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JANUARY 5-11, 2026

(M=ST. NICHOLAS, MUNSTER; W=ST. MARY, WHITING)

SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY

Jan. 4	Matins (W)	8:30 a.m.
	Divine Liturgy (W)	10 a.m.
	Vespers at Cathedral of Holy Angels	5 p.m.

THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD

Jan. 5:	Royal Hours (W)	6 & 9 a.m., 12 & 3 p.m.
	Vigil Liturgy & Water Blessing (M)	6:30 p.m.
Jan. 6:	Matins (W)	8:30 a.m.
	Liturgy (W)	10 a.m.

Jan. 10-11: No weekend services at St. Mary's

Jan. 11: Byzantine Catholic Gathering at
St. Michael Byzantine Catholic Church, Merrillville
Liturgy 10 a.m., luncheon to follow

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Glory Forever!

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Weekend Services:

Saturday: Vesperal Liturgy 4 p.m. (M)

Sunday: Matins, 8:30 a.m., Liturgy, 10 a.m. (W)

Parish Office Hours:

Monday 12 p.m.-4:30 p.m.
Thursday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

Confession:

Saturday before Vespers
Sunday 9:15 a.m., or by appointment

Sacraments:

Contact Parish Office

Served by:

Fr. Andrew Summerson, S.Th.D.
Cell: (216) 212-0295

Parish Secretary:

Marae Moore

Parish Pastoral Council:

Garrett Ashlock, Marina Klochan, Tony
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Closure of the Jubilee Year

The Byzantine Catholic Community of Northwest Indiana will gather with the Roman Catholic Diocese of Gary at Holy Angels Cathedral to close the Jubilee Year on Sunday, January 4 at 5 p.m.

We will celebrate Solemn Vespers with Latin Gregorian chant, Byzantine chant, and English hymnody. Confession will be available beforehand. Walk through the holy doors, receive the sacrament of reconciliation, and receive a plenary indulgence.

Theophany & Lake Blessing

The following services will be held to celebrate the feast of Theophany this year:

Jan 5: at St. Mary Church
Royal Hours, 6 a.m.; 9 a.m.; 12 p.m.; 3 p.m.

Jan. 5: at St. Nicholas Church
Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil & Great Blessing of Water, 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 6: at St. Mary Church
Matins, 8:30 a.m.; Liturgy, 10 a.m.

In the spirit of Theophany, St. Mary's will host the **Eighth Annual Blessing of Lake Michigan at Whiting Lakefront Park on Saturday, Jan. 17 at 10 a.m.**

We will meet in the parking lot of Whihala Beach and process to the boat dock together. Hot chocolate and goodies will be available after the lake blessing.

Be sure to invite your friends and family. All are welcome!

Tithes & Offerings

Dec. 28, 2025

\$582.00

We need to live from the collection basket. Please consider adjusting your tithe to 10% of your weekly take-home pay. Donations can be made online through Tithe.ly. Your offering also helps the many charities that appeal to us for help.

Let's Set Sail!: Regional Gathering

All faithful in northern Indiana are asked to attend Divine Liturgy, followed by a luncheon and a presentation, at St. Michael Byzantine Catholic Church in Merrillville on Sunday, Jan. 11, at 10 a.m. Participants will learn how Byzantine Catholics in northern Indiana can be a vital part of a new vision and strategic plan for the region.

Presentations will be given by Fr. Thomas Loya, protopresbyter of the Midwest Region, Fr. Andrew Summerson of St. Mary's in Whiting and St. Nicholas in Munster, and Fr. Michal Bucko of St. Michael's in Merrillville.

The day will conclude by 3 p.m. Sign-ups are needed for the luncheon, so please sign up in the narthex.

There will be no services at St. Mary or at St. Nicholas that weekend to facilitate maximum participation at this important event.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for:

John Beno, Arlene Bartko, Robert Clark, Susan Hlebasko, Laura Ieraci, Luke Jarman, Joanne Kuss, Marlene Mantich, Janet Mateyko, Oleksander Pushkarovich, Jeanette Stolarz, Lisa Sulich, Michael Yurkanin

RELATIVES AND FRIENDS

Aaron Bauer, Helen Brown, Dillon Buenrostro, Greg Canner, Ann Rose Chicvara, Jerry Chicvara, Maria Diaz, Fr. Michael Evanick, Flaviano Fogli, Patsy Hale, Jon Kalena, Rose Kovach, Joan McEnery, Margaret Myers, Millie Myers, Mary Ochs, Wanda Onesko, Sophie Peterson, Palma Pozzebon, Marisol Rocha, Rose Rodish, Monique Saliga, Ruth Sandidge, Anthony Slinker, Sr. Audrey Rash, John Sadlowski, Jack Strisko, Margaret Sutcliffe, Fr. Ian Williams.

Send prayer requests to the office.

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Gala Committee

Chairperson: Leslie Flores
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Stewardship Committee

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Tom Abbott, Laura Ieraci, Jeff Seeger

Worship Committee

Garrett Ashlock, Marie Beccaloni, Caitlin McEnery, Aidan Valente, Ben Yates

Committee Meetings

Gala Committee: Jan. 4, after Divine Liturgy in the rectory

Discipleship Committee: Jan. 18, after Divine Liturgy in the rectory

"Raising Them Rite"

The Family Life Office of the Eparchy of Parma is organizing an Eastern Christian Formation workshop for families on Saturday, Jan. 31, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., followed by a Vesperal Liturgy. The event will be held at St. Nicholas Church in Munster.

The workshop will focus on how to raise one's children as Byzantine Catholics, including: how to create a Byzantine Catholic ethos in the home, how to nurture Byzantine Catholic prayer and spirituality, and how to educate in the moral and virtuous life.

Save the date! Registration info to come.

Parishioners can join a committee at any time.