

*Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!*

**Schedule of Divine Services**

Saturday, October 29 5:00 PM +Maldonetta May by Deborah Hilla  
 Sunday, October 30 9:00 AM +Thomas Perhach by Keith & Carol Varner

**Pages for Sunday's Divine Liturgy: Tone 4 pages 141 - 142**

Web Liturgy for Week of October 30, 2022 sponsored by  
**Jack Varhola & Staci & Ron in memory of +Marguerite Seigler**

*Sanctuary Candle* is lit from October 23 – November 5  
**In Memory of +Andrew & +Anna Borsh by Agnes Borsh**

**22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENEOST**

Saturday, November 5 5:00 PM +Richard Fialkovich by MM Garfield Jones  
 Sunday, November 6 9:00 AM +Elizabeth Pristas by Paulette Winowich

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

Regular Offertory	\$2,025.00
Maintenance Fund	507.00
Holy Day	15.00
Candles	65.49
Loose Cash	70.00
Cemetery	145.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,827.49</b>

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

**Live Stream: \$25 by Leonard & Felicia Simko**

**"SPRING AHEAD – FALL BACK"**

Daylight Saving Time Ends November 6th.  
 Just a reminder to set your clocks back one hour.



## **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS**

**AT HOME:** Richard Lesko, *Ronald & Arletta Lutka*, Margie Seman, 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, 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

## **OCTOBER/NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK**

31 David Banyas

1 Martin Bovee

**In person Attendance:** *Saturday, October 22: 38; Sunday, October 23: 56*

**Live Stream Viewing:** *Saturday, October 22: 27 (WS); 33 (FB)*  
*Sunday, October 23: 64 (WS); 47 (FB)*

## **HONORING OUR VETERANS AND MILITARY PERSONNEL**

On *Saturday and Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>* our Parish will honor in a special way our Veterans and Military Personnel. This celebration will include prayerful supplications and a blessing at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. If you served in the armed forces of our country and are planning to attend this celebration, please notify the parish office. We ask that you please submit to the parish office by **Wednesday, November 9<sup>th</sup>** the names of Veterans in your families (deceased and living).

## **SARRIS' CANDY ORDERS**

Order forms for Sarris' Candy are located in the vestibules of the church. *Make check payable to St. John Cathedral.* Please return order forms by November 13, 2022.

## **SEMINARY BENEFIT RAFFLE**

In conjunction with the annual St. Nicholas Banquet, a raffle is being conducted that benefits our Byzantine Catholic Seminary. Each ticket cost \$10 and is based on the PA Daily 3-digit Number. If you are interested in purchasing a ticket, please see Fr. Andrew.

## **KOLACHE ORDERS**

We are now accepting Kolache orders for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Deadline to order Kolache for Thanksgiving is November 6, 2022. Deadline to order Kolache for Christmas is November 27, 2022. Order sheets are located in the vestibules of the church. *Due to the increase in ingredients, all kolache are \$15.00 each.*

## **“CATHEDRAL KITCHEN”**

The “Kathedral Kitchen” has been restocked. We have quarts of *Halushki, Chili & Wedding, Potato/Green Bean, Mushroom, Chicken Gnocci, Beef Vegetable and Stuffed Cabbage soups* for \$7. If you would like to buy any please see Patty Bovee or Fr. Andrew.

## **BASKET EXTRAVAGANZA BASKETS**

Sunday, November 13, 2022, 1-4 PM, Cathedral Center. There will be 30+ baskets, a variety of vendors, eat in or take out Beef Tips over noodles dinner, 50/50 raffle and more. Tickets, \$25 donation, must be purchased in advance. For tickets, please call Diane at 412-303-6534. Your place for Christmas gift ideas.

## **BOBALKI ORDERS**

People have been inquiring about bobalki for Christmas Eve Dinner. We will be taking orders for bobalki in 1 pound bags. Each 1# bag will cost \$7. Order sheets are located in the vestibules of the church.

## **HOAGIE/HALUSKI SALE**

The Parish Club of Sts. Peter & Paul, Duquesne is once again sponsoring an Election Day Hoagie/Haluski sale on **Tuesday, November 8, 2022**. The cost is \$10 per hoagie, \$6 haluski pint, and \$8 haluski quart. Forms are in the church vestibule. **DEADLINE to order is October 30, 2022.** **You may pick up your order on Tuesday at the Cathedral rectory from 11:00 AM – 1:30 PM.**

## **ETHNIC FESTIVAL**

St. John the Baptist Church, 201 East Main St. Uniontown, Sunday, October 30, Noon to 5 PM. The afternoon includes ethnic foods, baked goods, entertainment, presentations, craft sales, raffles and more. Everyone is welcome, admission is free.

## **TAKE OUT SPAGHETTI DINNER**

Messiah Lutheran Church, 4300 Main St. Munhall. November 5, 2022, 4 – 6:30 PM. Dinner includes pasta, salad, bread and dessert. Adult dinner, age 13 and up, \$12; Age 4-12, \$8; children 3 and under, free. Walk-ins and phone orders welcome. Phone orders end at 6 PM. (412) 461-6958.



# Attentive to the Word

*Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost*

*Galatians 2: 16-20*

*Luke 8: 26-39*

The story of Jesus casting the legion of demons into a herd of pigs is found in Matthew 8:28–34; Mark 5:1-20; and Luke 8:26–39. Only Matthew mentions the more prominent of the two demoniacs involved. Demoniacs were persons whose minds came under the control of an evil spirit or spirits. That such phenomena were especially prominent during the days of Christ's earthly ministry is consistent with Satan's efforts to counteract God's program. It also allows us to witness the spiritual warfare in which our Savior was constantly engaged. Demons knew exactly who Jesus was—"Son of God"—and were aware of their ultimate doom (Matthew 8:28-29).

As Jesus was traveling in the hilly region east of the Jordan River, the path of this man who was controlled by demons and lived among the tombs crossed that of Jesus. Because of the physical strength the demons gave the man, he was able to break and throw off the chains with which people tried to bind him. When the demons begged Jesus to let them go into a herd of pigs, He gave them permission. They entered the pigs, rushed down the steep bank into the lake, and were drowned. Jesus thereby made known His authority and thwarted whatever evil purpose the demons had.

Why the demons begged to be allowed to enter the swine is unclear from the account. It could be because they didn't want to leave the area where they had been successful in doing their mischief among the people. Perhaps they were drawn to the unclean animals because of their own filthiness. The demons may have made this strange request because it was their last chance to avoid confinement in the Abyss, the place of confinement to which evil spirits are doomed (Revelation 9:1-6). Whatever their reasoning, it is clear from the account that demons had little power of their own and were unable to do anything without Jesus' permission. As Christians, we can take comfort in the knowledge that the forces of the enemy of our souls are under the complete control of God and can only act in ways He allows.

The Bible doesn't explain to us Jesus' reasoning, but displaying His sovereign power over demons could be one reason why Jesus sent them into the pigs. If the pigs' owners were Jews, Jesus could have been rebuking them for violating Mosaic law which forbids Jews from eating or keeping unclean animals such as swine (Leviticus 11:7). If the swineherds were Gentiles, perhaps Jesus was using this miraculous event to show them the malice of evil spirits under whose influence they lived, as well as displaying His own power and authority over creation. In any case, the owners were so terrified to be in the

presence of such spiritual power that they made no demand for restitution for the loss of their property and begged Jesus to leave the region. The people were awe-struck but unrepentant—they wanted no more of Jesus Christ. This shows the hardness of their hearts and their desire to remain in sin. The healed demoniac, on the other hand, demonstrated the true faith and repentance of a changed heart and begged to be allowed to follow Jesus. Perhaps the unmistakable difference between the saved and the unsaved was an object lesson for the disciples and all who witnessed the event. Jesus sent the healed man away, giving him a commission that he joyfully obeyed: "Go home to your family and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you" (Mark 5:17-20).



### **PHILIP'S FAST GIVING TREE**

Our parish will once again sponsor a “**Christmas Giving Tree**” to help those in need. This year our donations will help the Boys and Girls Club of McKeesport, an after school program in Duquesne, PA. This year, donations will be in the form of specific gift cards. Giving Tree envelopes will be available on the tree located in the front vestibule starting this weekend. Please **return** your gift card(s), in the envelope from the tree, **no later than Sun., Nov. 27**. Thank you for your consideration.

### **ANNUAL MOLEBEN FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF THE CAUSES**

The annual Marian Moleben for the Causes of Beatification and Canonization of our four saintly Ruthenian Byzantine Catholic Bishops: Bishop-Martyr Theodore G. Romzha, Uzhorod (+1947); Bishop-Martyr Paul P. Gojdich, O.S.B.M., Presov (+1960); Bishop-Martyr Basil Hopko, Presov (+1976); and for the beatification of the Servant of God Bishop Alexander Chira, Uzhorod (+1985). The Moleben will be celebrated at the Holy Ghost Church, 225 Olivia Street, McKees Rocks, PA on **Sunday, October 30, 2022 @ 3:00 p.m.** You are cordially invited to attend in person but if you are unable to attend in person, the service will be live-streamed.

### **VA PITTSBURGH DONATION WISH LIST**

VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System depends on the goodwill of benefactors and volunteers who wish to give something back to America's heroes, and they accept material donations to provide enhanced services to Veterans receiving treatment at their facilities. *Personal Care Items: Body Wash, Denture Adhesive & Cleaner, Roll-on Deodorant, Combs, Toothpaste, Tooth Brushes, Shaving Cream, shampoo & conditioner, disinfectant wipes, hand sanitizer, tissues, reading glasses, gloves.*

## 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.