

**ST. MARY'S
BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SAT. 4:30 p.m. +Andrew & Mary Waback by Daughter, Nancy Zone
SUN. 10:30 a.m. Health & Blessings of Parishioners

MON. 10:30 am. No Liturgy

TUE. 10:30 a.m. +Brother, Christopher by Sister mMary Theresa

WED. 10:30 a.m. No Liturgy

THU. 10:30 a.m. No Liturgy

FRI. 10:30 a.m. No Liturgy

SUNDAY OF FATHERS OF THE SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS

July14, 2024

SAT. 4:30 pm. +Charles Turjanica by Michael & Pat Orenic

SUN. 10:30 a.m. Health & Blessings of Parishioners Page 156, 341

Angelic powers appeared at the tomb, and the guards became like dead men. Mary stood at the tomb seeking Your most pure body. You despoiled Hades without a challenge. You, the Giver of Life met the Virgin. O Lord, risen from the dead, Glory to You!

CHURCH DONATIONS June 30, 2024
Candles \$130.0 Monthly Dues \$62.00
Offertory \$ 1,747.00

PARDON OUR DUST!

We have started the work projects around the Church, which there are many. Just a few areas we are working on...PAVILION ..goal is to clean out and open this up for picnics and other events. BUS GARAGE ...Clean out. SOCIAL HALL/CHURCH...Carpets being cleaned. CEMETERY...Revitalization..Cemetery Committee needed for projects, contact Fr. John 330 799 8163 or Dave Ragan 614 370-0221. Much more to come as we approach our 125th Anniversary next July 4th. (Any donations for maintenance are greatly appreciated.)

Updates will be in our weekly bulletin on these and other projects for our Church. Thank you again to all volunteers who worked so hard the past few weeks. Fr. John.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

the Social Center catering staff needs volunteers for cooking and service for upcoming events. The Church is also starting to plan Pierogi and Fish Fry Sales. Please call Linda 330 792 1578 or Fr. John if you can lend a hand.

PSALMS 9:2 "I will be glad and exult in You; I will sing praise to Your name, O Most High"

CALLING ALL CANTORS

Our St, Mary's Parish is looking for additional cantors to help with liturgical services. Training is available on line through our Pittsburgh Cantor Institute. Contact Rectory office 330- 7998163

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

*will be held at St. Michael's in Campbell...Robinson rd... July 22-26
from 9:00 a.m -12:30 Register at www.stmichaelcampbell.org*

Life Is a Gift

Today before you say an unkind word - Think of someone who can't speak. Before you complain about the taste of your food - Think of someone who has nothing to eat. Before you complain about your husband or wife - Think of someone who's crying out to God for a companion. Today before you complain about life - Think of someone who went too early to heaven. Before whining about the distance you drive Think of someone who walks the same distance with their feet. And when you are tired and complain about your job - Think of the unemployed, the disabled, and those who wish they had your job. And when depressing thoughts seem to get you down - Put a smile on your face and think: you're alive and still around.

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.

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.

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!

NATURE TENDS TO HAPPINESS

There is an evident effort in nature to be happy. Everything blossoms to express beauty, as well as lead to fruitage. Even the inorganic fashions itself into crystals that absorb and flash back the sunlight. If one examines nature with the microscope, or considers the heavens at night, he finds three things: truth as transparent, beauty beyond that which can be spoken, and goodness everywhere. God speaks through all things, with an eternal desire to create happiness. The deep distress in the world comes in when we lose our anchorage of faith in our God.

LETTING GO

Maybe we can let go of our grudges: Let go of the idea that you are either not such a bad person and therefore not-so-much in need of confession, absolution, and God's mercy or such a bad person that you don't know where to startand you reasonGod can't possibly forgive me anyway. (Yes, sometimes a person will harbor both of these attitudes at once.) Maybe we can let go of anything that prevents us from accepting God's extraordinary mercy and inexplicable delight in us. Let's just "chill" and let go and let God.

PEACE

Do you want peace? Forgiveness offers it. Do you want happiness, a quiet mind, a certainty of purpose, and a sense of worth and beauty that transcends the world? Do you want a quietness that cannot be disturbed, a gentleness that can never be hurt, a deep abiding comfort, and a rest so perfect it can never be upset? All this forgiveness offers you.