



October 22, 2017

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Liturgical Schedule

Oct. 21 (Sat) Divine Liturgy	5:00pm
<i>+Nancy Voron req by Vince Voron</i>	
Oct. 22 (Sun) Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost	
Divine Liturgy	10:30am
Oct. 23 (Mon) Divine Liturgy	8:30am
<i>+Richard Heckel req by Family & Friends</i>	
Oct. 25 (Wed) Divine Liturgy	8:30am
<i>+Richard Zula req by Derek J A Markle</i>	
Oct. 27 (Fri) Divine Liturgy	8:30am
Oct. 28 (Sat) Divine Liturgy	5:00pm
<i>+Stephen Muchoney req by Steve & Judi Muchoney</i>	
Oct. 29 (Sun) Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost	
Divine Liturgy	10:30am



The Sanctuary Lamp continues to burn before the presence of Our Risen Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ in our church during the week of Oct. 22 thru Oct. 28 for +Mary Jackowski.



Let us remember in our prayers all of our friends and parish family members who are sick at home or in a nursing facility and for all who are in need of our prayers.

James Abraham, Tillie Abraham, Diana Abraham, Rosella Busko, Marion Campbell, Ted Druga, John Fekete, Fr. Edward Lucas, Carl Magdic, Fran Mogush, Clarence Rizzi, Helen Rizzi, Joseph Rusinko, Maria Rusinko, Sue Sabol, Ed Suzina, Mary Soltis, Terry Soltis, Margaret Weber, John Voron Sr.

Our Tithe to our Parish
October 15, 2017 — \$1,938.00



The fall season is now upon us and all sorts of seasonal activities begin to take place. Among these activities in our parish is the annual Turkey Bingo.

The Bingo will take place on Sunday, November 5, from 1:00pm—4:00pm. Doors open at noon — Tickets available

In preparation for this, we are requesting donations of the following items:

- ◆ Door prizes
- ◆ Chinese auction items
- ◆ In date pantry items
- ◆ Coca-cola & Pepsi products—regular & diet

For more information, please contact Julee Lindberg at 724-864-3772.



BYZANTINE SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE

Okay, what are you waiting for???

Folks often talk about how much we need to learn about our faith, about the role of our Byzantine Catholic Church in America, about the ways that we can hand on the faith that we have received.

So, it's time to stop just talking about it and do something about it. Our Office of Religious Education is offering its annual *Byzantine Spirituality Conference*. This wonderful event takes place on Saturday, 4 November 2017, at St John the Baptist Cathedral in Munhall PA. The day begins at 9:30 am and concludes at 3.00 pm.

Talks include:

- * *Challenging Issues for Eastern Catholics in America*
- * *The Charism of Hospitality*
- * *Handing on the Faith*

If you are interested (and I sure hope that a number of our parishioners are serious enough about their faith to be interested!), please contact Fr John (412.352.7082) and perhaps we can arrange for a parish table to be present.

IF ONLY THERE WERE AN APPARITION ...

It is not easy to live by faith!

Faith is a personal relationship with God ... a relationship of commitment and trust and love.



This all sounds fine ... until we are tested in our faith ... Do we really believe???

It would be so much easier if only we had a *sign* from God ... let God or one of his messengers *appear* to us and let us know what God wants us to do ... then it would be so much easier to believe.

This is what the Rich Man in today's Gospel said to Lazarus the poor beggar ... when he realized that their fortunes had been reversed. The Rich Man who feasted sumptuously every day was now suffering in the place of torment ... while Lazarus was in a place of honor in the bosom of Abraham.

So the Rich Man said to Lazarus: I have five brothers still living ... go and warn them, lest they end up in this place of torment too! You see, he thought that if they would at least receive some *sign*, then they would change their ways.

But Lazarus replied: They have Moses and the Prophets ... that is, they have the same Scriptures that everyone else has ... if they do not believe the Scriptures, they will not reform just because of some sign or apparition.

Our faith must grow daily ... and like all relationships, it only grows by spending time together ... with the Lord ... pouring out our heart to Him ... listening to Him ... and just spending quality time together.

This kind of relationship is much stronger than anything produced by signs ... or even apparitions from the dead!