

Saints Cyril and Methodius Byzantine Catholic Church

Fr. William O'Brien, Pastor

8th Sunday after Pentecost

August 7th, 2011

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SUNDAY		Divine Liturgy – 10:00 a.m.
		8th Sunday After Pentecost – Postfestive of Transfiguration Readings: 1 Cor. 1:10-18, Mt. 14:14-22
Weekdays & Saturday		Matins – 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy – 9:00 a.m.
MON	Aug 08	Emilian - Bishop/Confessor
TUE	Aug 09	Matthias - Apostle
WED	Aug 10	Lawrence - Archdeacon/Martyr
THU	Aug 11	Euplus - Martyr
FRI	Aug 12	Photius & Anicetus - Martyrs
SAT	Aug 13	Maximus the Confessor – Venerable Leave taking of Transfiguration
SUN	Aug 14	9 th Sunday After Pentecost Readings: 1 Cor. 3:9-17, Mt. 14:22-34
MON	Aug 15	FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Readings: Phil 2: 5-11 Lk 10: 38 – 42 & . 11: 27 - 28 DIVINE LITURGY AT THE SHRINE IN THE BACKYARD 7:00 p.m.

TITHES LAST SUNDAY

Adult Tithes \$664.00 Candles \$2.00 Donation \$20.00 **Total \$686.00**

COMING SOON TO A PARISH NEAR YOU:

Dormition of the Theotokos – August 15th – Obligation

- ❖ We are nearing completion of our parish directory. We could like to have everyone's updated contact information, so if you haven't already filled out a form, please do so and return it to the collection basket or hand deliver it to either Elaine Nale or Fr. Bill. Thank you.
- ❖ Keith Nale has, for as long as anyone can remember, been solely responsible for counting the weekly collection. According to the Pastoral Handbook for our eparchy, we should have at least two people doing this. Anyone interested in giving Keith a hand should see Keith or Fr. Bill. No background check or UA sample will be required.

FROM FATHER BILL

PILGRIMAGE IN OLYMPIA

The annual pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady will take place at Saint George Byzantine Catholic Church in Olympia. Father Bill will travel to Seattle on Wednesday and will return on Saturday evening. Flyers are available on the counter in the Gift Shop.

FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS

We will celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the feast on next Monday, August 15th, at the shrine to the Blessed Mother in the back yard of the church at 7:00 p.m. This is a holy day of obligation so please make the effort to attend. Also, it is our custom to bless flowers on this feast, so please bring flowers to be blessed.



If you are looking for a spiritual home and are attracted to the depth and richness of our unique Divine Liturgy, we would be overjoyed if you made Saints Cyril and Methodius Byzantine Catholic Church your spiritual home. Come and see what we have to offer! Saints Cyril and Methodius Byzantine Catholic Church is a parish of the Holy Mary of Protection Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Phoenix, Arizona which is in full communion with the Holy See of Rome



We off You this spiritual sacrifice...for every just spirit brought to perfection in faith:

THE HOLY MARTYRS ANICETAS AND PHOTIUS

Emperor Diocletian once visited the city of Nicomedia with the evil intention to completely exterminate the Christians. But when he began his merciless torture of Christians, St. Anicetas, one of the high ranking officials of the city, boldly confessed before the emperor his faith in Christ the Lord, God incarnate in the flesh for our salvation. Along with this, Anicetas also denounced the idols as deaf and dumb stones and the worship of which is unworthy of a rational man. The emperor ordered his tongue to be severed but Anicetas, by the power of God, continued to speak. They then released a lion against him but the lion cuddled around him. At that moment the temple of Hercules collapsed. Photius, a kinsman of Anicetas, seeing the miracles and endurance of Anicetas, kissed him, declared himself a Christian and cried out to the emperor: " O idolator, be ashamed, your gods are nothingness!" The emperor then ordered that Anicetas immediately be beheaded. However, the executioner, raising his hand against holy Photius, struck himself with the sword and died. After prolonged tortures, both Anicetas and Photius were cast into prison where they languished for three years. Then they were brought out, a fire was lighted in an enormous furnace and they cast them into the fire. Many other Christians, men, women and children, willingly followed them into the fire. From the fire was heard the prayer of the Christians who were praising God for the death of martyrdom. They all suffered about the year 305 A.D. "Saint Anicetas and Saint Photius are invoked in the prayers in the Sacrament of Anointing with Oil [Holy Unction] and in the Blessing of Water."



The Pope's August Prayer Intentions

General Intention – World Youth Day

That World Youth Day in Madrid may encourage young people throughout the world to have their lives rooted and built up in Christ.

Mission Intention – Western Christians

That Western Christians may be open to the action of the Holy Spirit and rediscover the freshness and enthusiasm of their faith.

Please continue to pray for Our Parish Intentions

For the sick, the suffering

BISHOPS, PRIESTS, DEACONS, RELIGIOUS

Bishop Andrew Pataki, Archpriest Michael Moran, Father Eugene Linowski, Mother Katherine Joseph, SMMC, Father Mel Rybarczyk

PARISHIONERS

Marie Kazda, Liz Farrell, Bob Van Hyle, Dolores Duddy, Niki Lugris, Elaine Nale, Jack Bauer

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Coen Kaylor, Katie Djokich, Shelley Towler, Karen Nale, Katerina Nale, Matt Miller, Debbie Vakoc, Karen McCann, Vicki Rapkoch, Mary Elizabeth Roberts, Pierra Roberts LeGorrec, Dorothy Hromyak, Barbara Byrne, Sandra Davis, Patricia Howland

For our government and all in the service of our country

PARISHIONERS

Matthew O'Boyle (USAR), PFC Peter McCann (USA), Mary Katherine (Katie) Weller (USAF), LCPL Donald Weller (USMC)

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

CPT Scott Nale (USA), Allen Latimer (USN), Patrick Stader (USAR), 1LT Ian Norton (USA), Brendan Duddy (DoD)

For those who have died

FATHER EDMUND MICHAEL IDRANYI, a retired priest of the Eparchy of Phoenix, founding Pastor of Saint Anne Byzantine Catholic Church in San Luis Obispo, California.

CHARLES HENNESSEY, owner of Hennessey – Smith Funeral Homes in Spokane. Chuck and his people helped so many, including Father Bill and many of our parish family, in their time of bereavement .

Church/Hall Cleaning—Sign Up For July



Please sign up to clean the church for the month of June.
Sign-up sheet is in the hall. Thank you!

For this holy church and for all who enter it...

O God, Who are without beginning, unchangeable, unfathomable, unspeakable, incomprehensible, invisible, almighty, God of our fathers and Creator of all things visible and invisible, Who brought forth all things from nothingness by Your word and created heaven with your mind and established the earth upon its foundation, look down graciously from Your dwelling place and pour forth Your abundant graces and blessings upon our parish which You have raised for the honor and glory of Your all holy name and in memory of Saints Cyril & Methodius, equal to the apostles and patrons of our parish. Since there is no other God besides you either in heaven above or on earth below, let Your ears always be opened to the prayers of the faithful, the parish family of SS Cyril & Methodius Byzantine Catholic Church. May the Unbloody Sacrifice which is offered in our holy church by Your priest for the sins and transgressions of the people and for the growth of our parish, be pleasing to You. May the prayers of all of our parish family who entreat and call upon you in our need for the growth of our parish be heard. For You are the giver and the Herald of the way of our salvation, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

— From the Euchologion, A Byzantine Ritual Hamtramck, Michigan 1986

The Fathers Know Best

Is Christ Divided?

“The emphatic force of the word 'schism,' I mean the name itself, was a sufficient accusation. For it was not that they had become many parts, each entire within itself, but rather the One Body...had perished...'That each one of you says,' for the corruption did not pervade a part, but the whole of the Church...By a kind of divine art he does away with their swelling pride on this point, not with the efficacy of baptism, but with the folly of those who were puffed up at having been baptizers: first, by showing that the Gift is not theirs, and secondly by thanking God for it. For Baptism truly is a great thing, but its greatness is not the work of the person baptizing, but of Him who is invoked in the Baptism ...Great indeed is Baptism, and without baptism it is impossible to obtain the kingdom...But prove to me that Pater and Paul were eloquent. You cannot: for they were 'unlearned and ignorant men!'”

- St. John Chrysostom. *Homily III on 1 Corinthians I*

“**Concerning Baptism.** And concerning baptism, baptize this way: Having first said all these things, baptize into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, in living water. But if you have no living water, baptize into other water; and if you cannot do so in cold water, do so in warm. But if you have neither, pour out water three times upon the head into the name of Father and Son and Holy Spirit. But before the baptism let the baptizer fast, and the baptized, and whoever else can; but you shall order the baptized to fast one or two days before.

Prayer after Communion. But after you are filled, give thanks this way:

We thank Thee, holy Father, for Thy holy name which You didst cause to tabernacle in our hearts, and for the knowledge and faith and immortality, which You modest known to us through Jesus Thy Servant; to Thee be the glory for ever. Thou, Master almighty, didst create all things for Thy name's sake; You gavest food and drink to men for enjoyment, that they might give thanks to Thee; but to us You didst freely give spiritual food and drink and life eternal through Thy Servant. Before all things we thank Thee that You are mighty; to Thee be the glory for ever. Remember, Lord, Thy Church, to deliver it from all evil and to make it perfect in Thy love, and gather it from the four winds, sanctified for Thy kingdom which Thou have prepared for it; for Thine is the power and the glory for ever. Let grace come, and let this world pass away. Hosanna to the God (Son) of David! If any one is holy, let him come; if any one is not so, let him repent. Maranatha. Amen.”

Christian Assembly on the Lord's Day. But every Lord's day gather yourselves together, and break bread, and give thanksgiving after having confessed your transgressions, that your sacrifice may be pure. But let no one who is at odds with his fellow come together with you, until they be reconciled, that your sacrifice may not be profaned. For this is that which was spoken by the Lord: "In every place and time offer to me a pure sacrifice; for I am a great King, says the Lord, and my name is wonderful among the nations." - The Didache (c. 100 A.D.)

THE DUTIES OF THE CHRISTIAN FLOCK.

“Give ye heed to the bishop, that God also may give heed to you. My soul be for theirs that are submissive to the bishop, to the presbyters, and to the deacons, and may my portion be along with them in God! Labour together with one another; strive in company together; run together; suffer together; sleep together; and awake together, as the stewards, and associates, and servants of God. Please ye Him under whom ye fight, and from whom ye receive your wages. Let none of you be found a deserter. Let your baptism endure as your arms; your faith as your helmet; your love as your spear; your patience as a complete panoply. Let your works be the charge assigned to you, that ye may receive a worthy recompense. Be long-suffering, therefore, with one another, in meekness, as God is towards you. May I have joy of you for ever!”

- St. Ignatius of Antioch. *Letter to St. Polycarp*