



**05 / 03 / 2026**  
**COLLECTION**  
**ATTENDANCE:**

Adult: \$1117  
Seminary: \$25  
**Sat. 16**

Candles: \$42  
GCU: \$1000  
**Sun. 23 + 4**

Holy Day: \$125  
**TOTAL: \$2309**



## **A MOTHER'S BEATITUDES**

**Blessed** is the mother who understands her child,  
for she shall inherit a kingdom of memories.

**Blessed** is the mother who knows how to comfort,  
for she shall possess a child's devotion.

**Blessed** is the mother who guides by the path of righteousness,  
for she shall be proud of her children.

**Blessed** is the mother who teaches respect,  
for she shall be respected.

**Blessed** is the mother who answers questions honestly,  
for she shall always be trusted.

**Blessed** is the mother who treats her children as she would like to be treated,  
for her home shall always be filled with happiness.





**AMBON PRAYER: Sunday of the Man Born Blind.** O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God, joy-giving Light of the eternal Father, You enlightened the man born blind by forming clay to spread on his eyes and commanding him to wash. Cleanse us of our sins by the washing of regeneration, guide our steps in the path of Your commandments, and lead us into the new heaven and the new earth of Your blessed promise. You have made us partakers of Your Mystical Supper; keep us in Your holiness, so that we may always confess You as Lord and not come to judgment. For You are a God of mercy, and are glorified together with the Father and the all-holy, good and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto the Ages of Ages. Amen.

**AMBON PRAYER: The Ascension of our Lord.** O Master, as we worship Your might, lift up our thoughts towards heaven, and raise up our minds from earthly cares to Yourself, for You have lifted up our lowly nature in Yourself and enthroned it in the highest with the Father. Make us worthy here on earth as in heaven to be concerned with seeking that which is on high, where You are seated at the right hand of God. We await Your glorious and awesome coming, which You have made know through the angels to the apostles, the witnesses of Your Ascension into heaven. Number us with those who will be taken up into the clouds to meet You when You come to judge the world in righteousness, that with them we may be filled with joy forever, by the good will and love of mankind of Your eternal Father, with Whom You are blessed and glorified, together with You all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto the Ages of Ages. Amen.



## ~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

- Kindly remember in your prayers Dorothy Osif and Kathleen Syphan, both of whom recently underwent surgery and are now recuperating. «*May God grant to His servants Kathleen and Dorothy peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years!*»
- **THANK YOU TO THE GREEK CATHOLIC UNION!** The GCU's Byzantine Parish Coordinator Program is now in its fourth year and supports, through various financial means, participating parishes in the United States. The GCU Board of Directors and GCU members have presented our parish with a donation in the amount of \$1000 to support the financial needs of the parish. We are most grateful to GCU!
- **CONGRATULATIONS TO RYAN HESS and to his parents Jennifer and Daniel.** Ryan graduated last Saturday from the University of Pittsburgh with a BA in Criminal Justice. He spent his senior year in Washington, D.C. interning with the United States Secret Service and was recently promoted to Special Agent! «*May God grant to His servant Ryan peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years!*» **ad multos annos! εις πολλά έτη!** 
- **ETERNAL MEMORY!** The parish extends its deepest condolences and prayers to the members of the Rusinko Family upon the death of their brother David. *In blessed repose, grant, O Lord, eternal rest to the soul of Your departed servant David and remember him forever.* **Бѣчна памать!**
- The public is invited to attend a **HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE SERVICE** presented by the students of Christ the Divine Teacher School located at 323 Chestnut St. Latrobe, PA on **Monday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.** in the school cafeteria. Please **RSVP to 724-539-1561**; a brief reception will follow. 
- The **ANNUAL SAINTS CYRIL AND METHODIUS BYZANTINE CATHOLIC SEMINARY COLLECTION** will be taken up the weekend of **MAY 16 – 17**. There is a special envelope for this. Please give generously for the formation of the future deacons and priests of our church and remember to **PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!**
- **SCHOOL OF DIACONATE STUDIES!** The admission process for the 2027 School of Diaconate Studies is now open. Men discerning a call to diaconal service to the Church are encouraged to apply. Classes for the first year of the four year program will be held June 13 – 26, 2027 at our seminary in Pittsburgh. A two week residency is required each year. Please submit the registration form and once received, candidates will then be contacted by the Vocations Office. **Deadline to register is July 1, 2026.** For any further inquiries, you may email [vocations@archpitt.org](mailto:vocations@archpitt.org).
- **HELPING HANDS DAY – May 30, 2026** The Sisters of St. Basil warmly invite you to join them in preparing for Pilgrimage—a special time when your presence, prayers, and helping hands are truly a blessing. Volunteering not only allows you to serve, but also makes you part of a tradition that touches countless lives and forges new bonds of faith. This year, two meaningful opportunities await your generosity and spirit.

The first opportunity is Helping Hands Day, sponsored by the Greek Catholic Union of the U.S.A., which will take place at Mount St. Macrina on **Saturday, May 30<sup>th</sup>**. On this day, we

come together—young and old friends and family—to prepare for the **92nd Annual Pilgrimage**, a gathering that uplifts and strengthens the bonds of our faith community. With every flower planted, every shrine cared for, and every corner tended, we offer not only our labor but also our prayers and hopes for all who will come to the Pilgrimage—September 5th & 6th. Your service helps transform the grounds into a place of welcome and peace, ready to embrace pilgrims with beauty and grace.

**If you can participate, please note the following:**

- The group will meet in the Trinity Center for coffee and donuts at 9:30 a.m. A brief prayer service will follow, and work will begin at 10:00 a.m.
- Bring lawn tools (including brooms, rakes, weed whackers, etc.) for outside work. Bring brooms, mops, dust pans, etc., for any indoor cleaning.
- Lunch will be served. To register or for additional information, please call Sr. Joanne at 724-438-4940 or Greek Catholic Union at 1-800-722- 8644.

On **Saturday, August 22**, there will be another organized preparation day, with a rain date set for Saturday, August 29. Volunteers are asked to meet at the Trinity Center at 9:30 a.m. Please bring brooms, weed whackers, blowers, weeding tools, rakes, and clippers. Lunch will be provided. **For further information, please call Sr. Joanne at 724-438-8644.**