

Saint Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church

(Saint Mary's Ruthenian Greek Catholic Church, Inc.)

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September 15, 2024

Sunday After the Exaltation of the Cross

September 22, 2024

18th Sunday After Pentecost

LITURGICAL SERVICES

Sunday, September 15
10:00 AM

**Sunday After the Exaltation
of the Holy Cross**
+Janet Mencehino
by Elenor Ruchsak
Festal Anointing
and Blessing of Basil

Sunday, September 22
10:00 AM

18th Sunday After Pentecost
+Vasil Vira with Panachida
By Family

Sunday, September 29
10:00 AM

19th Sunday After Pentecost
+Philip Chillak
By Darlene Vargo

Monday, September 30
6:30 PM

**Vespers
and Divine Liturgy**
**Feast of the Protection of the
Mother of God**
For the Parish Family
of St. Mary's

Sunday, October 6
10:00 AM

20th Sunday After Pentecost
+Dorothy Sank, +Mary and
+Chloe Malast
By Debbie Sank
Festal Anointing

WELCOME VISITORS

**“MY HOUSE SHALL BE
CALLED A HOUSE OF
PRAYER FOR ALL
PEOPLES.” - Isaiah 56: 7**

If you are a visitor to St. Mary's, we want you to know how deeply we appreciate your presence. Whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish, we are grateful for your interest in our church. We warmly welcome you and hope you find our worship true and reverent. We consider you part of our family and would be more than honored by your presence in our spiritual home. For more information about becoming a parishioner, please see Fr. Ed.

Haven't Seen Someone in a While?

Let us stay connected as a community. If you have not seen someone in a while, reach out to them. A simple email or call can make a difference. Let them know that you miss seeing them, and I hope everything is okay. Please let him know if they want a visit from Fr. Ed. Your outreach can comfort and support our fellow parishioners.

Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church to Host Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage



Pope Francis has designated 2025 as a Jubilee Year, a time of profound spiritual significance. Archbishop William C. Skurla, Bishop Kurt R. Burnette, and Bishop Robert M. Pipta invite the people of the Byzantine Ruthenian Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh to join them on a Pilgrimage to Italy from May 5 to 15, 2025, to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope. This pilgrimage costs only \$4,829 per person, which covers airfare from Newark Liberty International Airport, accommodations in first class/select hotels based on double occupancy, most meals, the services of an English tour director, comprehensive sightseeing all admission fees and hotel service charges and airport transfers in Italy.

Everyone is invited to come share during this prayerful celebration. People throughout the United States and Canada will be part of this exciting trip. With the celebration of the Divine Liturgy and other services, our pilgrimage will be a joyful journey designed to highlight our Byzantine Catholic faith, help us appreciate its historical past, and view the art inspired by the Church. For more information, please see Fr. Ed. Brochures may be found on the bulletin board outside the Social Hall.



Pokrov

St. Mary's Feast Day Celebration
Following the 10:00 AM Divine
Liturgy Sunday, October 6
The Cost is \$15.00 per person.
Please make your reservation
by using the special envelope.
Deadline – September 29

Special Prayers



Fr. Ed will be on a Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes, and Santiago de Compostela from October 15 to 25. At these stops and during the celebration of the Divine Liturgy and other services, Fr. Ed would like to remember your special intentions. Please list your intentions on the form in this bulletin and return this slip to the collection basket by September 29.

St. Nicholas Party

A Special Celebration for the Child in All of Us!

Sunday, December 8

Join us for an afternoon of fellowship, good food, gift raffle, dancing, visits with St. Nicholas and lots of great fun!!!

Dancing to the Music of Pajtaši

Mark Your Calendars

Choir: Over the past two years, St. Mary's has been blessed by having a special choir of professional singers under the direction of our exceptional cantor and music director, Boris Derow. One of the primary goals of the choir was to support and encourage the people in the congregation to join in the singing of the Divine Liturgy. This has been accomplished as we hear more and more participation in the pews. Boris will now take the music program in a different direction as he works to utilize the talents of our parishioners and work with them to sing with him, especially for the special services. He will continue to develop a choir program based on the model used for the 100th Anniversary Celebration of the arrival of Bishop Basil Takach. This will expand into the community as we develop a more extensive program to introduce a special choir for occasional performances. This means that the choir will no longer sing our Sunday Liturgies. As a result, everyone in the pews is encouraged to sing out and make a joy unto the Lord!