

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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**Liturgical Schedule for
The Week of September 28, 2014**

Saturday~ September 27
Vigil Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

Sunday ~ September 28
Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM [A] +Charles Walter & Family
by Rosalie & Hoyt Walter

Tuesday September 30
**Vigil~Pokrov/ Vigil Saint Therese of
Lisieux**

7:00PM [A] Parish Families

Saturday~ October 4
Vigil Respect Life Sunday

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

Sunday ~ October 5
Respect Life Sunday

10:00 AM [A] For the weak and
vulnerable of our society including the
poor and the aged, those exploited by
others and especially for the unborn,
women thinking of choosing abortion
and for the conversion of those
working in the abortion industry.

***Prayer List: In your kindness, please
remember the following persons in prayer:***
John & Alicia Sefcik, Loretta Brosky,
Antoinette DeFronzo, Melissa Kavounas,
Dolores Flannery, Theresa Pinto,Patrice
Danyluk, Rosalie Walter, Kristin & Bobbie Di
Giacomo & family, Doris Smicker & family,
Peter Skimbo & Family, Nicholas Yackanicz,
Charles Hysick, Father 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 Saint Therese of Lisieux

*“And it is the lord, it is Jesus, who is my judge. Therefore
I will try always to think leniently of others, that he may
judge me leniently, or rather not at all, since he says:
"judge not, and ye shall not be judged.”*

*“When I die, I will send down a shower of roses from the
heavens, I will spend my heaven by doing good on earth.”*

“When one loves, one does not calculate.”

*“Without love, deeds, even the most brilliant, count as
nothing.”*

Candy Sale: Saint Michael’s Christmas candy
fundraiser is ongoing until November 9th. The funds
raised are split between the church and the ECF
program. *Please support this fundraising effort to help
our parish and our ECF students as they learn about
their faith.*

We are a People of Life

“If we understand the human person as the ‘temple of
the Holy Spirit’—the living house of God—then these
latter issues fall logically into place as the crossbeams
and walls of that house. All direct attacks on innocent
human life, such as abortion and euthanasia, strike at
the house's foundation. These directly and immediately
violate the human person's most fundamental right – the right to life. Neglect of these issues is the
equivalent of building our house on sand.”— “Living the Gospel of Life: A Challenge to American
Catholics” (A Statement by the Catholic Bishops of the United States), no. 22, (USCCB)

OCTOBER 1 - THE PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS

The Feast of the Protection celebrates the day, over one thousand years ago, when St. Andrew, Fool for
Christ, and his disciple, St. Epiphanius, stood in church during the Vigil Service and beheld the Most-pure
Virgin. Accompanied by St. John the Baptist, the Holy Apostle John, and other Saints, she stood tearfully
praying for the people. Contemplating that event, we pause to consider the church building, to consider
who is present, and who prays in, the church

We have become accustomed to seeing clergy, choir, and parishioners in attendance, but we have
completely forgotten that others are invisibly present: God’s holy Angels, His holy Saints, the Most-holy
Virgin, and our Lord Himself, are there as well. St. Andrew, St. Epiphanius, Venerable *batiushka* St.
Seraphim of Sarov, and many other righteous ones could see this. We do not see, because it is “the pure
in heart [who] see.” It is only the pure in heart who are capable of beholding what mystically transpires
within the church; only they behold those who stand alongside us in church. I suppose that we could not
bear the actual sight of the spiritual world as it really is. The more one grows spiritually, the more one can
see and understand. For our part, we occasionally hear “Now the Hosts of Heaven invisibly worship with
us.” The Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God reminds us that Heaven reaches all the way to the
earth. The Christian people have fixed this event, which took place in far-off Constantinople so many
centuries ago, well in their memories. They have made the day of its commemoration their own day, a
holiday in honor of the Most-pure Mother of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

In times of national misfortune, as in times of individual trials and sorrows, Russian people rush to God’s
temples, rush to the Protection of the Mother of God, and ask of the Queen of Heaven her defense and
assistance: “Remember us in thy supplications, O Virgin Lady and Theotokos, that we not perish because
of the multitude of our sins. Protect us from all evil and grievous perils, for in thee do we put our trust, and
honoring the feast of thy protection, we magnify thee.”

At many different times, many Christian peoples have received help, comfort, strength, and salvation from
the Mother of God. Thus, right now, at a time when the whole world is deeply worried by the recent tragic
events of occurring in the world and by the possible consequences of those events, we would all do well
to come to church and ask of the Theotokos her grace-filled intercession.

O Most holy Theotokos – Cover us with thy wondrous omophorion, and preserve us from all evil!

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of September 20 & 21	
Allentown	\$1340.00
Total Bills	\$594.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$746.00
Palmerton	\$261.00
Total Bills	\$1498.08
Offerings Vs. Expenses	-\$1237.08
Bills paid this week:	
Allentown: Phone(Hall): \$34.18; Phone (Rector):\$80.55;Internet:\$29.37;Cleaning Church & Hall:\$300.00; Cantoring:\$150.00	
Palmerton: Heating Oil (Hall):\$499.33; Heating Oil (Church) \$998.70	