

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory Forever!
Слава на вики!

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20 November, 2011: Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost

Prefestive Day of the Entrance of the Mother of God. Our Venerable Father Gregory the Decapolite. Our Holy Father Proclus, Archbishop of Constantinople. Our Blessed Mother Josaphata Horashevskā.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat. Nov. 19 5:00 PM, Sunday Vigil
+ Virginia Barbus requested by Tom & Lois Hanson

Sun. Nov. 20 **10:30 AM: 23rd Sunday after Pentecost:** For Our Parishioners

Mon. Nov. 21 7:00 PM: **Entrance of the Theotokos: Solemn**
+ Helen Krynicky requested by CDA Court St. Florian # 2240

Sat. Nov. 26 5:00 PM, Sunday Vigil w/ Mirovanije
+ Elizabeth Kontir Lindley requested by Jim & Mary Ann Kontir

Sun. Nov. 27 **10:30 AM: 24th Sunday after Pentecost:**
For Our Parishioners w/ Mirovanije

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Acolytes

Readers

Ushers

Sat. Nov. 19	M. Mihalko	D. Cholock	J. Kontir, M. Bankovich
Sun. Nov. 20	E. Hess	B. Chirdon	J. Knouse, G. Krynicky
Mon. Nov. 21	Any Present	M. Hulyk	Any 2 Present
Sat. Nov. 26	M. Mihalko	L. Knouse	J. Snitzer, R. Garber
Sun. Nov. 27	D. Cianciotti	J. Hess	D. Hess, C. Cianciotti

Collection: 11/13/11: Adult \$ 815; Student \$ 5; Candles \$ 34; Building Maintenance \$ 50; Monthly \$ 15; Holy Day \$ 70; **Total: \$ 989**



Blessings ... Faith ... Praise ... Response

«The Lord is my helper and my champion; in Him my heart hoped, and I was helped, and my flesh revived; and I will give thanks to Him willingly. The Lord is the strength of His people, and the protector of the salvation of His anointed. Save Your people, and bless Your inheritance.» [Ps. 27.7-8]

The Psalmist and Prophet King David, in these two short lines provide us with a wonderful summary of our life of faith as Byzantine Catholics. God protects us and provides for us; we, in turn, place our trust and faith in Him and render to Him praise and thanksgiving. How many times a day, a week, do we do a careful inventory of all the blessings received from Christ our God? It is so easy to focus on the negative things of life – natural disasters, politics, the economy, gas prices – rather than focusing on how we are truly blessed and well off we are. Make a list of the countless and wonderful blessings already received today, this week, this year; then compare it with the negative aspects of your life. Which list is greater in number?

At Saint Mary / Holy Protection Parish we place our faith and trust in God – Father and the Son and Holy Spirit – and in the powerful protection afforded us by our most pure, most blessed, most glorious Lady, the Theotokos, and ever-Virgin Mary. God has blessed every one of us – and is calling us to respond to His generosity. How we act in response can be in many forms: like King David, we can do so with exultation and song; through good works and deeds for those less fortunate; by returning a portion of what God has first given us. Perhaps it is time to consider a modest increase in our weekly offertory collection if we can't help out in other areas. As always, our response signifies our intentions to support God's work through His presence here at Saint Mary in the coming year.



~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

- **stmarybyzantinecatholic.org** – Continue to explore our parish web site. Make it known to your extended family, relatives, and friends and invite them to become a part of our family. Help spread the good news about Eastern Catholicism.
- **Thank you very much:** Allyson Dinsmore and Meghan Wasil for donating cakes to our weekly bingo this past Friday.
- ***The George Onda District of the First Catholic Slovak Union is holding its annual “Stedry Vecer” on Sunday, December 4, 2011 at the Bishop Connare Center, Route 30 East, Greensburg, PA. Mass is at 4 pm in the Chapel followed by our Traditional Slovak Christmas Eve Dinner. Door prizes will be awarded and the Pittsburgh Slovaks will perform. Tickets: \$18 adults / \$12 children 16 & under. Tickets are limited; RSVP prior to November 28th by calling 724-537-7743 after 6 pm.***
- See Poster for information on Trauger VFD’s Holiday Craft and Vendor Show on Nov. 27th.
- ***Need Help With High Heating Bills? See poster & applications available in the Narthex.***
- **PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS** Mr. Frank D. Burke, Jr., Father of Father Christopher Burke, who fell asleep in the Lord on Friday, November 11th. Funeral service was

held Tuesday, November 15th, at St. Mary of the Assumption Church in Mentor, Ohio. **May God grant to his servant Frank Eternal Memory and Blessed Repose!**

- ***THE 22nd ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS! Tour through the BRADDOCK TRAIL CHAPTER HOUSE at the corner of Church & Walnut Streets in Mt. Pleasant, PA. This 124 year old mansion may be seen on Nov. 26, 27, and Dec. 1,2,3 and 4 at various times. Fee is \$4.00 per person. Choose your favorite Christmas Tree. See poster for more details.***
- **First Time Ever: Catholic Ads Airing Nationally on Prime-Time Network TV—** Starting December 16, CatholicsComeHome.org will begin airing Catholic TV ads nationwide, inviting relatives, friends, and others to return home to the Catholic Church. Pray and spread the word by sharing this link with all Catholics you know. **www.CatholicsComeHome.org/Advent**

SAVE THE DATES...

- ❖ **St. Mary's Turkey Bingo, Sunday, November 20, 1 to 4 pm. See poster.**
- ❖ **Open House: Byzantine Seminary Press, Saturday, November 26, 9 - 5 pm**
- ❖ **Saturday, 3 December** at Saint Vincent College: Andrés Cardenes, former concertmaster of the Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra will perform at **8:00 pm** in the Carey Centre. He will perform works by Schubert, Hindemith, Mozart, Lutoslawski, Tchaikovsky, and Kreisler.
- ❖ **Christmas Craft / Bake Sale, December 3-4**, St. John Byzantine Catholic Church, Uniontown, See poster.
- ❖ **St. Nicholas Charity Event, December 4**, St. John the Baptist Cathedral, Munhall.