

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

Schedule of Divine Services

Saturday, May 28 **5:00 PM** +Ann Totin by Mary Ellen Totin & Michael Totin
 Sunday, May 29 **9:00 AM** +George Havrilcsak by Ann Havrilcsak

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Web Liturgy Intention for Week of May 29, 2022 sponsored by
Dr. Victor R. Haburchak, Jr. in memory of Anna Stupack

Sanctuary Candle is lit from May 22 – June 4
In Memory of +Margaret Tima by Beverly Tima

MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 30 9:00AM *Deceased of the Armed Forces*

**Weather permitting, we will meet at the cemetery for a Panachida
 immediately following the Divine Liturgy**

Friday, June 3 7:00 PM 5th All Souls Remembrance

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Saturday, June 4 **5:00 PM** +Michael & Emily Danscak by Danscak Family
 Sunday, June 5 **9:00 AM** +Mark Cifrulak by Nancy Cifrulak

OUR RETURN TO THE LORD FOR ALL HE HAS GIVEN ME:

Regular Offertory	\$2,481.00
Maintenance Fund	340.00
Holy Day	107.00
Easter	300.00
Candles	54.86
Loose Cash	47.00
Cemetery	175.00
TOTAL	\$3,504.86

During these challenging times we thank you for your kindness and generosity.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS

AT HOME: Richard Lesko, *Ronald & Arletta Lutka*, Margie Seman, *Elizabeth Pristas*, Teri Phares, Raymond Petro, Jr., Luke Pasternak, Marissa Stout, Tara Seman, Michael Matus, Patrick Singer, Joan Bodnar, Mary Ann Urban, Carole Srsic, Pauline Johnson, *Ann Havrilscak*, Aaron Spang, Janet Ducar, Mary Pavasko, Suzie (Wargo) Bodziach, Betty Martin, Teresa Sekel, Patty Schneider, Regina Kraus, Elaine Nassif, Jeannie Pasternak, Janet Myers, Ethel Wahal, Joanne Smoley

Italicized names indicate Parish Shut-ins. Other names are submitted prayer requests.

NURSING HOMES/REHABILITATION CENTERS/ASSISTED LIVING

Elsie Urban, Len Stagon, Dorothy Hritz, Eleanor Chekan, Sue Goda

MAY/JUNE BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

- 29 David Pavasko
- 31 Helen B. Koval
- 1 Eve Marie Bovee
- 2 Barbara Wahal
- 3 Bernard Zadrowski
- 3 Dorothy Moyta
- 3 Lawrence Krysinski
- 4 Gregory & Anna Marie Chekan (Anniversary)
- 4 Steven & Jennifer Kovatch (Anniversary)

May God grant to His servant peace, health and happiness for many years!

In person Attendance: *Saturday, May 21: 43; Sunday, May 22: 65*
Ascension Vigil: **35**; Ascension Day: **22**

Live Stream Viewing: *Saturday, May 21: 35 (WS); 91 (FB)*
Sunday, May 22: 75 (WS); 57 (FB)
Ascension Vigil: **31 (WS); 64 (FB)**
Ascension Day: **19 (WS); 31 (FB)**

Live Stream Donation:

\$25 Michael & Mary Novak (OH)

Special Donation:

\$30 In Memory of Fr. Bob Karl by Donald & Marilyn Darmsteadt

\$25 In Memory of Fr. Bob Karl by Agnes Borsh

\$50 In Memory of +Florence Pingor by Pamela & Jim Kimbrell

FLEA MARKET

We will be holding our Flea Market on June 3 & 4, 2022, 8 AM – 1 PM. We will hold it again the weekend of our dinner June 11 & 12. We are no longer accepting items. Thanks for your donations and help.

ROAST BEEF DINNER

Our parish will serve a take-out only roast beef dinner on **Saturday, June 11 from 3 – 6 PM and on Sunday, June 12 from 10 AM – 1 PM. Price is \$12.00 per dinner.** The dinner includes: Roast Beef, mashed potatoes, veggie, roll and butter. In addition we will be selling quarts of haluski, quarts of soup, our kolache, and various baked goods.

BAKED GOODS

We are in need of baked goods to sell at our at our bake sales during our flea market and dinner during the month of June. Baked goods can be dropped off at the Center on Thursday, June 2, 2022 from 6:00 – 7:30 PM.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| June 3/4 | Flea Market |
| June 11/12 | Flea Market & Dinner |
| June 26 | Parish Anniversary Dinner |
| June 26 | Eastwinds Symphonic Band Concert – 2 PM |

125TH ANNIVERSARY

Invitations for our anniversary celebration, which will be held on June 26, 2022 beginning with Liturgy at 10 AM, were mailed to parishioners this past week. If you did not receive one, please call the parish office so that we can mail another one to you. Please feel free to invite former parishioners and/or extended family members. ***Please return the RSVP by June 12 via the offertory basket or the mail because the final count needs to be given to the caterer.***

ANNIVERSARY CONCERT

In honor of the 125th Anniversary of our parish founding, we will host a concert by the East Winds Symphonic Band on Sunday, June 26, 2022 at 2 PM. The concert will be held outdoors (weather permitting) and is free and open to the public. Please bring a lawn chair. Light refreshments will be shared. Invite your family and friends to join us as we celebrate this anniversary.

GCU LODGE MEETING

The quarterly Lodge meeting will be held June 4, Noon at Ascension Church, Clairton.

MEMORIAL DAY

St. Paul once said: "You are not your own, for you are bought with a price." The reference here, of course, is to our salvation; Jesus came to earth and paid with His death on the cross to redeem us from eternal death, hell, which is the due payment for our sins.

But we, who live in this great land of ours today, live a life of freedom only because of the great sacrifices of others. Not only have we been "bought with a price" as far as our eternal destiny is concerned, we have also been redeemed, so to speak, as far as our earthly domicile is concerned.

In these days when so much is said about the high cost of living (yes, and of dying, too!), it is fitting to pause on Memorial Day and acknowledge the great price that thousands of others have paid that we might live in this land of freedom, the United States of America.

Memorial Day came as a result of the Civil War. This was America's greatest war in the lives that were lost, in the issues and principles at stake, in the fact that it was fought on American soil, and in the results that have come from it. American land flowed red with blood in this terrible conflict. It was fitting that a solemn day of memory be set aside for such a conflict as that.

Just as the Jewish people have their feast of Passover to remind them of their freedom from Egyptian bondage, just as the French have their Bastille Day to commemorate a great stride in human progress, so America has its Memorial Day to remind us of the salvation and rebirth of the United States as a free nation.

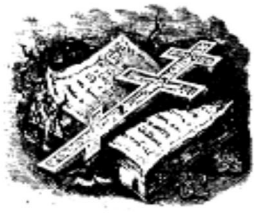
Since that time, Memorial Day has become a national holyday to honor the dead of all wars. Even more, it has become a day in which fitting remembrance is made of all who rest beneath the sod in death.

Our task on Memorial Day is a two-fold one: 1) to remember the dead, their names and their deeds; 2) to rededicate ourselves to work for peace and good will and love among all peoples.

Rev. Stephen Sedor

ETERNAL MEMORY

+Fr. Julian Anthony, a retired priest of the Archeparchy passed from this life to the next. May he rest in the bosom of Abraham, in the abode of the saints, where there is no pain, sorrow, nor mourning. *May the Lord God remember his departed priest servant +Julian in His Kingdom forever.*



Attentive to the Word

Sunday of the Fathers of 1st Ecumenical Council

Acts 20: 16-18 & 28-38

John 17: 1-13

Have you ever seen someone grandstand? You know, trying to grab all the attention for themselves? Some athletes do it after a big game. Some political leaders do it by staging photo ops and giving lengthy speeches to highlight how connected they are with various interest groups. It's funny, though: the more people seek the spotlight, the less credible and interesting they become! What Jesus does in today's Gospel reading is the complete opposite of grandstanding. When he prays, "Give glory to your son," he is not asking for his own glory. In the very next line, he says, "So that your son may glorify you" (John 17:1). In everything he did, Jesus sought to be the perfect reflection of his Father's glory. He wasn't interested in celebrity. He wouldn't have submitted to the cross if he were. And yet he is the most famous person who ever lived. All that humility, love, mercy, and selfless giving did not go unnoticed! There is a lesson for us here. We can be so achievement oriented that we miss the grace that is present for us by simply welcoming the Lord into our everyday lives. If we accomplish something that is recognized as important, that's when we feel important. If we don't, we can end up feeling unappreciated or worth less than someone else. But our true glory is in God, just as it was for Jesus. It isn't in what we accomplish or how much recognition we receive for our faithfulness. It's in nothing less than the great privilege of knowing the Lord, being loved by him, and having him make his home in our hearts. What will that look like for you today? You probably have some very routine tasks to perform - things that you've done countless times and have received little recognition for. Maybe it's making breakfast for the kids or making sure the bills get paid on time. As you do these mundane, thankless jobs, ask Jesus to be with you. Let them become acts of love for your family and worship for him. Even if you seem invisible to the people around you, know that Jesus sees you. Know that you are glorifying him by your love and faithfulness. "Lord, help me find your peace, your joy, and your love in all that I do. Let me bring glory to your name!"

Mission Statement

Saint John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Cathedral is a member of the Byzantine Catholic Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh who through the Holy Spirit is called to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As a community and family, we grow in faith and in the image and likeness of God by dedicating ourselves to welcoming, celebrating and caring for all of God's people.

Mysteries of Initiation (Baptism, Chrismation & Eucharist): Must be a registered, active, supporting member of the parish family. Pre-baptism instructions are required. Contact Fr. Andrew to schedule.

Mystery of Crowning: Must be a registered, active, supporting member of the parish family. Must meet with Fr. Andrew before setting date and reserving your banquet hall. Pre-Cana program is required and three sessions with Fr. Andrew. The ceremony will be celebrated according to the prescription of the liturgical book of the Byzantine rite.

Mystery of Reconciliation: Celebrated Saturdays, 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM and upon request.

Mystery of Anointing: Celebrated upon request. Ideally celebrated in Church the Sunday before undergoing any surgical or other medical procedure.

Visitation of the Sick: The parishioners confined to their homes or nursing homes due to health reasons are visited monthly. Also, persons who are hospitalized are visited when Fr. Andrew is notified. It especially is important that a family member contact Fr. Andrew whenever a loved-one is hospitalized.

Funerals: Families of the deceased or the funeral director must contact Fr. Andrew before setting and publishing the day and time of the funeral.

Parish Membership: We welcome anyone to become a parishioner of St. John the Baptist Cathedral Parish. Only those who are registered are considered members of the Parish. When one registers to become a parish member they assume the responsibility of rendering stewardship of time, talent and treasure to this parish family. Worship at this parish is always expected. Registration is done only through the pastor by appointment. The Parish Office should be notified as soon as possible of any change of address within the Parish as well as one's leaving.

Godparent/Sponsor Letters: Must be a registered, active, supporting member of the parish.

Rectory Office Hours: Judy is in the parish office Monday – Friday from 9:00 AM – 2 PM. Father Andrew is available on other days and times by appointment.