

*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] 3:15-4:45 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.*

**Liturgical Schedule for
The Week of July 6, 2014**

Saturday~ July 5
Vigil Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

Sunday ~ July 6
Fourth Sunday After Pentecost

10:00 AM [A] Health & Blessings~
 Albert DiGiacomo
 by Catherine & Joseph Brosky

Saturday~ July 12
Vigil Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

4:00 PM [P] +Sister Ambrosia OSBM
 by Sisters of Saint Basil

Sunday ~ July 13
Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

10:00 AM [A] Parish Families

Prayer List: In your kindness, please remember the following persons in prayer:
 John & Alicia Sefcik, Connie Baran, Rosalie & Hoyt Walter, Loretta Brosky, Frances Kushner, Antoinette DeFronzo, Elena Romano, Kristin & Bobbie Di Giacomo & family, Doris Smicker & family, Peter Skimbo & Family, Deacon 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.

From the Saints

"Give something, however small, to the one in need. For it is not small to one who has nothing. Neither is it small to God, if we have given what we could."
-St. Gregory Nazianzen

"Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort me and restore me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger." -St. Patrick

U.S. bishops laud court's Hobby Lobby ruling, but say fight continues

WASHINGTON (CNS) -- The Supreme Court's June 30 ruling that certain businesses, based on their religious objections, can be exempted from a government requirement to include contraceptives in their employee health insurance coverage means "justice has prevailed," said two U.S. archbishops. "We welcome the Supreme Court's decision to recognize that Americans can continue to follow their faith when they run a family business," said Archbishop Joseph E. Kurtz of Louisville, Kentucky, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, and Archbishop William E. Lori of Baltimore, chairman of the U.S. bishops' Ad Hoc Committee for Religious Liberty. The court in its 5-4 ruling said that Hobby Lobby and Conestoga Woods, the two family-run companies that objected to the government mandate that employees be covered for a range of contraceptives, including drugs considered to be abortifacients, are protected from the requirement of the Affordable Care Act under the Religious Freedom Restoration Act. Activists on both sides of the issue gathered outside the U.S. Supreme Court on a hot Washington morning awaiting the decision and when it was announced, supporters hailed it as a religious liberty issue and opponents called it a setback to women's health care. Although Catholic leaders and other religious groups hailed the decision as a victory for religious freedom, they also said the issue is not resolved since the government mandate requires nonprofit organizations such as Catholic charities, hospitals and schools to provide contraceptive coverage.

Stewardship Appeal: The Eparchy is still accepting contributions to its annual Stewardship Appeal. Saint Michael’s is currently \$725.00 short of its goal of \$8000.00. If we do not meet our goal the parish is expected to make up the difference. If we exceed our goal the extra money comes back to the parish. If you have not yet contributed to the Appeal or if you would like to make an additional donation, please do so in the next 2 weeks so we can send the check along with your contribution form to the Eparchy. Make checks payable to “St. Michael’s Byzantine Catholic Church.” Thanks to everyone who has contributed so far and to those who decide to do so now. Your contributions fund worthy Eparchial programs such as the youth camps and the Byzantine Youth Rally and other special events which promote our faith. Saints Peter and Paul in Palmerton has already exceeded it’s goal of \$800.00.

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of June 28 & 29	
Allentown	\$1604.00
Total Bills	\$1842.09
Offerings Vs. Expenses	-\$238.00
Palmerton	\$367.00
Total Bills	\$72.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$295.00
Bills paid this week: Allentown: Property Tax: \$242.09; Eastern Catholic Life: \$195.00; Church Cleaning: \$300.00; Rectory Cleaning: \$250.00; Cantoring: \$150.00; Father Venditti's final car insurance payment: \$705.00 NOTE: This car insurance payment was due in February when Father Michael was still pastor but was not paid at that time.	
Palmerton: Eastern Catholic Life: \$72.00	