# 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 18th to OCT 28th, 2026***

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| **Sunday Oct 18th 11:00 a.m.** | **Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost** – p 141<br>Readings: Gal 2:16-20; Lk 8:5-15<br>Intention: Health of Robert Holepit Jr. |
| **Sunday Oct 25th 11:00 a.m.** | **Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost** – p 146<br>Readings: Gal 6: 11-18; Lk 16:19-31<br>Intention: Health and intentions of the Holy Father, Pope Leo |
| **Wednesday Oct 28th 6:30 .m.** | **Divine Liturgy**<br>Readings: 1 Thess 2:1-8; Lk 11:9-13<br>Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish |



Sanctuary Candles Intention is for **+Ted and Mary Eldridge**



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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:



**Anyone celebrating theirs this week**

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

**Epistle Reader:**

**Sunday, Oct 18th: Patty Sersen**
Sunday, Oct. 25th: Ellen McCabe
Sunday, Nov. 1st: Patricia Johnson

**Altar Servers:**

**Sunday, Oct 18th: James Kirby and Dante Lista**
Sunday, Oct. 25th: Aaron Nemeyer and Nevin Moore

**Offertory Collection for Oct 11th, 2026**

| Envelope Offerings | Loose Offerings | Candles | | Feast Day | | | Total |
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| $ | $ | $ | | $ | | | $ |

Church Attendance for Sunday was:

**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 and Outreach Donations

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 Outreach** 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 and Outreach**, 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.



A container for donations is in the narthex. $160 has been given so far.
Last year's collection was $342

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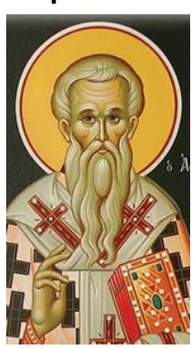
## Apostle and Evangelist Luke - October 18

Tradition credits Saint Luke with painting the first icons of the Mother of God. "Let the grace of Him Who was born of Me and My mercy be with these Icons," said the All-Pure Virgin after seeing the icons. Saint Luke also painted icons of the First-Ranked Apostles Peter and Paul. Saint Luke's Gospel was written in the years 62-63 at Rome, under the guidance of the Apostle Paul. In the preliminary verses (1:1-3), Saint Luke precisely sets forth the purpose of his work. He proposes to record, in chronological order, everything known by Christians about Jesus Christ and His teachings. By doing this, he provided a firmer historical basis for Christian teaching (1:4). He carefully investigated the facts, and made generous use of the oral tradition of the Church and of what the All-Pure Virgin Mary Herself had told him (2:19, 51).



https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2013/10/18/102993-apostle-and-evangelist-luke

## Apostle James, the Brother of the Lord - October 23



When the Savior began to proclaim the Kingdom of God, Saint James believed in Christ and became His Apostle. Later, he was chosen as the first Bishop of Jerusalem.

The holy Apostle James composed a Divine Liturgy, which formed the basis of the Liturgies of Saints Basil the Great and John Chrysostom. The Church has preserved an Epistle of Saint James, one of the books of the New Testament. In it Saint James advises: "Let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, and slow to wrath" James 1:19) and "Be doers of the word, and not just hearers, deceiving yourselves" (James 1:22).
https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2020/10/23/103039-apostle-james-the-brother-of-the-lord

## Twenty-first Sunday After Pentecost

Gal 2:16-20

Yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live, in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Lk 8:5-15

"A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell on the path and was trampled on, and the birds of the air ate it up. Some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered for lack of moisture. Some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew with it and choked it. Some fell into good soil, and when it grew, it produced a hundredfold." As he said this, he called out, "Let anyone with ears to hear listen!" Then his disciples asked him what this parable meant. He said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but to others I speak in parables, so that 'looking they may not perceive, and listening they may not understand.'



"Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones on the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved. The ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe only for a while and in a time of testing fall away. As for what fell among the thorns, these are the ones who hear; but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. But as for that in the good soil, these are the ones who, when they hear the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patient endurance.

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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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"Let anyone with ears to hear listen!"