

# 2022 MICHIGAN AREA GOYA LENTEN RETREAT



All GOYANS are invited to join us for a day of wonderful discussions, fellowship, and Lenten meals. Workshops will also be offered for adults. This event is FREE, but all must register online!

**SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2022**  
**2:00pm - 7:30pm**

St. Nicholas Church - 3109 Scio Church Road - Ann Arbor, MI

YOUTH AND CHAPERONES MUST REGISTER BY MARCH 1, 2022

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**TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

(Schedule is subject to change. Arrival and Dismissal times are final.)

TIME	ACTIVITY
2:00pm – 2:30pm	Arrival and Check-In
2:30pm – 2:55pm	Icebreakers
3:00pm – 3:45pm	Session I
3:50pm – 4:35pm	Session II
4:40pm – 5:00pm	BREAK/SNACKS
5:05pm – 5:50pm	Session III
5:55pm – 6:40pm	Session IV
6:45pm – 7:00pm	Evening Prayers
7:05pm – 7:30pm	Dinner and Dismissal

**ADULT SESSIONS WILL BE HELD DURING GOYA SESSIONS**

Dear Youth and Adult Participants,

We understand that some of you might have other commitments before and after the retreat. However, we kindly ask that you plan to stay through evening prayers. During this sacred time of the year, it is important for us to all pray together and give glory to God!

Thank you!

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# GOYA LENTEN RETREAT

## PARTICIPANT GUIDELINES AND INFO SHEET

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Please read this information carefully with your GOYAn(s) regarding their participation in this Retreat. If there are any questions about these guidelines, please feel free to contact the Metropolis Youth Director at (248) 823-2411.

### CONDUCT

All GOYAns are expected to behave in a way that is befitting an Orthodox Christian. We encourage fun, fellowship, and for everyone to learn and grow in Christ. GOYAns are, at no time, allowed to have drugs, alcohol, tobacco, vape pens, or weapons with them at any time during the Retreat. Possession of these items will be grounds for removal from the Retreat.

### CHECK IN/CHECK OUT

**CHECK-IN:** Parents... if you are not attending as a chaperone, please do not simply "drop off" your GOYAn. Please come in and check in your GOYAn. If you did NOT register your child online, they will not be able to stay at the retreat unless we get the required emergency contact info.

**CHECK-OUT:** If you need to pick up your GOYAn before the conclusion of the retreat or if someone other than a parent/guardian will bring your GOYAn(s) home, please do one of the following:

- 1) include that in the registration OR
- 2) email [youth@detroit.goarch.org](mailto:youth@detroit.goarch.org) before the retreat OR
- 3) let the Retreat Leaders know at check-in exactly who will be picking them up.

### MASKS REQUIRED

It is of utmost importance that we ensure the safety of all participants at the retreat, as well as their families at home. Therefore, it will be mandatory that all participants wear masks while they are indoors. We thank all participants, in advance, for their compliance with this requirement. Prior to the event, we will email all registered participants regarding any COVID-19 protocol changes or updates.

### DRESS CODE

All youth will be asked to wear the retreat t-shirt provided. All participants are free to wear casual clothing (t-shirt, jeans, athletic shoes). However, participants should remember that the Metropolitan and/or Clergy will be present. In addition, we will be spending time in the sanctuary of the Church. Therefore, please do not wear clothing with inappropriate or offensive messages (alcohol/tobacco advertisements, offensive jokes/photos, etc.) or clothing that is too revealing. This includes, but is not limited to: "saggy" jeans, shirts with large cut-outs, bare midriffs, short shorts/skirts, "yoga" pants, etc.

### PHONE/TECHNOLOGY USAGE

GOYAns are advised to leave their technology (tablets, smartphones, computers, music players) at HOME! If it is necessary for a GOYAn to bring one of these items to the Retreat, they must be stored away and not used for the duration of the Retreat. If a GOYAn is using this technology at any time during the Retreat, any of the chaperones or Retreat Leaders reserve the right to confiscate the device(s) until the conclusion of the Retreat. If you need to contact your GOYAn, please 1) Contact the host parish 2) Contact the GOYA Advisor in attendance with your parish group or 3) Wait until the conclusion of the Retreat, at which time they can use their phones.

### TRANSPORTATION TO/FROM RETREAT

It is not recommended that GOYAns, regardless of their age, drive themselves to/from a Retreat. GOYAns will not be allowed to leave the Retreat at any time, unless 1) The Retreat Leaders are notified at least 24 hours in advance of alternate arrangements or 2) There is an emergency where the parent/guardian must pick up their GOYAn(s).