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] 3:15-4:45 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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Lituraical Schedule for The Week of August 10, 2014

Saturday~ August 9 Vigil Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

4:00 PM [P] + Phyllis A. Dempsey by MM George Pfeiffer

> Sunday ~ August 10 Ninth Sunday After Pentecost

10:00 AM [A] Parish Families

Thursday~ August 14 Vigil Dormition of the Theotokos

7:00 PM [P] Parish Families

Friday~ August 15 **Dormition of the Theotokos**

7:00 PM [A] +Charles Trubilla by Christine & John Bernatowski

Saturday~ August 16 Vigil Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

Sunday ~ August 17 **Tenth Sunday After Pentecost**

10:00 AM [A] + John & Dolores Hysick by the Hysick Family

Prayer List: In your kindness, please remember the following persons in prayer: John & Alicia Sefcik, Loretta Brosky, Antoinette DeFronzo, Melissa Kavounas, Dolores Flannery, Kristin & Bobbie Di Giacomo & family, Doris Smicker & family, Peter Skimbo & Family, Deacon Steven Galuschik, Subdeacon Lewis Rabayda, Father Diodoro Mendoza. Father Frank and his family.

As a parish family we should pray for one another. If you would like anyone to be remembered in prayer please give the name(s) to Father Frank or to Loretta for inclusion on the prayer list.

From the Saints

Beside each believer stands an Angel as protector and shepherd, leading him to life.

St. Basil the Great

When tempted, invoke your Angel. he is more eager to help you than you are to be helped! Ignore the devil and do not be afraid of him: He trembles and flees at the sight of your Guardian Angel. St. John Bosco

You pay God a compliment by asking great things of Him. St. Teresa of Avila

Amid Iragi suffering, Chaldean Catholics urged to keep focus on Jesus

SOUTHFIELD. Mich. (CNS) -- Standing in the sanctuary of Mother of God Chaldean Cathedral, flanked by an empty cross and two ominous red symbols, Chaldean Bishop Francis Kalabat led more than 1,000 people Aug. 1 in an earnest prayer for peace and a plea for help. The bright red symbols were the Arabic letter that stands for "Nassara" or "Nazarene" -meaning Christian, and they were ominous because Islamic militants have used the symbol to identify some 200,000 Iragis singled out for an ultimatum: Convert to Islam, pay a tax or be killed. Painted on the targets' houses, the symbol is intended by the militants to be a derogatory term. But Bishop Kalabat said he wears it with honor. "This is the latest image today of what has been endured for us as the

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of August 2 & 3	
Allentown	\$2,291.00
Total Bills	\$3,018.97
Offerings Vs. Expenses	-\$727.97
Palmerton	\$321.50
Total Bills	\$ 0.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$321.50
Bills paid this week:	
Allentown: Office Supplies: \$44.51;	

Allentown School Property

Tax:\$2,189.58; Electric Budget Plan Payment (Center): \$477.07; Electric

(Rectory): \$149.36; Electric

(Church): \$158.45

Palmerton: No bills paid this week.

cross," he said, pointing to the wooden crucifix behind him. Bishop Kalabat, who in June was ordained the second bishop of the Southfield-based Chaldean Eparchy of St. Thomas the Apostle, urged those in attendance to keep their focus on Jesus, and to unite their sufferings with him. In a powerful address to the overflowing congregation. which included several local media outlets, Bishop Kalabat acknowledged the difficulty in forgiving those who unjustly persecute and kill Christians in the Middle East and elsewhere. But the bishop said forgiveness does not mean Christians should not also pray and ask for justice, including from elected leaders. He called on the United Nations and international community to condemn the violence as genocide and said humanitarian aid was badly needed for Iraqi refugees, many of whom have found temporary protection from the Kurdish army after fleeing their homes in northern and central Iraqi cities such as Mosul.

Friday, August 15th is one of the most important feasts of the church year, the feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God. This is a holy day of obligation and we have the same serious obligation to attend the Divine Liturgy on this day as we do on Sunday unless a serious circumstance (illness, lack of transportation etc.) prevents us from attending. The obligation is so serious that if we do not fulfill this obligation we must go to confession before receiving Holy Communion. Divine Liturgy will be celebrated Thursday in Palmerton and Friday in Allentown. We have the custom of blessing flowers on this feast so you may bring flowers to be blessed to the festal liturgy or again at the Saturday and Sunday liturgies.