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Glory to Jesus Christ!
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March 9 - March 15, 2026

***New Sunday Schedule!**

Weekend Services:

Saturdays:
Vespers **5 p.m. (W)**

Sundays:
Liturgy **8 a.m. (M)**
Matins, **9 a.m.** Liturgy, **10:30 a.m. (W)**

Confession:

Saturdays: After Vespers
Sundays 9:45 a.m.
or by appointment

Sacraments:

Contact Parish office

Parish Secretary:

Marae Moore

Parish Office Hours:

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

Served by:

Fr. Andrew Summerson, S.Th.D.
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Holy Services

March 11:

Presanctified Liturgy (W) **6:30 p.m.**
For +Nancy Hlebasko by Maryanna Pushkarovich

March 13:

Presanctified Liturgy (M) **6:30 p.m.**
Panachida

March 14: All Souls Saturday

Parastas (W) **8:30 a.m.**
Vespers (W) **5:00 p.m.**

March 15: John Climacus

Liturgy (M) **8 a.m.**
Matins (W) **9 a.m.** **Note change in schedule*
Liturgy (W) **10:30 a.m.** **Note change in schedule*
Lenten Vespers (W) **4:00 p.m.** Featuring Tony McCullough "Reclaiming Space for Christ and our Patron Saints"

M=St. Nicholas, Munster W=St. Mary, Whiting

Lenten Challenge 2026:

Lent is about sacrifice that can change us. As we embrace this new partnered reality at St. Nicholas, Father Andrew is asking us to commit to deepening our discipleship and fellowship **TOGETHER** with the communities of St. Nicholas and St. Mary's Parish. For this reason, he is asking us to **commit to daily prayer to St. Nicholas and St. Mary** provided on sheets to take home. Also, to **participate in services at both St. Nicholas & St. Mary once a week.**

Opportunities for Almsgiving:

Living the Gospel (until march 11) ***LAST CHANCE***
Drive a Friend to Church
Gala auction-items donations or sponsorship
**See inside bulletin for more info*

Upcoming events:

Ongoing: All Souls Saturday

The next All Souls Saturday will be March 14 with Parastas at 8:30 a.m. at St. Mary's.

Living the Gospel

The recent Gospel invites us to love Jesus by loving those in need. Please join in living today's Gospel by *donating cash or gift cards for Strack's, Walmart, Luke, and Speedway marked for our local St. Vincent DePaul Society.* Donations can be placed in the box at the front of the church and will be distributed to our Whiting area neighbors in need by the society. **LAST CHANCE IS 3-11!**

ECF Continues!

The next ECF dates are March 21, & 29, April 3, & 12 at 3 p.m. St. Nicholas in Munster. Our hope is to continue to the end of May. A Bible study for adults will be held at the same time. *Vespers follows at 4:30 p.m..*

Lenten Vespers

Come join us Sundays at 4 p.m. for Lenten Vespers and to hear fellow parishioners speak. March 15, Tony McCullough will talk about reclaiming space for Christ and our patron saints. Next week, March 22, Caitlin McEnery will speak about "Visible Theology".

Mar 13 Support our Parish Youth!

Adelaide is in Godspell! Come see her at Bishop Noll Institute. Performances are March 13-15 and 20-22. Fridays and Saturdays start at 7 p.m., Sundays start at 2 p.m.. Shows often sell out, make sure to purchase online early! \$10 admission.

Scan QR code to purchase tickets!



Mar 19 Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

To be united to Christ, the Church gives us a map called the Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete. Thursday, March 19 at 7 p.m., join Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Church for an unforgettable experience of hymnody, prostration, and repentance. Confession will be available throughout the whole service.

Mar 20-22 Weekend Retreat

The gift of the Church & the Magisterium

Take a weekend away to join this beautiful retreat at the Mother of the Redeemer Retreat Center in Bloomington, IN led by **Tim Staples**

scan QR code to learn more/sign up



Parish Committee News

Fellowship:

Agape: Our Agape in the narthex has become lean on sign-ups. Please help support this essential moment of communion after liturgy. Donations of supplies (paper goods/coffee etc.) for our Sunday Agape are welcome.

Gala:

Mar 23 Last day for Gala RSVP

Our annual gala is April 11. The invites are out, so be sure to RSVP ASAP. Invite a local business to sponsor, take an ad, or give an auction basket. Letters are available. **We are also looking for a variety of fine liquor bottles to be donated, please drop off at the rectory!**

Discipleship: Drive a Friend to Church:

We need volunteers to drive parishioners with lack of transportation to and from church. If you are able, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex!

Worship: Rehearsal for Good Friday and Pascha will take place soon! Listen & look out for the date. This will be for anyone interested in singing on those days.

Committee Meetings

March 12: Gala meeting at 6:30

March 22: Stewardship after Church

Parishioners can join a committee at any time.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for:

PARISH FAMILY

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 Chicvara, Jerry Chicvara, Maria Diaz, Fr. Michael Evanick, Flaviano Fogli, Patsy Hale, Jon Kalena, Rose Kovach, Joan McEnery, Margaret Myers, Mary Ochs, Wanda Onesko, Sophie Peterson, Palma Pozzebon, Marisol Rocha, Rose Rodish, Ruth Sandidge, Anthony Slinker, Sr. Audrey Rash, John Sadlowski, Margaret Sutcliffe, Fr. Ian Williams.

Send prayer requests to the office.

Tithes & Offerings

March 1, 2026 - \$1,738.30

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.

Coloring for Shut-ins

There are coloring pages and crayons available in the narthex for children to color during Liturgy or to take home. The hope is to collect some colored pages from our parish youth to send to shut-ins.

Save the Dates:

Mar 28: Next Nut Roll Baking Day!

April 11: Open house, Vespers and Gala. Send out your RSVP's!

April 12: Next Parish Potluck!

Concert Series

St. John the Baptist Church is hosting a Lenten reflection concert series Sundays during lent. Head over after our lenten Vespers!

Enrich Your Spiritual Life

Reading

Make sure to visit our eparchial website *Parma.org* for great readings and other resources to enrich your reading of our faith.

Parishioner Recommendations:

- "Wounded by Love, the Life and Wisdom of Saint Porphyrios"
- "For the Life of the World" by Alexander Schmemmann

Weekly Scripture

Heb 6:13-20

For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you."

Mk 9:17-31

For he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."