

STS. PETER AND PAUL BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU! SLAVA NA VIKI!
GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!

CONFESSIONS – Every Saturday, 5:00 to 5:30 PM in the Confessional or a half hour before any Liturgy in the Sacristy.
No Scheduled Confessions on Sunday. If you are unable to come at the times listed, call Father Andrew.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS – The secretary is in the Office from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, but you are free to call at any time.

MAJOR HOLY DAYS – 7:00 PM – Vigil Liturgy (evening before) 9:00 AM Holy Day Liturgy

FEAST DAYS (Minor Holy Days) – 9:00 AM Feast Day Liturgy

June 27, 2010

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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Covered Dish Dinner

Come One! Come All!

- Following the 11:00 am
Divine Liturgy!



The Feast Of Saints Peter and Paul

This Tuesday, June 29th, we will commemorate the martyrdoms of the Glorious and Supreme Apostles, Peter and Paul. This is a Holy Day of Obligation in our Church. **Peter** was chosen to be the leader of the apostles. He and his successors (the Popes of Rome) are the vicars to Christ here on earth. It was to Peter that Jesus conferred the power and authority of the “Keys of the Heavenly Kingdom.” **Paul**, although not one of the original twelve apostles, was chosen to become an apostle by Jesus Himself, when Paul was on his way to Damascus. Because of his special call, he would become known as the great evangelizer of the Gentile (non-Jewish) nation. Their positions of preeminence among the other apostles and the special, unique roles given to them by the Lord Jesus, both Peter and Paul are honored together with great solemnity on a common feast marking their ultimate love for Christ on the day of their martyrdom in Rome. **The Divine Liturgies celebrating this feast are Monday evening, June 28th at 7:00 pm and Tuesday morning, June 29th at 9:00 am. Let us honor our Patron Saints as they intercede with the Lord God on our behalf.**



The Word of God – Matthew 8:28 – 9:1

Our Gospel Reading from Matthew relates the remarkable exorcism performed by Jesus in the non-Jewish territory of the Gerasenes. (There would be no reason for kosher Jews to keep swine.) The exorcism is recounted to accentuate Jesus’ power in His ministry as well as in the Church today. This is one of the very few instances in the New Testament where a miracle among the Gentiles (non-Jews) failed to elicit faith. They asked Jesus to leave their neighborhood! Either they were afraid of Him or saw Him as a threat to the local economy. More probably, they saw Jesus as a threat to the status quo. They did not want to change. The same can be true of our spiritual lives. It is much easier to settle for the outward forms of religion than to let the Spirit enter deep inside us where He might unsettle the attitudes, work habits and relationships with our neighbors to which we have become accustomed over the years. Any radical self-examination is dangerous for us, since we might discover that something needs changed! Jesus calls us to do just that! This week, can we look at our lives and see if there is something that needs changed? Do we then ask Jesus to come and help us to change – or do we ask Him to leave the territory of our lives?

Divine Liturgies for the Week

Saturday, June 26		Vigil for the Fifth Sunday after Pentecost + Cynthia Athya – John & Dianna Koza
	6:00 pm	
Sunday, June 27		Fifth Sunday after Pentecost
	8:15 am	Parochial Divine Liturgy
	11:00 am	+ John & Helen Yasek – Irene Marchin
Mon. 28th	7:00 pm	Vigil for the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul
		Parochial Divine Liturgy – followed by a “Picnic Activities Brainstorming Meeting” in the Social Hall.
Tues. 29th	9:00 am	Major Holy Day! Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul (p. 338)
		Parochial Divine Liturgy
Wed. 30 th	4:45 pm	Queen of Heaven Monastery
		Intention of Father Andrew Deskevich
Thurs. 1 st	8:00 am	+ Ann David – M/M Thomas Welch
Fri. 2 nd	8:00 am	Intention of the Altar/Rosary Society
Sat. 3 rd	6:00 pm	Vigil for the Sixth Sunday after Pentecost + Kenny Tisher – Family
Sunday, July 4		Sixth Sunday after Pentecost/Independence Day!
	8:15 am	Parochial Divine Liturgy
	11:00 am	+ Michael Lickwar, Jr. – Brothers & sister



Coming Events:

- **Today, June 27** We will celebrate our **Patronal Feast with a pot-luck dinner after the 11:00 am Liturgy**. Please plan to attend and bring your favorite dish to share with us.
- **Mon. June 28** Vigil Liturgy for the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul – 7:00 pm – followed by a “Brainstorming session” to plan activities for our Picnic in August.
- **Tues. June 29** Major Holy Day – Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul. Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am
- **Sat. July 10** “**Slavjane**” Folk Ensemble, sponsored by **Carpatho-Rusin Society** – **3:00 pm at the Y.S.U. Festival of Arts – Butler Outdoor Stage – Free Admission!**
- **90th Byzantine Catholic Family Day at Kennywood Park – July 22nd**
There is a sign-up sheet for possible transportation, discount admission & ride tickets, and luncheon reservations. This information needs to be in, with payment, by **Monday, June 28th**, in order to receive your tickets in time for the 22nd of July.



Independence Day

On July 4, 1776, the Declaration of Independence was signed in the city of Philadelphia. But what we often forget is that in declaring independence from an earthly power, our forefathers made a forthright declaration of dependence upon Almighty God. Indeed, history has made it abundantly clear, that those who by their lives and actions declare their **independence from God**, soon become slavishly dependent upon the circumstances of life. On the other hand, those who have humbly declared their **dependence upon God**, have been remarkably free and independent of life’s changing circumstances. As we think again of the birth of our great nation, let us pray that our country might have a new birth of freedom. Not a freedom from God, which always leads to license and ultimate slavery – but rather a freedom built upon God and His commandments, apart from which any nation will eventually perish. Then, as did our founding fathers, we will find in Him, our life, liberty, and true happiness.



Administrator for our Archeparchy: The College of Consulters of the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh have elected the Very Reverend Eugene P. Yackanich the Temporary Administrator of our Archeparchy until a new Bishop is appointed by Rome. Let us remember him in our prayers.



The Eparchy of Parma – Office of Vocations – is offering a Vocation “Boot Camp” for young Byzantine guys (8-19) and a “Byzantine Next top Model” for ByzanTEEN girls (13-19) – July 22-25. See bulletin board for registration dates and other pertinent information.



Special Thanks from the men of our Parish (and all) who enjoyed the delicious Breakfast prepared by our Ladies for Father’s Day! It was G-o-o-o-d !!!

Our return to God for the gifts He continues to shower upon us . . . \$2736.25