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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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 April 29, 2018</u>

Saturday April 28
Vigil~ Sunday of the Samaritan
Woman

4:00 PM [P] For the People

<u>Sunday April 29</u> <u>Sunday of the Samaritan Woman</u>

10:00 AM [A] +Charles Hysick by Anna & Penelope Roth

<u>Saturday May 5</u> <u>Vigil~ Sunday of the Blind Man</u>

4:00 PM [P] For the People

<u>Sunday May 6</u> Sunday of the Blind Man

10:00 AM [A] +George & Ann Harhay by Georgiana Davidson

The Sunday readings for next week are: Acts 16:16-34 and John 9:1-38

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, Faye Ketz

"Never be afraid of loving the Blessed Virgin too much. You can never love her more than Jesus did." - St. Maximilian Kolbe

"Each generation is converted by the saint who contradicts it most." - G.K. Chesterton

"Jesus, help me to simplify my life by learning what you want me to be - and becoming that person." -St. Thérèse of Lisieux

"Our hearts were made for You, O Lord, and they are restless until they rest in You." - St. Augustine of Hippo

"Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier." - Blessed Mother Teresa

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire!" - St. Catherine of Siena

SAMARITAN WOMAN By Fr. Ihor George Kutash

this joyous truth.

WATER TO ETERNAL LIFE

In the Gospel reading from John 4:5-42, which gives a Sunday its name the Samaritan Woman, we find this marvelous account of the meeting between Jesus and the Samaritan, Photinia. Our Lord gave this lady the chance to find her dignity. She had been a sad figure indeed. She had had and lost five husbands and now she was living with a man with whom she was not married. When Jesus told her: "Go, call your husband and come here," He was giving her a chance to speak honestly about her sad state. Photinia responded virtuously. She said: "I have no husband."

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of April 21 & 22	
Allentown	\$4644.32
Total Bills	\$3,092.21
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$1552.11
Palmerton	\$185.00
Total Bills	\$0.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$185.00
Bills paid this week: Health Insurance: \$3,092.21	

Palmerton: No Bills This Week

By speaking her truth, the Samaritan opened the door to her heart, and thus gave the Lord an opening to give her a revelation which then totally transformed her life. He said that He was the One everyone was awaiting, the Messiah sent by God to save the world. Profoundly stirred by this message, Photinia went to call her neighbors to listen to this prophet Who had shown her such respect and confidence. Many people turned to God as a result of this exchange. Are we ready to turn our hearts to God and to our neighbor with honesty and humility? "God is Spirit and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth." By turning to God, Photinia found that she had within her being a spring of living water that she too was full of divine power and love, because God dwelt within her. She had opened the door through which He might manifest Himself and guide her towards the light of which her name spoke (Photinia - "full of light"). And He gave her a new way of living joyously in this light. May we also find

Tell your friends! On May 20, and on every third Sunday of the month we will have Divine Liturgy in the Parish Center so that people with mobility issues can attend without having to negotiate the church steps. Please tell people you know who might not usually come to church because of the steps about this monthly liturgy in the Center!

Volunteers needed! Volunteers are needed to help the new priest and his family when they arrive at our church in June. They will need rides for a few weeks to do grocery shopping and other errands. Also, Father will need a ride to Palmerton and back on Saturday for Liturgy for a few weeks until he gets a car. Please consider volunteering to help Father and his family. They will be new to the US and will likely be overwhelmed by everything. This is a chance for people in the parish to come together and help the priest who has come so far and uprooted his family to serve you. If you can volunteer to help, please see Father Frank as soon as possible. Thanks in advance for your kindness and generous use of your time!