

St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY AUGUST 15TH, 2021

DORMITION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

12TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: 135, 352-353/132, 353

Saturday, August 14th (live streamed)

Annual PILGRIMAGE in Sloatsburg

(see schedule below)

5:00 PM Divine Liturgy

for our parish family

Sunday, August 15th (live streamed)

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

+Patricia Finzel

by Family and Friends

11:30 AM Holy Mystery of BAPTISM

and CHRISMATION

of Sloane Patricia Roma

Monday, August 16th

No Public Liturgy

Tuesday, August 17th

No Public Liturgy

Wednesday, August 18th

No Public Liturgy

Thursday, August 19th

No Public Liturgy

Friday, August 20th

No Public Liturgy

NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 23RD, 2021

13TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: 141, 352-353/353

Saturday, August 22nd (live streamed)

5:00 PM Divine Liturgy

for our parish family

Sunday, August 23rd (live streamed)

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

+Anne Walker

by William Kucher



This week, August 14/15, 2021

ICON FLOWERS

in Honor of the Mother of God and for ALL mothers, living and deceased! By Micky Finzel

O MARY, MOTHER OF GOD ... PRAY FOR US!



Pet Blessing, Saturday, September 18th!

All outdoors! Gather at 9AM, Blessing at 10AM!

SLOATSBURG PILGRIMAGE— Saturday, August 14th at St Mary's

Villa in Sloatsburg, NY. Schedule is available at www.ssmi-us.org.

Highlights are:

1PM Akathist (Fr Ed Cimbala)

5PM Liturgy (Fr Joseph Bertha)

8PM Moleben (Bishop Kurt)



Baptized in the Lord! Our parish family welcomes its newest member, and the newest Child of God, **SLOANE PATRICIA ROMA**, daughter of Richard and Kelly (Mytrowitz) Roma, who will be Baptized, Chrismated and Communicated in the Lord TODAY, Sunday, August 15th, the Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God! To her parents, Godparents and grandparents and great-grandparents (and to the whole Mytrowitz family!) and ALL family and friends, we extend our heartfelt congratulations! *May God grant her many blessed years!*

Festival Prizes Needed! Can YOU help?

TOYS: We need (20) new Children Prizes valued at \$8 to \$10 each (ie., Board games, dolls, Legos, trucks, cars, basketball, volleyball, etc.)

LOTTERY: Lottery (scratch off) Tickets in Denominations of \$1.00, \$2.00, \$5.00 and \$10.00 to be used as "Prizes."

ALSO: Household Items & Gift Cards: (ie., detergent, paper products, non-perishables,

cleaning supplies) and then we'll match the item with a store Gift Card .The value of each will be approximately \$20.00; we need 20 -25 donated "Prizes"

OR, you can simply give CASH and *we'll do the rest.* Put your donation in an envelope marked "Festival Games" and return by August 29th. Questions? Can you help? Call Christine Vislocky at 732-371-3877 or Mar-yann Laskowski at 908-723-2015 or mlaskowski6220@aol.com. *Thanks!*

Many thanks to all who participated in the practice bingo session! It was a GREAT help to evaluate the new traffic patterns in the kitchen and on the floor! Everyone was well-fed, too! Many thanks to ALL our volunteer players as well as our new and returning bingo and kitchen volunteers! It was fun!

SIGN-UP for Holubki Making for the Festival! - In anticipation of our Slavonic Festival in September, we need to make HOLUBKI (stuffed cabbage rolls) and need veterans and new recruits! On the job training available! The dates are: **Saturday, August 14th at 9AM, Saturday, August 28th at 9AM** Contact Joanie if you can help, **see the SIGN-UP SHEETS**, or just show up!

NEW Covid protocols for weekend Divine Liturgies... In light of the Governor's recent mandates, MASKS are no longer mandatory indoors for persons who have been vaccinated. Masks are recommended for those unvaccinated. Safe-distancing is recommended inside our churches. Hand sanitizing stations are still in place. The dispensation for life-streaming is revoked by Bishop Kurt. Live-streaming remains in place for the sick and immobile. **Read the weekly BULLETIN, and watch LIVE on social media!** Watch us on... **Facebook, Instagram** and **YouTube** www.facebook.com/saintthomastheapostlebyz/ www.saintthomastheapostle.org/ (website) www.instagram.com/stthomastheapostlebyz/

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

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	1260.00	Monthly/Initial	\$	397.00
Candles	\$	74.00	Gifts/Donations	\$	xxx.00
Flowers	\$	150.00	Holydays/Easter	\$	107.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	106.00	ECL	\$	3.00
Peter's Pence/Seminary	\$.00	Total	\$	2097.00

BYZANTINE MONASTERY CLOSING—Holy Dormition Franciscan Friary, in Sybertsville, PA will close as of January 2021. Father Jerome, OFM stated that this is mainly due to the lack of available Friars. **On January 31, at 2pm, they will have a final prayer service to close the chapel**, with a reception if conditions permit. The friars are still able to honor all intentions and memorials; and will continue to pray for all of their benefactors. *They ask for your prayers at this difficult time.*