

# St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

**St Georges Avenue (Rt 27) and Church Street in Rahway**

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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 JUNE 28TH, 2026**

**5TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Propers: 141-142/142*

**Saturday, June 27th**

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

**Sunday, June 28th**

**9:00 AM      Bible Study**  
**10:00 AM      Divine Liturgy**  
+Jerry Friant  
*By the Shubeck Family*

**Monday, June 29th- HOLYDAY**  
**Feast of Sts Peter and Paul (Obligation)**

**4:00 PM      Divine Liturgy**  
+John Mytrowitz  
*By Shubeck Family*  
**7:30 PM      B-I-N-G-O!!**

**Tuesday, June 30th**

**8:30 AM      +Michael Karaffa**  
*By Friends and Family*

**Wednesday, July 1st—No Liturgy**

**Thursday, July 2nd**

**WELCOME SEMINARIAN JACOB and FAMIL!**

**Friday, July 3rd**

**10:00 AM      PRAYER SERVICE for the**  
Sick and Deceased

**NEXT SUNDAY JULY 5TH, 2026**

**6TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

*Propers: 152-153 / 153*

**Saturday, July 4th**

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

**Sunday, July 5th**

**10:00 AM      Divine Liturgy**  
+Michael Grundy  
*By Rich and Adriana Smith*

**Bible Study on Summer Break**—having finished the study of Ecclesiastes, we will take break for the months of July and August. We will resume our studies in September!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED**—

Since our program is growing we need extra helper! We meet on Sundays from 9AM to 9:45 AM (appx) on most Sundays from October through Pentecost (usually in May); Please contact Fr Jim or Dave Brighthouse if you can help!

**Catholic Coffee! Sip with the Saints!**

Ground or K-Cups available NOW through June 28th by the Gift Shop! *Ground coffee \$21 per bag; K-Cups \$16.50 per box. Hurry! Choose your favorite saints while supplies last!*

## Welcome Seminarian Jacob Naccash and Family!

Arriving this Thursday will be Seminarian Jacob Naccash, his wife, Maria, and children Elijah (15 months) and Evangeline (2 months). They will reside in our Guest House for the next few months. Jacob is a Seminarian for the Eparchy of Passaic. He and his family are residing in Vienna, Austria while Jacob is studying for the Priesthood at the International Theological Institute (ITI), a Catholic theological school. Jacob will tell us a little more about himself when he arrives, and we will all get a chance to get better acquainted with Jacob and his family. This will be Jacob's FIRST experience in a parish in the Eparchy of Passaic other than his own!

*Please extend to him your warmest St Thomas welcome!*

**Pilgrimage to the Mother of God**  
**Continues in Dunellen Parish!**

***This Saturday through Monday!***  
***All invited!***

The schedule for the remaining days of the pilgrimage are as follows:

- Saturday, June 27th, 3PM- 8:30 PM;
- Sunday, 12 Noon- 5PM;
- Monday, June 29th, 4:30PM-8:30PM.



**M**any thanks to Deacon Charles and MaryAnn Laskowski for sponsoring the Icon of the Sacrifice of Abraham which is located over the Deacons Table (Diakonikon) in the Holy Place. God bless you! All the new icons will soon be blessed!

**BLESSING OF GRADUATES—K through Grad School! - Weekend of July 4/5!**



If you or your child is graduating from Pre-School to Grad School please EMAIL the parish office StThomasByz@aol.com with details (name, school, future plans, etc). We will publish a brief paragraph about YOUR future in the church bulletin! All graduates are welcome to submit a paragraph AND come for a blessing on the weekend of July 4th and 5th

**Amicis is Closing! FINAL PARISH LUNCH at Amici's— Sunday, July 12th at Noon**

Our friend and fellow parishioner, Giovanni Lavorato, owner of *Ill Amici's Ristorante*, is retiring after many years in business. Over the years, he has always been very generous and supportive of St Thomas and we've had many parish events at Amici's. **Let's say, "Thank you, Giovanni!"** by having one final parish luncheon at Amici's on Sunday, July 12th at 12 Noon! \$20 per person. Please SIGN-UP in the vestibule or use the tear sheet below.. Deadline July 8th.

**"Thank You, Giovanni" - FINAL LUNCHEON at AMICI'S—Sunday, July 12 at Noon**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ # Adults at \$20 each. **Make checks payable to "St. Thomas Church."**

**Please return by Wednesday, July 8th, (via email, drop off at Parish Office or call AnnMarie at the parish Office at 732-382-5300.**

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