

**Glory to Jesus Christ!**  
**Слава Иисусу Христу!**

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

**Glory Forever!**  
**Слава на вѣки!**

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**Saturday 4 – 4:30 PM**  
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## 3 August, 2014: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

*Our Venerable Fathers Isaac, Dalmatus and Faustus.*

### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat. Aug. 02	<b>5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil</b> <i>+Suffrages for Michael Bankovich requested by the Family</i>
Sun. Aug. 03	<b>10:00 AM: Eighth Sunday after Pentecost: pro populo</b>
Tues. Aug. 05	<b>7:00 PM: Transfiguration of Our Lord w/Mirovanije</b> <i>+Suffrages for Anthony Giacobbi requested by Cindy (Rusinko) Griceck</i>
Wed. Aug 06	<b>9:30 AM: Transfiguration of Our Lord w/Mirovanije</b> <i>+Suffrages for Daniel Furwa requested by Shirley &amp; Bob Dragovich</i>
Sat. Aug. 09	<b>5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil</b> <i>+Suffrages for Virginia Barbus requested by Jim &amp; MaryAnn Kontir</i>
Sun. Aug. 10	<b>10:00 AM: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost: pro populo</b> <b>9<sup>th</sup> Day Memorial Service for Paul Brehun:</b> Panachida w/Kollyva

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	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Ushers</u>	
Sat. Aug. 02	-----	M. Harhai	J. Snitzer, D. Mihalko	
Sun. Aug. 03	E. & R. Hess	A. Regalla	R. Garber, J. Overdorff	
Sat. Aug. 09	-----	J. Kontir	D. Mihalko, R. Garber	
Sun. Aug. 10	-----	B. Chirdon	G. Krynicky, R. Garber	

**7/27/14 Collection:** Adult \$810.00; Students \$9.00; Candles \$54.00; Cemetery \$220.00;  
**Total: \$1093.00**

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**Better Late than Never!** The 4<sup>th</sup> and final fasting period of our Church comes at the end of the liturgical year to help us in preparing for the great and solemn feast of the Dormition of the Virgin. The traditional rule for the Dormition Fast is a strict abstinence from August 1<sup>st</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup>, w/ the usual mitigation (wine and oil) for Saturdays and Sundays and the Feast of the Transfiguration on August 6<sup>th</sup>. It is, therefore, observed as the Great Fast. The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this as a penitential season (Canon 880, §2). *Meals for the fast should follow the dietary restrictions and be cooked simply. Portions should be smaller than usual. If you have a medical condition that requires you to relax the fasting guidelines, then do so. Generally speaking, children and*

*elderly people are allowed to relax the fast under the guidance of their spiritual father or mother or their parish priest.*

Because our parish festival is now the first week-end of August, the Feast of the Transfiguration tends to get lost in the hustle and bustle and post-festive fatigue of this important parish function. Yet this feast is of such great importance that it is one of the twelve major feasts of our Church. The Latin Church considers it so important that they celebrate it twice a year: first during Lent and then together w/ the Eastern Churches on August 6<sup>th</sup>. As we come to the end of the liturgical year, our holy Church gives us two amazing reasons to celebrate our holy orthodox catholic faith: **a feast of light** – the Transfiguration and **a feast of hope** in the resurrection of our physical bodies and our ascension to the right hand of Christ our God – The Dormition and Assumption of the Theotokos. PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND THE BEAUTIFUL LITURGIES THAT WILL BE SERVED FOR THESE TWO FEASTS. **Blessing of Fruit on the Feast of the Transfiguration:** Please bring to church any fresh fruits & vegetables from home gardens and vineyards to be blessed. Flowers & herbs will be blessed on the Feast of the Dormition.

### Next Sunday's Readings:

**I Corinthians 3: 9 - 17** *Fellow Workers for God*

**Matthew 14: 22 – 34** *Jesus Walks on the Water of the Sea*

### ~ Announcements ~

- **TODAY IS OUR PARISH FESTIVAL!** We hope that everyone will attend and have a very enjoyable time. Booth Chairs should provide a money box for their booth. Food Stipends can be picked up from Andy Boytim at the start of the Festival. Even though the Worker's Schedule has been printed, you may still volunteer and help out at ANY booth or in the Kitchen to provide a few hours of relief. We wish to thank all the parishioners who have contributed in a myriad of ways to the success of our Festival. Everyone's efforts are sincerely appreciated. Our Sponsor List will be available next week.
- **Sincere Thanks:** to all the kind parishioners who provided baked goods to our Friday Bingo this week, the St. Mary's Youth Group for weeding and trimming the bushes around the Centre, to John Regalla for resurfacing the hardwood floor on the steps at the front of the church.
- **Reader's Day: Saturday, 16 August** at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary in Pittsburgh. Current lectors are invited to attend a one-day Epistle Reader's Day from 9 am to 3 pm. This refresher course will provide a review of the role of the church reader; the basics of chanting the Epistle; and vocal coaching to help improve your ability to chant the Scriptures. The registration fee is \$15, which includes lunch and materials. Let Father Paul-Alexander know if you are interested.

- **\*\*\*TRIANGLE MEALS ON WHEELS\*\*\*** This program provides meals at a nominal cost to the aged, ill or handicapped. Meals are made in the kitchen of Pleasant Unity Methodist Church. Call the kitchen at 724-423-8887 or president Nancy Mears at 724-423-1616 for further information or to enroll a loved one. **See poster in Narthex for more details.**
- **21<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL RUSYN FOOD FESTIVAL SLATED FOR AUGUST 7, 8, and 9** sponsored by St. John the Baptist Orthodox Greek Catholic Church, 450 Glenwood Drive, Ambridge, PA 15003. This festival captures the total Rusyn Cultural experience—the arts, music, dance, tastes, costumes—it’s like going to Europe, but easier and cheaper. The public is invited and admission is free. The festival is held from 11 am to 8 pm each day. **See Poster in the Narthex for more details.**
- **Men’s Day of Reflection «Our Church: Growth through Understanding»:** Saturday, 13 September from 9:00 AM to 3:15 PM at our cathedral in Munhall. The Day will include the 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour and Vespers, 3 Informational Seminars, and Continental Breakfast and lunch. Topics to be presented: (1) History of the Eastern Church, (2) Spiritual Awakenings, (3) Development of the Divine Liturgy. A \$25 non refundable registration fee is required. Forms are located on the tables in the Narthex or from Father. **DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION** is 7 September. **MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO «OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION».**