

Glory to Jesus Christ! **St. Mary ~ Holy Protection Byzantine Catholic Church** *Glory Forever!*
Слава Иисусу Христу! **4480 Route 981 Latrobe, PA 15650** *Слава на вину!*

Pastor: Father Paul-Alexander Shutt, O.S.B. **Confessions:** **Rectory:** 724-423-3673
Parish Email: st.marytrauger@yahoo.com **Saturday** 16:00 – 16:30 **Hall:** 724-423-8838
Website: www.stmarybyzantinecatholic.org **Sunday** 9:00 – 9:30 or by appt.

30 August 2015: 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Post-festive Day of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist

Our Holy Fathers Alexander, John, and Paul the Younger, Patriarchs of Constantinople

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

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| Sat. | Aug. | 29 | 17:00 Vigil of the 14th Sunday after Pentecost. Suffrages for George and Lenora Malinich – <i>Ashbaugh Family</i> |
| Sun. | Aug. | 30 | 10:00 14th Sunday after Pentecost. + Suffrages for the parish ; for + Mary Ann Davis – <i>Alexander and Judy Giobbi.</i> |
| Sat. | Sept. | 05 | 17:00 Vigil of the 15th Sunday after Pentecost. Suffrages for Walter Furwa – <i>Edward & Joan Boytim.</i> |
| Sun. | Sept. | 06 | 10:00 15th Sunday after Pentecost. + Suffrages for the parish ; for + Mary Ann Davis – <i>Dr. & Mrs. Donald Santora.</i> |
| Tues. | Sept. | 08 | 19:00 Nativity of the Theotokos. Suffrages for Joseph & Josephine Krynicky – <i>Joanne H. Krynicky</i> |

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Acolytes Lectors Ushers

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| Sat. | Aug. | 29 | ----- | J. Krynicky | J. Snitzer, D. Milhalko |
| Sun. | Aug. | 30 | Ruggieri, Syphans | B. Chirdon | R. Garber, J. Knouse |
| Sat. | Sept. | 05 | ----- | J. Kontir | R. Garber, J. Snitzer |
| Sat. | Sept. | 06 | E. R. A. Hess | T. Tomosky | R. & J. Knouse |
| Tues. | Sept. | 08 | Ruggieri, Syphans | J. H. Krynicky | Any two present |

8/16/15 Collection: Adult: \$632.00 Student: \$18.00 Candles: \$43.00 **Total: \$1053.00**

Attendance: Saturday 17+1 Sunday: 34 + 1

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Two Old Testament passages that serve as basis for this Sunday's parable:

Proverbs 9:1-5 (LXX) Wisdom built Her house, and She supported it with seven pillars. She offered Her sacrifices; She mixed Her wine in a bowl and prepared Her table. She sent Her servants inviting people to the bowl with a lofty proclamation, saying, «*He who is without discernment, let him turn aside to Me*»; and to those in need of discernment, She says, «*Come, eat of My bread and drink the wine I mixed for you*; **Isaiah 25: 6-9 (LXX)** Then the Lord of Hosts shall do this to all the nations on this mountain [*Zion*]. They shall drink in gladness; they shall drink wine; they shall anoint themselves with ointment on this mountain. Deliver all these things to the

nations, for this is the counsel for all the nations. Death prevailed and swallowed them, but again God wiped away every tear from every face; He took away the disgrace of His people from all the earth; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken. Then it will be said on that day, «*Behold, this is our God, in Whom we hoped and rejoiced exceedingly; and we shall be glad in His salvation.*»

The fatted cattle – τὰ σιτιστὰ in Greek – is based on the word for *grain* and is better translated as «**wheat-fed**,» or «**formed from wheat**» intimating the **Eucharist**.

Come to the Marriage Feast EVERYTHING IS READY. AUGUSTINE: All the faithful know the story of the marriage of the king's son, and his feast. They know that the Lord's table is open to all who are willing correctly to receive it. But it is important that each one examine how he approaches, even when he is not forbidden to approach. The holy Scriptures teach us that there are two feasts of the Lord: one to which the good and evil come, the other to which the evil do not come. So then the feast of which we have just now heard when the gospel was being read has both good and evil guests. All who excused themselves from this feast are evil, but not all those who entered in are good. I now address you, therefore, who are the good guests at this feast. You are taking careful note of the words «*For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.*» It is to you I speak. I plead with you not to look vainly for the good apart from the church but to bear with the evil within it. SERMON 90.1.

NO WEDDING GARMENT. POPE SAINT GREGORY THE GREAT: But since you have already come into the house of the marriage feast, our holy church, as a result of God's generosity, be careful, my friends, lest when the King enters he find fault with some aspect of your heart's clothing. We must consider what comes next with great fear in our hearts. But the king came in to look at the guests and saw there a person not clothed in a wedding garment. What do we think is meant by the wedding garment, dearly beloved? For if we say it is baptism or faith, is there anyone who has entered this marriage feast without them? A person is outside because he has not yet come to believe. What then must we understand by the wedding garment but love? That person enters the marriage feast, but without wearing a wedding garment, who is present in the holy church. He may have faith, but he does not have love. We are correct when we say that love is the wedding garment because this is what our Creator Himself possessed when He came to the marriage feast to join the church to Himself. Only God's love brought it about that His only begotten Son united the hearts of His chosen to Himself. John says that «*God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son for us.*» FORTY GOSPEL HOMILIES 38.9.

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Next Sunday's Readings: 15th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Corinthians 4: 6 – 15 *Treasure in Earthen Vessels*

Matthew 22: 35 – 46 *The Great Commandment; The Question about David's Son*

~ Announcements ~

- **RETURN TO REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE!** On **13 September** the Sunday Divine Liturgy will be served at its regular time: **10:30**.
- **SEPTEMBER BINGO BAKERS: Wisdom! Be Attentive!**
- **A ONE MONTH OF CASH GIVEAWAY – OCTOBER 2015** – is being sold to benefit the parish handicap project. **Donation: \$10**. See *Jennifer*, *Marlene*, or *David* for tickets.
- **CORRECTION!!!** Last week's bulletin stated «**St. Florian** and **St. Mary parishes** will jointly host a **CASH BASH** at our parish hall. **INSTEAD**, it is the **Saint Vincent de Paul Society (St. Florian Conference)** with whom our parish will partner for this fundraising event. Details are below.

Saturday, 7 November from **16:00 – 21:00**. Each ticket holds **three** numbers and sells for **\$20.00**. There are two sign-up sheets in the Narthex: **one** for those who would like to buy or sale tickets, and a **second** one for those who would be willing to work the floor selling instants or helping out in the kitchen.

