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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<u>Liturgical Schedule for</u> <u>The Week of February 3, 2017</u>

<u>Saturday February 3</u> Vigil~ Sunday of Meatfare

4:00 PM [A] For the People

Note: No Liturgy in Palmerton

We welcome and thank Father Higgins for serving the Liturgy for us today. May God grant him many more happy and blessed years!

Saturday February 10 Vigil~ Sunday of Cheesefare

4:00 PM [P] For the People

Sunday February 11
Sunday of Cheesefare

10.00AM [A] +Nicholas Yackanicz by MM Metro Kets

Friday February 16 Presanctified Liturgy

7:00 PM [A] For the People



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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Prayer List: In your kindness, please remember the following persons in prayer: Carol Baran, John & Alicia Sefcik, Barry Mondichak, 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, Frank Susanin, Nicholas Yackanicz, Josephine Wilk, Maryann Wilk, Barry Hoffman, Chet Greene, Mary Maronich, Fatima Eslami, Roger Susanin, Father Phillip Scott, Lois Brink, Gabriella Yackanicz

""The worst enemies of religious freedom aren't 'out there' among the critics who hate Christ or the Gospel or the Church, or all three. The worst enemies are in here, with us — all of us, clergy, religious and lay — when we live our faith with tepidness, cheap compromises, fear, routine, and hypocrisy." Archbishop Charles Chaput

"Have no fear of moving into the unknown. Simply step out fearlessly knowing that I am with you, therefore no harm can befall you; all is very, very well. Do this in complete faith and confidence." St. John Paul II

"Love casts out fear, but we have to get over the fear in order to get close enough to love them." Dorothy Day

"I'm not afraid to fail... I'm scared to death of dying and having the Lord say to me, 'Angelica, this is what you might have done had you trusted more." Mother Angelica

"It is a great mistake, as we have already remarked, to be afraid of Him and to act in His presence like a timid and craven slave trembling with fright before his master."

St. Alphonsus LIgouri

The Scripture readings for next week (Sunday of Cheesefare) are Romans 13:11b-14:4 & Matthew 6:14-21

For if you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of January 27 & 28	
Allentown	\$-
Total Bills	\$-
Offerings Vs. Expenses	-
Palmerton	\$-
Total Bills	\$-
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$-
Bills paid this week: -	
Palmerton:-	

How a certain elder shrank from being praised, and rejoiced when he was despised.

A certain old man dwelt in the lower part of the desert, at peace, in a cave. A religious man from a neighboring village used to bring him what he wanted. It happened that this man's son fell sick. With many prayers, he besought the old man to come to his house and pray for the child. At length he prevailed with him, and running home, cried out, "Prepare for the coming of the hermit." When the people of the village knew that he was coming they went out with torches to welcome him as if he had been some prince or governor. The hermit, as soon as he perceived how they meant to greet him, stood upon the river-bank, and taking off his clothes, went naked into the water. When the man who was accustomed to minister to him saw this he was greatly ashamed, and said to the villagers, "Return to your homes, for our hermit has lost his senses." Then going to the old man, he said, "My father, why have you done this? All those who saw you are saying, 'That old man is nothing better than a fool.'" The hermit replied to him, "That is the very thing I wished to hear."

Another story of a devil vanquished by humility.

There was a certain hermit renowned among the monks. It happened that there once met him a man possessed by an evil spirit, who struck him violently upon the cheek. The old man straightway turned to him the other cheek, that he might smite him upon it also. The devil was not able to endure the flame of his humility, but immediately departed from him who was possessed.