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

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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR OCT 11th to OCT 25th, 2026

Sunday Oct 11th 11:00 a.m.	**Sunday of the Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council** – p 135, 263 Readings: Gal 1:11-19; Lk 7:11-16 or Heb 13:7-16; Jn 17:1-13 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish
Sunday Oct 18th 11:00 a.m.	**Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost** – p 141 Readings: Gal 2:16-20; Lk 8:5-15 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish
Sunday Oct 25th 11:00 a.m.	**Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost** – p 146 Readings: Gal 2:16-20; Lk 8:5-15 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish



Sanctuary Candles Intention is for **+Edward Hoholick**



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44th Annual Carpatho-Rusyn Celebration
Will be held at St. John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church Social Hall, 201 East Main St, Uniontown PA, on **Sunday October 25** from 12 Noon to 5:00 p.m.
There will be ethnic Foods (holubki, halushki, pirohi, pagach, kolbasi and kraut), baked goods, entertainment which includes the Rusyn folk musical group "Sokyra" at 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm. "Slavejane" Folk dancers will perform at 2:30 pm. There will also be speakers and/or video presentations on Rusyn culture/custom, displays, craft sales raffles, extensive bake sale, folk art demonstrations, children's activities and more. Everyone is welcome. Admission is free. Info Call 724-438-1382



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.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES go to:



Dante Lista on Oct. 14th

May God bless you with Peace, Health, and Happiness!
For many happy and blessed years!

Epistle Reader:

Sunday, Oct 11th: Thomas Paronish
Sunday, Oct 18th: Patty Sersen
Sunday, Oct. 25th: Ellen McCabe

Altar Servers:

Sunday, Oct 11th: Nevin Moore and Richard Slavic
Sunday, Oct 18th: James Kirby and Dante Lista

Offertory Collection for Sept 27th, 2026

Envelope Offerings	Loose Offerings	Candles		Feast Day			Total
$397	$10	$30		$120			$557

Church Attendance for Sunday was: 32

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

2025 St. Ursula Food Pantry Donations

A container for donations is in the narthex. $60 has been given so far.

In keeping with a key point of the GCU Mission Statement—"Strengthening Communities", GCU will once again be sponsoring our Holiday Food Bank Donation Program. In an effort to increase the amount donated to **St. Ursula Food Pantry** and to get our parish more involved, we are being asked to have a monetary collection in church during the **month of October.** Money collected by our parish will be matched up to $500. The GCU check, made payable to **St. Ursula Food Pantry**, will be sent to us to make an in-person presentation to them along with our parish's collection, in time for the upcoming holiday season.



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Sunday of the Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council - October 11

Today the Church remembers the 350 holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council under the holy Patriarch Tarasius (February 25).

The Synod of 787, the second to meet at Nicea, refuted the Iconoclast heresy during the reign of Empress Irene and her son Constantine VI.

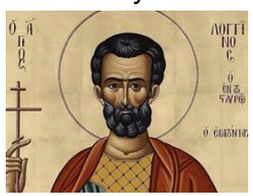


The Council decreed that the veneration of icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint, but passes to the prototype (the person depicted). It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because "no man has seen God at any time" (John 1:18).

Martyr Longinus the Centurion, who stood at the Cross of the Lord - October 16

According to Church Tradition, Longinus was the soldier who pierced the side of the Crucified Savior with a spear, and received healing from an eye affliction when blood and water poured forth from the wound.

After the Crucifixion and Burial of the Savior, Longinus stood watch with his company at the Sepulchre of the Lord. These soldiers were present at the All-Radiant Resurrection of Christ. The Jews bribed them to lie and say that His disciples had stolen away the Body of Christ, but Longinus and two of his comrades refused to be seduced by the Jewish gold. They also refused to remain silent about the miracle of the Resurrection.



Having come to believe in the Savior, the soldiers received Baptism from the apostles and decided to leave military service. Saint Longinus left Judea to preach about Jesus Christ the Son of God in his native land (Cappadocia), and his two comrades followed him.

https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/1993/10/16/102980-martyr-longinus-the-centurion-who-stood-at-the-cross-of-the-lord

Sunday of the Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council

Gal 1:11-19;

For I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ.

You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased [16] to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus.

Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days; [19] but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother.

Lk 7:11-16

Soon afterwards he went to a town called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd went with him. As he approached the gate of the town, a man who had died was being carried out. He was his mother's only son, and she was a widow; and with her was a large crowd from the town. When the Lord saw her, he had compassion for her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then he came forward and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young men, I say to you, rise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized all of them; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen among us!" and "God has looked favorably on his people!"



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St. Mary's Spiritual Reading Book Club is every Friday evening at 7p in the parish hall/basement. Together we read books about prayer and the spiritual life, and discuss what we read along the way! (No book purchase required!) There is food provided each time, and you can feel free to contribute a snack or beverage too if you so desire! Current book: **The Ladder of Divine Ascent by St. John Climacus**

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The Come & See Weekend at the Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Sts. Cyril & Methodius in Pittsburgh will be November 6-8. All young men (ages 18-35) who are open to discerning a vocation to Holy Orders or the Diaconate are encouraged to register for this event. Registration fills fast. Please see Fr. Kyp ASAP if you are interested!

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