

*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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**Liturgical Schedule for
The Week of August 30, 2015**

**Saturday ~ August 29
Vigil~ Fourteenth Sunday of
Pentecost**

4:00 PM [P] For the People

**Sunday ~ August 30
Fourteenth Sunday of Pentecost**

9:30 AM [A] +Charles Hysick by Anna Hysick

**Saturday ~ September 5
Vigil~ Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost**

4:00 PM [P] For the People

**Sunday ~ September 6
Fifteenth Sunday of Pentecost**

10:00 AM [A] Stephen Csaszar by Donna Csaszar

The readings at the Divine Liturgy for next week are: 2 Corinthians 4:6-15 & Matthew 22:35-46

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, Ann Green, Deacon Lewis Rabayda, Father Diodoro Mendoza, Josephine Hanincik. Members of our Parish Families, Father Frank and his family.

From the Saints

You need not be despondent. Let those be despondent who do not believe in God. For them sorrow is burdensome, of course, because besides earthly enjoyment they have nothing. But believers must not be despondent, for through sorrows they receive the right of sonship, without which is impossible to enter the Kingdom of Heaven. *St. Barsanuphius of Optina*

Do not claim to have acquired virtue unless you have suffered affliction, for without affliction virtue has not been tested. *St. Mark the Ascetic*

If you share secretly in the joy of someone you envy, you will be freed from your jealousy; and you will also be freed from your jealousy if you keep silent about the person you envy. *St. Thalassios the Libyan*

We must begin with thanksgiving for everything. The beginning of joy is to be content with your situation. *St. Ambrose of Optina*

Our parish family offers condolences to Nick, Janice and Alex Kavounas upon the falling asleep of Melissa. She was buried from our church this past Tuesday. Please pray for the family during this difficult time.
May her memory be eternal!

Before I was ordained to the priesthood of Jesus Christ, I remember spending a lot of time stuffing invitations into envelopes. The envelopes were then sent out to people who were invited to the ordination service. I was happy to see that many of my friends accepted the invitation and came to the ordination. On the other hand, I was sad when some of my close friends declined the invitation on grounds that they were busy and did not have time to come. One person said this: "I cannot come because I have to play softball." Another said he could not come because of a fishing trip. Now I can understand how Our Lord felt when people have rejected his heavenly invitation on grounds of business, sports, and work.

This is the message of the parable of the wedding feast. We see that the King's friends rejected the invitation because they were too busy with business affairs. It truly is a sad fact of our time that many people cannot attend the Divine Liturgy on Sunday because they are too busy with their jobs and business affairs.

My brother once said this to me: "When I go to Liturgy, I feel it is a great gift from God to me that He gives me the opportunity to receive Holy Communion." This is the attitude that we should have in our hearts. The Eucharist is the greatest gift that God has given to mankind. He has called all of us to this heavenly banquet.

But we must remember the stern warning of St. Paul: "Anyone who eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord unworthily eats and drinks condemnation unto himself."

In the parable we see that we are to have the proper wedding garment to attend the banquet. When we approach the sacred table to receive Holy Communion, we are to have a special garment on. The garment that we are to put on is Jesus Christ. So let us today put on Jesus Christ. *(Written by Father Christopher Burke)*

Looking Ahead: ECF classes will be starting in a few weeks. Watch this space for more information.

Father Frank will be away at the priest's retreat in New Jersey during the week of September 20th. He will leave on Sunday and return Thursday. This is the annual retreat mandated by church law.

Don't forget! Church starts at 10 AM next week!

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of August 22 & 23	
Allentown	\$669.00
Total Bills	\$982.83
Offerings Vs. Expenses	(-\$313.33)
Palmerton	\$359.00
Total Bills	\$0.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$359.00
Bills paid this week: Fire Inspection: \$388.00; Cantor: \$150.00; Cleaning:\$300.00; Phone (Center): \$29.92; Cable/ Internet: \$71.06; Gas (Rectory): \$12.21; Gas (Center): \$9.31;Phone (Rectory): \$22.33	
Palmerton: No Bills this Week	