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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<u>Liturgical Schedule for</u> <u>The Week of June 12, 2016</u>

<u>Saturday June 11</u> <u>Vigil~ Fourth Sunday of Pentecost</u>

4:00 PM [P +For the People

Sunday June 12 Fourth Sunday of Pentecost

9:00 AM [A] +Charles Hysick by Granddaughters Anna & Penelope

<u>Saturday June 18</u> <u>Vigil~ Fifth Sunday of Pentecost</u>

4:00 PM [P +For the People

Sunday June 19
Fifth Sunday of Pentecost/
Father's Day

9:00 AM [A] Living & Deceased Fathers of our Parish Families

The Sunday readings for next week are: Romans 10:1-10 & Matthew 8:28-9:1

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, Lila Smerkanich,, Fatima Eslami, Roger Susanin

From the Saints

'An excellent method of preserving ourselves from relapsing into serious faults, is to say every evening, "Tomorrow I may be dead." St. Philip Neri

'The tongue of a back-biting soul is three-pronged: it injures the speaker, the listener and sometimes the person being maligned.' St. Thalassios the Libyan

'He who would become a great saint must labor that God alone may live in him. He will have attained this end when he performs all his actions for the love of God, in union with those of Christ, Who is our way, our truth, and our life. The heart of the true servant of God ought to be an altar whereon is daily offered the gold of charity, the incense of continual and humble prayer, and the myrrh of incessant mortification.' St. Paul of the Cross

'To do well and to feel that we do nothing well is a sign of deep humility.' St. Paul of the Cross

Thank You to the family of Rose Hoffman for asking that contributions be made to Saint Michael's in her memory. Thanks also to all those who have contributed to the church in her memory. So far \$480 has been contributed

in remembrance of Rose.

Coffee, Cake & Cards! Come one come all! Join in the fun at a little social hour after liturgy TODAY June 12th! We can catch up with our fellow parishioners and have a little snack! Also, it is spring clean-up & spruce-up time! Support St. Michael's by making your purchases using scrip cards for Lowe's, Home Depot, Home Goods, Kmart, Target and more! Order forms will be available. You can pay by check or Janice will help you get set up on-line and on/or your cell phone! It is so easy!!!

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of June 4 & 5					
Allentown	\$1789.00				
Total Bills	\$1185.86				
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$603.14				
Palmerton	\$396.00				
Total Bills	\$87.50				
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$308.50				

Bills paid this week: PPL (Rectory): \$102.15; PPL (Church): \$158.71; PPL (Center): \$271.00; Office Supplies: \$82.98; Church Envelopes: \$412.69;

Priest Pension: \$158.33

Palmerton. Priest Pension: \$87.50

4th Sunday After Pentecost

The healing of the centurion's servant is one of nine miracles described by Matthew following the Sermon on the Mount. These miracles show Jesus' power over sickness, evil and death, and his authority over the laws Of nature. He is revealed as the Messiah of deed, just as his teachings show him as the Messiah of word.

The centurion's faith rested on his understanding of who Jesus was. He must have heard of him, possibly even watched him and listened to him, and he concluded that Jesus was a man with great authority. It cannot have been Jesus' station in life, his background, accent or wealth that struck the centurion. No, he was impressed with the personal greatness of Jesus, signified by the title "Lord" (Matthew 8:5). We can gain an insight into what it means to have faith from this centurion. He took steps based on what he knew about Jesus, approaching him humbly and expectantly. He had decided that Jesus had the will and the power to help him, and he was not disappointed.

The centurion's faith was pivotal: it astonished Jesus and opened the way for a miracle. Jesus said: "Let it be done for you according to your faith" (Matthew 8:13), indicating the importance of the man's faith. Faith draws down the power of God. The same is true for us today: If we have faith, we will see God work great things in our lives and in the lives of our families. We do not need great knowledge; we need only to act on what we do know about lesus.

centurion could not have known in his time what we now know, following Jesus' death and resurrection. But he had the courage to approach Jesus and ask for the help he needed. Faith grows in this way; each step taken bears fruit in greater knowledge of the Lord. The centurion had an even deeper knowledge of Jesus after the miracle! As we base our decisions on what we know about Jesus, we will experience him working. Test the goodness of God and we will find the words of the prophet fulfilled in our own lives: "He took up our infirmities and carried our diseases" (Isaiah 53:4).

"Lord Jesus, show us how to grow in faith in order to see your loving intervention in our lives, in our families, and in the church."

'Conformity to the will of God is an easy and certain means of acquiring a great treasure of graces in this life.' St. Vincent de Paul