

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL UKRAINIAN GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SAINT NICHOLAS THE WONDERWORKER UKRAINIAN GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Sunday, October 23rd, 2016 23rd Sunday After Pentecost

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL WEEKLY SERVICES SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 22 nd	3:30pm +William &+ Stella Malhulsky by Anna Seroka
Sunday, October 23 rd	10:30am God's Blessings on His People
Tuesday, October 25 th	No Divine Liturgy
Wednesday, October 26 th	No Divine Liturgy
Friday, October 28 th	No Divine Liturgy
Saturday, October 29 th	3:30pm +George Deffendall by Anne Evans
Sunday, October 30 th	10:30am God's Blessings on His People

SAINT NICHOLAS THE WONDERWORKER WEEKLY SERVICES SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 22 nd	5:30pm +Theodore & +Mary Stock by Stock & Kubiaka Family
Sunday, October 23 rd	8:30am +Mary Toth by Gene & Peggy Ebling
Monday, October 24 th	No Divine Liturgy
Thursday, October 27 th	No Divine Liturgy
Saturday, October 29 th	5:30pm +Thomas & +Mary Pelachik by Family
Sunday, October 30 th	8:30am All Deceased Members of the Misstishin & Menuchak Families by Harold & Mary Albon & Family

St. Michael's Lector Schedule:

Saturday, October 22 nd	Eph 2:4-10	Nancy Sawka
Sunday, October 23 rd	Eph 2:4-10	Alice Breznik
Saturday, October 29 th	Eph 2:14-22	Winifred Mohutsky
Sunday, October 30 th	Eph 2:14-22	Michael Fufila

St. Nicholas Lector Schedule:

Saturday, October 22 nd	Eph 2:4-10	Christine Romanko
Sunday, October 23 rd	Eph 2:4-10	Theresa Panchison
Saturday, October 29 th	Eph 2:14-22	Michael Prokop
Sunday, October 30 th	Eph 2:14-22	Leeann Smulligan



Not every cloud brings a storm

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars!

St. Michael:

Sanctuary Light- Available Dates 11/20 & 12/18. If you are interested in these candles, please sign up at the back of the Church.

Christmas Bingo DATE CHANGE! Sunday , November 6th . Doors open at 12 noon Early Bird at 1:15pm Bingo starts at 1:30pm Admission \$25.00 *All Players must purchase an admission ticket *Advanced ticket holders will be entered in a drawing for a Christmas Item . * Special Raffle - Bring non-perishable food or paper products to get a chance for a special raffle – one chance per item For Tickets call 570-462-0809

Christmas Bingo- Help is needed for Christmas Bingo. Any time you can offer would be appreciated. Your helping with cooking, set-up or the day of the event would be amazing. We also need desserts for the day of the event. It would be wonderful if desserts had a Christmas theme, such a Christmas cookies or cupcakes . If you can help in any way please let Steffy Rarick know, or contact the rectory.

Lottery Raffle winner is Carol Zitka! Congratulations Carol, and thanks for everyone who sold or donated tickets- we raised \$1,319.00. Great Job !!!!

American Girl Doll Basket Raffle – Tickets for our American Girl Doll Basket Raffle are now available. Please see Stephanie Rarick or the rectory for Tickets. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. The basket includes: Lea Clark- the Girl of the Year Doll, Lea’s Hiking outfit, Lea’s Hike Accessories, Lea’s Accessories, Softball Set, Summer Hoodie Set, & Chocolate Glasses. Good Luck !



St. Nicholas:

Sanctuary Light : Available Dates- 10/30

St Nicholas Banquet- The traditional St Nicholas Banquet will be held on Sunday, December 4th, 2016. The dinner will be served at noon by the wait staff of the TNT Deli. The dinner will consist of roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, gravy, cole slaw and bread with butter. Dessert will be cake and coffee and soda are included. Donation is \$12.00 Children 12 and under are free. Tickets available form Janet Buchinsky beginning 10/23/16.

Both Churches:

Please welcome, Fr. George Worschak who will be celebrating Divine Liturgy at both churches for the next 2 weekends.

Food Bank – As you know we maintain a food bank for those in need, this outreach is run solely on donations. We ask that you find it in your heart to help these families . Please donate non- perishable foods or personal hygiene products to help stock our depleted Food Pantry. Just a few items can be the difference between a child going to bed with a full tummy, or going to bed hungry. Thank you for your giving spirit.

Christmas Bazaar- St John the Baptist 10th & Mahantongo St Pottsville. Saturday November 12th 11am-8pm over 80 themed baskets. Various Crafts, handmade items , Wreaths, Country Corner, Bargain Table, and Food. Preview weekend- November 5th after 5pm Mass and November 6th after 8:15 and 10:30 and Masses, Pictures with Santa – bring your camera’s and take pictures with Santa November 12th after 5:00 Mass and November 13th after 10:30 Mass.

As a reminder the rectory hours are 10:00am to 3:00pm , Monday – Thursdays. Phone messages are checked multiple times a day, and will be responded to according to urgency. If you have an emergency, please leave a message so that we will be able to address your needs as soon as possible. Fr. George Worschak will be celebrating Divine Liturgies on October 22nd & 23rd and October 29th & 30th. Questions should be addressed to Msgr. this weekend.

Shenandoah Catholic War Veterans Post 1107 is looking for new members. Any members of the Catholic Faith is eligible to join. Call 570-462-9560 or 570-985-4968 for more information. Thanks – Joe Chowanes

Roast Beef or Stuffed Chicken Breast Dinner- Divine Mercy Parish is sponsoring a roast beef or chicken breast dinner on Sunday, Oct. 30th from 11:00am to 1:30 pm in St. Stephen Hall, corner of east oak St. & South Main St. You will have a choice of Roast Beef or Stuffed Boneless Chicken Breast. Each dinner will include: Mashed Potato's, Green Beans, Cole Slaw & Roll. The Cost of the dinner will be \$8.00 –Take out only. The dinner will be provided by A & C Catering. Order forms are available at the parish office, 108 West Cherry St. Shenandoah.

Monthly Caregivers Support Group- Wednesday October 19th – Dementia and Alzheimer's Wednesday: November 16th – Cancer & Chronic Illness Support.: Wednesday December 21st – Stages of Grief and Loss during the Holidays. RSVP at 570-621-7200 or Melissa.E.Clark@consulatehc.com Luther Ridge at Seiders Hill 160 Red Horse Road , Pottsville PA

Meatball and Sausage Hoagie (with peppers & onions) sale sponsored by Divine Mercy Parish to be held on Saturday, December 3, 2016 from 3:30 to 6:30 pm in St. Stephen Hall, corner of East Oak St. & South Main Streets. The cost of each hoagie is \$ 5.00 take out only. Order forms are available at the parish office, 108 West Cherry St., Shenandoah, PA 17976. DEADLINE FOR RETURN: Sunday, November 27th



All Faithful Invited to Prayer Services in Honor of Bishop Soter Ortynsky, First Ukrainian Catholic Bishop in the U.S., to be held Sunday, October 30 at 3:00 pm in the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral in Philadelphia The Ukrainian Catholic Hierarchy of the USA invites all of the clergy, religious and faithful to participate in a prayerful remembrance of our first Ukrainian Catholic bishop, Most Rev. Soter Stephen Ortynsky, OSBM. We will commemorate the 150th anniversary of his birth, the 125th anniversary of ordination to the holy priesthood, and the 100th anniversary of his death, on Sunday, October 30th at 3 pm at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia. Moleben to the Mother of God will be celebrated by the Ukrainian Catholic, Byzantine Catholic and Roman Catholic bishops with a homily offered by Rev. Dr. Ivan Kaszczak, author, “Bishop Soter Stephen Ortynsky and the Genesis of the Eastern Catholic Churches in America”, to be followed by a Panakhyda. After the services, all are invited for refreshments in the Cathedral Social Hall. We encourage all the faithful and religious to come together with their clergy in prayer as we honor his contribution and pray for the soul of our first hierarch, Bishop Soter Stephen Ortynsky, OSBM.

Craft Sale –Saturday, November 5th from 9:00am to 3:00pm. Lunch will be available along with a variety of food made our way & bake goods. SS. Cyril & Methodius Church 706 Warren St & First Ave in Berwick. For information call Janina Everett at 570-759-2824.

Homemade Soups and Baked Goods, along with Christmas Country Craft Items. Saturday October 29th from 10:00am to 1:00pm at the St. Nicholas Hall Parking Area, Minersville .

Paint & Sip is a fun and unique way to uncork your creativity as an experienced local artist takes you step by step through the process of unleashing your inner Artist in order to recreate a masterpiece. Please join us on Saturday, November 12, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria located at 233 West Cherry Street, Shenandoah and bring home your own personal work of art. Cost of adult ticket is \$40.00. This is a BYOB event and is for adults age 21 and older only. Tickets can be purchased in the school office. The last day to purchase tickets is November 2nd. No tickets will be available for purchase at the door. Snacks and soda will be provided. Tickets must be presented at the event for admission. For more information contact Christine Zuber Fannick.

17th Annual Chinese Auction benefits St. Nicholas School “Browse & Bid”....Saturday, November 5th...4:00 PM to 7:00 PM Auction- Sunday, November 6th St. Nicholas Hall, Primrose Doors open 10:00 AM; auction begins 1:00 PM Fabulous prizes...unique theme basket! Homemade foods and much more! Donation: \$5.00

POPE FRANCIS

MORNING MEDITATION IN THE CHAPEL OF THE *DOMUS SANCTAE MARTHAE*

The logic of the day after tomorrow- Friday, 16 September 2016

(by *L'Osservatore Romano*, Weekly ed. in English, n. 39, 30 September 2016)

A Christian must have the courage to live with “the logic of the day after tomorrow”, that is, with the certainty of the “resurrection of the body” which is also “the deepest root of the works of mercy”. In his homily at Mass in the Chapel of Santa Marta on Friday morning, Pope Francis warned against the temptation of being influenced by a “spiritualistic piety” or of stopping only at the “logic of the past and of the present”. He therefore relaunched the truth of the “logic of redemption, until the end”.

Pope Francis focused his reflection on the passage from the Gospel of Luke (8:1-3) in the liturgy of the day. “When I hear this Gospel passage it makes me smile a little”, he confided, “because some of the Apostles are against Mary Magdalene: Luke and Mark always recall the past” to the extent of writing about how “seven demons had gone out” from her. But this “poor woman was the Apostle of the Resurrection, she is the Apostle, but they do not forget”. The Pope repeated the passage from the First Letter to the Corinthians (15:12-20). Entering “into this game — this is the word that comes to mind: game — that Paul makes”, between the Resurrection of Christ and “our resurrection: ‘If Christ has not risen, neither will we’. Indeed, the Pope explained, the aim of the Apostle of the Gentiles “is clear: he wants to ensure that we enter the logic of redemption until the end”. For example, “when we recite the Creed it is beautiful that we say: ‘God, the Almighty Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit ...’”. And “until that moment we say it well”. However “the line of the Creed begins very quickly: ‘the Catholic Church, the resurrection of the dead’ or in some translations, like in Spanish, it says ‘the resurrection of the body’”. But this part of the Creed, Francis persisted, “we say very hastily: yes, better to say it in a hurry, because we do not know how it will be, the flesh makes us afraid”. Here, in the Letter to the Corinthians, “Paul puts everything into this game of the Resurrection: if Jesus did so”, it is “because we...; and if we do not do so, neither has Jesus done so”.

According to Francis the explanation is simple: “It is easy for all of us to enter the logic of the past, because it is concrete: we have seen it”. And “it is also easy to enter the logic of the present: because we see it”. However “we also have to say”, the Pope noted, “that many psychiatrists have worked to help some people understand this logic of the past and present: it is easy, it is real”. Indeed, Francis continued, “it is not very difficult, but there it also betrays us a bit, something of a ‘neo-Sadduceism’: to think with the logic of the future, “no, but in heaven, yes, but there are many people in heaven. What will it be like? Perhaps it’s better not to think about it”. It is a way of thinking that is “a bit like the ‘Sadducees’”, therefore: “Yes, the Lord loves us and will make us live, but we do not think about how, because this is difficult”. Of course, Pope Francis added, “it is not easy to enter into the totality of this logic of the future”.

Indeed, “the logic of the past is easy, the logic of today is easy” and the logic of tomorrow is also easy: “we all die” the Pope affirmed. What is difficult is “the logic of the day after tomorrow”. This is precisely “what Paul wants to announce today, the logic of what happens after tomorrow: how will it be?”. The central issue is “the resurrection: Christ is risen and it is very clear that he has not risen as a ghost”. For this reason, recounting the Resurrection, Luke speaks of Jesus’ words: “Touch me, give me

to eat!”. Because “a ghost has neither flesh nor bones”. Therefore the “logic of the day after tomorrow is the logic which the flesh enters into: what will Heaven be like? Yes, will we all be there?”.

“But we do not comprehend what Paul wants us to understand”, this logic of what comes after tomorrow, the Pope explained. And “even here it betrays a certain gnosticism: no, everything will be spiritual”. The fact is, he continued, that “we are afraid of the flesh: let us not forget that this is the first heresy that the Apostle John condemns: ‘Who says that the Word of God did not come in the flesh is of the Antichrist, he is of the evil one’”. A “spiritualistic piety” is easy, a piety of nuances; but entering into the logic of the flesh of Christ, this is difficult”. However, “this is the logic of the day after tomorrow: we shall rise like the risen Christ, with our flesh”.

In this regard Francis noted that “we understand something in the prophecies” that can be helpful: for example, he said, “Job, who is a bit dark prophetically, tells us something in Chapter 19: ‘I know that my Redeemer lives and I will see him, and I will see him with my own eyes’. However, Jesus showed that his resurrection is this way. But “the first Christians, those of Corinth, even those in Thessalonica, think: ‘Yes, yes, He was raised like this, but we perhaps.... I do not know. Yes, we will see the Lord, but...’. And here, in the faith of the resurrection of the flesh, the works of mercy are most deeply rooted”. This is “because there is a continuous connection: Christ’s flesh, the flesh of his brother, the works of mercy, is flesh transformed”.

Therefore “Paul says to the Christians in Thessalonica”, in Chapter 4 of the First Letter: “I would not have you be ignorant about those who sleep. We shall all be transformed”. Our body, Francis continued, “our flesh will be transformed and we will always be with the Lord, like the Lord, with the body and the soul, transformed: as the Lord made the disciples see and touch and eat” with him “after the Resurrection, so too we will be with the same body”. And “this is the logic of the day after tomorrow”, the Pope said, “which we find difficult to understand, which we find it difficult to enter”. There is a beautiful phrase that can help us, Pope Francis suggested, from Paul to the Christians in Thessalonica: and we, transformed in this way, “we will always be with the Lord”.

“It is a sign of maturity to clearly understand the logic of the past; it is a sign of maturity to act with the logic of the present, as well as that of yesterday and that of today”, said Francis. And “it is also a sign of maturity to have the prudence to see with the logic of tomorrow, of the future”. However, “it requires a great grace of the Holy Spirit to understand this logic of what will be after tomorrow, after the transformation, when He will come and will carry all of us, transformed, into the clouds to remain with Him forever”. The Pope concluded by saying, “let us ask the Lord for the grace of this faith”.

WHAT ARE THE THEOLOGICAL VIRTUES

Faith

Hope

Charity

Reference: 1 Corinthians 13:13. These virtues are supernatural in origin, they relate immediately to God and can only be gained through His grace.

WHAT ARE THE CARDINAL VIRTUES

Prudence

Justice

Fortitude

Temperance

Reference: Unlike the Theological Virtue these virtues can be achieved by human effort

SYMBOLS OF IMPORTANT DAYS

When our birthday comes we celebrate with a cake, Fourth of July with fireworks, and Christmas with gifts. In the same way, certain big days on the Church Calendar are associated with certain concrete symbols. At Transfiguration, which we celebrate on August 6, we think of bringing grapes, apples and other fruits to the Church for a blessing. This blessing is a beautiful sign of the final transfiguration of all things in Christ. It signifies the ultimate flowering and fruitfulness of all creation in God's Paradise, where all will be transformed by the glory of the Lord. The disciples expected a conquering Messiah; instead, Jesus gave them His first prediction of His suffering, death, and resurrection. (16:21). This was so difficult to wrap their minds around that even Peter who had just got his confession right this time got it completely wrong. Earlier he had declared Jesus to be the Son of God, but now denying Jesus' God-given mission made him at that moment a tool of Satan (16:23).

Jesus next explained what it truly means to be His disciple (16:24-27). Discipleship requires self-denial and suffering. It's not about self-fulfillment, "personal growth," or one's own glory. It means we must not pursue earthly goals but instead live with our soul's eternal destiny in view. The Son of God will reward such disciples according to what they have done.

Jesus asked for a lot then He showed His disciples (and us) that He is worth it. The Transfiguration revealed Jesus' divine nature. The disciples were terrified and awed by His glory. But they couldn't put the ideas of suffering and glory together, which is why Jesus repeated His earlier prediction. (17:12).

"We have staked the whole future of American civilization not on the power of government, far from it. We have staked the future of all of our political institutions upon the capacity of each and all of us to govern ourselves according to the Ten Commandments of God." *James Madison, Fourth President of the United States.*

"I have lived, Sir, a long time, and the longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth – that God Governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid?"
Benjamin Franklin, A signer of both the Declaration of Independence and Constitution

Oct 23: They Laughed at Jesus



Luke was not only an evangelist, but also an excellent journalist.

In his account of how Jesus restored life to Jairus' daughter, Luke included the reaction of the crowd, laughing at Jesus before he performed this miracle: “. . . they ridiculed him.”

Despite the crowd's derision, Jesus brought the twelve-year-old girl back from the dead. Then, instead of going before the now-silenced crowd to take credit and “build his brand,” he instructed the girl's parents not to tell anyone how he had performed the miracle.

His was an act of pure mercy.

When things go bad for us or the world we live in, we sometimes blame God, questioning whether he cares about human suffering. But Christ's selfless raising of Jairus' little girl demonstrates that the Lord does care—a great deal more than we can know.

His willing compassion to restore life doesn't depend on whether a person has just died or has been dead for days. In the same way, Jesus can restore our spiritual life no matter how long we have spent ourselves in sin or how badly we have sinned.

Because his mercy knows no bounds—and endures forever.

Our prayer today: *Merciful Jesus, let us always be mindful of your compassionate love for us, no matter what.*



Christmas Bingo

Sunday, November 6th, 2016

Doors open at 12 noon

Early Bird at 1:15pm

Bingo starts at 1:30pm

Admission \$25.00

***All Players must purchase an admission ticket**

***Advanced ticket holders will be entered in a drawing for Christmas item .**

*** Special Raffle - Bring non-perishable food or paper products to get a chance for a special raffle – one chance per item**

**St. Michael's Church Hall 300 W Oak St , Shenandoah, PA
for tickets or info call 570-462-0809.**

Church Information

Rectory Hours- Monday – Thursday 10:00am- 3:00 pm - phone 570-462-0809 Closed holidays

Baptisms: Please contact the rectory to arrange a date with the pastor.

Confessions: By appointment, before Divine Liturgy or check your bulletin schedule.

Marriages: Those planning marriages must be active members of the parish, and must contact the pastor at least 6 months in advance. Marriage preparation for couples is required

Emergencies & Pastoral Care: Please call the pastor if a parishioner is hospitalized or home bound and is in need of the Eucharist or Anointing of the Sick.

New Parishioners are urged to register in the rectory office. Moving? Change of address? Please notify the rectory.

Letters of Recommendation: for Sponsors of the sacraments will be issued only to active members of the parish who are registered with the parish, receiving sacraments and supporting the parish.

Mass Cards, Sanctuary Lights, and Other Candles etc.: Contact the rectory during office hours for information.

Questions: Please contact the rectory, or see Msgr. Myron.

Weekly Contributions

Parishes Weekly Income: **St. Michael:** Contributions - \$ 757.93 Thank You!

St. Nicholas: Contributions - \$581.00 Cemetery \$20.00 Thank You!

Sanctuary Light: St. Nicholas In Memory of +Julia Buchinsky by Michael & Janet Buchinsky

Sanctuary Light: St. Michael In Memory of +Alex Mallick by Joe & Andrea Pytak

Seven Branch Candlestick- God's Blessings for & in Memory of the Blaschak & Wolfe Families

4 Lamps of the Iconostas –. God's Blessings on Cheerful Givers

Lamps of the Crucifix- God's Blessings and Save Travel.

Lights of the Tetrapod-

Lights of the Tabernacle-

God bless you for your love and devotion to your parish!

Prayer Requests: *Please remember those who are shut-ins, those in need, or who are ill or suffering and all those who have requested our prayers. Please pray for those who put themselves in harm's way to serve others such as those that serve in the military protecting our country, firefighters, police, and emergency personal.*

St. Michael

Eva Koch	Helen O'Connell	Susan Enders	Christine Lenhart*
Dolores Kozie	Helen Beddall	Dolores O'Connell Leahy	& Rosemary (Mother)
Martha Hysock	Irene Flaherty	Helen Bereschak	Bill McAndrew*
Sandy Bankes*	Tom Prete	Helen Sims	Andrea Pytak
Shannon's Mom*	Susan Chernesky	Mary Mazur	Annie Cragen
Matthew Morrisey	Maya Usewicz	Keilbasa Family*	Irene Yaroma

St. Nicholas

Helen Salak	Peter Kadingo	Laura Seasock	Joseph Salak
Margaret Skrincosky		Anna Skrincosky	Jim Rehnert
Mary Mistishen	Mary Kadingo	Catherine Washuta	Walter Mistishen
Joseph Luckenbill	Metro & Helen Tarris	Elizabeth Gulas	Andrew Skrincosky

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