

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL UKRAINIAN GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Sunday, October 9th 2016 21th Sunday After Pentecost

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL WEEKLY SERVICES SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 8th 3:30pm +Michael & +Anna Kaczmarczyk by Anne Evans
 Sunday, October 9th 10:30am God’s Blessings on His People
 Tuesday, October 11th 8:00am + Peter & +Johnny Lefchick by Charles & Francis Lazusky & Family
 Wednesday, October 12th 8:00am +Jaqueline Zapuschinsky by Wally & Evelyn Kurznda
 Friday, October 14th 8:00am Reparation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
 Saturday, October 15th 3:30pm God’s Blessings on His People
 Sunday, October 16th 10:30am God’s Blessings on Leonard & Dolores Kozlosky by Charles Calise and Helen O’Connell

SAINT NICHOLAS THE WONDERWORKER WEEKLY SERVICES SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 8th 8:00am Reparation of the Immaculate and Sorrowful Heart of Mary
 5:30pm +Jeannette Stock by Mike & Susan Prokop
 Sunday, October 9th 8:30am +Saranckak Family- Legacy Liturgy
 Monday, October 10th 8:00am 5th Anniversary +George Jansson by Elizabeth Jansson & Family
 Thursday, October 13th 8:00am +Pepper Family – Legacy Liturgy
 Saturday, October 15th 8:00am Reparation of the Immaculate and Sorrowful Heart of Mary
 5:30pm +Peter, +Anna,& +Demetrius Porchick by Anna & Andrew Skrincosky
 Sunday, October 16th 8:30am +Anna Yankosky by the Bender Family

St. Michael’s Lector Schedule:

Saturday, October 8 th	Gal 2:16-20	Nancy Sawka
Sunday, October 9 th	Gal 2:16-20	Paul Caputo
Saturday, October 15 th	Gal 6:11-18	Winifred Mohutsky
Sunday, October 16 th	Gal 6:11-18	Charles Calise

St. Nicholas Lector Schedule:

Saturday, October 8 th	Gal 2:16-20	Bernadette Bremer
Sunday, October 9 th	Gal 2:16-20	Susan Miller
Saturday, October 15 th	Gal 6:11-18	Andrew Skrincosky
Sunday, October 16 th	Gal 6:11-18	Lauralee Sadusky

Upcoming Events – Mark Your Calendars!

St. Michael:

Sanctuary Light- Available Dates 10/16, 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. If you can help in any way please let Steffy Rarick know, or contact the rectory.



Lottery Raffle – Tickets for our Lottery Basket Raffle are now available. Please see Stephanie Rarick or the rectory for Tickets. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00. There are \$376.00 in Scratch- Offs in the basket- Good Luck !

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 !



Catechism classes- for those receiving Solemn Communion and First Penance they will be Wednesday Evenings at 6:00pm instructed by Sister Zenovia All other students will meet on Thursdays at 6:00pm will be instructed by Theresa Krajcirik. Classes Have begun, if you were unable to make the first class, please

St. Nicholas:

Sanctuary Light : Available Dates- 10/30, 11/6 & 11/13

Both Churches:

Chinese Auction: Ss. Peter and Paul Altar Rosary Society, Mt. Carmel, is sponsoring a Chinese auction on Sunday, October 9th 2016 in the church hall located at the corner of West Ave. and Beech St. Doors open at 11:30am and the Auction begins at 2:00. There will be a Browse & Bid on Saturday, Oct. 8th from 11:00am – 2:00pm. Players need not be present to win. There will be great prizes and great food to eat in or take out. For more information call the rectory office during business hours at 570 339-0650. Hope to see you there!

MEATLOAF DINNER Sponsored by St. Nicholas Women's Sodality on Wednesday, October 12th from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM at St. Nicholas Hall, Primrose. Includes...meatloaf, mashed potatoes, corn, cole slaw, roll & butter & dessert \$ 10.00/platter...EAT-IN OR TAKE-OUT

DSI Soups- Thursday, October 13th from 10:00 am till sell out. \$5.00 a quart and \$2.50 a pint. Soups include New England Clam Chowder, Pasta Fagirole, Chicken Noodle, Split Pea, Kielbasi & Beef Vegetable. Sausage Hoagies \$3.50 each. For early orders call 570-462-2060. DSI- 116 North Main St Shenandoah.

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.

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.

SAVE THE DATE! The Ukrainian Catholic Hierarchy of the USA invites all of the clergy, religious and faithful to plan to participate in a prayerful remembrance of our first Bishop, The 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. Vespers will be celebrated with a reflection 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 Memorial Prayer in the Cathedral Crypt. An Opening and Blessing of the newly relocated premises of 'Treasury of Faith' Ukrainian Catholic Museum will be held immediately thereafter in testimony to Bishop Ortynsky. Please plan to participate. We respectfully ask that parishes and organizations not plan other events at this time, permitting faithful to pray for the soul of our first Bishop and to honor his contribution. We are grateful for everyone's anticipated assistance and participation.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION- SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2016 at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania We invite all our married faithful to join with our Metropolitan-Archbishop Stefan Soroka to celebrate their Wedding Anniversaries at a Divine Liturgy in our Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Sunday, October 16, 2016 at 11 AM followed by a Banquet in their honor. Cost is \$50.00 per couple and \$30.00 per guest. Deadline for registration is October 1st. Registration forms are in the back of the Church or contact the rectory.

Year of Mercy Pilgrimage- Saturday October 15th at St. Cyril & Methodius Parish 135 River St Olyphant PA . Doors open at 1:00pm Veneration of the Vatican Commissioned Replica of the Shroud of Turin. 2:00pm Confessions- Sacrament of Reconciliation. 3:30pm Praying of the Holy Rosary. 4:00pm Divine Liturgy concelebrated by Metropolitan Archbishop Stefan Soroka & the Clergy of the North Anthracite Deanery. To receive the "Plenary Indulgence " for this Holy Year of Mercy (the complete remission of all temporal punishment due to sin) the Pilgrim must: Sacramentally confess their sins. Receive the Holy Eucharist that same day & Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father (one Our Father & one Hail Mary)

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



One small crack doesn't mean that you're broken.

It means you were put to the test and didn't fall apart.

POPE FRANCIS

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

The light is not meant for the fridge Monday, 19 September 2016

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

If you do not want to be Christians in name only, you have to carry out your daily commitment to “preserve, and not hide” the light that was given to you at baptism. This is a commitment that takes place in “everyday” life, taking care not to give in to certain temptations in which one tends to fall. This was the advice Pope Francis offered in his homily at the Mass he celebrated on Monday morning, in the Chapel of Santa Marta.

As is customary, Pope Francis began his reflection by focusing on the liturgy of the day, particularly on the passage from the Gospel of Luke (8:16-18), which speaks precisely on the theme of the light, “of Jesus’ counsel not to cover the lamp”, and “to let the light shine and illuminate, that those who enter may see the light”. This advice, the Pope noted, is also reiterated in the Gospel acclamation of the evangelist Matthew (5:16): “Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father”.

Firstly, the Pope explained, it is important not to fall into misunderstanding, because typically, “in daily speech, we say: ‘But this is a luminous person; or this person is not luminous’”. Indeed, in the Gospel, “we do not speak about this human brightness. The light of the Lord is not sympathy only. It is something else”. In fact, “to cherish the light is to safeguard something that we have received as a gift and if we are luminous, we are luminous” in the sense “of having received the gift of light on the day of baptism”. It is precisely for this reason, he added, “that at the beginning, in the early centuries of the Church, and even still in some Eastern Churches, baptism is called ‘enlightenment’; and still to this day, “when we baptize a child, we give a candle, with light, as a sign: it is the light that is the gift of God”.

Now, Pope Francis continued, this light that Jesus gives at baptism “is a true light”, a light “that comes from within, because it is the light of the Holy Spirit. It is not an artificial light, the light is not rigged. It is a mild, serene light, that does not go out”. For this reason it cannot be “covered”. And “if you cover this light, you become lukewarm or simply Christian in name”.

To better understand the nature of this light that “Jesus tells us to cherish”, “which is given as a gift to everyone”, the Pope also recalled the Gospel passage of the Transfiguration: “we think of Tabor, when he lets all of his light be seen”. And, quoting the Psalm which says: “The just one shall live on your holy mountain, O Lord”, he urged: “let us think of that mountain, where the Lord was transfigured, with all of his light”. This is the light “that we must cherish and not hide”.

This commitment, however, concerns our daily life. Thus, the Pope continued, one might ask, “Father, how can this light be hidden? How can one hide the light so that it does not enlighten, and why do men not see the light that comes from good works?”. Once again, it is the liturgy itself that comes to our aid. This time in the First Reading, taken from the Book of Proverbs (3:27-34), in which we see “counsel: tips from a wise father to his children”. First and foremost, it reads: “Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it”. This is very simple: “If you can do good, do good”. Pope Francis added that “everyone has the right to receive good, because we are all children of

the Father who gives us good”. While on the contrary, “those who do not do good, when they are able to do so, are covering the light”, which “becomes dark”.

The Pope focused on this concept by analyzing certain attitudes that are easily found in everyday life: “Do not say to your neighbor: ‘Yes, go, go, go... then pass again and I will give it to you tomorrow’. If you have with you now what the person is asking for — and this is a very strong argument made in the Bible — do not make the needy person wait; do not pay the salary the following day”. Francis made an example by quoting a passage from the Book of Exodus: “If you take his cloak in pledge, because you have given him a loan, give it to him in the evening, so that he can sleep”. All of this serves as a reminder to “never put off the good”. In this respect, the Pope used a very concrete image: the light is not meant to be kept in the fridge, that is to say, it should not be preserved; “The good is today, and if you do not do it today, tomorrow it will not be there. Do not conceal the good for tomorrow”. And those who think with the logic of “go, pass by again, I will give it to you tomorrow”, are “heavily covering the light”.

The Book of Proverbs adds another piece of advice: “Do not plan evil against your neighbor, who lives trustingly beside you”. This is also a reality before our eyes every day. Very often, the Pope explained, “people trust in one person or another, and that person plots the evil to destroy him, to sully him, to make him fail”. It is, he explained, “the little bit of mafia we all have at the ready: one who takes advantage of his neighbor’s trust in order to plot evil, he is a mafioso”, even if he does not actually belong to a criminal organization: “this is the mafia, it takes advantage of trust... And this covers the light. It darkens you. All mafia is dark”.

The passage continues: “Do not contend with a man for no reason, when he has done you no harm”. This also occurs in everyday life. Francis underlined: “we like contention, right? Always. We are always looking for a little something to quarrel about. But in the end, we grow weary of contention: you cannot live” in this way. “It is better to let it go, to forgive”, the Pope added, to the point of “pretending not to see things” in order to “avoid quarrelling constantly”.

The wise Father in the Scripture continues with his advice and asks: “Do not envy a man of violence and do not choose any of his ways; for the perverse man is an abomination to the Lord, but the upright are in his confidence”. It happens sometimes that we “are jealous, that we envy those who have things, who have success, or who are violent”. Yet, Francis commented, if we considered “the history of the violent, of the powerful”, we would realize that “the same worms will devour us, and devour them; the same! In the end we will all be the same”. The fact remains that “envying power, and being jealous... covers the light”. And the Scripture goes even further: “The Lord’s curse is on the house of the wicked, but he blesses the abode of the righteous”. It is then added that the Lord, instead, shows favour “to the humble”.

Therefore, the Pope again urged that we listen to this advice concerning “everyday” life — “they are not unusual things” — and that we welcome the invitation to “be children of light, and not children of darkness”, and to “guard the light that was given to you as a gift on the day of Baptism”. In conclusion, the Pope invited “all of us who have received Baptism” to pray that the Holy Spirit “help us not to fall into these bad habits that cover the light, and that he help us to carry forward the light we received freely, that light of God that does so much good: the light of friendship, the light of meekness, the light of faith, the light of hope, the light of patience, the light of goodness”.

WHAT ARE THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT? (Charismata)



Wisdom
Understanding
Counsel
Fortitude
Knowledge
Piety
Fear of the Lord

Note: See Isaiah 11:1-3

Charismata

Gift of speaking with wisdom
Gift of speaking with knowledge
Gift of Faith
Grace of healing
Gift of miracles
Gift of prophecy
Gift of discerning spirits

Gift of tongues (i.e. xenolalia, the ability to speak foreign languages unknown by natural reason.)

Gift of interpreting speeches

Note: See 1 Corinthians 12:6-11 and again 12:28-31 and Romans 12:6-8.

WHAT ARE THE FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Charity
Joy
Peace
Patience
Kindness
Goodness
Generosity
Gentleness
Faith
Modesty
Self-Control
Chastity



Note: See Galatians 5:22-25. Three of these are not mentioned in some Greek manuscripts and the Latin Vulgate.

Oct 9: Jesus Is All Mercy



When we take up our cross, we discover that it is freeing, that the yoke is easy and the burden light, just as Jesus promises.

Isn't this what Jesus meant when, on the night of his passion, he offered his great Priestly Prayer to our heavenly Father: “. . . so they may share my joy completely.” (John 17:13)

Pope Francis must have had this prayer in mind when he wrote his book, *The Joy of Discipleship*.

Jesus is all mercy, all love, Francis writes. In his eyes, each of us is the little lost lamb, the mislaid

coin, the child who squanders an inheritance on illusions of happiness.

The Pope writes that God does not forget us, never abandons us. He is a patient father, always waiting for us. He respects our freedom, but he remains faithful forever. When we come back to him, he welcomes us like children into his house, for he never ceases to wait for us with love. And his heart rejoices over every child who trusts in his divine mercy and returns to him and asks his forgiveness.

Our prayer today: *Jesus, I pray for the courage and faith to take up my cross daily and taste its freeing sweetness for myself.*



Christmas Bingo

Sunday, November 6th, 2016 (date change)

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**

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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 - \$761.50 Thank You!

St. Nicholas: Contributions - \$ 1,092.00 Thank You!

Sanctuary Light: St. Nicholas In Memory of +George Jansson requested by Elizabeth Jansson & Family

Sanctuary Light: St. Michael God's Blessings on the People of St. Michael's

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

4 Lamps of the Iconostas – God's Blessings and Good Health on My Family and Friends

Lamps of the Crucifix-

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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