# 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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Prayer List: In your kindness, please remember the following persons in prayer: John & Alicia Sefcik, Shirley Balascak, Loretta Antoinette DeFronzo. Melissa Broskv. Kavounas, Dolores Flannery, Theresa Pinto, Patrice Danyluk, Hoyt Walter, Rosalie Walter, Kristin & Bobbie Di Giacomo & family, Michael Mehalshick, Doris Smicker & family, Peter Skimbo & Family, Nicholas Yackanicz, Josephine Wilk, Maryann Wilk, Charles Hysick, Father Steven Galuschik, Subdeacon Lewis Rabayda, Father Diodoro Mendoza, Father Frank and his family.

## From the Saints

How mistaken are those people who seek happiness outside of themselves, in foreign lands and journeys. in riches and glory, in great possessions and pleasures, in diversions and vain things, which have a bitter end! In the same thing to construct the tower of happiness outside of ourselves as it is to build a house in a place that is consistently shaken by earthquakes. Happiness is found within ourselves. and blessed is the man who has understood this. Happiness is a pure heart, for such a heart becomes the throne of God. Thus says Christ of those who have pure hearts: "I will visit them, and will walk in them, and I will be a God to them, and they will be my people." (II Cor. 6:16) What can be lacking to them? Nothing, nothing at all! For they have the greatest good in their hearts: God Himself! St. Nektarios of Aegina, Path to Happiness

## Lituraical Schedule for The Week of November 23, 2014

Saturday~ November 22 Vigil Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

Sunday ~ November 23 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM + Joseph Brosky by Catherine and Joseph M. Brosky

### Thursday ~ November 27 Thanksaiving Day No Service

"Give thanks to the Lord for He is good and His love endures forever!" (Psalm 107)

Saturday~ November 29 Vigil Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

Sunday ~ November 30 Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM + Marie Sweeney by Catherine and Joseph M. Brosky

#### Sunday, December 7: The annual Saint Nicholas Breakfast will be held from 8:00 am to 9:30 am. All parishioners are invited. Saint Nicholas will be in attendance and will have gifts for children of the parish. If any children not in the ECF program will be attending, please let Larry or Metro know so appropriate preparations can be made.

## Theologian says better Catholic-Orthodox relations takes openness, love

INDIANAPOLIS (CNS) -- Orthodox Archdeacon John Chryssavgis sat close to Pope Francis and Orthodox Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople as the two religious leaders participated in a prayer service last May at the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem. As a theological adviser to the ecumenical patriarch,

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of November 15 & 16	
Allentown (regular)	\$987.00
Total Bills	\$620.49
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$366.51
Palmerton	\$365.00
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Allentown: ECL: \$56: HVAC

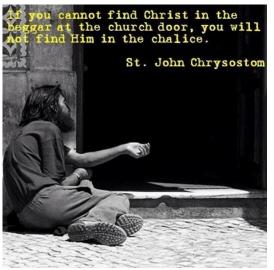
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\$11.08

Palmerton: ECL: \$20.00

Archdeacon Chryssavqis had previously participated in such prayer services. But "an amazingly moving moment" happened that day that caught his attention. "(It) wasn't captured by photographers, because it wasn't expected in the program," said Archdeacon Chryssavgis during a recent address at Marian University in Indianapolis. "The pope spontaneously initiated it. As they were listening to readings about repentance for the sins of arrogance of the past, the pope leaned over and took Patriarch Bartholomew's hand and kissed it. Whereupon, the patriarch, himself shocked, stood up out of his chair and embraced the pope." Important ecumenical events where the pope and the ecumenical patriarch meet -- even those where unplanned dramatic gestures are made -- have become almost commonplace over the past 50 years. But for almost 1,000 years before 1964, there was almost no communication between Catholic and Orthodox leaders.

We are asked to refrain from eating meat on Fridays during the Nativity Fast to remind ourselves of the longing we should feel for the Lord's coming. Bishop Kurt has granted a dispensation from the fast for Friday, November 28, the day after Thanksgiving. We may eat meat on that day so enjoy your Thanksgiving leftovers!



Little acts of love, kindness and faith add up to holiness, pope says

VATICAN CITY (CNS) -- All Christians are called to holiness and to take even little steps each day to be more loving and more Christ-like. Pope Francis said. "Some think that holiness is closing your eyes and making the face of a plastic statue, but that's not holiness," the pope said Nov. 19 at his weekly general audience. Holiness is something much greater, much more profound than looking like an image on a holy card, he said. "It is living with love and offering your own Christian witness in your daily tasks." Pope Francis said "a great gift" of the Second Vatican Council was the recovery of the notion of "the church as communion," a community formed by people who "have equal dignity and have the same vocation to holiness" by virtue of their baptism. "To be saints, one does not necessarily have to be a bishop, priest or religious, no," he said. "We are all called to become saints. Many times we are

tempted to think that holiness is reserved only for those who have the possibility of detaching themselves from ordinary concerns so they can dedicate themselves exclusively to prayer," he said. "But that's not true."