

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 December 11, 2016**

**Saturday December 10
Vigil~ Sunday of the Forefathers**

4:00 PM [P] For the people

**Sunday December 11
Sunday of the Forefathers**

10:00 AM [A] +Dolores Hanincik by Hanincik Family (3rd Anniversary of her Falling Asleep in the Lord)

**Saturday December 17
Vigil~ Sunday of the Ancestors**

4:00 PM [P] + Anna Samock by Mary Ann Tomish and Family

**Sunday December 18
Sunday of the Ancestors**

10:00 AM [A] For the people

Prayer List: In your kindness, please remember the following persons in prayer: Carol Baran, John & Alicia Sefcik, Shirley Balascak, Loretta Brosky, Antoinette DeFronzo, 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, Maryann Wilk, Barry Hoffman, Chet Greene, Josephine Koshute,, Fatima Eslami, Roger Susanin, Father Phillip Scott, Lois Brink, Gabriella Yackanicz

Catholic Quotes

“By his own will, Christ was dependent on Mary during Advent: he was absolutely helpless; he could go nowhere but where she chose to take him; he could not speak; her breathing was his breath; his heart beat in the beating of her heart. In the seasons of our Advent — waking, working, eating, sleeping, being — each breath is a breathing of Christ into the world.” — Caryll Houselander

“From Mary we learn to surrender to God's will in all things. From Mary we learn to trust when all hope is gone. From Mary we learn to trust her Son and Christ the Son of God.” — Pope Saint John Paul II

“O sinner, be not discouraged, but have recourse to Mary in all your necessities. Call her to your assistance, for such is the divine Will that she should help in every kind of necessity. — Saint Basil the Great

“She (the Blessed Mother) could not promise to make me happy in this world, only in the next.” — Saint Bernadette

“Mary seeks for those who approach her devoutly and with reverence, for such she loves, nourishes, and adopts as her children.” Saint Bonaventure

Parish Survey: We have developed a parish survey to get the opinions of our parish family on various matters to better serve you. The surveys are in the back of the church and in the Parish Center. Please fill out the survey and return it by Theophany so results can be compiled and conveyed to the parish. Thanks to Will Komnath for developing the survey!

The Scripture readings for next week (Sunday of the Ancestors) are: **Hebrews 11:9-10 & 32-40 & Matthew 1:1-25**

The Genealogy of Jesus the Messiah

1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham.[a]

2 Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, 3 and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram,[b] 4 and Ram[c] the father of Ammin'adab, and Ammin'adab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, 5 and Salmon the father of Bo'az by Rahab, and Bo'az the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, 6 and Jesse the father of David the king....

Christmas Schedule

**Saturday December 24
Vigil~ Nativity of the Lord**

Divine Liturgy [P] 3:30 PM
Christmas Carols [A] 6:30 PM
Divine Liturgy [A] 7:00 PM

**Sunday December 25
Nativity of the Lord**

Divine Liturgy [A] 10:00 AM

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of December 3 & 4

Allentown	\$2157.00
Total Bills	\$853.60
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$1303.40
Palmerton	\$105.00
Total Bills	\$487.25
Offerings Vs. Expenses	-\$282.25
Bills paid this week: Office Supplies:\$39.25; Oil (Church): \$184.00; PPL (Rectory): \$96.00; PPL (Church): \$172.00; PPL (Center Budget Plan):\$281.84; Phone/Fax: \$48.65; UGI (Rectory) \$16.81; UGI (Center): \$15.05	

Palmerton: Heating Oil: \$487.25

Bishop's Appeal- Currently we are only\$16.00 short of reaching Saint Michael's goal of \$10,000. \$5984.00 have been pledged so far. Service Electric Cable TV has donated \$4,000.00 toward the Appeal so our total so far is \$9,984.00. If you have not yet contributed to the Appeal, please consider doing so by December 31 which is the cutoff date. Any contribution made after that counts for next year. Thanks to everyone for their generosity!

Plamerton has so far contributed \$325.00 of its \$1,000.00 goal. There is still time to contribute! Thanks to all who have given so far!

Remember! If we make or exceed our goal 40% of our contribution comes back to the parish!

There is a gentleman currently living at Manor Care (across the street from Lehigh Valley Hospital) on Cedar Crest Boulevard who is unable to drive and looking for a ride to church on Christmas Eve or Christmas Day. He is able to walk and does not have any serious health problems. If you would like to help him out this one time, see Father Frank.