

St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday, 10 AM to 4PM and by Appointment.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY AUGUST 2ND

10TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: 125-126 / 127

Saturday, August 1st

5:00 PM Divine Liturgy
For our Parish Family

Sunday, August 2nd

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
+Mary G. Shubeck
By Father Tom, Caroline
and Family

EPARCHIAL PILGRIMAGE

Monday, August 3rd

5:00 PM Rosary and Jesus Prayer
(Live Streamed) All Welcome!

7:30 PM B-I-N-G-O!!

Tuesday, August 4th—No Liturgy Scheduled

Wednesday, August 5th—HOLYDAY VIGIL

Transfiguration of Our Lord
with Blessing of Fruit

7:00 PM Divine Liturgy
+Doreen Plahovinsak by Friends

Thursday, August 6th—No Liturgy Scheduled

Friday, August 7th

10:00 AM PRAYER SERVICE for the
Sick and Deceased

NEXT SUNDAY AUGUST 9TH

11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: 130-131, 347-348 / 348-349

Saturday, August 8th

5:00 PM Divine Liturgy
For our Parish Family

Sunday, August 9th

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
+Steve Rudo By Family

11:00 AM Coffee Social



Sanctuary Lamp this Week:

August 2/3, 2026

In Memory of

+LOUISE ANN SURMAY

By Susan and Douglas Wood

Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory!

Pilgrimage Schedule—Carpathian Village

802 Snow Hill Road, Cresco, PA

Sunday, August 2nd 12:30 PM—6PM

Divine Liturgy with Bishop Kurt at 3:30PM

with Ordination to Minor Orders

PLUS, Homemade Food!

Sacrament of Confession!

Anointing with Miraculous Oil of St Nicholas!

FAMILY PILGRIMAGE TO ST NICHOLAS

Our Parish bids FAREWELL to Christie Citsay who is moving! Christie has been a tremendous help and St Thomas for many years and in so many ways, from live-streaming to, Festival, gift shop and Catholic Coffee sales, to coordinating food shelter meals and so much more! Her enthusiasm and faith were a blessing and her departure will certainly leave a gap! We wish her well in her new endeavors in a new location and say *“S’Bohom!” God with God* any may the Lord direct your steps! *THANK YOU for all you’ve done!*

Her new address will be: 356 Garden Lily Lane, Summerville, SC 29485

Welcome to the World! The new-born child **MARK FRANCIS SMITH**, son of Adriana and Rich Smith came into the world on July 21, 2026! He will be Baptized and Chrismated in the Lord on Sunday, August 9th! Prayerful congratulations are extended to Rich, Adriana, Lucy, Father Tom, Caroline, John, Anyla and all his family and friends here and abroad! *May God grant him many blessed and happy years!*

Save the Date for our Annual Slavonic Festival! Homemade Foods! Live Entertainment! Raffles! Church Tours! And More! Friday, October 2nd, (5PM—9PM); Saturday, October 3rd (Noon—10PM); Sunday (take-outs after Liturgy) Entertainment by *Hollow Molly* (Friday); Bob Vargo and *The Renditions* (Saturday afternoon), and Catholic Deacon Anthony Liguori’s nationally acclaimed *ELVIS Tribute* (Saturday evening) **Festival Meeting: Sunday, August 30th**



FRUIT will be blessed for the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord at the vigil liturgy on Wednesday, August 5th at 7PM. Our Lord was “transfigured” before the sight of His disciples and revealed to them His divine nature. Likewise, wine—the fruit of the vine (grapes) is “transubstantiated” into the Blood of Christ at the Divine Liturgy, so all fruit is blessed for this feast as a reminder of the transforming power of God in our lives. You are welcome to bring fruit to be blessed. Some grapes will also be available.



It’s **Holupki time again!** In preparation for our upcoming Slavonic Festival in October we need to replenish our stock of Stuffed Cabbage (Holubki). Can YOU come out and help on **Thursday, August 20th at 9AM** in the Parish Kitchen? No experience necessary! We’re usually done by about Noon.



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

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	2000.00	Monthly/Initial	\$	320.00
Candles	\$	201.00	Charities/Missions/Peter’s Pence	\$	xxx.00
Religious Education	\$	xxx.00	Holydays/Easter	\$	55.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	40.00	Flowers	\$	xxx.00
ECL	\$	8.00	Total	\$	2624.00

Bingo: 148 Players \$1405.00 Bingo Kitchen: \$370.00 **God Bless You!**

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