

HOLY SPIRIT BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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October 6, 2024

Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Schedule of Divine Services

Sunday, Oct. 6: Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

10am Monthly Matins, 11am Divine Liturgy

IMO 11th Anniversary of Passing of Magdaline Carr, by Daughter -in -Law Theresa Carr

Monday, Oct. 7: 7pm Daily Vespers (Reader's Service) No Confession

Friday, Oct. 11: 6-6:45pm Confessions, 7pm Divine Liturgy

IHO John Golob & Jana Tahtinen Birthdays, by Janine Kunitz

Saturday, Oct. 12: 5-5:45pm Confessions, 6pm Great Vespers

Icon Corner Talk to follow at approx. 7pm in the Parish Hall

Sunday, Oct. 13: The Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council

10:25am Rosary, 10:45am 3rd Hour, 11am Divine Liturgy

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

CLERGY RETREAT: Fr. Michael will be out of town this week from Sunday Afternoon October 6th-Thursday Morning October 10th for the annual Clergy retreat in Antiochene Village. Please pray for him and for all the Clergy of our Archeparchy who will be on retreat.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS: Any interested in learning how to lead Matins as a Reader's Service on Sunday mornings before Liturgy, please see Father Michael. Matins are celebrated the first Sunday of the month unless otherwise noted.

ART, WINE & WORDS FUNDRAISER - Sunday November 3, 2024. Signup sheet is in the narthex of the church. We need your help! Can you donate a basket for the raffle? Or items we can use to create a basket? Our goal is to have 15-20 baskets, but we only have items for 5-7 right now. **All items needed by Sunday, October 20.**

The event is now live with details and tickets sales thru Eventbrite: <https://bit.ly/HolySpiritArtAuction>

Buy your ticket today – invite a friend or two!

Please see Natalia Rudiak or Lynne Walicki for details & how you can help make this a great event for our parish.

ICON CORNER TALK THIS SATURDAY OCTOBER 12! Given by Deacon Luke Iyengar teaches you how to set up an Icon Corner in your home. The lecture will take place in the parish hall at approx. 7pm following the 6pm Great Vespers service. Everyone is welcome to attend this event through the Three River Young Adult Ministry.

SAVE THE DATE – SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2 – Special viewing of “THEODORE” a documentary about the Hieromartyr Theodore Romzha. Details to follow.

EPISTLE: Galatians 1:11-19

Now I want you to know, brothers, that the gospel preached by me is not of human origin. For I did not receive it from a human being, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you heard of my former way of life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it, and progressed in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries among my race, since I was even more a zealot for my ancestral traditions. But when [God], who from my mother's womb had set me apart and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him to the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; rather, I went into Arabia and then returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to confer with Cephas and remained with him for fifteen days. But I did not see any other of the apostles, only James the brother of the Lord.

GOSPEL: Luke 7:11-16

Soon afterward he journeyed to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a large crowd accompanied him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow. A large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, he was moved with pity for her and said to her, "Do not weep." He stepped forward and touched the coffin; at this the bearers halted, and he said, "Young man, I tell you, arise!" The dead man sat up and began to speak, and Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all, and they glorified God, exclaiming, "A great prophet has arisen in our midst," and "God has visited his people."

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