# Saint Michael the Archangel &

## Saínts Peter and Paul Byzantíne Catholíc Churches "I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except

Jesus Christ and him crucified."1 Corinthians 2:2

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#### <u>Liturgical Schedule for</u> The Week of October 19, 2014

<u>Saturday~ October 18</u> <u>Vigil Nineteenth Sunday after</u> Pentecost

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

<u>Sunday ~ October 19</u> <u>Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost</u>

10:00 AM [A] Health and Blessings for Kristin DiGiacamo by Catherine and Joseph Brosky

<u>Saturday~ October 25</u> <u>Vigil Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</u>

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

#### <u>Sunday ~ October 26</u> Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM [A] Health and Blessings for Robert DiGiacamo by Catherine and Joseph Brosky



**Confessions:** Saturdays [P] 3:15-3:45 PM Sundays: [A] 9:00-9:30 AM and by appointment Baptisms and Weddings: See Father Frank

If you are looking for a spiritual home, please know you are always welcome to be a part of our Parish Family.

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**Prayer List:** In your kindness, please remember the following persons in prayer: John & Alicia Sefcik, Loretta Brosky, Antoinette DeFronzo, Melissa Kavounas, Dolores Flannery, Theresa Pinto,Patrice Danyluk, Hoyt Walter,Rosalie Walter, Kristin & Bobbie Di Giacomo & family, Doris Smicker & family, Peter Skimbo & Family, Nicholas Yackanicz, Charles Hysick, Father Steven Galuschik, Subdeacon Lewis Rabayda, Father Diodoro Mendoza, Father Frank and his family.

As a parish family we should pray for one another. If you would like anyone to be remembered in prayer please give the name(s) to Father Frank or to Loretta for inclusion on the prayer list.

# <u>On Human Life</u>

"The promotion of the culture of life should be the highest priority in our societies...If the right to life is not defended decisively as a condition for all other rights of the person, all other references to

human rights remain illusory." Pope Saint John Paul II

"America you are beautiful...and blessed.... The ultimate test of your greatness is the way you treat every human being, but especially the weakest and most defenseless. If you want equal justice for all and true freedom and lasting peace, then America, defend life." -Pope John Paul II **Candy Sale:** Saint Michael's Christmas candy fundraiser is ongoing until November 9<sup>th</sup>. The funds raised are split between the church and the ECF program. *Please support this fundraising effort to help our parish and our ECF students as they learn about their faith.* 

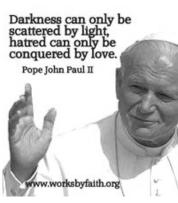
For Ukrainian archbishop, history highlights importance of family

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- The absolutely indispensable role of the Catholic family in protecting human dignity and passing on the faith is a concrete, lived experience for the head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church, which was outlawed by the Soviets for more than 40 years. "Everything I learned about church, about Christ, the ambience where I learned to pray -- before I met a priest for the first time -- was my home, my family," said Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk, the major archbishop of Kiev-Halych. He was a 19-year-old doing his

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of	
October 11 & 12	
Allentown (regular)	\$1567.00
Margaret Walson Memorial	\$880.00
Offerings	
Total Offerings	\$2447.00
Total Bills	\$247.18
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$2199.82
Palmerton	\$260.00
Total Bills	\$92.30
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$167.70
Bills paid this week:	
Allentown: ECL:\$56.00; Cable TV: \$11.08;	
Phone/Fax: \$80.69; Internet: \$29.41;	
Computer Desk Payment: \$70.00	
Palmerton: ECL: \$20.00; PPL	
(Hall):\$17.81; PPL(Church): \$54.49	

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obligatory service in the Soviet army in 1989 when the Soviet Union finally legalized the Eastern Catholic Church in Ukraine, allowing members to leave their catacomb existence and openly profess and celebrate their faith. Meeting reporters Oct. 11 during the Synod of Bishops on the family, he said his people's experience was that the family was "the last defense of human dignity; only inside the family did we feel ourselves protected because society outside your own home was very dangerous, not human, not Christian." As tensions and battles in the Eastern part of the country with pro-Russian militants continue, he said, the suffering of families and their essential role in society are clear once again. Pain is a common experience, he said, especially for mothers "because they have to send their sons to a war and many of them will receive their sons (back) in a coffin. This is a tragedy."



**Saint Michael's Dinner:** The annual dinner will take place on Sunday, November 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM in our Parish Center. A sign up list for donations (food, baked goods, etc.) is posted at the main entrance to the church. *Please come and enjoy a time of fellowship for our parish family!* 

### Saint Gregory of Sinai On Prayer

Sometimes, and most often, you should sit on a stool, because it is more arduous; but sometimes, for a break, you should sit for a while on a mattress. As you sit be patient and assiduous, in accordance with St. Paul's precept, "Cleave patiently to prayer" (Colossians 4:2). Do not grow discouraged and quickly rise up again because of the

strain and effort needed to keep your intellect concentrated on its inner invocation. It is as the prophet says: "The birth-pangs are upon me, like those of a woman in travail" (Isaiah 21:3). You must bend down and gather your intellect into your heart -- provided it has been opened -- and call on the Lord Jesus to help you. Should you feel pain in your shoulders or in your head -- as you often will -- endure it patiently and fervently, seeking the Lord in your heart. For "the kingdom of God is entered forcibly, and those who force themselves take possession of it" (Matthew 11:12). With these words the Lord truly indicated the persistence and labor needed in this task. Patience and endurance in all things involve hardship in both body and soul.