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 NOV 1st to NOV 15th, 2026

Sunday Nov 1st 11:00 a.m.	**Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost** – p 152 Readings: Eph 2:4-10; Lk 8:26-39 Intention: Abigail Johnson on the Anniversary of her Baptism
Sunday Nov 8th 11:00 a.m.	**Twenty-fourth Sunday After Pentecost** – pgs 156, 265 **Archangel Michael and All Angels** Readings: Eph 2:14-22 & Heb 2:2-10; Lk 8:41-56 & Lk 10:15-22 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish
Sunday Nov 15th 11:00 a.m.	**Twenty-fifth Sunday After Pentecost** – p 161 Beginning of Philip's Fast 11/15 – 12/24 Readings: Eph 4:1-6; Lk 10:25-37 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish



Sanctuary Candles Intention is for the **Health of Fr. Jerome Botsko**



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Annual Halupki/Cabbage Roll & Pierogi Sale



St. Mary's Holy Protection Byzantine Catholic Church is having their annual Halupki/Cabbage Roll & Pierogi Sale. Orders are due by November 12. Pickup will be November 20 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the parish social hall (2115 Listravia Ave., Morgantown). Proceeds benefit the parish maintenance & building fund. Cabbage rolls are $20/dozen, cooked or uncooked. Pierogis, potato & cheese or potato & jalapeno, $10/dozen. To place an order, please call Ellen at 304-282-0431.

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:



Don Waycaster on Oct. 30th
Linda Waycaster on Nov. 1st

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

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Epistle Reader:

Sunday, Nov. 1st: Patricia Johnson
Sunday, Nov. 8th: Don Waycaster
Sunday, Nov. 15th: Thomas Paronish

Altar Servers:

Sunday, Nov. 1st: Richard Slavic and James Kirby
Sunday, Nov. 8th: James Kirby and Nevin Moore

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Offertory Collection for Oct 25th, 2026

Envelope Offerings	Loose Offerings	Candles		Building Fund			Total
$	$	$		$			$

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.

Our donating to **St. Ursula Food Pantry and Outreach** was a success! The GCU $500 check, made payable to **St. Ursula Food Pantry and Outreach**, will be sent to us to make an in-person presentation to St Ursula along with our parish's collection, in time for the upcoming holiday season. The GCU will process the matching donation the third week of November. Then we will make a presentation, in-person, to St. Ursula Food Pantry.



Money collected by our parish was **$545.**

So, a total of **$1045** will be presented to them.

Last year's total was $842

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Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost

This Gospel reveals Christ as the victorious Lord who comes to restore the image of God in every human person. The man who was once naked, tormented, and living among the dead is later found "sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind" (Lk 8:35). This transformation reminds us that salvation is not merely the removal of sin, but the restoration of our true identity as children of God.

We may not be possessed as this man was, yet all of us battle spiritual struggles, fears, sins, attachments, and wounds that keep us from the freedom Christ desires for us. The Gospel assures us that no darkness is greater than the mercy and power of the Lord. When we bring our brokenness before Him, He does not turn away. He heals, restores, and sends us forth to witness to His goodness.

As the healed man was instructed to "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you" (Lk 8:39), we too are called to share the story of God's work in our lives through our words and actions.

https://parma.org/events/23rdsundayafterpentecost

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Philip's Fast – Nativity Fast begins on November 15 and ends Christmas Eve.

We fast before the Great Feast of the Nativity in order to prepare ourselves for the celebration of our God coming to earth.



As with any fast, a God-directed focus is the virtue behind the discipline. Fasting or abstaining is a powerful deliberate act when "supercharged" with other formative practices. The renewal of our minds and opening of our hearts can lead us to a closer personal relationship with God. During the Nativity fast, we can be both other-directed (in service) and inner-directed (contemplative). Examples are almsgiving, acts of charity, going to confession (the Sacrament of Reconciliation), engaging in Bible or religious groups, replacing time spent passively in secular pursuits with reading Scripture or religious books and articles, watching Catholic homilies and lectures readily available online, journaling, and of course prayer.

Please read more at https://stmichaelsbyzantine.com/our-traditions/the-nativity-fast-philips-fast/
Also, particulars from the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh https://mci.archpitt.org/liturgy/Christmas_Fast.html

Twenty-third Sunday After Pentecost

Eph 2:4-10

But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Lk 8:26-39

Then they arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me"— for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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We thank Bob, Sharon and Matt Toth for all the work that they are doing to create a beautiful set of icons for our church. If you would like to sponsor any of the icons you can do this for $20. An inscription can be put on the back. This can be your name and/or an intention…. The icons will be on display in the church hall.