

# St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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**Knitters & Crocheters News!** Even during the pandemic, our Knitters and Crocheters of St Thomas have been active! This past week the parish “Knitters and Crocheters” reached a milestone by donating their 200th shawl to the NJ Sharing Network.

We have been participating in the program since 2018.

NJSN has a program called “Wrapped in Love”. Through the “Wrapped in Love” program, donor families are honored with handmade shawls & blankets that are tangible expressions of comfort and compassion.

*If anyone is interested in making a monetary donation to help defray our cost of purchasing yarn, please see Patricia Dietz. Each shawl costs between \$15-20 to crochet.*

## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

**SUNDAY JUNE 27TH, 2021**

**5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Propers: 141-142 / 143

**Saturday, June 26th (live streamed)**

**5:00 PM Divine Liturgy**  
For our Parish Family

**Sunday, June 27th (live streamed)**

**10:00 AM Divine Liturgy**  
+George and +Elizabeth  
and +Vladimir Mahel  
by Miro Mahel

**11:15 AM MOLEBEN** for Birthday  
Blessings on Maria Ochlan

**Monday, June 28th**

No Public Liturgy

**Tuesday, June 29th—HOLIDAY**

(Obligation) Sts. Peter & Paul

**7:00 PM** +Frances Duda  
By Family and Friends

**Wednesday, June 30th**

No Public Liturgy

**Thursday, July 1st**

No Public Liturgy

**Friday, July 2nd**

No Public Liturgy

**NEXT SUNDAY JULY 4TH, 2021**

**6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**INDEPENDENCE DAY**

Propers: 146-147 / 148

**Saturday, July 3rd (live streamed)**

**5:00 PM Divine Liturgy**  
For our Parish Family

**Sunday, July 4th (live streamed)**

**10:00 AM Divine Liturgy**  
In Thanksgiving  
by Anonymous

*NEXT week, July 4th Weekend*

**ICON FLOWERS for  
Independence Day**

by Micky Finzel

**GOD BLESS AMERICA!**

**Patriots Ball Game! Sunday July 11th at 1:05!** If you are interested, please let Deacon Charles know- 908-821-2296, [cjlaskowski@aol.com](mailto:cjlaskowski@aol.com). Altar servers are guests of St Thomas Men’s Club. There are additional tickets available, at \$25.00 per seat, but going quickly. *Please commit early!*



### The “in-person” Pilgrimages are ON!!

**SLOATSBURG**—The Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate joyfully announce the 67th Annual Pilgrimage on Saturday, August 14th (Ruthenian) and Sunday, August 15th (Ukrainian) will be held at St Mary’s Villa in Sloatsburg, NY. Schedule is available at [www.ssmi-us.org](http://www.ssmi-us.org).

**UNIONTOWN**—The Sisters of St. Basil the Great are pleased to announce that on Sunday, September 5, 2021, the 87th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be held at Mount St. Macrina. The Pilgrimage will be an in-person event and will also be streamed live. Weather permitting, liturgical services will be broadcast at [www.sistersofstbasil.org](http://www.sistersofstbasil.org).



**COMBINED wedding Jubilee this year!** For those who celebrated a milestone anniversary LAST year (2020) or this year (2021) the Bishop would like to invite you to be guests of honor at the **Annual Eparchial Wedding Jubilee celebration at St. Mary Church in Hillsborough on Sunday afternoon, September 26th** Please contact Ann Marie at the parish office (732-382-5300) so that your name may be submitted to receive an invitation!

**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/sainthomastheapostlebyz/](https://www.facebook.com/sainthomastheapostlebyz/) [www.instagram.com/stthomastheapostlebyz/](https://www.instagram.com/stthomastheapostlebyz/) (website) [www.sainthomastheapostle.org/](https://www.sainthomastheapostle.org/)

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

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	1874 .00	Monthly/Initial	\$	38.00
Candles	\$	117.00	Gifts/Donations	\$	xxx.00
Flowers	\$	150.00	Holydays/Easter	\$	77.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	69.00	ECL	\$	xxx.00
Peter’s Pence/Seminary	\$	xxx.00	Total	\$	2323.00

Additional Income (Bingo) \$xxx.00 **GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY OF SPIRIT!**

**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.*