# St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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### SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26TH, 2025 20TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: 135-136 / 137

Saturday, October 25th

5:00 PM **Divine Liturgy** +John A. Santora By Maria Hardoby

Sunday, October 26th

**BIBLE STUDY** (all welcome!) 9:00 AM

9:00 AM **ECF (Sunday School)** 

10:00 AM **Divine Liturgy** 

For our Parish Family

Monday, October 27th

5:00 PM Rosary (All Welcome!)

7:30 PM BINGO!

Tuesday, October 28th

+Florence Gretsky 8:30 AM

By Pete Kowal

Wednesday, October 29th

**Akathist (Prayer Service)** 7:00 PM to the Mother of God

Thursday, October 30th—No Liturgy

Friday, October 31st

PRAYER SERVICE for the 10:00 AM sick, the deceased and our

special intentions

NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND, 2025 21st Sunday after Pentecost

*Propers:* 141 / 142

Saturday, November 1st

5:00 PM **Divine Liturgy** +Iov (Cookie) George

By Maria Hardoby

Sunday, November 2nd

**BIBLE STUDY** (all welcome!) 9:00 AM **ECF (Sunday School)** 

9:00 AM **Divine Liturgy** 10:00 AM

For our Parish Family

Sanctuary Lamp this Week.

October 26/26, 2025

In Memory of

+JOHN MYTROWITZ

By Family

Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory!

Sanctuary Lamp NEXT Week. November 1/2, 2025

In Memory of

+MICHAEL SIKORIAK

By Family

Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory!



Bishop Appeal begins this month! The annual Bishop Appeal has begun! This is the charitable program that helps support seminarians, the Church in Europe and other charitable causes. Once again, our goal is \$12,400.00. If we exceed our goal (which we done every year so far!) we receive a rebate of 40% of the total amount raised—this year, we received over \$5,000! Please be generous again! If you have NOT received your contribution package via direct mail, please let us know and we will provide you with one.

Tricky Tray at \$t Thomas—All Welcome! Holy Trinity Church of Rahway will once again host their annual Trick Tray and 50/50 at St Thomas Church Hall on Friday, November 14th from 6PM to 11PM. Admission is \$20.00. Food drink and desserts available for purchase. Tickets are available at the door, but for advance tickets call, Judy at 908-337-9107 or Paula at 732-453-4802.

Prayer Service to the Mother of God ... There is no greater prayer partner on this side of God's Kingdom than the Mother of God! We entrust the month of October to her Holy Protection and Motherly Care. Please join us for our FINAL prayer service to the Mother of God on Wednesday, October 29th at 7:00 PM. Let us entrust our special prayer intentions to the unfailing mantle of the Protection of the Mother of God! There will be a GUEST SPEAKER followed by fellowship.

Thanks—let's ALL work together to make and EXCEED our goal!



Flea Market Report—the first flea market of the season had 53 vendors (\$1460.00); the Parish Table brought in \$614.00; the Parish Kitchen made \$525.00 for a total of \$2,599.00 for the first event of the season! The next flea market is November 8th, 2025! Mark your calendars!

Pilgrimage VOCATION Icon THIS week: is entrusted to PAT CIKO and FAMILY. Thank you! Each week, parishioners are asked to take home a copy of the Vocation Icon and pray for vocations for one week. Can YOU pray for vocations, too?

Holiday Food Bank Collection (CASH ONLY) - Can YOU help feed the hungry with a CASH ONLY donation in support of the Food Bank of St. Joseph's Social Service Center in Elizabeth. PLUS, all funds collected, up to \$500, will be MATCHED by the GCU! St Joseph's Food Bank provides food to over 1600 households each MONTH! Please be as generous as you can.

## INCOME FOR LAST WEEKEND: (including those mailed in —thank you!)

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$ 1730.00	Monthly/Initial	\$ 247.00
Candles	\$ 137.00	Charities/Missions/Peter's Pence	\$ 10.00
Flowers	\$ xxx.00	Holydays/Easter	\$ 30.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$ 300.00	ECL/Seminary	\$ 3.00
Religious Ed	\$ xxx.00	Total	\$ 2457.00

Bingo 171 Players \$ 1751.00 Bingo Kitchen: \$415.00 God Bless You!

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