

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Исусу Христу!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection
Byzantine Catholic Church

Glory Forever!
Слава на вики!

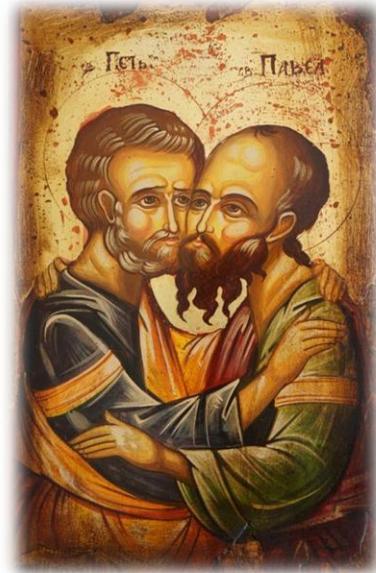
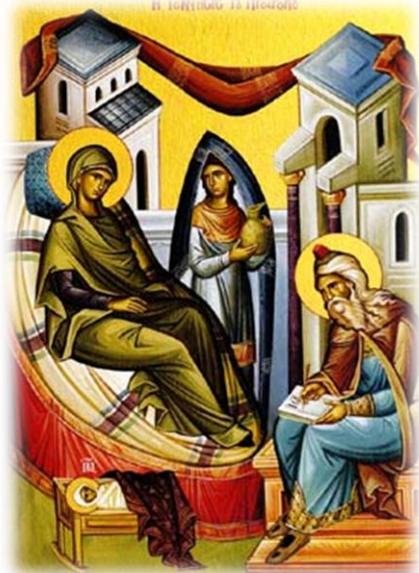
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25 June 2017 / 7525 ~ 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Postfestive Day of the Feast of the Birth of Saint John the Baptist
The Holy and Venerable Martyr Febronia



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

Sat. June 24 17:00 Vigil: 3rd Sunday after Pentecost
 Suffrages for **+John Krynicky** – friends and neighbors

Sun. June 25 10:00 3rd Sunday after Pentecost Suffrages *pro populo*

Wed. June 28 18:30 Sts. Peter and Paul (*Holy Day of Obligation*) w/ *Mirovanije*

Thurs. June 29 09:30 Sts. Peter and Paul (*Holy Day of Obligation*) w/ *Mirovanije*

Sat. July 01 17:00 Vigil: 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Sun. July 02 10:00 4th Sunday after Pentecost Suffrages *pro populo*

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ACOLYTES

LECTORS

USHERS

Sat. June 24 ----- J. Krynicky J. Snitzer, R. Knouse
Sun. June 25 E.R.A. Hess J. Hess D. Hess, A. Syphan

Wed. June 28	E.R.A. Hess	A. & O. Syphan	Any two present
Thurs. June 29	T. M. Syphan	J. Krynicky	Any two present
Sat. July 01	-----	B. Chirdon	J. Basinger, D. Mihalko
Sun. July 02	E.R.A. Hess	A. Prizzi	R. Knouse, J. Overdorff
06 / 18 / 2017	Adults \$999	Children \$9	Candles: \$111
Collection	Total: \$1119		

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No one can serve two masters: Let us see, first, how the present words follow the preceding things that have been spoken. Earlier He commanded to give alms, saying, «**Lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven,**» because whoever stores up treasures for himself in heaven has his heart in heaven and his hope in God; he has a sound eye of the soul, that is, a pure and spiritual mind, one that also meditates not on earthly things but on heavenly matters. But whoever has a pure and spiritual mind can keep his body clear, that is, without sin. But whoever does not give alms does not have his heart in heaven or his hope in God, nor does he have a pure and spiritual mind, nor can he keep his body clear, that is, without sin, because nobody is able to serve two masters, God and mammon – that is, wealth. Wealth, you see, is called **mammon** in the Aramaic language. Therefore, just as one who has two masters must love the one and hate the other or despise the one and obey the other, so also whoever wishes to love God must hate wealth, but whoever wishes to love wealth must hate God, and whoever wishes to do the commandments of God must hate riches, and whoever wishes to obey the commandments of God must despise the thought of doing the commandments of greed, and whoever wishes to do the commandments of greed must despise the commandments of God. Consider, moreover, that He did not say, «Nobody can **have** God and wealth,» but «no one can **be a servant** of God and wealth.» It is one thing to have wealth and quite another to serve wealth. If you have wealth and your wealth does not make you haughty or violent but you give to the poor as much as you can, [then] your wealth does not possess you, but you possess your wealth. But if your wealth makes you arrogant or violent and you do not give anything to anyone because you are a slave of your wealth and not its master, [then] your wealth possesses you, not you your wealth. ... the fear of poverty should not hinder the will from giving alms. *from the 16th Homily on Matthew 6 – Opus imperfectum in Matthæum*

According to a line of reasoning that goes back to Clement of Alexandria, St John Chrysostom [and other Greek Fathers of the Church] explains that riches / mammon are not evil in their very nature, but in the evil use to which they are put, which causes mankind so much unhappiness.

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Next Sunday's Readings ~ 4th Sunday after Pentecost

Romans 6: 18-23: Slaves of Righteousness

Matthew 8: 5-13: Healing of the Centurion's Servant

ANNOUNCEMENTS...

- Six new beautiful, hand made vestments have recently been purchased for our acolytes. If you would like to help defray the cost of these, kindly consider making a donation in memory of a loved one, or in thanksgiving for a special blessing or healing received. See Father for details.
- **FESTIVAL CHAIRS** will meet this **Monday, 26 June at 18:30** in the church basement.
- **Building and Maintenance Committee** will meet this **Tuesday, 27 June at 18:30** in the church basement. Parishioners are always welcome to attend.
- **97th ANNUAL GCU & BYZANTINE FAMILY DAY** at Kennywood Park is **Thursday, 27 July. Deadline to order tickets is Monday, 10 July.** Make checks payable to: **GCU - Kennywood**. See Father for schedule and details.
- The **SAINT BENEDICT FESTIVAL** will be held on **July 8 - 9**. The festival will kick-off on Saturday with an outdoor Mass at the Pavilion at 5:30 p.m. and will continue until 10:00 p.m. Saturday evening's music entertainment will be provided by *The Last Resort*. On Sunday the Parish Hall kitchen will open at noon to serve our soon to be 'world famous' Chicken Dinner while the rest of the festival begins at 1 p.m. Local radio station WHJB will provide entertainment from 1:00 p.m. to 4: 00 p.m. on Sunday, followed by *Kosmix* (a polka band) from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Come enjoy our family friendly festival that includes wonderful food, entertainment, children's games, a bake sale, games of chance, Bingo and much, much more. For more information please call, 724-834-9045.