Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Исусу Христу! Saint Mary Byzantine Catholic Church 4480 Route 981 Latrobe, PA 15650

Glory Forever! Слава на вики!

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09 September, 2012: Sunday Before the Exaltation of the Cross Postfestive Day of the Birth of the Mother of God. The Holy and Just Grandparents of God - Joachim and Anna. The Holy Martyr Severian.

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat.	Sept.	08	9:00 AM: Nativity of the Theotokos: Solemn +Nancy Skapura requested by Joanne H. Krynicky 5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil: For Our Parishioners w/ Mirovanije						
Sun.	Sept.	09	10:30 AM: Sunday Before the Exaltation of the Cross w/ Mirovanije +Mary Barton requested by brother Steve Skapura						
Thurs.	Sept.	13	7:00 PM: Vesperal Liturgy: Exaltation of the Holy Cross – Solemn +Virginia Schachte requested by Carl and Children						
Sat.	Sept.	15	5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil w/ Mirovanije +John & Suzanna Muchoney requested by Joanne H. Krynicky						
Sun.	Sept.	16	10:30 AM: Sunday After the Exaltation of the Holy Cross For Our Parishioners w/ Mirovanije						
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<u>Collection:</u> 09/02/12: Adult \$ 617; Student \$ 4; Candles \$ 32; Cemetery \$ 35; **Total:** \$ **688** 

After the Divine Liturgies this week-end, a Panachida will be served for the repose of the souls of all those who perished in the terrorist attacks on 9-11-2001. As we prepare to commemorate them, let us offer the following Troparion to Christ-God, the Prince of Peace: O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance. Grant peace to a world that is living in fear. Extinguish hatred and put an end to all programs of terrorism for the sake of Your love for us all.



\*\*\*VOCATIONS\*\*\* In the epistle, in his zeal and love for them, Paul writes to Christians to help them understand and live their freedom as children of God. We need more "Pauls" (priests) to do this in our own parishes. Pray for vocations – and consider your own vocation!

**The Nativity of the Theotokos** is the first major feast of the Byzantine calendar, celebrated on 8 September. It commemorates Mary's place in the great work of Redemption. Our Orthodox Catholic Church invites us to celebrate the «prelude of universal joy and the first fruits of our salvation.»

You Nativity, O Theotokos, heralded joy to the whole universe, for from you rose the Sun of Justice, Christ our God. He cancelled the curse and poured forth His grace: He vanquished death and granted us eternal life.

Troparion of the Feast



## ~ Announcements ~

- "Catechetical Sunday" is next Sunday. Special prayers for the Beginning of the School Year will be included during the Divine Liturgy. We will give authority to our catechists, and implore God's Wisdom upon them and their students, for whom we will also pray and bless. All instructors and students are asked to be present next week. **ECF classes resume on September 23<sup>rd</sup>.**
- ☐ Thank you *Pat Krynicky* for donating baked goods to our bingo this past week.
- **2012—FESTIVAL ACCOUNTING Income**: 1) Parish Donation & Sponsors-\$2,685.00. 2) **Proceeds**--\$12,548.10 **TOTAL INCOME**: \$15,233.10 **EXPENSES**: \$2,894.57 **PROFIT**: \$12,338.53
- Pokrov: Patronal Feast Day. This year in honor of our Pokrov, supper will be served on Sunday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, after the Vesperal Liturgy at 5:00 PM. The church will provide chicken or spareribs, holupki, cake, and drinks. Please use the **sign-up sheet** in the Narthex to give us an idea of how many people to expect and what specialty food you will be bringing to the supper. Also make your choice between **chicken or spareribs** as to the additional meat. The one with the most votes is what we will have in addition to holupki. All parishioners, family, & friends are invited to attend. Please make every effort to join your parish family in honor of the patronal feast day of our church-The Protection of the Holy Theotokos.
- ☐ St. Michael Antiochian Orthodox Church, just off the Greensburg by-pass, is having their annual food festival today, Sunday, 9 September, from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm.
- **Stay at Home--**the best alternative to Family. Stay at Home provides Compassionate & Dependable Care for loved ones in the comfort of the home. Caregivers are triple screened, bonded, and insured. Meal preparation-Household chores-Running errands-Driving to appointments-Medication reminders-and Much More---Joe & Kristen Mucci 724-420-5648 JMucci@StayHomeWeb.com See poster card.

□ Flight 93 Memorial Benefit Concerts The Westmoreland County Community Choir and Band, the Somerset County Community Choir and Band, Laurel Valley Chorale and the Jeannette Community Band will present two special concerts for the *Flight 93 Memorial Fund*. The program will be presented at Greensburg Salem High School on Thursday, Sept. 13 at 7:00 PM and again at Somerset Senior High School on Sunday, Sept. 16 at 3:00 PM. The proceeds from these two concerts will be donated to the *Flight 93 Memorial Fund*. Ticket price is \$10.00. To order, contact: Cindy Watson, 724-696-3909, 724-454-6480, or email wcccmusic@aol.com. See poster.

Theosis: New Magazine of Spiritual Reflections from the Christian East: Each issue will be over 100 pages of short essays for spiritual reflection. A photo essay of an Eastern Church somewhere in the world will be featured. It will include a calendar of Saints for the month with daily prayers and a short biography of each saint. Printed in full color with plenty of icons and photographs, Theosis will be printed in a pocket size edition so you can carry it with you everywhere. The annual print subscription is \$60 per year. However, if we order in groups of ten parishioners, we receive the discount price of \$48 per year. ECF students will receive a year's subscription compliments of the Josie Fund. Parents with children younger than ECF-age are encouraged to order this magazine since they have the primary responsibility to hand on the faith and traditions of the Byzantine rite to their children. Please let Father know ASAP if you are interested. As a bulk order, the magazine, however, must be delivered to the church. Make your \$48.00 check payable to: Eastern Christian Publications.