

**HOLY SPIRIT BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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**JUNE 30, 2024**

**SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Schedule of Divine Services**

**Sunday, June 30: 8:23am Rosary, 8:45am 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour, 9am Divine Liturgy**  
**IMO Katrina Jirsa by Robert & Lynne Walicki**

**Monday, July 1: 8am Confessions, 9am Divine Liturgy**  
**IMO Msgr. Duker by the Jane Gobbie & Family**

**NO SERVICES: JULY 2 – JULY 6 Fr. Michael will be away.**

**Sunday, July 7: Seventh Sunday After Pentecost**  
**8:23am Rosary, 8:45am 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour, 9am Divine Liturgy**  
**IHO the Baptism of Margaret Yeo by the Holy Spirit Parish Family**

All divine liturgies are open for intentions. Call the office or fill out a request form in the back of the church and give it to Fr. Michael.

**SEEKING VOLUNTEERS:** If you are interested in learning how to lead Matins as a Reader’s Service on Sunday mornings before Liturgy, please see Father Michael. During the summer, Sunday Morning Matins will be celebrated the first Sunday of the month.

**FR. MICHAEL WILL BE AWAY THIS WEEK:** Tuesday, July 2 thru Saturday, July 6 visiting family.

**PARISH MEETING:** Sunday, July 28 will be our next parish meeting. This meeting will address the state of the parish, projects and upcoming fundraisers for the year. All parishioners are asked to attend.

**FLEA MARKET:** Our next flea market will be Saturday, August 24. We will be taking donations through August 11. Remember we cannot accept books, electronics, clothes or holiday decorations.

**SAVE THE DATE:** Sunday October 13, 2024 we will be holding a special parish fundraiser. “Art, Wine, & Words”. This event will include an art auction, poetry & basket raffle. More details to follow. If you would like to be part of this one-time event, please see Natalia Rudiak or Lynne Walicki.

**A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE:** Sunday, September 15, 2023 at St. Elias, Munhall  
If you are celebrating your 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60 Wedding Anniversary please provide your information on the sign-up sheet in the narthex, by Sunday, July 14, 2023.

**EPISTLE: Romans 12:6-14**  
Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us exercise them: if prophecy, in proportion to the faith; if ministry, in ministering; if one is a teacher, in teaching; if one exhorts, in exhortation; if one contributes, in generosity; if one is over others, with diligence; if one does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be sincere; hate what is evil, hold on to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor. Do

not grow slack in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the holy ones, exercise hospitality. Bless those who persecute [you], bless and do not curse them.

**GOSPEL: Matthew 9:1-8**

He entered a boat, made the crossing, and came into his own town. And there, people brought to him a paralytic lying on a stretcher. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Courage, child, your sins are forgiven." At that, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." Jesus knew what they were thinking, and said, "Why do you harbor evil thoughts? Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise and walk'?" But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins" he then said to the paralytic, "Rise, pick up your stretcher, and go home." He rose and went home. When the crowds saw this they were struck with awe and glorified God who had given such authority to human beings.

**PRAYER FOR OUR FOUR SAINTLY BISHOPS:**

Please pray for the causes of our four Saintly 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 Avenue, 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