

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
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Baptisms and Weddings:
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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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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, Mary Maronich, Fatima Eslami, Roger Susanin, Father Phillip Scott, Lois Brink, Gabriella Yaskanich

Catholic Quotes

"And He departed from our sight that we might return to our heart, and there find Him. For He departed, and behold, He is here." – Saint Augustine

"Now let the heavens be joyful,
Let earth her song begin:
Let the round world keep triumph,
And all that is therein;
Invisible and visible,
Their notes let all things blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen
Our joy that hath no end." – Saint John of Damascus

"A church that doesn't provoke any crisis, a gospel that doesn't unsettle, a Word of God that doesn't get under anyone's skin, what kind of gospel is that? Preachers who avoid every thorny matter so as not to be harassed do not light up the world." – Archbishop Oscar Romero

Antipascha: St Thomas Sunday

Some icons depicting this event are inscribed "The Doubting Thomas." This is incorrect. In Greek, the inscription reads, "The Touching of Thomas." The Slavonic inscription is, "The Belief of Thomas." When Saint Thomas touched the Life-giving side of the Lord, he no longer had any doubts.

This day is also known as "Antipascha." This does not mean "opposed to Pascha," but "in place of Pascha." Beginning with this first Sunday after Pascha, the Church dedicates every Sunday of the year to the Lord's Resurrection. Sunday is called

"Resurrection" in Russian, and "the Lord's Day" in Greek.

The Scripture readings for next week (Sunday of the Myrrh Bearers) are: Acts 6:1-7 & Mark 15:43-16:8

"Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you."

service under the Emperor Diocletian. When this Emperor began a terrible persecution of Christians, George came before him and boldly confessed that he was a Christian. The Emperor threw him into prison, and commanded that his feet be put in the stocks and a heavy weight placed on his chest. After that, he commanded that he be bound on a wheel, under which was a board with great nails protruding, and thus be turned. He then had him buried in a pit with only his head above the ground, and left there for three days and nights. Then, through some magician, he gave him deadly poison, but in the face of all these tortures, George prayed unceasingly to God, and God healed him instantly and saved him from death, to the great amazement of the people. When he also raised a dead man to life by his prayers, many embraced the Christian faith. Among these were the Emperor's wife, Alexandra, and the chief pagan priest, Athanasius, the governor Glycerius and Valerius, Donatus and Therinus. Finally, the Emperor commanded that George and the Empress Alexandra be beheaded. Blessed Alexandra died on the scaffold before being killed, and St George was beheaded. This happened in the year 303. The miracles that have been performed at his grave are without number. Also are his appearances in dreams to those who, thinking on him, have sought his help, from that time up to the present day. Consumed by love for Christ, it was not difficult for holy George to leave all for this love - his status, wealth and imperial favour, his friends and the whole world. For this love, the Lord rewarded him with a wreath of unfading glory in heaven and on earth, and with eternal life in His Kingdom. The Lord further endowed him with the power to help in need and distress all who honour him and call on his name.

Sacrificial Giving Holy Week and Pascha	
Allentown	\$4090.00
Total Bills	\$0.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$4090.00
Palmerton	\$796.00
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Bills paid this week: No bills	
Palmerton: No bills	

The Holy and Great Martyr George.

This renowned and glorious martyr was born in Cappadocia, the son of rich and God-fearing parents. His father suffered for Christ, after which his mother moved to Palestine. When George grew up, he went into the army, in which he rose, by the age of twenty, to the rank of tribune, and as such was in

Liturgical Schedule for The Week of April 23, 2017

Saturday April 22 Vigil~ Thomas Sunday

4:00 PM [P] For the people

Sunday April 23 Thomas Sunday

10:00 AM [A] +William Parkinson by Margaret Cebenko

Saturday April 29 Vigil~ Sunday of the Myrrh Bearers

4:00 PM [P] For the people

Sunday April 30 Sunday of the Myrrh Bearers

10:00 AM [A] + Anna Csaszar by Daughter, Donna Csaszar