

HOLY SPIRIT BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2022

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

Sunday, October 23: 10:20am Rosary, 10:45am Third Hour, 11am Divine Liturgy
for the deceased George Carr by Theresa Carr

4pm Confession, 5pm Divine Liturgy

Monday, October 24: 11am Confessions via Campus Ministry, 12pm Sixth Hour

4:30pm Confessions, 5:30pm Daily Vespers

Friday, October 28: 5pm Confession, 6pm Divine Liturgy

for Emmanuel Revilak on his birthday by the Revilak Family

Saturday, October 29: 4:30 Confession, 5:30 Great Vespers

Sunday, October 30: 10:20am Rosary, 10:45am Third Hour, 11am Divine Liturgy

for Theresa Carr on her birthday by Joe and Dee Bacasa

4pm Confession, 5pm Divine Liturgy

Confessions are available before Divine Liturgy. All divine liturgies are open for intentions. Call the office or fill out the request form in the back of church and leave it in the sacristy.

AT THE DIVINE LITURGY TODAY: The message of the Good News of salvation can be received with mixed responses by various people, and this is vividly demonstrated in Luke's gospel as Jesus relates a parable about the planting of seeds. In his epistle message, the Holy Apostle Paul accentuates the paramount role that FAITH in the Lord Jesus must play in our daily lives if we are to implement the gospel's teachings and then live by these standards.

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Troparion: The joyful message of the resurrection was heard by the women disciples from the angel, and being freed from the ancestral curse, they boasted to the apostles: Death is despoiled; Christ our God is risen, giving great mercy to the world.

Kontakion: O my Savior and Redeemer, as God, you raised from the grave all those who were in chains and destroyed the gates of Hades; and, as Lord, you arose on the third day.

ARCHEPARCHIAL CHOIR CONCERT AND BASKET RAFFLE: The archeparchial choir will hold its annual Christmas concert at Holy Spirit on Sunday, December 11. We will also be hosting a basket raffle. Any donations for the baskets including gift cards, cheer basket goodies, lottery tickets, or monetary donations to purchase basket items are appreciated. Please bring donations to the church no later than November 27 (Thanksgiving weekend). Please direct any questions to Mary Dzurichko, Theresa Carr, Lynne Walicki, or Cathy Warhola. Thank you for your support!

EPISTLE: Galatians 2:16-20

[Yet] who know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified. But if, in seeking to be justified in Christ, we ourselves are found to be sinners, is Christ then a minister of sin? Of course not! But if I am building up again those things that I tore down, then I show myself to be a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, that I might live for God. I have been crucified with Christ; yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me; insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me.

~~~~~ In this second chapter of his letter to the Galatians, the Holy Apostle Paul emphasizes the essential role that FAITH in the Lord Jesus must play in our lives. The gift of faith permits us to recognize Jesus as the Messiah. It justifies us and makes us righteous before God the Father. The prescriptions of the old Mosaic Law of the Jews no longer bind us, for through the redemptive acts of Christ, we are given a “New Life,” for we have the living Jesus within us. Because of this faith commitment in Christ Jesus, we are destined to become sharers in the divine Life of the Holy Trinity in eternity. Paul stresses the fact that through this faith, we true-believing Christians become revitalized individuals. We are no longer our old-selves; rather, we are new persons with the living Christ inside of us. The bodily life we now live, we live by virtue of our faith in the Son of God—Jesus—Who loved us all and sacrificed Himself especially for ME!

## **GOSPEL: Luke 8:26-39**

Then they sailed to the territory of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. When he came ashore a man from the town who was possessed by demons met him. For a long time he had not worn clothes; he did not live in a house, but lived among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him; in a loud voice he shouted, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me!” For he had ordered the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (It had taken hold of him many times, and he used to be bound with chains and shackles as a restraint, but he would break his bonds and be driven by the demon into deserted places.)

Then Jesus asked him, “What is your name?” He replied, “Legion,” because many demons had entered him. And they pleaded with him not to order them to depart to the abyss. A herd of many swine was feeding there on the hillside, and they pleaded with him to allow them to enter those swine; and he let them. The demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran away and reported the incident in the town and throughout the countryside. People came out to see what had happened and, when they approached Jesus, they discovered the man from whom the demons had come out sitting at his feet. He was clothed and in his right mind, and they were seized with fear. Those who witnessed it told them how the possessed man had been saved. The entire population of the region of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them because they were seized with great fear. So he got into a boat and returned.

The man from whom the demons had come out begged to remain with him, but he sent him away, saying, “Return home and recount what God has done for you.” The man went off and proclaimed throughout the whole town what Jesus had done for him.

**Please pray for the causes of our four Sainly Bishops and ask them to intercede for your specific intentions: O**

Almighty God, our Lord, we bless You, we praise You, and we thank you for all the graces which You, in Your infinite mercy have bestowed upon us. We are especially grateful for giving us four saintly and heroic Bishops: Bishop Theodore G. Romzha, Bishop Paul P. Gojdich OBSM, Bishop Basil Hopko, and Bishop Alexander Chira, who, by their courage, charity, and intrepid faith, inspired our Ruthenian people in the darkest moments of their history. By their great sufferings, humiliating imprisonment, and violent death they gave living witness to their Catholic faith and glorified Your exalted name. Therefore, O Gracious Lord, glorify them in return by Your divine power and inscribe their names in the book of Your Saints. For you are holy, our God, and we render glory to You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever, and forever, Amen. *With Ecclesiastical Approbation Acknowledgment of answered prayers: Postulator's office, 54 Riverview Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15214, U.S.A.*

**PRAYER FOR SEMINARIANS:** Saints Cyril and Methodius, Venerable Apostles of the Slavs and Patrons of our Byzantine Catholic Seminary, we place our Seminarians in your loving care. Help them to grow in humility, meekness and prudence. Enkindle in them a burning zeal for souls. May their hearts be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and may they learn to know and love the church so that they may always and everywhere think, speak and act with Her, the Glorious Spouse of Christ. May they become exemplars of generosity and detachment from the things of this world. But above all, O Venerable Patrons, help them to truly know, love and serve the Eternal High Priest, Our Lord Jesus Christ, Whose priests they aspire to be. Amen. St. Michael the Archangel, Defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, By the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits, who prowl throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

**AROUND THE EPARCHY**

**St. Nicholas Raffle Tickets Available:** Donations and sales benefit Sts. Cyril and Methodius Seminary

**Carpatho-Rusyn Celebration Sunday October 30 Noon to 5:00 pm** St. John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church 185 East Main Street Uniontown, PA 15401. There will be ethnic foods. (holubki, halushki, pirohi, pagach, kolbasi & kraut), baked goods, entertainment which includes the Rusyn Folk musical group "Rusynsky Betjare" throughout the afternoon. There will also be a speaker and /or video presentation on Rusyn culture/customs, church tour displays, craft sales, raffles, parish cookbooks, extensive bake sale, folk art demonstrations, and children's activities.

**Everyone is welcome. Admission free.**

**Moleben for the Four Sainly Bishops:** October 30, 3pm, Holy Ghost McKee's Rocks

**Slovak Heritage Festival at the Cathedral of Learning:** On Sunday, November 6, 2022, from 12:00PM to 4:00PM, the Slovak Studies Program, with the help of generous sponsors, will host the 32nd Annual Slovak Heritage Festival in the Commons Room of the Cathedral of Learning on the University of Pittsburgh campus in Oakland. Holy Spirit Parish will have a booth. Admission is free, and masks are optional. Join us for a joyous day of Slovak culture, history, food, crafts, and education!

**Registration Open for the Byzantine Catholic Seminary's Spring Semester.** There are many options for online and in-person learning. Registration is due December 1. For more details, please see [www.bcs.edu](http://www.bcs.edu)

**LIGHT FROM THE EAST ~ Becoming Prayer ~ The Jesus Prayer:** Sat. Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, 7-8:30pm, Holy Spirit Parish. Fr. David Abernethy from the Byzantine Catholic Campus Ministry will host. Please email [byzatholicpgh@gmail.com](mailto:byzatholicpgh@gmail.com) with any questions.