

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 7, 2014**

**Saturday~ September 6
Vigil Sunday Before the Cross**

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

**Sunday ~ September 7
Sunday Before the Cross**

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

**Monday ~ September 8
Birth of the Theotokos~Solemn
Holyday**

7:00 PM [A] Healing for Theresa Pinto
by Father Frank

**Saturday~ September 13
Vigil Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

4:00 PM [P] Parish Families

**Sunday ~ September 14
Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

10:00 AM [A] +Connie Baran by Nick
and Gabriella Yackanicz

***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, Kristin &
Bobbie Di Giacomo & family, Doris Smicker &
family, Peter Skimbo & Family, Nicholas
Yackanicz, Charles Hysick, 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

*"We never give more honor to Jesus than when we honor his
Mother, and we honor her simply and solely to honor him all
the more perfectly. We go to her only as a way leading to the
goal we seek - Jesus, her Son."*
--Saint Louis Marie de Montfort

*O sinner, be not discouraged, but have recourse to Mary in
all you necessities. Call her to your assistance, for such is
the divine Will that she should help in every kind of
necessity. --Saint Basil the Great*

ECF Classes- ECF classes begin next Sunday,
September 14. Classes are from 9:00- 9:45 AM. Parents
should sign up any new children they wish to attend in
the program. Please list the names, ages and grade
levels and place the information in the collection basket
or the basket in the vestibule. Please also include the
parent’s name and phone number.

**A Special Collection For Victims Of Violence In
The Middle East**

Bishop Kurt has asked for our participation in the U. S.
Conference of Catholic Bishops’ (USCCB) special
collection to provide humanitarian relief and pastoral
support for our affected brothers and sisters in the
Middle East. (See the story below about the case of a
modern martyr in Iraq) The collection will be held during
the weekend of September 13-14. This will be a second
collection in addition to the usual weekly collection. **Please be generous in your support for our
suffering brothers and sisters in the Middle East. “May the Lord God remember in His Kingdom
Our persecuted brothers and sisters and all those held in bondage and captivity throughout the
world!”**

Christian Man Tortured and Killed by Islamic State Militants for Refusing to Convert to Islam

Baghdad (AsiaNews) - Islamic State fighters spill more Christian blood in Iraq as they continue to
persecute unarmed civilians, including children. Sources within the Chaldean Patriarchate told AsiaNews
that yesterday Sunni fundamentalists tortured and killed a Christian man in Bartala, a small
predominantly Syriac town in the Niniveh Plains that has been occupied by Jihadists for the past few
weeks. He was part of a small group who did not flee when the place was overrun. According to reports
from a witness, the martyr - as the Patriarchate calls him - was a man of 43, Salem Matti Kourki. He died
yesterday after being brutally beaten and tortured by terrorists for refusing to convert to Islam. One of
Salem's relatives said that the victim could not flee with his family when Islamists entered the town of
Bartala on 8 August because he suffered from heart disease.

He was holed up in his home for more than three weeks, eating and drinking what had been stockpiled in
the house. Yesterday, after he ran out of food and water, he went out to find some food. However, he was
stopped at an IS checkpoint in front of the Church of the Virgin Mary, in the city centre, and was
immediately arrested. IS fighters tried to convert him by force to Islam but he refused outright. The
fundamentalists beat and tortured him causing his death, then dumped his body in the street, which was
found a few hours later by local residents, who took him and buried him. A funeral service will be held on
Friday at the Oum El Nour Syriac Orthodox Church in Ankawa, a Christian suburb of Erbil, in Iraqi
Kurdistan, to honour the memory of the martyr Salem.

Sacrificial Giving for the Weekend of August 30 & 31	
Allentown	\$1542.00
Total Bills	\$618.78
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+\$923.22
Palmerton	\$185.00
Total Bills	\$0.00
Offerings Vs. Expenses	+185.00
Bills paid this week: Allentown: Electric (Center): \$340.94; Electric (Rectory):\$119.39; Electric (Church) \$158.45	
Palmerton: No Bills Paid This Week	