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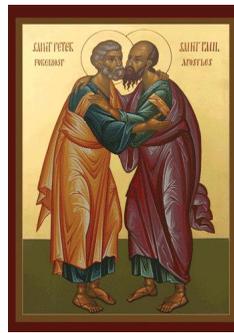
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ALL SOULS SATURDAYS – HRAMOTAS

The remaining Saturdays will be June 4th. We will celebrate a Divine Liturgy with a Panahida on Friday at 06:30 p.m.

SICK AND SHUT-INS

Please remember in your prayers our parishioners who are sick, homebound, hospitalized, living in nursing facilities, or need your prayers for their personal intentions:



Don Downey, Anna D. Fialkovich, Mark Fialkovich, Benjamin Kaefer, Jr., John Kopay, Jr., Sylvia Kopay, Richard Paloscko, Nancy Pcolar, Bob Newton, Rebecca McCullough, Will McCullough, Marie Churley, Joanne Skinta, John Gegick and Those serving in the Armed Forces, Emily Cox, Margaret Torbich, Mary Pat H, Gale Joscak, Mary Ann Badar, Robert Crowley, Rose Petruska, Gary Fall, Andrew Torbich, Judy Kosar, Mark Crowley, Mason Stern, Shawna Lynn Beluscak, Ronald Dusetzina, Gio Savko, Connie Leary, Jonathan Staton, Eleanor & Bob Rodrigues, Mary Anne Ference Mistick, Raymond Savko, Mario Peticca.

***If you have a family member in the hospital or other facilities, and would like us to remember them in prayer, contact Father Vitalii and we will be glad to publish their name in the bulletin – even if they are not a parishioner of Saints Peter & Paul Parish.*

Sunday, May 8th, 2022

Festal Tone

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SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK: (COULD BE CHANGED)

Sunday 05/08/2022 11:00 am *Sunday of the Paralytic man/Mother's Day*

Sunday 05/15/2022 11:00 am *Sunday the Samaritan Woman*

+Jessica Joscak

By Mary & Dan Joscak

UPDATES

Joan Skinta is at Woodhaven Care Ceeter, Room 107, 2400 McGinley Rd., Monroeville PA 15146

Rose Petruska is at Concordia at Cranberry, 10 Adams Ridge Blvd, Mars PA 16046

DIVINE SERVICES ATTENDANCE

Liturgy on Sunday May 1st was 44.

LIVE STREAM VIEWING

Liturgy on Sunday May 1st was 69.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS:

July 25th 2022 at 6:30 pm at Church Social Hall

October 24th 2022 at 6:30 pm at Church Social Hal



On May 8 th 2022	On May 15 th 2022	On May 22 nd 2022	On May 29 th 2022
Team A	Team B	Team C	Team D

CANDLES FOR SOMEONE SPECIAL May 1st 2022

Kim Krivda	For Good Health
	For Special Favor
Don Kerr	For Ukraine
Trankocy	Special
Marie Fitzgerald	For Special Favor
Patti Wypych	Special
Bobbi Vaccaro	For Good Health
Barbara Martin	Special
Myron Drabik	For Good Health
	For Special Favor
John Skinta	World Peace

CATHOLIC TEACHING, THE SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST

V. The Sacramental Sacrifice Thanksgiving, Memorial, Presence

The sacrificial memorial of Christ and of his Body, the Church

The Council of Trent summarizes the Catholic faith by declaring: "Because Christ our Redeemer said that it was truly his body that he was offering under the species of bread, it has always been the conviction of the Church of God, and this holy Council now declares again, that by the consecration of the bread and wine there takes place a change of the whole substance of the bread into the substance of the body of Christ our Lord and of the whole substance of the wine into the substance of his blood. This change the holy Catholic Church has fittingly and properly called transubstantiation."

The Eucharistic presence of Christ begins at the moment of the consecration and endures as long as the Eucharistic species subsist. Christ is present whole and entire in each of the species and whole and entire in each of their parts, in such a way that the breaking of the bread does not divide Christ.

Worship of the Eucharist. In the liturgy of the Mass we express our faith in the real presence of Christ under the species of bread and wine by, among other ways, genuflecting or bowing deeply as a sign of adoration of the Lord. "The Catholic Church has always offered and still offers to the sacrament of the Eucharist the cult of adoration, not only during Mass, but also outside of it, reserving the consecrated hosts with the utmost care, exposing them to the solemn veneration of the faithful, and carrying them in procession."

The tabernacle was first intended for the reservation of the Eucharist in a worthy place so that it could be brought to the sick and those absent outside of Mass. As faith in the real presence of Christ in his Eucharist deepened, the Church became conscious of the meaning of silent adoration of the Lord present under the Eucharistic species. It is for this reason that the tabernacle should be located in an especially worthy place in the church and should be constructed in such a way that it emphasizes and manifests the truth of the real presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

It is highly fitting that Christ should have wanted to remain present to his Church in this unique way. Since Christ was about to take his departure from his own in his visible form, he wanted to give us his sacramental presence; since he was about to offer himself on the cross to save us, he wanted us to have the memorial of the love with which he loved us "to the end," even to the giving of his life. In his Eucharistic presence he remains mysteriously in our midst as the one who loved us and gave himself up for us,²⁰⁸ and he remains under signs that express and communicate this love:

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

AFTER LITURGY ON SUNDAY, MAY 15TH WE WILL BE HAVING COFFEE AND DONUTS FOR A BELATED MOTHER'S DAY AND FATHER VITALI'S BIRTHDAY. PLEASE JOIN US!



CHURCH HISTORY; Tenth Century



The Great Schism

In the middle of the 11th century, after a long period of weakness and decadence in the Papacy, there occurred an intense period of reform. This reform movement strove mightily to bring an end to widespread moral abuses among the clergy—especially the crime of simony (buying church office), and the practice of clergy who were supposed to be celibate living with concubines. Partly in an effort to deal with these problems, the reformers accomplished a dramatic

centralization and expansion of the power of the Papacy.

The reforming movement began with the appointment by the Germanic Holy Roman Emperor Henry III (r. 1039–1056) of a fellow German named Bruno as Pope Leo IX (r. 1048–1054). Along with Leo's efforts to increase the power of the Papacy in Western Europe, it's not surprising that this particularly strong pope would also have been interested in extending Papal influence in the East. At the same time, the fiery Patriarch of Constantinople, Michael Cerularius (r. 1043–1058), was determined to resist all attempts by the Roman Church to impose its will upon the Eastern Church.

The "showdown" came as a result of the Norman invasion of southern Italy beginning in 1016, and the subsequent suppression of Greek practices in the churches in this region where there was strong Byzantine influence. Patriarch Michael retaliated by trying to force the Latin churches in Constantinople to use Greek practices—especially leavened instead of unleavened bread (azymes) in the Eucharist. And Archbishop Leo of Ochrid wrote a comprehensive critique of the Latin beliefs and practices divergent from those of the Eastern Church—especially the filioque, mandatory clerical celibacy, and the use of azymes in the Eucharist.

In response, Pope Leo sent to Constantinople a delegation led by Cardinal Humbert of Silva Candida (d. 1061), a fiery and fiercely anti-Byzantine personality who tried to press Roman claims to their fullest extent. After a cold initial reception, at which Humbert refused to greet the Patriarch with the customary protocol, Michael refused to deal with him any longer. After waiting about two months in the capital, on July 16, 1054, Humbert strode into the great cathedral of Hagia Sophia during a service and placed on the altar a bull of excommunication against "Patriarch Michael and all his followers." In a day or two, he and his fellow legates left for home. Michael, in his turn, excommunicated Humbert "and all those responsible" for the bull of excommunication against him.

Very interestingly, Pope Leo IX died soon after Humbert left Rome for Constantinople, but before Humbert issued the bull of excommunication. And Leo's successor was not elected until near the end of the year. So it would seem that the next pope, Victor II (r. late 1054–1057), could easily have revoked Humbert's action, but he did not choose to do so. And while relations between some of the Eastern Churches with Rome continued to be relatively friendly for quite some time, the reality and extent of the schism gradually deepened and spread, until the sack of Constantinople and its conquest by the Latin knights of the Fourth Crusade in 1204 increased the mutual animosity to such a degree that future efforts at reconciliation had virtually no chance to succeed.

As we know, the Roman Catholic Church is still not in communion with the Orthodox Churches, even though in 1965 Pope Paul VI and Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras I lifted the mutual anathemas of 1054.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

05/08 SHARI FIALKOVICH
05/10 TALIN DRABIK
05/11 SYLVIA KOPAY

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

05/05 MARK & LINDA FIALKOVICH
05/13 EDWARD & SHARON LEISER

SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC

How tragic is today's story of the life of Christ? A man had been paralyzed for years. He had lain at a short distance from healing, but he himself had no strength to merge into the waters of ablution. And no one had had compassion on him.

We are surrounded by people who are in need. It is not only people who are physically paralyzed who need help. There are so many people who are paralyzed in themselves, and need to meet someone who would help them.

Paralyzed in themselves are those who are terrified of life, because life has been an object of terror for them since they were born: insensitive parents, heartless, brutal surroundings. How many are those who hoped, when they were still small, that there would be something for them in life. But no. There wasn't. There was no compassion. There was nothing. And when they tried to receive comfort and support, they did not receive it. Whenever they thought they could do something they were told, 'Don't try. Don't you understand that you are incapable of this?' And they felt lower and lower.

We are surrounded, all of us, by people who are in the situation of this paralytic man. If we think of ourselves, we will see that many of us are paralyzed, incapable of fulfilling all their aspirations; incapable of being what they longed for, incapable of doing anything they longed for because fear, brokenness has come into them.

And all of us, all of us were responsible for each of them. We are responsible, mutually, for one another; because when we look right and left at the people who stand by us, what do we know about them? Do we know how broken they are? How much pain there is in their hearts? How much agony there has been in their lives?

Let us look at each other and ask ourselves, 'How much frailty is there in him or her? How much pain has accumulated in his or her heart? How much fear of life – but life expressed by my neighbor, the people whom I should be able to count for life – has come in to my existence?'

Let us look at one another with understanding, with attention. Christ is there. He can heal. But we will be answerable for each other, because there are so many ways in which we should be the eyes of Christ who sees the needs, the ears of Christ who hears the cry, the hands of Christ who supports and heals or makes it possible for the person to be healed.

Let us look at this parable of the paralytic with new eyes; not thinking of this poor man two thousand years ago who was so lucky that Christ happened to be near him and in the end did what every neighbor should have done. Let us look at each other and have compassion, active compassion; insight; love if we can. And then this parable will not have been spoken or this event will not have been related to us in vain.

Amen

St. Peter and Paul Byzantine Blood Drive

SATURDAY, MAY 21
9 A.M. TO 2 P.M.

SOCIAL HALL
431 GEORGE STREET
BRADDOCK, PA 15106

Blood Drive being held at Church Hall Basement on
John Street back of the Church

- To schedule your rescheduling appointment go to
<https://donorcentralbloodcenter.com/bloodbank/>
- Choose "Donor Program" if you have donated your vitalant or Central Blood Bank
 - If you have not donated with Vitalant or Central Blood Bank before, you will be asked to create a new account. You will then choose "New Donor"
 - After you reach the "Schedule your appointment Today" screen, scroll down using the far right scroll bar and enter group code **G0180018** to schedule your donation
 - If you cannot schedule online, please call 412.209.7000

APPOINTMENTS RECOMMENDED



Mother's Day

Second Sunday of May

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APPRECIATION
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 CANDY
 CHARMING
 COMFORT
 DEVOTED
 FLOWERS
 FORGIVING
 GIFTS

GUIDANCE
 HUGS
 JEWELRY
 JOY
 KISSES
 LAUGHTER
 LOVE
 MATERNAL
 MOM
 MOTHER

NURTURE
 PERFUME
 PROTECTIVE
 SHARE
 TELEPHONE
 TENDER
 THE BEST
 WARM
 WISE



BASIC NOTES FROM THE BOARD MEETING.

1. Reviewed financials. Still waiting for investment statements for final quarter of calendar 2021 and first quarter of calendar 2022. Donations and interest from investments continue to cover the costs of operating the church. Over \$4,000 has been raised from our church alone for Ukraine and more than \$500,000 from the Archeparchy.
2. Maintenance projects:
 - The chancery approved the bid from Arch Masonry for removing the concrete finials from the tops of the bell towers. Some clarification is still needed. We expect to sign the contract within the next few weeks and anticipate the work will occur June- July.
 - In addition to replacing a part on the furnace boiler, some pipes are leaking. The current plan is to replace only those sections.
 - We will be changing out the lights inside the church, particularly those illuminating the altar.
 - Other projects include repairing plaster, painting, and maintaining the exterior including empty lots.
3. Ideas for Outreach to Parishioners and Community
 - Touching base with homebound parishioners and those who do not attend frequently to say hello and make sure they are well. We have a volunteer who is willing to begin making these phone calls.
 - Planning social events: annual parish picnic luncheon in June or July; Mother's Day celebration on May 15; and perhaps others as a "free-will donation" fundraisers. The group also discussed the possibility of an event in 2023 celebrating the 100th anniversary of the church building, perhaps with a focus not only on our liturgy but also on the church's place in Braddock's history.
 - Participating in Braddock's Community Days (August)
 - Updating parish directory (still in the works)
4. Results of the survey asking about changing the time of Sunday liturgies during the summer were inconclusive.
5. The number of online participants for Sunday and other liturgies is amazing. While most of those viewing are in the United States, we have had people from around the world pray with us including those in Canada, China, Zimbabwe, Mexico, Spain, France, Ukraine and other countries.

WE WELCOME YOU HOME!



There are often people who have been raised as Byzantine Catholics and through the years have become separated from the Church. Perhaps, there has been someone in your family or your friends or your neighbors who was raised Byzantine Catholic, but no longer actively participates in a Parish. Please invite your friends or who used to be a member of our parish to come and enjoy again our parish family. Together we can accomplish everything. Sharing with one another always increases joy and diminishes sorrow! With faith, hope, and love as we continue our journey together.

MOTHER'S DAY CANDELS

Vicki Vargo	In memory of Ella Vargo		In memory of Anna Margitan
	In memory of Hellen Meklas		In memory of Eliz McCuean
Don & Lori Downey	In memory of Agnes Liptak		In memory of Nancy McCuean
	In memory of Mary Dzama	Dolores Tomko	In memory of Betty Keib
	In memory of Florence Downey	Mark Fialkovich	Special
Michael Fialkovich	Special		In memory of Mildred Fialkovich
Gerald Fialkovich	In memory of Mildred Fialkovich		In memory of Frances Fialkovich
	In Honor of Glapys Biehl		In memory of Mary Yurinko
Rob Kennedy	In Honor of Due Kennedy		In honor of Nancy Gladis
Myron Drabik	In memory of Ruth Drabick		In memory of Ann Scanlon
	In memory of Helen Drabik		In memory of Eleanor Scanlon
	In memory of Anna Chirko		In memory of Antonia Bogatay
	In memory of Zuzanna Drabik	Arleen Jama	In memory of Mary Margaret Scanlon
	In memory of Mary Charas	Donna Torbich	In memory of Mildred Jama
	In memory of Margaret Drabick		In memory of Marie Torbich
	In memory of Alberta Trisch		In memory of Shirley Carmoney
Gerry Peticca	In memory of MaryAnn Peticca		In memory of Rita Schambura
Gazzo Family	In memory of Mary Fall		In memory of Beverly Aspinell
	In memory of Nellie Gazzo		In honor of Dinah Knebel
Marie Bumba	In memory of Mary Kruszka		In honor of Louise Scaman
	In memory of Mary Potemra		In honor of Helen Janik
	In memory of Eva Bumba		In honor of Alissa Janik
	In memory of Antonnera Kruszka	Mary Kaefer	In memory of Margaret
Kennedy Family	In memory of Leonora Trankocy		In memory of Martha
	In memory of Irene Dunny		Mary
	In honor of Marion Kennedy		Helen
David Savko	In memory of Olga Savko		In honor of Irene
Anna Fialkovich	In memory of Caterina Carleo		In memory of Martha
	In memory of Frances Fialkovich		In memory of Helen
Barbara Martin	In memory of Mother Eleanor		In honor of Lo
Dan Joscak	Special	Paula Smolak	In memory of Anna Smolak
Ron Salada	In memory of Fran McWilliams	Bill Mistick	In honor of Jan Ference
	In memory of Helen Salada	Joy Kovalycsik	In honor of Joan Kovalycsik
Andrew Novotny	In memory of Martha Novotny		In memory of Tena Kovalycsik
	In memory of Betty Griffiths		In memory of Edna Warchol
Rich Trankocy	In memory of Suzanne Trankocy		In memory of Anna Sovich
	In memory of Rose DelleDonne		In memory of Eleanor Popowich
Jerry Spynda	In memory of Mary Yanovich		In memory of Stella Reiss
	In memory of Mary Spynda		In memory of Anna Kovalycsik
	In memory of Johanna Spynda		In memory of Mary Kundrat
	In memory of Margaret Colaric		

And for all our mothers, grandmothers, God mothers and women