

PROSTRATION: This is the act of getting down on one's knees and touching the forehead to the floor in a great reverence. During Great Lent, and at all Lenten services, our Orthodox Faithful are reminded to prostrate (bow) to the floor before venerating the icon on the Tetrapod (at the center of church) upon entering church. This has been the tradition in our Orthodox Churches for centuries. At the end of most services during Lent, the people prostrate (3) times while the choir sings "**Suffering Passions of our Lord, Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us!**"

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT – TODAY, SUNDAY, MARCH 25TH – ST. MARY OF EGYPT - Sunday Mission Service is at St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Basilica, 18100 Merriman, Livonia (b/t 6 & 7 Mile). The Mission Service will begin at 6:00 p.m.

LENTEN ENVELOPES: If you have not received a Lenten envelope that we distribute each Lenten period, please pick one up from the stand in the vestibule and donate as best you can. Remember God loveth a "cheerful giver". Thank you for your support.

LOOKING – We are looking for interested persons to form a group to discuss moving toward making social media connections to persons interested in Orthodoxy. Please contact Deacon Daniel if you are interested.

ST MICHAEL'S BOOK CLUB: - next meeting Saturday, March 31st after Divine Liturgy in Church Cultural Center. Topic – The Faith We Hold by Archbishop Paul of Finland. All are welcomed!

www.coccdetroit.org - go to this website to see videos and pictures of the COCC Mission Vesper service from Sunday March 11th, at St. Michaels. Look under "Latest News" for *3/13/18 Pan Orthodox Lenten Vespers, March 11* and click on *part 1, part 2, or photogallery*. Share with your friends and family. They are very professionally done.

CHURCH DONATION:

Vantsevich Family	\$300.00
Vantsevich Family (for Sundahy School)	20.00

MEMORIAL DONATION:

Mary Varchola (in memory of Tom Bingham)	\$ 25.00
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS!

PUSSY WILLOWS: NEXT SUNDAY IS PALM SUNDAY. Pussy Willow growers: please check them to see if they are ready to be cut. They should be ready now. After cutting, do NOT put them in water. Place them in a container or box and keep them in a cool dry place, and bring them in next Sunday.

COCC REPRESENTATIVE – Needed – a representative for St. Michaels to attend monthly COCC meetings. (COCC = Council of Orthodox Christian Churches) If interested, please see Father Timothy.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – Next scheduled Council Meeting will be held on April 22nd. Please mark your calendar.

HOLY FRIDAY VIGIL LIGHT ENVELOPES -- PASCHA NEWSLETTER: was mailed on Friday, March 2nd. Holy Friday Envelopes were attached to the newsletter. If you want 7 Day Vigils lit for Holy Week, please have them in by, **NO LATER THAN HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 5TH.** Fr. Timothy will light them Holy Friday at 4 pm. These vigils will be lit and burn throughout **PASCHA AND BRIGHT WEEK.**