

*Saint Michael the Archangel
&
Saints Peter and Paul
Byzantine Catholic 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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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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**Liturgical Schedule for
The Week of March 29, 2015**

Saturday ~ March 28
**Vigil~ Fifth Sunday of the Fast/
Palm Sunday**

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

Sunday ~ March 29
**Fifth Sunday of the Fast/
Palm Sunday**

10:00 AM [A] + Donna Brink by Philip Brink

See Holy Week and Pascha Schedule on
facing page

Saturday ~ April 4
Vigil~ Pascha

3:00 PM [P] Resurrection Matins with
Divine Liturgy for the parish family of
Saints Peter and Paul

7:00 PM [A] Resurrection Matins with
Divine Liturgy~ Parish Families of Saint
Michael

Sunday ~ April 5
Pascha

10:00 AM [A] + Special Intention

**Prayer List: In your kindness, please remember the
following persons in prayer:** John & Alicia Sefcik,
Shirley Balascak, Loretta Brosky, Antoinette DeFronzo,
Melissa Kavounas, Dolores Flannery, Theresa Pinto,
Patrice Danyluk, Hoyt Walter, Rosalie Walter, Kristin &
Bobbie Di Giacomo & family, The Mehalshick Family,
Doris Smicker & family, Peter Skimbo & Family,
Nicholas Yackanicz, Josephine Wilk, Stephen Wursta,
Maryann Wilk, Charles Hysick, Father Steven
Galuschik, Barry Hoffman, Deacon Lewis Rabayda,
Father Diodoro Mendoza, Josephine Hanincik.
Members of our Parish Families, Father Frank and his
family.

From the Popes

We are on pilgrimage with the Lord to the heights. We are striving for pure hearts and clean hands, we are seeking truth, we are seeking the face of God. Let us show the Lord that we desire to be righteous, and let us ask him: Draw us upwards! Make us pure! Grant that the words which we sang in the processional psalm may also hold true for us; grant that we may be part of the generation which seeks God, "which seeks your face, O God of Jacob" (cf. Ps 24:6). Amen." (Pope Benedict XVI, Sermon, Palm Sunday 2011)

Jesus does not enter the Holy City to receive the honors reserved to earthly kings, to the powerful, to rulers; he enters to be scourged, insulted and abused His royal throne is the wood of the cross Jesus takes upon himself the evil, the filth, the sin of the world, including our own sin and he cleanses it, he cleanses it with his blood, with the mercy and the love of God. Christ's cross embraced with love does not lead to sadness, but to joy, Pope Francis

At Lenten penance service, pope announces Holy Year of Mercy

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- Pope Francis announced an extraordinary jubilee, a Holy Year of Mercy, to highlight the Catholic Church's "mission to be a witness of mercy. No one can be excluded from God's mercy," the pope



said March 13, marking the second anniversary of his pontificate by leading a Lenten penance service in St. Peter's Basilica. "I frequently have thought about how the church can make more evident its mission to be a witness of mercy," he said during his homily; that is why he decided to call a special Holy Year, which will be celebrated from Dec. 8, 2015, until Nov. 20, 2016. The biblical theme of the year, he said, will be "Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful," an admonition that applies "especially to confessors," the pope said with a smile. Traditionally, every 25 years the popes proclaim a holy year, which features special celebrations and pilgrimages, strong calls for conversion and repentance, and the offer of special opportunities to experience God's grace through the sacraments, especially confession. Extraordinary holy years, like the Holy Year of Mercy, are less frequent, but offer the same opportunities for spiritual growth.

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of March 21 & 22	
Allentown	\$1456.00
Total Bills	\$981.34
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$474.66
Palmerton	\$165.00
Total Bills	\$19.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$145.00
Bills paid this week: Allentown:	
Presbyteral Days: \$475.00; Phone/Fax: 70.79; phone (Center):\$29.49; Cable/Internet: \$71.06; Easter Flowers; \$335.00	
Palmerton: Eastern Catholic Life: \$19.00	

Holy Week and Pascha Schedule

Holy Tuesday [A] 7:00-8:00 PM Holy Hour with Opportunity for Confession

Holy Wednesday [A] 7:00 PM Presanctified Liturgy

Holy Thursday [A] 7:00 PM Vespers with Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil in commemoration of the institution of the Eucharist

**Good Friday [P] 12:00 Noon Vespers with Procession with Entombment of the Shroud
[A] 3:00 PM Vespers with Procession with Entombment of the Shroud**

**Holy Saturday [A] 1:00 PM Blessing of Baskets
[P] 3:00 PM Resurrection Matins with Divine Liturgy
[A] 7:00 PM Resurrection Matins with Divine Liturgy**

Sunday~Pascha~The Great Day: [A] 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Note: Baskets will be blessed after each Easter Liturgy in addition to 1 o'clock Saturday