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## SEASONAL CHRISTIAN GREETING

GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!      GLORY FOREVER!  
SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU!      SLAVA NA VIKI!!

**SUN., SEPT 16**

**THE SUNDAY AFTER THE UNIVERSAL  
ELEVATION OF THE CROSS — *Catechetical Sunday***

**9:00 A.M.**

## God's Blessings Upon Our Catechists and Students

Mon., Sept 17

8:00 A.M.

+Deceased Members of GCU Lodge 10

Fri., Sept 21

### *Final Day Of The Exaltation Feast*

8:00 A.M.

+Mary +Joseph Tomko      requested by: Macrina & Stephen Galloway  
+Capt. Joseph A. Tomko

Sat., Sept 22

*{Anticipated Sunday Divine Liturgy at 5 pm at St. Mary's, Ambridge}*

**SUN., SEPT 23**

## THE SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**9:00 A.M.**

+Michael Trombulak  
(13th anniversary of passing 9/12)

requested by: Wife: Ann Trombulak

+Chuck Sirko  
(40th day of passing)

requested by: Ed & Isabel Maruhnich



*Vocation Icon Participants This Week: Sept 16-22*  
Tim & Danielle Liller & Family

# Happy Birthday Greetings This Week

September 16 – Daniel Mingrino; September 17 – Bob Sirko.

## Wedding Anniversaries This Week

September 16 – Jacki & Ken Kessler; September 18 – Anna & Michael Trivelli.

## Please Pray For The Sick and Homebound

**HOME** – Margaret Barilla, Eileen Batcha, Natalie Jugan-Diaz, Rebecca Dickun, Marianne Dove, Marian Dufala, Helen Feher, Albert Harvan, Jean Herdt, Rebecca Hutcheon, Kevin Joray, Neil Jugan, Margaret Klacik, Marion Malackanich, Robert & Sue Malackanich, Robert Marko, Keith Marko, Josephine Maruhnich, Mary Pegula, Zona Polis, Mary Salamon, Helen Sirko, Linda Todd, Mary Ann Voynik.

Elmcroft (498 Lisbon Road, Darlington, PA 16115) – Michael Dzvonar.

**Franciscan Manor** (71 Darlington Rd., Beaver Falls, PA 15010) – Anna Trombulak.

**Hunter's Care Home** (1916 Main St, Aliquippa, PA 15001) – Mary Poiarkoff.

**Masonic Village at Sewickley** (1000 Masonic Drive, Sewickley, PA 15143) – Anne Nichols.

**West Hills Health & Rehab Center (951 Brodhead Road, Coraopolis, PA 15108) – Helen Zilka.**

**Beaver Elder Care & Rehabilitation Center (616 Golf Course, Aliquippa, PA 15001) – Alice Haber.**

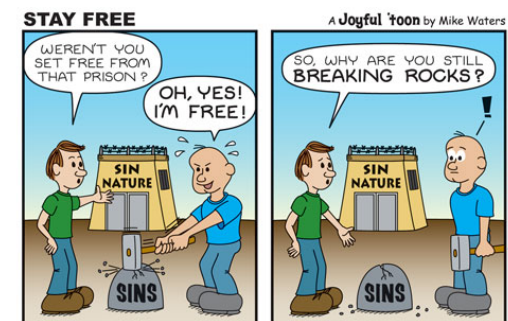
**Villa St. Joseph (1030 State Street, Baden, PA 15005) – Wilma Dobo.**

**Epistle Readers This Week-** September 16 – John Foister; Weekday – Prudy Peya

September 22 – Joanne Futato

## Parish Offerings for September 9, 2012

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| Offertory .....      | \$701.00        |
| Loose Currency ..... | \$30.00         |
| Candles .....        | \$61.00         |
| Holydays .....       | \$157.00        |
| Children .....       | <u>\$14.00</u>  |
|                      | TOTAL: \$963.00 |



You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. — GALATIANS 5:13 NIV



THIS WEEK'S SANCTUARY LAMP  
September 16-21, 2012  
*burns before the real presence of our Lord*

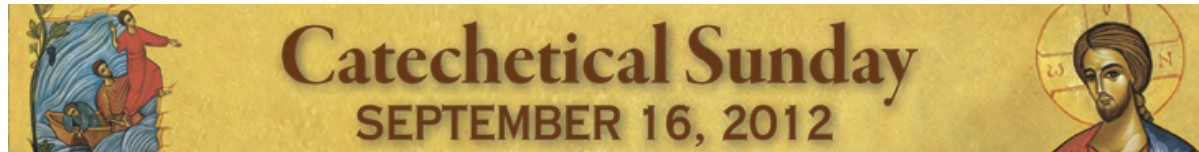
**In Loving Memory Of**  
**Michael Trombulak, husband**  
*(13th anniversary of passing)*

offered by: Wife: Ann & Children

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Upcoming Events: SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER

September 28<sup>th</sup> ..... Haluski Sale.  
October 1<sup>st</sup> ..... Feast of the Protection; Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.  
October 3<sup>rd</sup> ..... New Pastor, Fr. David Bosnich, begins appointment.



Today, **Sunday, September 16th**, is Catechetical Sunday in the United States. This day, we will commission our catechists at the Divine Liturgy. Classes will be held on Sunday's from 10:30 a.m. until 11:30 a.m. Parents are reminded to bring your child/children faithfully to class. It is so important to learn about the Byzantine Catholic faith and tradition as well as to develop in spirituality and knowledge. Also, if your child's friend is visiting our church, he or she may attend class as well. Jesus rules over all. We must respond by giving evidence that He rules over us, and the way we treat others. When our lives reflect our belief, we show others we are aware of the wisdom of the ages-yesterday, today, and tomorrow as we prepare for all eternity. Catechetical Sunday reaffirms our commitment to the awesome tasks of students and teachers in parochial situations to bring Christ to life in each parish, in each parishioner. Let's make this catechetical year a success.



### 2012-2013 Catechetical Staff

**JoAnn Hersh** – Coordinator & pre-school, kindergarten, 1 grade

**Danielle Liller** – 2-6 grades

**Deacon Michael George** – 8-12 grades

**Amanda Mraovich** – 8-12 grades & substitute catechist

**Lisa Miller** – substitute catechist

**Patricia Niehenke** – substitute catechist

**Louisa Hersh** – helper

### Gratitude Extended

A special Thanks to **ALL** who prepared, helped, cooked, and cleaned-up this past week during our monthly pirohi sales. May God bless all of you.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### *‘Goodbye’ Dinner For Father Kevin*

On **Sunday, September 30th at 5:00 p.m.**, a “goodbye” dinner for Fr. Kevin will be held in the Center. It is a free dinner for parishioners only. You will have your choice of either roast beef or fish. The sign-up sheets are in the Center.

### **Haluski Sale Set For September 28th**

On **Friday, September 28th**, our St. George Ladies’ Guild is sponsoring a Haluski Sale. Haluski will be sold in quart containers at a cost of \$8.00. The Haluski will be made with potato dumplings, not noodles. A pre-order sign-up sheet is available in the Center.

### Guild Raffle Tickets Available Next Sunday

Our Ladies Guild is sponsoring the fall raffle drawing. Tickets are \$3.00 each with the total of \$2,100 going to the winner. The winning number will be the same as the 7:00 p.m. PA lottery drawing on Saturday, November 24, 2012. Tickets will be available next Sunday.

### **Roast Beef Dinner at St. Mary’s next Sunday**

St. Mary’s Church, Ambridge, with their local GCU Lodge, will sponsor a roast beef dinner next **Sunday, September 23rd** from 12:00 noon through 5:00 p.m. in the church hall. \$9.00 per dinner; children under 12 - \$4.00. Takeouts available.

### **NIGHT AT THE RACES NEXT MONTH**


Our St. George Men’s Club will sponsor the popular “Night at the Races” on **Saturday, October 20th** at our Center with doors opening at 6 p.m. and racing beginning at 7 p.m. The cost for admission is \$10.00 and includes dinner. You may buy horses in the Center.

### **Auction At Night At The Races**

A Chinese auction will take place at the Night At the Races on October 20th with proceeds going towards our CCD students. Items and/or donations are needed for baskets and can be given to Betsy Mraovich. Also, donations are being accepted for the basket of cheer that will be raffled.

### **St. Titus Homemade Spaghetti /Gnocchi Dinner**

St. Titus Parish will have a homemade spaghetti/gnocchi dinner this **Wednesday, September 19th**. Dinners are served from Noon – 6:30 p.m. \$7.00 per dinner and \$4.50 for children under 12. Takeouts call 724-378-2734.



What else did Jesus say?

Use the code to find out!

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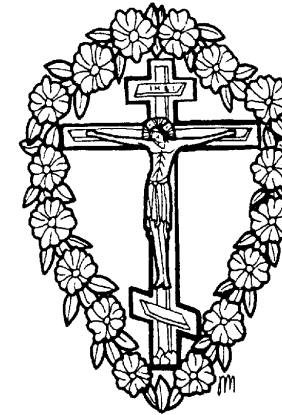
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## The Sunday After

### The Universal Elevation Of The Cross

The importance of the Cross is emphasized by the way the Byzantine Church celebrates the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross In the Liturgical calendar, both the Sunday before and the Sunday after the Holy day (September 14th) are specially dedicated to lessons of the Cross.



One absolute requisite to being a Christian is that one must carry a cross. There are no exceptions. The Gospel read at the Liturgy quotes Jesus saying: If anyone wishes to come after me let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me. " There is no other way. We cannot think of Christ without also thinking of the cross. Likewise, we cannot think of a Christian. Many people look upon the crosses that enter our life as some sort of punishment from God, whereas, in reality, they are blessings from God because these daily crosses are the means of saving our soul. Without the cross, there is no salvation.

The Gospel for today asks the question: "What does it profit a man if he gain the whole world, but suffer the loss of his own soul? Or what will a. man give in exchange for his soul? So many people avoid the cross like a plague, They run away from the cross because they do not understand what a great reward comes from carrying the cross..... a reward far greater than any wealth the world knows. It is really funny that, these same people who avoid the cross are willing to make any sacrifice if they can see some material gain in it. A pool man will do without a meal so he can purchase a lottery ticket. He is driven by the dream that he can become an instant millionaire. There arc those who will work to jobs a great personal sacrifice so that they can buy a new home or a new car. There are so many who will fast rigorously so that they can lose a little weight and become slim. All of these people make great sacrifices, but for the wrong purposes. Ask these same people to give until it hurts, or to come to the church and help out on a particular project after they have worked a full day in the shop, or to fast and abstain during lent, and they will tell you it is difficult...they don't have any "spare money" to give to the church; they are too tired to come to work at church on Saturday after they have worked the whole week in the shop; they can't fast because fasting gives them a headache. Nonsense. If they can do all these things for the silly reasons we have enumerated in our last paragraph, why can't they do the same thing purely out of love for God? How foolish! Who do we think we are fooling? We are not fooling our neighbor and we are not even fooling ourselves; and we certainly are not fooling God! The Gospel for today ends with a very strong statement: "Amen, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death till they have seen the Kingdom of God coming in power." It is not too late! We still can change our way of life. We can look upon our daily crosses not as curses but as blessings from God who loved us so much that He gave his only begotten Son, to be nailed to the cross for our salvation.