

Christ is Risen!
Χριστός Воскресе!
Χριστός ἀνέστη!

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church
4480 Route 981 Latrobe, PA 15650

Indeed He is Risen!
Воистину Воскресе!
Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!

Pastor: Father Paul-Alexander Shutt, O.S.B.
 St. Mary's Email: st.marytrauger@yahoo.com
 Website: www.stmarybyzantinecatholic.org

Confessions:
 Saturday 4 – 4:30 PM
 Sunday 9:30 – 10:00 AM
 or by appointment

Tel: Rectory: 724-423-3673
 Fax: 724-423-1808
 Hall: 724-423-8838

3 May, 2015: Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

- Sat. May 02 **17:00 Vigil of the Samaritan Woman:** + Suffrages for **George Pavick** – *Marge Hulyk & family*; for **John Osif** – *James Basinger*; for **Cody Fullman** – *Jack & Joan Overdorff*; for **Anthony Giacobbi** – *Phyllis Selenak*
- Sun. May 03 **10:30 Sunday of the Samaritan Woman** + Suffrages for **Joseph Christie, Jr.** – *Jack & Tracie Overdorff*; for **Peter Shultz** – *Andrew Regalla*; for **Michael Brehun** – *St. Mary Youth Group*, for **Frank Adzima** – *Marge and Family*.
- Sat. May 09 **17:00 Vigil of the Man born Blind** + Suffrages for **Mothers** both living and asleep in the Lord.
- Sun. May 10 **10:30 Sunday of the Man born Blind** + Suffrages for the **Parish** and for **Mothers** both living and asleep in the Lord.
- Wed. May 13 **19:00 Vigil of the ASCENSION w/ Mirovanije** + Suffrages for **John Osif** – *Mr. & Mrs. Laciak*; for **Cody Fullman** – *Mary Catherine Ross*; for **Joseph Christie** – *James & Rebecca Pospesil*.
- Thur. May 14 **9:30 ASCENSION w/ Mirovanije**



Acolytes

Readers

Ushers

Sat. May 02	-----	J. Krynicky	J. Kontir, R. Garber
Sun. May 03	Hess Brothers	S. Vacha	R. Knouse, J. Knouse
Sat. May 09	-----	M. Harhai	R. Garber, D. Mihalko
Sun. May 10	Ruggieri, Syphans	T. Tomosky	J. Overdorff, R. Garber
Wed. May 13	T. & M. Syphan	F. Chappell & A. Prizzi	Any two present
Thurs. May 14	-----	B. Chirdon	Any two present



4/16/15 Collection: Adult: \$640.00 Student: \$3.00 Candles: \$50.00 **Total: \$693.00.**
Attendance: Saturday 23 + 1 Sunday: 39 + 11

WHAT DOES THE NAME MEAN? GREGORY OF NYSSA: Our good Master, Jesus Christ, bestowed on us a partnership in His revered name, so that we get our name from no other person connected with us, and if one happens to be rich and well-born or of lowly origin and poor, or if one has some distinction from his business or position, all such conditions are of no avail because the one authoritative name for those believing in Him is that of Christian. Now, since this grace was ordained for us from above, it is necessary, first of all, for us to understand the greatness of the gift so that we can worthily thank the God who has given it to us. Then, it is necessary to show through our life that we ourselves are what the power of this great name requires us to be. The greatness of the gift of which we are deemed worthy through the partnership with the Master becomes clear to us if we recognize the true significance of the name of Christ, so that, when in our prayers we call upon the Lord of all by this name, we may comprehend the concept that we are taking into our soul.... Paul, most of all, knew what Christ is, and he indicated, by what he did, the kind of person named for Him, imitating Him so brilliantly that he revealed his own Master in himself, his own soul being transformed through his accurate imitation of his prototype, so that Paul no longer seemed to be living and speaking, but Christ Himself seemed to be living in him. As this astute perceiver of particular goods says, “Do you seek a proof of the Christ Who speaks in me?” and, “It is now no longer I that live but Christ lives in me.”

This man knew the significance of the name of Christ for us, saying that Christ is the “*power of God and the wisdom of God.*” And he called Him “*peace,*” and “*light inaccessible*” in whom God dwells, and “*sanctification and redemption,*” and “*great high priest,*” and “*passover,*” and “*a propitiation*” of souls, “*the brightness of glory and image of substance,*” and “*maker of the world,*” and “*spiritual food,*” and “*spiritual drink and spiritual rock,*” “*water,*” “*foundation*” of faith, and “*cornerstone,*” and “*image of the invisible God,*” and “*great God,*” and “*head of the body of the church,*” and “*the firstborn of every creature,*” “*first fruits of those who have fallen asleep,*” “*firstborn from the dead,*” “*firstborn among many brothers,*” and “*mediator between God and humanity,*” and “*only begotten Son,*” and “*crowned with glory and honor,*” and “*lord of glory*” and “*beginning*” of being, speaking thus of Him Who is the beginning, “*king of justice and king of peace,*” and “*ineffable king of all, having the power of the kingdom,*” and many other such things that are not easily enumerated. When all of these phrases are put next to each other, each one of the terms makes its own contribution to a revelation of what is signified by being named after Christ, and each provides for us a certain emphasis. To the extent that we take these concepts into our souls, they are all indications of the unspeakable greatness of the gift for us. However, since the rank of kingship underlies all worth and power and rule, by this title the royal power of Christ is authoritatively and primarily indicated (for the anointing of kingship, as we learn in the historical books, comes first), and all the force of the other titles depends on that of royalty. For this reason, the person who knows the separate elements included under it also knows the power encompassing these elements. But it is the kingship itself that declares what the title of Christ means.

Therefore, since, thanks to our good Master, we are sharers of the greatest and the most divine and the first of names, those honored by the name of Christ being called Christians, it is necessary that there be seen in us also all of the connotations of this name, so that the title be not a misnomer in our case but that our life be a testimony of it. Being something does not result from being called something. The underlying nature, whatever it happens to be, is discovered through the meaning attached to the name. ON PERFECTION.



Next Sunday's Readings:

Acts 16: 16 - 34 *The Imprisonment of Paul and Silas at Philippi*

John 9: 1 – 38 *The Healing of a Man Born Blind*



~ Announcements ~

- **SUNDAY, MAY 17:** In the coming days kindly remember in your prayers one of our ECF students – **Joshua Vacha** – who will celebrate for the first time the **Mystery of Confession**. *God forgives our sins and cleanses us from our trespasses, when we confess to God in the presence of the priest, with humility and contrite hearts. St. Athanasius the Great said, "As the Baptized is enlightened by the grace of the Holy Spirit, by means of the priest, the repentant is granted forgiveness of his sins by the grace of Christ, also through the priest."*
- The **Annual Saints Cyril and Methodius Byzantine Catholic Seminary Collection** will be taken up the weekend of **May 16th & 17th**. There is a special yellow envelope for this in your box. Please give generously for the formation of the future priests of our church and remember to **PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!**
- **2nd Annual Greek Catholic Union and Byzantine Family Day at Idlewild Park: Saturday, May 30** from 10:30 am until park closing. The GCU is offering prepaid, discounted ticket sales, Ride-All-Day Tickets \$20. Tickets for the optional Catered All-You-Can-Eat-Lunch Buffet are (ages 6+) \$13, ages 5 and under \$7. Lunch includes *oven-baked chicken, hot dogs, baked beans, watermelon, chips, and soda*. The **deadline** to purchase discounted tickets is **Friday, May 15**. **No discounted tickets will be sold at the park. Make checks payable to: GCU – IDLEWILD.** The sign-up sheet and the schedule for the day's events are posted in the Narthex. Please turn in your reservations and remittances to the parish office by **Monday, 11 May**.



- **ENCOUNTER! REJOICE! LEAD! Young Adult Catholic Retreat Weekend** at Mount St. Marcina House of Prayer. **May 29 – 31**, 19:00 Friday thru 11:00 Sunday. Both singles and married couples, ages 18 – 35, are welcome. **Registration deadline is Friday, 22 May**. A \$50 deposit is due at the time of registration; the balance of \$50 is due upon check-in at the retreat. Flyers are available in the Narthex.



Festival Committee Chairs: About half of those contacted have responded to Father's letter. As soon as all have submitted their form, an initial meeting can be scheduled. Place the bottom portion of your form in the large envelope in the Narthex or mail to the parish office. Thank you.

- **SUMMER SUNDAY SCHEDULE CHANGE:** Starting on **Sunday, 31 May**, the Sunday morning Divine Liturgy begins at **10:00**.
- The national **Greek Catholic Union** has awarded the parish a matching grant of **\$1250** for the money generated from our first pirohi sale! We are most appreciative for this grant made possible by all of our parishioners who, in whatever way, so generously worked to make this project for the handicap lift a huge success.

