuturor celor decedați din familie.
- Ana Mohan ÎM soțului George, a fiului George și a tuturor celor dragi din familie mutați de la noi. Veți fi mereu în inima mea.
- Alexandra în memoria sorei mele Monica și a tuturor celor decedați din familie.
- Lenuța Boggs IMO Ioan, Ana, Ana, Ioan, Ioan, Tănase, Nicolae, Ludovica și tot neamul lor cel adormit.

May God rest them in peace! Dumnezeu să-i odihnească!

- Carmen Ivan pentru sănătatea Daniel, Carmen, Denisa, David, Ioan, Ioan, Felicia.
- Mihail pentru sănătate, protecție.
- Lenuța Boggs pentru sănătatea – Lidia cu familia, Mihai cu familia, Florin cu familia, Roy – Damian și Lenuța.

7 DAY VIGIL LIGHTS – NARTH

- Paraschiva Vasu & Family IMO loving husband, father & bunicu Dumitru Vasu. Always in our hearts. Memory eternal!
- Simona Cismașiu ÎM tatălui meu Ioan și a tuturor celor decedați din familie.
- Ana Mohan ÎM soțului George, a fiului George și a tuturor celor dragi din familie mutați de la noi. Veți fi mereu în inima mea.
- John & Elena Biliboaca IMO all family members fallen asleep in the Lord. Memory eternal.
- Andreea Raaber MO Rodica, Baby (Maria), Eleonora, Doina, Gigi.
- Dan & Mirela Rudary IMO bunica Elena on her birthday. May she rest in peace!
- Ionica Stoescu IMO John Stroescu.
- Claudia Mateescu IMO soțului meu Gheorghe și a celor adormiți din familia noastră.
- Marinela Turc IMO mother Elena.
- Andreea Raaber IMO Doina-Ileana, Ovidiu, Constanța-Elena, Marin, Dinu -Marin, Liviu, Maria.
- Marinela Turc IMO Maria Ghizdavu.

May God rest them in peace! Dumnezeu să-i odihnească!

7 DAY VIGIL LIGHTS – NARTH-cont.

- Simona Cismașiu pentru sănătatea familiei.
- Paraschiva Vasu - Family - thanking God for all of the blessings he has bestowed upon us.
- Ana Mohan pentru sănătate, mulțumire și ajutor de la bunul Dumnezeu la toată familia.
- John & Elena Biliboaca for the good health of all family and God's blessings.
- Elena și Petre pentru sănătate Ionuț, Andreea, Diana, Bogdan, Iulia, Mike, Landon, Logan, Luca, Ayan, fam. Radu, fam. Popescu, Meghan și pentru cei care călătoresc.
- Andreea Raaber for travelers Natalie-Andreea, Șerban, Mioara.
- Gerald Largent for the speedy recovery of my father Gerry Largent.
- Ileana Muntean for the protection of our family and blessings. May God watch over us always.
- Viorel & Alina Oancea for the good health of our family.
- Dan & Mirela Rudary in honor of Adriana - Elena on her 8th birthday! With thanks to God for our many blessings.
- Sonia Voiculescu for the speedy recovery of Angela Voiculescu.
- Andreea Raaber for the good health of Natalie-Andreea, Matthew - George, George, Andreea, Zoey, Maria, Șerban.
- Gerald Largent for the speedy recovery of Peyton Petro.
- George & Aurelia Habian for the good of the family.

Snow Removal Company Needed

Our parish is currently looking for a **reliable snow removal company** to provide snow plowing and related winter services for our church premises during the upcoming winter season.

If any of our parishioners know or can recommend a dependable company providing these services, please contact our **Parish Secretary** with the company's information.

Thank you for your help and recommendations!

Căutăm o firmă pentru dezăpezire

Parohia noastră caută în prezent o **firmă de încredere pentru servicii de dezăpezire**, care să asigure curățarea zăpezii și serviciile necesare pe proprietatea bisericii în timpul sezonului de iarnă.

Dacă vreunul dintre enoriașii noștri cunoaște sau poate recomanda o firmă care oferă astfel de servicii, vă rugăm să contactați **Secretariatul Parohiei** și să ne transmiteți informațiile de contact ale acesteia.

Vă mulțumim pentru ajutor și recomandări!



ST. MARY ROMANIAN
ORTHODOX
CATHEDRAL



ASK YOUR PRIEST

Faith often raises deep and important questions about God, about life, and about how to live as an Orthodox Christian in today's world.



Every Friday evening at 6:30 PM, we invite you to an open and friendly conversation with **Fr. Cezar Pelin.**

Let's meet together and spend a **quality spiritual time!**

Bulletin Sponsor 2026



Would you like to sponsor one or more of our weekly bulletins next year, in honor or in memory of someone dear to you?

The following dates are still available:

November 1, 8, 15; December 27.

The bulletin(s) can be sponsored for a donation of \$40.

Check the availability with the Parish Secretary, before mailing or leaving the check with the Epitropi!

Thank you!

A Word of Thanks

♦ We extend our heartfelt gratitude to: Viorel Oancea, Vasile Peicu, Adrian Breaz, Joseph Muresan, Mirel Marculetiu, Gheorghe Popa, Alin Mihaila, Petrica Porfireanu, Marius Bolos, Sorin Stoica, Liviu Sandu, Vasile Copaciu **who have generously offered their time, talents, and hard work toward the renovation and modernization of our Social Hall.** Every contribution, large or small, is helping us transform this important space into a more welcoming, functional, and beautiful place for our parish community.

Through this project, we seek not only to modernize the Social Hall and make better use of its full potential, but also to **preserve its historic character and the heritage it represents for our parish.** We sincerely thank everyone who has contributed and continues to support this important undertaking.

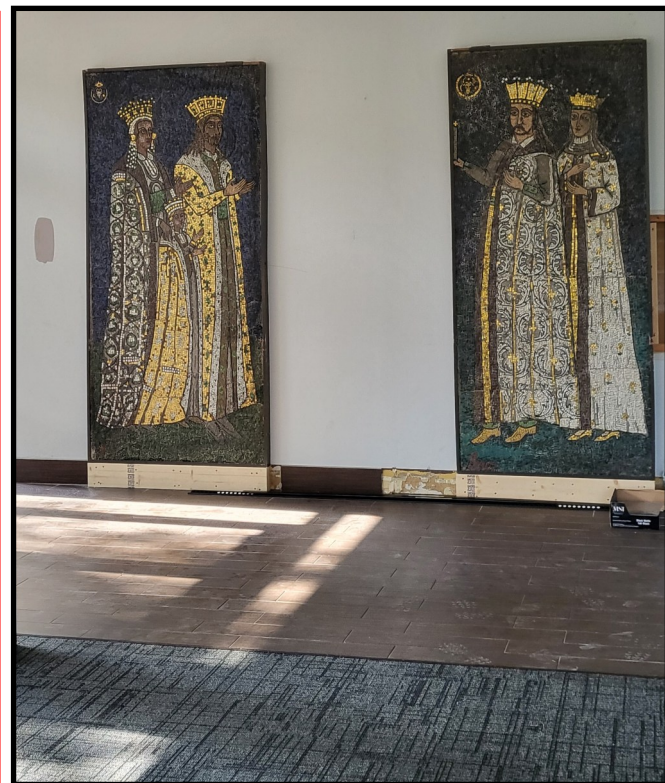
May God bless and reward you all for your generosity, dedication, and love for our church!

♦ We extend our sincere thanks to **Catalin Oprean** for generously offering his time and skills to install and repair tiles in our Social Hall. His work represents another important step in the ongoing renovation and improvement of this important gathering space for our parish community. We are grateful for his dedication and willingness to contribute to the life of our parish.

May God bless and reward him for his generosity, hard work, and service to our church!

♦ We extend our heartfelt thanks to **Adrian Popa** for generously offering his time and effort to wash and clean all the windows of our Social Hall. His dedication and willingness to serve are deeply appreciated and contribute greatly to the care and beauty of our parish facilities.

May God bless and reward him for his kindness and service to our parish community!



Remembering Our Past, Building Our Future

Beginning this month, we are introducing a new feature in our Parish Bulletin dedicated to the **history and memory of our parish**. Each month, we will look back at significant events that took place during that same month throughout the years - moments, people, and accomplishments that have helped shape the life of our church and community.

This is more than simply remembering dates and events. It is an opportunity to look upon our past **with gratitude**. The parish we have inherited today exists because generations before us believed, prayed, sacrificed, worked, and gave generously. Clergy and faithful, families and organizations, volunteers and benefactors - many offered their time, talents, resources, and love so that the Church could grow and fulfill her mission.

Remembering them is also a way of giving thanks: first to God, from Whom every blessing comes, and then to all those whose dedication has become part of the foundation upon which we continue to build.

The historical record from which these monthly commemorations are presently drawn **extends only through the year 2003**. For this reason, the events presented for now will primarily reflect the life of our parish up to that year. At the same time, we are working to **complete and update our parish history from 2003 to the present day**, so that the people, events, ministries, and accomplishments of these more recent years may also be properly recorded and preserved for future generations.

Our history, however, should never remain only in the past. It places a responsibility in our hands. **What we have received, we are called to cherish, strengthen, and pass on**. Just as previous generations entrusted this parish to us, we must prepare to entrust it to our children and grandchildren.

May these monthly glimpses into our parish history help us understand more deeply who we are and where we come from. And may the faith and courage of those who came before us inspire us to look toward the future with **faith, hope, gratitude, and courage**, confident that, with God's help, we too can leave to the generations that follow a living and flourishing spiritual inheritance.



Ne amintim trecutul, construim viitorul



Începând cu această lună, introducem în Buletinul Parohial o nouă rubrică dedicată **istoriei și memoriei parohiei noastre**. În fiecare lună, ne vom întoarce privirea către evenimentele importante care au avut loc, de-a lungul anilor, în luna respectivă - momente, oameni și realizări care au contribuit la formarea și dezvoltarea vieții bisericii și comunității noastre.

Această inițiativă înseamnă mai mult decât simpla rememorare a unor date și evenimente. Este un prilej de a privi spre trecutul nostru **cu recunoștință**. Parohia pe care am moștenit-o astăzi există datorită generațiilor care ne-au precedat, care au crezut, s-au rugat, s-au jertfit, au muncit și au dăruit cu generozitate. Clerici și credincioși, familii și organizații, voluntari și binefăcători - cu toții și-au oferit timpul, darurile, resursele și dragostea pentru ca Biserica să crească și să-și împlinească misiunea.

A ne aminti de ei este, totodată, un mod de a mulțumi: mai întâi lui Dumnezeu, de la Care vine toată binecuvântarea, iar apoi tuturor celor a căror dăruire a devenit parte din temelia pe care noi continuăm să construim.

În prezent, consemnările istorice, din care sunt alcătuite aceste evocări lunare, **se întind numai până în anul 2003**. Din acest motiv, evenimentele prezentate pentru moment vor reflecta în principal viața parohiei noastre până în acel an. În același timp, lucrăm la **completarea și actualizarea istoriei parohiei din anul 2003 până în prezent**, astfel încât oamenii, evenimentele, activitățile și realizările din anii mai recenti să fie, la rândul lor, consemnate și păstrate în mod corespunzător pentru generațiile viitoare.

Istoria noastră însă nu trebuie să rămână doar în trecut. Ea așază în mâinile noastre o responsabilitate. **Ceea ce am primit suntem chemați să prețuim, să întărim și să transmitem mai departe**. Așa cum generațiile de dinaintea noastră ne-au încredințat această parohie, și noi trebuie să ne pregătim să o încredințăm copiilor și nepoților noștri.

Fie ca aceste incursiuni lunare în istoria parohiei noastre să ne ajute să înțelegem mai profund cine suntem și de unde venim. Iar credința și curajul celor care ne-au precedat să ne inspire să privim spre viitor cu **credință, nădejde, recunoștință și curaj**, încredințați că, prin ajutorul lui Dumnezeu, și noi putem lăsa generațiilor care vor veni o moștenire spirituală vie și înfloritoare.

October 30, 1904 – The second General Meeting (Parish Assembly) was held. The statutes were discussed, and collection lists were distributed.

October 28, 1905 – Fr. Moise Balea's application to become a missionary priest in Cleveland was approved by Metropolitan Ioan Metian of Transylvania.

October 21, 1906 – St. Helen Greek Catholic Church and the Parish House were blessed.

October 15, 1911 – It was decided that the name "Legea Strămoșească" would no longer be used and that the parish would henceforth be known as St. Mary Church ("Biserica Sf. Maria").

October 23, 1911 – Fr. Ilarie Serb arrived in Cleveland as the new parish priest.

October 29, 1914 – A new charter under the name "Immaculate Virgin Mary" was obtained, and the title was transferred to it.



October 10, 1915 – Fr. Octavian Muresan resigned and left Cleveland.

October 6, 1918 – The renovated church, with a new iconostasis, was blessed, followed by a festive banquet.

October 30, 1925 – The “Caritatea” Society was founded.

October 1, 1928 – Fr. John Trutza assumed his duties as parish priest.

October 30, 1932 – The first Church Congress was held at the parish.

October 17, 1937 – The Social Hall (“Casa Națională Română Nouă”), which had been enlarged at a cost of \$17,000, was formally dedicated.

October 16, 1945 – All outstanding bonds were paid off.

October 10, 1948 – A grateful parish presented Fr. John Trutza with a new automobile.

October 30, 1955 – The parish sponsored a concert at Severance Hall in memory of George Enescu, featuring the Cleveland Orchestra conducted by Remus Tzincoca.

October 1957 – Mr. Nick Tekushan put the plans for the new church out for bids.

October 9, 1960 – The Cultural Center was dedicated.

October 21, 1960 – The “52 Club” was inaugurated to help meet the mortgage payments.

October 23, 1963 – A Brownie Troop was established in the parish.

October 21, 1967 – The organizational meeting of the Orthodox Brotherhood took place at the parish.

October 19, 1973 – A Fire Salvage Sale was held.

October 9, 1974 – The church mortgage was paid off.

October 20, 1974 – The parish celebrated its 70th Anniversary.

October 5–November 16, 1977 – A seven-week course on the Bible was held.

October 16, 1977 – The “Doina” Dancers of Canton performed at our Anniversary Dinner.

October 23, 1978 – Four English classes and one Romanian conversation class began meeting twice a week.

October 6–7, 1984 – The parish celebrated its 80th Anniversary, together with the burning of the mortgage for the Social Hall.

October 20, 1984 – The Congress of the Romanian Orthodox Episcopate of America, presided over by His Beatitude Metropolitan Theodosius, elected His Grace Bishop Nathaniel as the ruling bishop.

October 2, 1985 – The purchase of a new automobile for the parish priest, at a cost of \$8,000–\$10,000, was approved.

October 17–20, 1985 – The canonical visit of Bishop Nathaniel marked his first anniversary as ruling bishop.

October 12, 1986 – *Solia* newspaper celebrated its 50th anniversary.

October 19, 1986 – His Grace Bishop Nathaniel attended our parish’s 82nd Anniversary celebration.

October 18, 1987 – Bishop Nathaniel attended the 25th Anniversary celebration of the Orthodox Women’s Guild.

October 23–25, 1987 – The 20th Anniversary Conference of the Orthodox Brotherhood was hosted by our parish.

October 7–8, 1989 – The 85th Anniversary of St. Mary Parish was celebrated, together with the installation of Fr. Remus Grama.

October 13, 1991 – Our parish Boy Scout Troop held its 59th-year reunion.

October 16, 1991 – Mrs. Mary Jane Vendel was hired as the new parish Administrative Secretary.

October 11, 1992 – A Kick-off Dinner was held for “Project 94,” chaired by David Salanty and Betty Andrews.

October 9, 1995 – Fr. Grama accompanied His Grace Bishop Nathaniel and a delegation to the celebration of the autocephaly of the Romanian Patriarchate.

October 20–21, 1995 – The Orthodox Brotherhood Convention was hosted by our parish.

October 21, 1995 – Romanian artist Gheorghe Leahu held an exhibition of his drawings in our Social Hall.

October 14, 1997 – Owen Jones, President of Rose Hill Orthodox Christian College, South Carolina, spoke at our parish.

October 1997 – Mircea Valescu, parish cantor, fell asleep in the Lord.

October 22, 2000 – The 20th Anniversary of the election of His Eminence Archbishop Nathaniel was commemorated. The Ohio Deanery organized a dinner at our parish, raising \$58,000 for the Archbishop’s Charity Endowment. Bishop Laurențiu of Caransebeș, Romania, was also present.

October 5, 2003 – Bishop Vasile Someșanul, Auxiliary Bishop of Cluj, Romania, visited our parish together with Mr. Craig Goodwin, a missionary to Romania.

October 25, 2003 – Relics of St. Onouphrios and St. Euthimios the Great were offered to our parish for the spiritual strengthening of our faithful.

October 26, 2003 – A Parastas commemorating 45 years since the repose of Bishop Policarp was held.

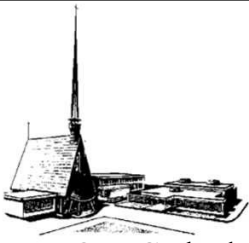
October 26, 2003 – President Ion Iliescu visited our parish together with 60 delegates from the Romanian Government, who had been invited by President George Bush. The parish library received 500 books and three icons.

October 2003 – A children’s soccer team was organized by Virgil Tent.

October 31–November 1, 2003 – Orthodox Christian Laity (OCL) met at the Marriott Hotel to discuss the promotion of Orthodox unity among the various ethnic jurisdictions in America. Our Archbishop Nathaniel served as the organization’s spiritual adviser.



CARING FOR OUR CATHEDRAL



Current Maintenance & Improvement Projects

Our Cathedral and parish properties are a sacred inheritance entrusted to our care. Maintaining them responsibly requires continual attention - not only to preserve what previous generations have built, but also to ensure that our church facilities remain safe, functional, and welcoming for our parish family.

At the present time, several necessary maintenance projects require our attention. We would like to keep our parishioners informed about these needs and invite those who are able to help to consider supporting one of these projects.

PARISH HOUSE – NEW HEATING & AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEM — \$12,000

The heating and air-conditioning system serving the upstairs of the Parish House is old and is currently leaking refrigerant (Freon). Because of the age and condition of the existing equipment, replacement is necessary. The estimated cost for a new heating and air-conditioning system is **\$12,000**.

CHURCH HEATING SYSTEM – PUMP REPLACEMENT — \$4,000

One of the pumps serving the heating system of the Cathedral needs to be replaced in order to ensure the proper and reliable operation of the system. **Estimated cost: \$4,000.**

PROPERTY-WIDE HEATING SYSTEM MAINTENANCE — \$2,000

Routine and preventive maintenance is needed for the heating systems throughout our parish property. This work will help ensure their proper operation and address potential problems before they become more serious and costly. **Estimated cost: \$2,000.**

TWO NEW FOOD WARMERS — \$3,000

Two new commercial food warmers are needed for our kitchen and parish events, replacing equipment that has become inadequate for our current needs. **Estimated cost: \$3,000.**

SOCIAL HALL KITCHEN – COOLER REPAIR — \$1,500

One of the coolers in the Social Hall Kitchen requires repair in order to restore it to proper working condition. **Estimated cost: \$1,500.**

GUTTER SEALING AROUND NEW CATCH BASINS — \$1,050

Sealing work is needed around the newly installed catch basins to ensure proper drainage and to prevent water infiltration and deterioration in the surrounding areas. **Estimated cost: \$1,050.**

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST: \$23,550

These projects are necessary for the proper care and continued use of our parish facilities. Parishioners who would like to contribute toward **one of these specific projects** may designate their donation accordingly. Contributions of any amount are welcome, and several families may also choose to contribute together toward the completion of a particular project.

We are grateful to everyone who supports the Cathedral through prayer, stewardship, generosity, and service. Through our common effort, we can continue to care faithfully for the spiritual home that has been entrusted to us.

What we have received from those before us, we are called to preserve faithfully and pass on to those who come after us.





FESTIVALUL RECOLTEI



FALL FESTIVAL

**Invităm pe toți cei implicați la școala duminicală
să culegem "recoltele" copiilor noștri
încununate cu jocuri și voie bună!**



**We invite everyone involved in Sunday School
to "harvest" our children's successes with
games and joy!**



**Duminică, 11 octombrie, după Sfânta Liturghie,
în sala mică a bisericii.**

**Sunday, October 11th, after the Divine Liturgy
at Sunday School.**



**Vă așteptăm cu mare drag!
We look forward to seeing you!**





Theotokos of Vladimir

EASTERN ORTHODOX WOMEN'S GUILD OF GREATER CLEVELAND

Unity Through Participation

I HAVE SHOWN YOU IN EVERY WAY, BY
LABORING LIKE THIS, THAT YOU MUST SUPPORT
THE WEAK. AND REMEMBER THE WORDS OF
THE LORD JESUS, THAT HE SAID, 'IT IS MORE
BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE.'"

~ACTS 20:35

ANNUAL FUNDRAISING DINNER Thursday, October 15, 2026

Holy Trinity Orthodox Church Hall

6822 Broadview Road
Parma, Ohio 44134

ADULTS (MEN & WOMEN): \$20.00
CHILDREN 6-12 YEARS OLD: \$10.00
UNDER 5 YEARS OLD – FREE

- Doors Open at 6:00 PM
- Dinner is at 7:00 PM
- Homemade Lasagna Dinner
- Delicious Appetizers & Pastries
- Auction Gift Baskets

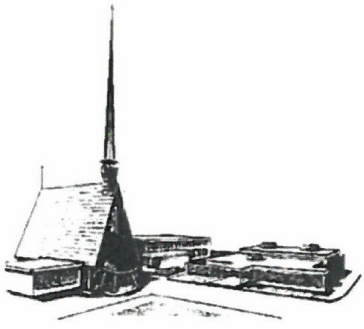


See your Parish Representative for Tickets OR
CALL/TEXT Maria Lovejoy Cell: (330) 212-6604 Home: (330) 220-3213

Reservations must be made by Sunday, October 8, 2026

All proceeds will go to Orthodox Charities.
See a list compiled by EOWG on <https://www.eowgcle.org>

Invitation



*122nd Anniversary
of
The "Dormition of the Mother of
God" Cathedral, Cleveland, Ohio*



October 17-18, 2025

With gratitude to God and in remembrance of our founders, **St. Mary Romanian Orthodox Cathedral Parish** warmly invites you to join us for a solemn and joyful celebration marking the **122nd anniversary** of the founding of our parish, the first Romanian Orthodox parish in the United States of America.

On this special occasion, we will also recognize and offer a special blessing for married couples who, in 2026, are celebrating a wedding anniversary in a multiple of five years.

ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM

SATURDAY - October 17

5:00 PM – Great Vespers with Lity

5:45 PM – Memorial Service for the Founders and Benefactors of the Cathedral

SUNDAY - October 18

8:30 AM – Matins

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

11:30 AM – Prayer of Thanksgiving and Blessing of the Anniversary Couples

11:45 AM – Group Photograph

Following the photograph – Reception for the Anniversary Couples

Followed by – Anniversary Banquet

Reservations for the Anniversary Banquet should be submitted to the church no later than **October 12, 2026**.

We thank you and warmly invite you to join us as we celebrate this special moment in the life of our community and give thanks to God for **122 years** of faith, service, and continuity in our parish.

122nd Anniversary Banquet Reservation

First and Last Name: _____

Number of Guests: _____

Please return your reservation by October 12, 2026.

Your prompt response will greatly assist us in making the necessary arrangements for this special event.

FALL RESALE

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8AM - 9AM

REGULAR ADMISSION \$1

9AM - 1 PM

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Cleveland



**Cristian
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**Angela
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Duminică 11 Octombrie ora 5PM

**Sala socială a Catedralei
Sfânta Maria, Cleveland**

**3256 Warren Rd.
Cleveland OH 44111**



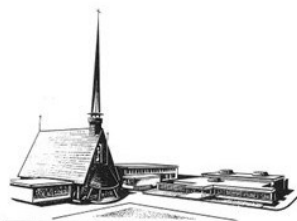
Info si Bilete la tel

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Saint Mary Cathedral

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**122nd
ANNIVERSARY**

**&
The Festive Banquet
of the Parish**

SUNDAY, October 18

9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by
special prayers for the Honorees

MENU:

Boeuf Salad, Prosciutto Tartines,
Fresh Pepper Stuffed with Cheese and Spinach
and Cheese Rolls,
Roasted Pork and Smoked Sausage
with Mashed Potatoes
& Cabbage Salad,
Coffee & Amandine



**FREE WILL
DONATIONS**

*Chefs: Florica Cotrau
& Aura Petre*

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ANIVERSARE**

**&
La Banchetul Festiv
al Parohiei**

DUMINICĂ, 18 Octombrie

9:30 am Sfânta Liturghie urmată de
rugăciuni speciale pentru sărbătoriți

MENIU:

Salată de boeuf, tartine cu prosciuto,
ardei umplut cu brânză și spanac,
rulouri cu brânză,
Friptură de porc și cârnaf afumat
cu piure de cartofi
și salată de varză
Cafea & Amandină



**DONAȚII
BENEVOLE**

*Bucătari: Florica Cotrau
Și Aura Petre*