# ST. MARY'S BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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July 23, 2023

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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SAT. 4:30 p.m.

Health & Blessings of Parishioners

+Anthony& Margaret Hanigosky by Daughter,

Susan & Rick Teter

Sacraments of Initiation ... Luke Anthony Bird

MON. 10:30 a.m.

+Father John Kachuba by Fr. Richard

TUE. 10:30 a.m.

Health & Blessings of MaryAnn Turjanica

WED.

SUN.

10:30 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

No Liturgy

THU.

10:30 a.m.

No Liturgy

FRI.

10:30 am.

No Liturgy

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 30, 2023

SAT.

4:30 p.m.

+Raymond Osipchak by wife, Donna & Children

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SUN.

10:30 a.m.

Health & Blessings of Parishioners

You have destroyed death by Your cross; You opened paradise to the thief. The sorrow of the myrrh-bearers You turned to joy. You commanded Your Apostles to proclaim: Christ our God You have risen, granting great mercy to the world.

CHURCH DONATIONS July 9, 2023 Monthly Dues \$2.00 Candles \$25.00 Peters Pence \$70.00 Offertory.....\$680.00

July 16, 2023 Monthly Dues \$45.00 Candles \$ 33.00 Peters Pence \$ 5.00 Offertory...\$1,205.00

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

We congratulate Michael and Alyssa (Hallock) Bird on the birth of their son, Luke Anthony who will be received into our Spiritual Family today when he receives the sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation, & Holy Eucharist. God grant The Michael Bird Family Health and Happiness for many Blessed years!

#### **CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE**

Will be held Sept. 10, 2023 at St. Elias Church, Pittsburgh, PA. Couples celebrating significant anniversaries of 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, or additional will be honored. Please call our office to let us know by TOMORROW so they can send out the invitations.

## GCU BYZANTINE FAMILY DAY

Will be held at Kennywood Park July 27th 11:00 a.m. -9:00 p.m. Contact GCU 1 800 722-4428 for tickets

## CHURCH PICNIC ......PLEASE NOTE

CHANGE OF DATE.....Feast of Dormition is Aug. 15th. Liturgy will be held on that day AT 10:30 AM. PICNIC WILL BE HELD ON WED. AUG. 23 AT 5:00 P.M. \$15.00 PER PERSON. PLEASE CAL L THE OFFICE 330 792 1578 TO RSVP. By Aug. 16th.

#### CHRIST OUR MODEL

When you ask Christ to be your friend, you ask the aid of one who has traveled many roads. Does your path lead over dark and difficult trails? He went that way.

Have intimate friends failed you and even pierced you by stark betrayals? He went that way. The difficult burdens that we know daily fell on His shoulder, too. Thus, He walks beside us, an understanding, sympathetic Friend!

### LIVE LIVES OF KINDNESS

Be generous and understanding. Let no one come to you without feeling better and happier when they leave. Be the living expression of God's kindness: with kindness on your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your greeting.

### LONGING FOR HAPPINESS

Everybody longs for happiness. It's part of us to hate blue Monday, final exams, and, spinach. Did you ever notice that people who say, "I want to be happy, that's the main thing...I come first, I'm going to live my own life...we live only once," generally wind up rather miserable after a whirl of happiness? They seek happiness and find sadness. Why? They believe that happiness enters a man's life by seeking comfort and convenience. On the other hand, did you ever notice that people who say, "I'm going to help others.....I'm going to make sacrifices......God comes first in my life,..." are really the happy people? They do not search for their own comfort and convenience. They automatically find happiness.

# CONSTANT PREPARATION FOR ETERNITY

As much as our loving God wants us to live our life on earth to the fullest, we must also remember the warning to be prepared for death.Rather than this being the "first day of the rest of our lives," as the saying goes, perhaps we should think about being prepared if this would be our last day! Would we be prepared? If we knew in advance when we were going to die, what special preparations would we make? Tell the family and friends that we love them? Pray more frequently? Make peace with enemies? Give money to charity? Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation? Attend Liturgy and receive Communion? When we go through this exercise, don't we realize that we should live

EACH DAY AS IF IT WERE OUR LAST?

#### POWER IN KINDNESS

I often wonder why people do not make more of the marvelous power there is in kindness. It is the greatest lever to move the hearts of people that the world has ever known...greater by far than anything that mere ingenuity can devise or suggest. Kindness is the kingpin of success in life. It is the prime factor in overcoming friction and making the human machinery run smoothly.

#### LIFE

Life is part one, two and three.

The past, the present, and the yet to be.

The past is written and laid away...we cannot recall it.

The present we are writing day by day.

Live it right; there may not be another day or night.

The third, the yet to be, we know not what...only God holds the key.