



August 22, 2021

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Parish Schedule

Aug. 21 (Sat) Divine Liturgy 5:00pm
+Douglas Liebel req by Janet Belleveau & David Yarosik

Aug. 22 (Sun) THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Divine Liturgy 10:30am
+Ruth Seech req by Ray Seech

Aug. 28 (Sat) Divine Liturgy 5:00pm
+Charles Zeleznik req by Michael & Arlene Dzura

Aug. 29 (Sun) FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
BEDHEADING OF JOHN THE BAPTIST
Divine Liturgy 10:30am
+Susan Sabol req by Kelescheni & Bishop Families

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 August 15thru August 21 for + Ruth Seech. *“Eternal Memory”*



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.



Tillie Abraham,, Ron Bishop, George Bodnar, Jude Bodnar,
Pamela Seech Dawson, Steve Fekete, Margaret Gegick, Kevin Ianni,
Ted Race, Clarence Rizzi, Helen Rizzi, Joseph Rusinko Sr.

OUR TITHE TO OUR PARISH
August 15, 2021 - - - - - TBA

87th ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE



The Sisters of St Basil the Great are pleased to announce that on Sunday, 5 September 2021, the 87th Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be held at Mount St Macrina. With the theme, “*Mother of Perpetual Help, Our Gentle Protectress,*” the Pilgrimage will be an in-person event and will also be streamed live. Liturgical services will be broadcast at: www.sisersofstbasil.org.

The schedule will include:

9:30 am	Confessions
9:30 am	Matins
11:00 am	Divine Liturgy for Vocations
1:30 pm	Children’s Procession
2:30 pm	Bereavement Session
4:00 pm	Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
7:00 pm	Parastas

Pilgrims will be asked to wear masks when entering indoor shrines, as well as buildings as the Religious Gift Shop, House of Prayer, restroom facilities, etc.

THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED ...

We have all heard the concept of the *keystone* ...



The keystone is that wedge-shaped stone in the center of an arch ... the one that absorbs the pressure of the other stones in the arch ... and it literally holds the whole arch from falling.

As an image, the *keystone* can refer to anything or anyone who holds everything together.

For example, our own state of Pennsylvania has been nicknamed the "Keystone State" ... because among the original colonies, it was seen as the one who held the others together.

In the Old Testament, in Psalm 118.22-23, we read:

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

In other words, ancient Israel was seen as rather small and insignificant by other nations. Hence, it was like a stone that the builders would look at ... and see that it was nothing special ... and so they would simply discard it as worthless.

However, God sees differently. He sees what we do not see. He sees the potential ... even in places and people that seem so insignificant.

This image of the *keystone* was later applied also to Jesus ... who was rejected by the people of his time ... and yet, through his resurrection, has become the keystone that holds the whole Church together ... He is the cornerstone that keeps the walls together.