

Mission Statement

Saints Peter and Paul Byzantine Catholic Parish is a member of the Byzantine Catholic Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh who through the Holy Spirit is called to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As a community and family, we grow in faith and in the image and likeness of God by dedicating ourselves to welcoming, celebrating and caring for all of God's people.

Mysteries of Initiation (Baptism, Chrismation & Eucharist): Must be a registered, active, supporting member of the Parish Family. Pre-Baptism instructions are required. Contact Father Simeon to schedule.

Mystery of Crowning: Must be a registered, active, supporting member of the Parish Family. Must meet with Father Simeon before setting date and reserving your banquet hall. Pre-Cana program is required and three sessions with Father Simeon. The ceremony will be celebrated according to the prescription of the liturgical book of the Byzantine rite.

Mystery of Reconciliation: Celebrated Saturdays, 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM and upon request.

Mystery of Anointing: Celebrated upon request. Ideally, celebrated in Church the Sunday before undergoing any surgical or other medical procedure.

Visitation of the Sick: The parishioners confined to their homes or nursing homes due to health reasons are visited monthly. Also, persons who are hospitalized are visited when Father Simeon is notified. It especially is important that a family member contact Father Simeon whenever a loved one is hospitalized.

Funerals: Families of the deceased or the funeral director must contact Father Simeon before setting and publishing the day and time of the funeral.

Parish Membership: We welcome anyone to become a parishioner of Saints Peter and Paul Parish. Only those who are registered are considered members of the Parish. When one registers to become a Parish Member, they assume the responsibility of rendering stewardship of time, talent and treasure to this Parish Family. Worship at this Parish is always expected. Registration is done only through the Pastor by appointment. The Parish Office should be notified as soon as possible of any change of address within the Parish as well as one's leaving.

Godparent/Sponsor Letters: Must be a registered, active, supporting member of the Parish.

Rectory Office Hours: Lisa Mosko is in the Parish office from 11:30 AM – 2:30 PM on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Father Simeon is available on other days and times by appointment.

IN APPRECIATION

Thank you to all who helped out to make our patron feast day celebration a success! The evening started out with a beautiful Liturgy celebrated by Father Andrew. The church was filled and the Liturgy was elevated by our wonderful cantors, who we are so very blessed to have serving our parish.

We enjoyed a delicious dinner at DiLucia's along with a 50/50 raffle and centerpieces on each table you could win. There were a lot of laughs and fun with Comedian/Magician Eric Thompson. Besides everyone being afraid to get up and go to the bathroom during the show, the night was a good time. A special "THANK YOU" to Patty James for the boxes of delicious homemade cookies.

A big shout out to Father Andrew and Father Richard for making the trip to Warren to help us celebrate. Also rounding out the VIP table were Father Simeon, Sister Barbara, and two sisters who joined us for Liturgy and dinner.

May God grant all the parishioners of Saints Peter and Paul Church many happy and blessed years!!

3 More Years Left! . . . June 29, 2025.



GCU BYZANTINE CATHOLIC FAMILY DAY – 100 YEAR ANNIVERSARY!

Thursday, July 28th, at Kennywood Park, West Mifflin, PA.

11:00 AM – 10:00 PM

Park Ticket Prices are: \$25.00 (ages 4 – 64) and \$22.00 (ages 65+).

Luncheon Tickets are \$10.00 (ages 3 – 10) and \$17 (ages 11+).

Deadline for ticket orders – Monday, July 11th.

See Bulletin Board in Social Hall to order tickets.



PRAYERS



Please continue to pray for the health of Father Simeon.



Divine Liturgy Attendance weekend of July 3:

5:00 PM: **45**; 10:00 AM: **76**

SPP Feast Day: 86

Our return to the Lord for all He has given us: \$3,333.05

MAY I LIVE WITH YOU?



Hi! My name is Gomez! I am six years old. I am a Chihuahua/Fox Terrier mix and weigh about 15 pounds. My "human daddy" and I are very sad, because he must find a new home for me. You see, he must move to a new home (not too far away) but it is not pet friendly, so we must split-up. I am a good dog; I admit I'm a little spoiled, since I'm an "only child." But I am a good companion, especially to young adults and older adults; I like to play, especially tug-of-war, but when you are busy, I am happy just lying next to you. I love dog treats, raw carrots, walks and vanilla ice cream. I'm very smart; I have a very good vocabulary; I am "potty-trained." I will let you know when I have to go "out," and I am obedient (most of the time). I am also a very good watch-dog. My ears are like "radar" if anyone comes even close to your home. My "daddy" is looking for someone to give me a good home...someone who will love me and as much as he does! And I promise to love you back! Will you help us?

Please call 330-372-1875. Thank you! Gomez

A CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE

Metropolitan William and the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh will honor all those couples celebrating their milestone wedding anniversary of 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or additional years that are multiples of five during this year of 2022. **Please inform the Parish Office by July 18, 2022 if you are celebrating one of these milestone anniversaries so that your names can be submitted to the Chancery.** The Archieparchial celebration will take place at St. Elias Church, Munhall, PA on Sunday, September 11, 2022 at 3:00 PM. Certificates are sent to all couples, whether they are able to attend or not. Please call the church office or drop your name and current phone number in the collection basket and we will call you. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this request.



CHRISTMAS IN JULY!

*Fun in the Social Hall after Liturgies in July!
Pick a Christmas Gift for \$5.00. Win a Prize!
Prizes include Gift Cards, Lottery Tickets & Mystery Gifts.*

JULY 10, 2022

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

Sunday	10 July	<i>FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. The Holy 45 Martyrs in Nicopolis in Armenia. Our Venerable Father Anthony of the Kiev Lavra. The three Maronite Franciscan brothers, Francis, Abd-el-Mooti and Raphael Massabki, and eight others with them, killed in Damascus in 1860.</i>
(Sun. Vigil)	5:00 PM 10:00 AM	+Frank Hos0, Jr. – Hos0 family Health of Fr. Simeon – Marjorie, Paul & Cheryl Simon
Monday	11 July	<i>The Holy Martyr the Illustrious Euphemia. The Passing of Olga, Princess of Kiev, baptized Helen. Repose of the Blessed Bishop Martyr Valeriu Traian Frentiu.</i> No Divine Services
Tuesday	12 July	<i>The Holy Martyrs Proclus and Hilary. Our Venerable Father Michael of Malein.</i> No Divine Services
Wednesday	13 July	<i>Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel. Our Venerable Father Stephen of the Monastery of St. Sabbas. Our Holy Father Julian, Bishop of Kenoman.</i> No Divine Services
Thursday	14 July	<i>The Holy Apostle Aquila.</i> No Divine Services
Friday	15 July	<i>The Holy Martyrs Cyricus and Julitta. The Holy Great Prince Vladimir, Equal to the Apostles, who was baptized Basil.</i> No Divine Services
Saturday	16 July	<i>The Holy Martyrs Athenogenes, Bishop of Sebaste and His Ten Disciples.</i>
(Vigil Lit.)	5:00 PM	+Jeff Hos0 – Hos0 family
Sunday	17 July	<i>SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. MEMORY OF THE FATHERS AT THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS. The Holy Great Martyr Marina. The Blessed Martyr Paul Gojdich, Bishop of Prešov.</i>
	10:00 AM	+Nancy Danko – Mary Ann Karchut & Bob Fejko



Attentive to the Word
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Matt. 8:28 - 9:1

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The persons involved in this story had a need for peace, and Jesus provided that peace. This dramatic incident is most revealing. It shows what Satan does for a man: robs him of sanity and self-control; fills him with fears; robs him of the joys of home and friends; and (if possible) condemns him to an eternity of judgment. It also reveals what society does for a man in need: restrains him, isolates him, threatens him, but society is unable to change him. See, then, what Jesus Christ can do for a man whose whole life – within and without – is bondage and battle. What Jesus did for these two demoniacs, He will do for anyone else who needs Him.

Christ came to them, and even braved a storm to do it. This is the grace of God! He delivered them by the power of His Word. He restored them to sanity, society, and service. The account in Mark 5:1-21 shows that one of the men asked to become a disciple of the Lord. But, instead of granting his request, Jesus sent him home to be a witness. Christian service must begin at home.

There are three prayers in this event:

(1) the demons besought Jesus to send them into the swine; (2) the citizens besought Him to leave; and (3) the one man besought Him to let him follow (see Mark 5:18-20). Jesus answered the prayers of the demons and the citizens, but not the prayer of the healed man!

We can construct a "statement of faith" from the words of the demons. (Demons do have faith; see James 2:19.) They believed in the existence of God and the deity of Christ, as well as the reality of future judgment. They also believed in prayer. They knew Christ had the power to send them into the swine. The fact that the demons destroyed 2,000 pigs is nothing compared with the fact that Jesus delivered two men from the powers of Satan. God owns everything and can do with it as He pleases. Jesus values men more than pigs or sheep. He brought peace to these men's lives and to the community where, for a long time, they had been causing trouble.

WRITTEN BY MOTHER THERESA OF CALCUTTA

People are often unreasonable,
illogical, and self-centered;
Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse
you of selfish, ulterior motives;
Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win
some false friends and some true
enemies;
Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and frank,
People may cheat you;
Be honest and frank anyway.

What you spend years building,
someone could destroy over-
night;
Build anyway.

If you find serenity and
happiness, they may be jealous;
Be happy anyway.

The good you do today,
people will often forget
tomorrow;
Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you
have, and it may never be
enough;
**Give the world the best you've
got anyway.**

**You see, in the final analysis,
it is between you and God;
It was never between you and them anyway.**

