

# St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY OCTOBER 24TH, 2021

22ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: 146-147 / 148

Saturday, October 23rd (live streamed)

5:00 PM

Divine Liturgy

For our Parish Family

Sunday, October 24th

9:00 AM

ECF (Sunday School)

10:00 AM

Divine Liturgy

+James Richard Strickland

By Theresa Chapman

Monday, October 25th

7:30 PM

BINGO!



Tuesday, October 26th

No Public Liturgy

Wednesday, October 27th

No Public Liturgy

Thursday, October 28th

No Public Liturgy

Friday, October 29th

No Public Liturgy

**Helpers needed for BINGO!!!!** We are really shorthanded! Talk to or Contact Deacon Charles (908-821-2296). **ALSO CHOCOLATE** cake mixes needed for bingo!

NEXT SUNDAY OCTOBER 31ST, 2021

23RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: 152 / 153

Saturday, October 30th (live streamed)

5:00 PM

Divine Liturgy

+Ali Kureczka

By the Shubeck Family

Sunday, October 31st

9:00 AM

NO ECF (Sunday School)

10:00 AM

Divine Liturgy

For our Parish Family



This week, October 24th, 2021

The SANCTUARY LAMP burns

For the Blessed memory of

+JOHN AND +LOUISE SURMAY

By Susan and Douglas Wood

**BLESSED REPOSE AND ETERNAL MEMORY!**



This week, October 24th, 2021

ICON FLOWERS

For the Intentions of our Parishioners

and God's Blessings on St Thomas Parish!

By Micky Finzel

**PRAY FOR US, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD!**

**Praying for Vocations**—A copy of the Vocation Icon was given to **Dave Brighthouse** last weekend as he promised to pray for vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate and Religious Life for one week. The original icon remains in church. A copy (*yours to keep*) is entrusted to everyone who commits to a week of prayer. A copy of a booklet of daily prayers (*also, yours to keep*) is also given to everyone who commits to pray. *If YOU would like to make such a prayer commitment, simply refer to the sign-up sheet in the vestibule and pick a date!*



**A Great Halloween Party!** Many thanks to Colleen Horniacek and the ECF parents and teachers for a very FUN and early celebration of Halloween! The kids visited all parishioners after liturgy for a “trunk or treat” party (thanks to all participating parishioners!!). Then they went inside the parish hall for activities including bowling, story time (read by Fr Jim), bingo (of course!) pumpkin painting and pizza! *What a great day!!*



**Looking ahead! ByzanTEEN Retreat!** Co-leaders Mike Hessler and Deacon Tom are happy to announce that the ByzanTEENS will have a Philip's Fast Evening of Recollection on Sunday evening, November 14th! The special guests leading the evening will be Franciscan Friars of the Renewal from the Newark Friary. They will also be doing something in support of the Friars' Thanksgiving food give-away for the poor in their Newark neighborhood. *Please pass the word to all ByzanTEENS and save the date!*

**Deacon Tom to Speak at Byzantine Assembly 2021 in Pittsburgh**

**“Re-emerging from the Pandemic” Streamed copies available!**

On November 5th and 6th at St John Byzantine Catholic Cathedral, Pittsburgh, Bishop Kurt, Deacon Tom and others will speak on relevant topics as our Church emerges from the Pandemic. Deacon Tom's topic is entitled, “Looking Back: Looking Ahead with a Hopeful Heart” The in-person event will be recorded. Copies will be available for streaming the following day at [www.archpitt.org](http://www.archpitt.org). (click on Assembly link).



**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. Watch us on... **Facebook**, **Instagram** and **YouTube**  
[www.facebook.com/saintthomastheapostlebyz/](https://www.facebook.com/saintthomastheapostlebyz/) [www.saintthomastheapostle.org/](https://www.saintthomastheapostle.org/) (website)  
[www.instagram.com/stthomastheapostlebyz/](https://www.instagram.com/stthomastheapostlebyz/)

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

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	2303.00	Monthly/Initial	\$	530.00
Candles	\$	111.00	ECL	\$	xxx.00
Flowers	\$	150.00	Holydays/Easter	\$	10.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	62.00	ECF	\$	xxx.00
Catholic Charities	\$	xxx.00	Total	\$	3166.00

Additional Income (Bingo) \$1425.00 **GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY OF SPIRIT!**