

# St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church



(Under the Holy Protection of the Mother of God)

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*Holy Mystery of Reconciliation:* After Liturgy or by appointment

*Holy Mystery of Anointing:* prior to surgery or whenever requested

*Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation:* Arrange with Father Kyp

*New Parishioners:* Welcome! Please see Father for registration



## DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR JUNE 7th to JUNE 21st, 2026

<b>Sunday June 7th 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Second Sunday After Pentecost</b> – pg 125 Readings: Rom 2:10-16; Mt 4:18-23 Intention: + Mary Sersen by Patty Sersen
<b>Wednesday June 10th 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Divine Liturgy</b> – pg 125 Readings: Rom 8:2-13; Mt 10:16-22 Intention: Open
<b>Sunday June 14th 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Third Sunday After Pentecost</b> – pg 130 Readings: Rom 5:1-10; Mt 6:22-34 Intention: John Dargay by Anne Hager
<b>Sunday June 21st 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday After Pentecost</b> – pg 135 Readings: Rom 6:18-23; Mt 8:5-13 Intention: Theresa Glagola on the occasion of her birthday by Anne Hager

### Epistle Reader:

**Sunday, June 7th: Ellen McCabe**

Sunday, June 14th: Patricia Johnson

Sunday, June 21st: Don Waycaster

### Altar Servers

Sunday, June 7th: **Aaron Nemeyer and Kevin Slavic**

Sunday, June 14th: James Kirby and Dante Lista

Sunday, June 21st: Richard Slavic and Nevin Moore

Servers, Just because your name isn't listed doesn't mean that you can't serve too. Four servers are a blessing. It's a first come first serve opportunity ;-)

## Pray for the Sick, Recovering, and Shut-Ins:

Theresa Glagola at Sundale



**Keep all our ailing and healing parishioners in our prayers every day.**

Please let Father Kyp know to include any family and parish members who are ill, hospitalized, or need a visit for blessing, anointing, confession, or request of prayers. Kindly call Father Kyp at (724) 953-6835 Thank You.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES go to:**

**Bob Toth on June 13th**

May God bless you with Peace, Health, and Happiness!

For many happy and blessed years!



Sanctuary Candles Intention is for **+John Toth**



In the Eastern Church, the various prayers for the departed have as their purpose: to pray for the repose of the departed; to comfort the living; and to remind those who remain behind of their own mortality, and the brevity of this earthly life.



## Offertory Collection for May 31st, 2026

Envelope Offerings	Loose Offerings	Candles	Building Fund	Total
\$235	\$21	\$33	\$100	\$389

Church Attendance for Sunday was: 30



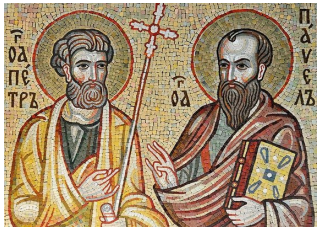
**Our Parish is on Facebook!** Look up "St. Marys Holy Protection Byzantine Catholic Church". Look us up and invite your friends as well! This is a great missionary tool.

## Chrismation (Confirmation) of Kevin Slavic on June 14th!

Holy Chrismation is performed by anointing with sacred oil, consecrated by the bishop on Holy Thursday called – chrism.

By Holy Chrismation, we mystically participate in Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit upon us.

“As Christ after His baptism and descent on Him of the Holy Spirit went forth and defeated the adversary, so likewise you, having received the Holy Baptism and Mystical Chrism, stand firm against the power of the enemy (devil) and vanquish it, saying : I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.” (et. St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Ibid., 4)



**Sts. Peter & Paul Fast:** Our Byzantine Catholic Church has begun the fasting period to prepare us for the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul on June 29th. Although this fast is NOT obligatory...a good rule to begin is abstention from all meat on Wednesdays and Fridays. Please try to keep this fast as best you can. IT IS a period of penance.



## Parish Picnic and Father's Day

HAPPY  
FATHER'S  
DAY

**June 21st**, will be the first parish picnic of the year coinciding with Father's Day. Food, Fun and Games for everyone. A portion of the \$500 GCU grant will be used to purchase the meats, drinks, chips and picnic supplies. **Please bring a side dish.**



## Priesthood Ordinations

On Sunday, June 7, Deacon Mark LeRoy and Deacon Nicholas Krivacs will be ordained to the sacred priesthood at St. John the Baptist Cathedral in Munhall, PA, at 3 p.m. Please keep them in your prayers as they begin their ministry in the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh. Father is very blessed to have the opportunity to take part in their Ordinations.

Do you wish to know if the people of any place are righteous? Look what sort of a pastor they have. If you find him pious, just, sound, believe the people will be the same, for they are seasoned with the salt of his wisdom. - St. John Chrysostom

**ANNOUNCEMENT: BYZANTINE CATHOLIC OUTREACH FORMING IN CHARLESTON, WV**

With the blessing of Metropolitan William, I have been entrusted with the beginning stages of forming and organizing a Byzantine Catholic Outreach in Charleston, WV. There are currently several dozen Byzantine Catholics residing in that area - with the closest Byzantine Catholic parish being approximately 3 hours away. At



the present time, the community does not have a priest of their own. In response to their petition to the Metropolitan, I will be traveling to Charleston to celebrate the Divine Liturgy, meet with the faithful, and assess their spiritual needs. Over the coming weeks, I will be organizing efforts in preparation for our first Divine Liturgy, which is planned for **Sunday, June 14th at 5:00 p.m.** If you know anyone who is living in the Charleston, WV area who would benefit from or who would be interested in attending, please encourage them to contact me directly. I will continue to faithfully serve the parishes in Uniontown and Morgantown during this time. More details will be shared in the coming weeks. Your prayers, support, and continued understanding are greatly appreciated. - Fr. Kyprian Wojciechowski

## Safe Environment Program Announcement

Father would like to remind all parishioners, faithful of St. Mary's Parish, and friends of the parish that all parish employees and volunteers are required to be in full compliance with the Safe Environment Program of the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh. This effort also helps ensure compliance with applicable state and federal laws.

Those who volunteer or assist the parish in any capacity are encouraged to contact Father to begin the Safe Environment training process, including those involved in the following ministries and activities:

- Cantors and readers
- Adult altar servers, sacristans, and ushers
- Parish Advisory Board members
- Office staff and money counters, including those who assist with the bulletin or bookkeeping
- Those involved in religious education or catechetical programs
- Those who clean, decorate, or help maintain the church and parish grounds
- Volunteers assisting with parish events, bake sales, food sales, and similar activities
- Anyone who publicly represents the parish in any capacity
- Anyone involved with the parish on either a volunteer or paid basis, especially those who may come into contact with children or vulnerable individuals

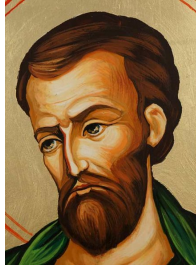


An informational session will be held following the Sunday Divine Liturgy.

Please see Father with any questions. The process is simple, and he is happy to assist anyone in completing the requirements.

## Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas - June 11, 2020

**Saint Bartholomew** was one of the Twelve Apostles, a Galilean; the Gospel accounts say little more about him. It is said that, after receiving the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, he traveled in the service of the Gospel to Arabia and Persia, and brought to India a translation of the Gospel according to Matthew. Eusebius writes that one hundred years later Pantaenus, an illustrious Alexandrian scholar, found this gospel when he traveled in India. By most accounts Bartholomew ended his life in Armenia, where he met his martyrdom by crucifixion. According to many, he and Nathaniel are the same person: the Gospel accounts that speak of Bartholomew do not mention Nathaniel; and St John's Gospel, which mentions Nathanael as one of the Twelve, does not mention Bartholomew. But according to the Greek Synaxarion, Bartholomew and Simon the Zealot are one and the same.



**Saint Barnabas** was one of the Seventy, from Cyprus, a Levite and at one time a fellow-student with St Paul under Gamaliel. After Christ's Ascension, he led the Seventy until the Apostle Paul's conversion. He is mentioned often in the Acts of the Apostles, which describes some of his travels as a companion of St Paul. By all accounts, he was the first to preach the Gospel of Christ in Rome and in Milan. His wonder-working relics were discovered on the island of Cyprus in the time of the Emperor Zeno; on this basis the Church of Cyprus was established as an independent Church, since it had an apostolic foundation.

### O Holy Spirit,

I have my own expectations about what I should and should not do.

I surrender to You my ideas, my limitations, my preferences, and my goals.

Fill me, Holy Spirit, with Your supernatural gifts!

Empower me to accept and grow in the supernatural life as much as the early disciples.

I want to be useful to You. I want to go where You lead me.

Holy Spirit, send me forth gifted and empowered to make a difference spreading the

Good News of God's forgiving love.

## Second Sunday After Pentecost

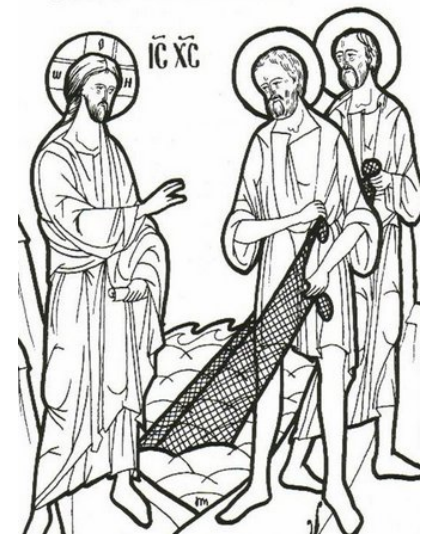
Rom 2:10-16

And but glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned apart from the law will also perish apart from the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous in God's sight, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles, who do not possess the law, do instinctively what the law requires, these, though not having the law, are a law to themselves. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, to which their own conscience also bears witness; and their conflicting thoughts will accuse or perhaps excuse them on the day when, according to my gospel, God, through Jesus Christ, will judge the secret thoughts of all.

Mt 4:18-23

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.



### Fishers of Men

This Sunday's gospel reading comes from St. Matthew 4: 18 – 23. Here, Jesus calls his first disciples: Simon (Peter) and Andrew, James and John. All four men were by occupation fishermen. Our Lord calls them as we read in Mt 4: 19 – 22:

These and the other Apostles, and the whole cohort of Jesus' first disciples, became fishers of men. Their apostolic ministry gathered Jews and Gentiles alike to Christ, that all may be in Christ, and all may exist in the Ship, the Nave, which is the Church. And it is in this Ship that we are transformed into the image of Christ. (It is interesting to note that though we are likened to fish, yet we are to become like the Fish — the Ixthus — the Greek word for fish which became an acronym meaning "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior.") <https://fatherirenaeuswilliams.com/2018/06/09/fishers-of-men-the-second-sunday-after-pentecost/>