# St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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***Conveniently located on St Georges Avenue (Rt 35)***

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*Served by Right Rev. Archpriest James G. Hayer, with the ministry of Deacon Charles Laskowski, Father Thomas Shubeck and Cantors George Birchack, Doreen Plahovinsak, and MaryAnn Laskowski*

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***Office Hours:*** *Monday — Thursday, 12 Noon to 4PM.*

## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

**SUNDAY JULY 14TH, 2024**
**FATHERS OF THE 6 ECUMENICAL COUNCILS**
*Propers: 156-157, 341/ 342*

**Saturday, July 13th**
**5:00 PM** **Divine Liturgy**
For Our Parish Family

**Sunday, July 14th**
**9:00 AM** **Bible Study—*All Welcome!***
**10:00 AM** **Divine Liturgy**
+Michael Ryan Barbaro
*By Rich and Adriana Smith*

**Monday, July 15th**
**7:30 PM** **B-I-N-G-O**

**Tuesday, July 16th**
**8:30 AM** +Angelina Theresa Buono
*By Caroline Shubeck*

**Wednesday, July 17th—***No Liturgy*

**Thursday, July 18th—***No Liturgy*

**Friday, July 19th—HOLYDAY Vigil**
**Feast of St Elias with Blessing of Cars**
**7:00 PM** **Divine Liturgy**
**followed by Car Blessing**
+Father John Zeyack
*By Bill Kucher*

**NEXT SUNDAY JULY 21ST, 2024**
**9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
*Propers: 161-162 / 162*

**Saturday, July 20th**
**5:00 PM** **Divine Liturgy**
For Our Parish Family

**Sunday, July 21st**
**9:00 AM** **Bible Study—*All Welcome!***
**10:00 AM** **Divine Liturgy with**
+Anna Kapiec
*By Carol and Tom Teufel*

Sanctuary Lamp
and Icon Flowers
this Week:
July 13/14, 2024
In Memory of
+CATHERINE LESCZUK
*By Joseph and Joan Bresnock*
***Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory!***

Sanctuary Lamp NEXT Week:
July 20/21, 2024
In Memory of
+KIRK CITSAY
*By Joann Davis and Family*
***Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory!***

**Save the Date for our annual "Trivia Night"!**
**Saturday, October 19, 2024 from 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM**

**This year's theme: "HAPPY HOLIDAYS"**
**St. Thomas the Apostle Parish Center—$35 per person**

A night of laughs and fun, and prizes for everyone! Includes a **Buffet style dinner with Dessert, Coffee, Tea and Soda!** Also: A SPECIAL PRIZE WILL BE AWARDED TO THE INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM THAT COMES IN THEIR MOST FESTIVE HOLIDAY ATTIRE!
To reserve your spot, or for more info, call Lora Rayner 732-221-3104.
NO TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR! LIMITED SEATING! (it fills up fast!!)

**Blessing of Cars**—In the Byzantine Church, we have the custom of Blessing Cars on the Feast of St. Elias, who was taken up into Heaven on a fiery chariot. Therefore, our "chariots" will be blessed on the eve of the Holyday, as well as following the weekend liturgies for whoever wishes.
Elias confronted the Israelite King Ahab and his evil wife Jezebel. They worshipped idols and were turning the people away from serving God. Elias was taken up into the heavens in a fiery chariot, and later appeared on Mount Tabor along with Moses at the Transfiguration of Our Lord. *The story of St. Elijah can be found in the Bible at I Kings 17:1 – 22:54 & II Kings 1:1 – 2:18.*

**Save the Date!!** **Traditional SLAVONIC TROIKA DINNER at St Thomas! -** Saturday, September 28th from 12 Noon to 9PM. Homemade foods, live music, raffles! One day only!

**Bus to NYC for 100th Anniversary of Byzantine Catholic Church in America – Tuesday, August 13th!** The day includes free bus transpiration to NYC, a box meal on the bus, a talk by Fr Chris Zugger, a Prayer Service by Bishop Kurt and fellowship and refreshments afterwards. The bus will depart St Thomas at about 5PM and is open to parishioners from our parishes in Perth Amboy, Carteret, Linden and Dunellen, so PLEASE act quickly to reserve your seat.

**INCOME FOR LAST WEEKEND: Including online e-giving.**

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| Sunday Offering/Donations | $ | 1679.00 | | Monthly/Initial/Gifts | $ | 300.00 |
| Candles | $ | 97.00 | | Charities/Missions/Peter's Pence | $ | 5.00 |
| Flowers | $ | 150.00 | | Holydays/Easter | $ | 24.00 |
| Maintenance/Fuel | $ | 50.00 | | ECL | $ | 33.00 |
| Retired Religious | $ | xxx.00 | | Total | $ | 2338.00 |

*Additional Income*: Bingo $ 1588.00 Bingo Kitchen: $ 263.00