

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Saint Mary Byzantine Catholic Church

Glory Forever!

Слава Иисусу Христу!

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08 September, 2013 Sunday before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross:

Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat. Sept. 07	5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil w/Mirovanije <i>+Michael & Catherine Bodnar requested by Dorothy, Martin, & Tina Osif</i>
Sun. Sept. 08	10:30 AM: Sunday before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross: Birth of the Theotokos: <i>pro populo</i> w/Mirovanije
Sat. Sept. 14	10:00 AM: Exaltation of the Holy Cross: Solemn <i>+Daniel Furwa requested by Angela Gera</i> 5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil w/Mirovanije <i>+Andrew & Helen Cholock requested by Barbara & Jerry Chirdon</i>
Sun. Sept. 15	10:30 AM: Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross: <i>pro populo</i> w/Mirovanije

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	Acolytes	Readers	Ushers	
Sat. Sept. 07	M. Mihalko	L. Knouse	R. Garber, D. Cianciotti	
Sun. Sept. 08	E. & R. Hess	S. Vacha	G. Krynicki, J. Overdorff	
Sat. Sept. 14am	Any Present	M. Hulyk	-----Any Present-----	
Sat. Sept. 14pm	M. Mihalko	B. Chirdon	J. Snitzer, J. Kontir	
Sun. Sept. 15	D. Cianciotti	L. Cianciotti	C. Cianciotti, J. Knouse	
Collection:	Adult \$740;	Student \$8;	Candles \$38;	
09/01/13:	Cemetery \$50;	Total: \$836.00		

Today is the beginning of our salvation, O people; for behold the Mother and Virgin who was chosen from all generations to be the habitation of God is born and comes forth from the barren one. She is the flower from Jesse and possesses the rod from his root. May our forefather Adam rejoice and be full of joy; for behold, she who was created from the rib of Adam declares that her daughter and descendant is blessed. She says: My deliverance has been born to me. Through her, I will be freed from the bonds of Hades. May David rejoice, play on his harp, and bless God; for behold, the Virgin come forth from the womb of the barren woman for the salvation of our souls.



Let us play the spiritual flute on this noteworthy feast, because from the seed of David is born the Mother of the Life Who dispels the darkness. She is the renewal of Adam and the answer to Eve, the source of incorruption and the transformation of corruption. Because of her, we have been divinized and delivered from death. We cry out to her with Gabriel: «Rejoice, O Full of Grace, the Lord is with you.» Because of you, He has granted us great mercy.

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Joy to you, life-bearing Cross of the Lord, invincible triumph of the true faith! You are the gate to Paradise, the strength of the faithful, and the stronghold of the Church. Because of you, corruption no longer has meaning or power. By you, we have been lifted up from earth to heaven. You are an invincible weapon against evil, a glory indeed for saints and martyrs, and a haven for salvation. You are the source of mercy to the world.



He who was caught up to the third heaven of paradise and heard unspeakable and divine words which the human tongue cannot utter, wrote to the Galatians. Study the Scripture, and you will read and understand what he wrote: «God forbid that I should glory, save only in the Cross of the Lord on which He suffered the passion.» Therefore, let us continue to praise this Cross of the Lord with confidence, for it is the glory of us all. This Wood is our salvation, a weapon of peace and an unconquerable sign of victory.

Next Sunday's Readings: Epistle, Galatians 2:16-20 *Jews, like Gentiles, are Saved by Faith*
Gospel, Mark 8:34b-38 *Taking up One's Cross*



~ Announcements ~

- **Many Thanks** to **Mary Ann Kontir, Jane Matsko, Julie Gonofsky and Marge Hulyk** for providing baked goods to our bingo.
- **FYI: INDIVIDUALIZED CLIMATE CONTROL** for this parish does not exist. It is doubtful that the technology exists, and even if it did, we could not afford it; so please, instead of complaining week after week after week – *ad nauseum* – that the church is too hot, too cold, too humid, too breezy for you, dress appropriately so that you will be comfortable!
- **EASTERN CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES** begin on Sunday – **22 September – at 9:15** in the Church basement. **Father will meet only with PARENTS on Sunday 15 September at 9:30** in the Church basement. Watch for up-coming announcements in subsequent bulletins. **Next Sunday, an important event will take place in our parish.** The importance of religious instruction will be emphasized. 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.**

➤ **Men's Day of Reflection Saturday, September 14th at the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Munhall, PA.** This year's theme: *"The Cross: Strength Through Faith & Spirituality."* Preregistration required. \$25.00 per person, includes continental breakfast & lunch. Day begins at 9:00 with Divine Liturgy, ends at 3:00 with a Raffle, and has three speakers interspersed throughout the day. Sponsored by the Byzantine Catholic Archeparchial Office of Religious Education.

➤ **THE PATRIARCH TIKHON CHOIR** will perform a concert entitled "Their Sound Hath Gone Forth." This extraordinary concert of **Orthodox sacred music** will take place on **Tuesday, September 17, 7:00 pm at The First Baptist Church, 159 North Bellefield Avenue in Pittsburgh.** For more information about the choir and concert and to purchase tickets online, please visit the choir's website: www.patriarchtikhonchoir.com.



September Birthdays

Many spiritual blessings to the following parishioners!

Mnohaja L'ita ! Ad Multos Annos!

02—Dan Overdorff
05—Conrad Semensky
06—Joseph Regalla
07—Levi David Porvaznik
10—Mary Lezo
15—Ryan Mott
17—John Regalla, Sr.



18—Eva Harouse
22—Marsha Osif
23—Ryan Hess
24—David M. Regalla
26—Cheryl Rusinko
28—Cassidy Fullman
29—Mary Ann Kontir