

*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:
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*If you are looking for a spiritual
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always welcome to be a part of
our Parish Family.*
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**Liturgical Schedule for
The Week of April 19, 2015**

Saturday ~ April 18
Vigil~ Sunday of the Ointment Bearers

4:00 PM [P] Health & Blessings for Patrick
Walck by Joseph and Barbara Herman

Sunday ~ April 19
Sunday of the Ointment Bearers

10:00 AM [A] Parish Families

Saturday ~ April 25
Vigil~ Sunday of the Paralytic

4:00 PM [P] +Steven Fetchko by Joe &
Barbara Herman

Sunday ~ April 19
Sunday of the Paralytic

10:00 AM [A] Parish Families

And I am convinced that nothing can ever
separate us from God's love. Neither death nor
life, neither angels nor demons, neither our
fears for today nor our worries about
tomorrow—not even the powers of hell can
separate us from God's love. No power in the
sky above or in the earth below—indeed,
nothing in all creation will ever be able to
separate us from the love of God that is
revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Romans 8:38-39

**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

If you follow the will of God, you know that in spite of
all the terrible things that happen to you, you will
never lose a final refuge. You know that the
foundation of the world is love, so that even when no
human being can or will help you, you may go on,
trusting in the One that loves you.
— Pope Benedict XVI

Each of us is the result of a thought of God. Each of
us is willed. Each of us is loved. Each of us is
necessary.
— Pope Benedict XVI

Let us all remember this: one cannot proclaim the
Gospel of Jesus without the tangible witness of one's
life.
-Pope Francis

**Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women
By Fr. John Zeyak**

The women are going to the tomb. They want to do a good
deed - a final deed of mercy, to anoint Jesus body properly,
to give him their respect in this final act of love.
They have a question on their way to the tomb. Who will roll
back the stone for us? Who will roll the stone away that keeps
them from Jesus?
They are shocked because the stone is rolled away! They are
even more shocked because the grave is empty. Then an
angel with even more astonishing news greets them: Jesus is
risen! He is not here!

This is the news that we bear witness to in the world. This is



the news that our Church
sings over and over again, a
song of triumph! A song of victory! A song that says God wins! God is the
final judge! God is the one who raised Jesus from the dead.
But our song and our faith are not just about Jesus. Because what God
has done for His Son Jesus, He does for each one of us. He frees us from
sin, from death, from evil.
And when the women say who will roll back the stone for us? We say that
also. Who will roll back the heavy burden of sin that keeps us from Jesus?
Who will move the rock in our heart that keeps us locked in self-pity, self-
hatred, self-defeating behaviors?
We know like the women that we can't remove the stone by ourselves. It
is too heavy a burden. There is too much guilt, too much anxiety, and too

much fear. The stone that we all carry is the stone of human failure, human
weakness, and human
sinfulness. We are afraid, will this stone ever be lifted from us. We don't
know what we will find inside.
And so we continue to carry our heavy burden - Jesus already removed the
stone, the sins, the failures
and the weaknesses of our human nature.
And he wants us to see that He is risen. That He is our strength, our hope
and our life. We don't and we
can't take away all the human burden and guilt and pain by ourselves. God
does it for us in Jesus Christ!
Jesus did it for us on the Cross. Our sins were nailed with Him on the
Cross. He is not contained in the
tomb - but has risen and raises us with Him.
The women went back home changed. They told their story and no one
could hold them back.
Christ is risen! God is the Victor!
Let no one hold us back. Let us not be blocked by the stone that blocks
our hearts to love, to acceptance,
to freedom as God's Children.
Let us return to our homes, our workshops, our market places knowing
that Jesus is not in the tomb, but
in our hearts. May we speak boldly and with confidence: Christ is risen!

Looking ahead: Father Frank will be away during the last week of April
as he attends the
annual eparchial priest's meeting (Presbyteral Days) in Maryland. This is
the annual eparchial
business meeting where practical matters such as changes in insurance
and information about
finances is discussed. Please pray that he has a safe trip.
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Everything that exists and moves in the Church - the sacraments, doctrine,
institutions - draws
its strength from Christ's Resurrection. Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of April 11&12	
Allentown	\$1239.00
Total Bills	\$1335.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	-\$96.00
Palmerton	\$226.00
Total Bills	\$19.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$207.00
Bills paid this week: Allentown: ECL: \$57.00; Palms and Pussy willows: \$155.00; Oil (Church): \$695.00; Oil: (Rector): \$428.00	
Palmerton: Eastern Catholic Life: \$19.00	