

ST. PIUS X BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Schedule of Services: October 25– Nov 1, 2026

- **Sunday, October 25** 22nd *Sunday after Pentecost*
+ In memory of +John Zerilla by Joann Zerilla & Family
10:00 AM Rosary
10:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*
- **Tuesday, October 27**
11:00 AM Confessions
Noon: 6th Hour Prayer Service
- **Wednesday, October 28**
11:00 AM Confessions
Noon: *Divine Liturgy*
- **Sunday, Nov 1** 23rd *Sunday after Pentecost & Blessed Theodore Romzha, Martyr*
10:00 AM Rosary
10:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*
In honor of November Parishioner Anniversaries & Birthdays

Today: Mark with the ribbons in your Liturgy Book: Tone 5, page 143 - 148.

Welcome to All Visitors! If you are looking for a spiritual home, please know you are always welcome to be a part of our Parish family. If just passing through, we hope to see you again!

*****News & Events*****

Friday, October 30, 2026, *Hoagie Orders Due.* The American Legion Post 935 Hoagie sale benefits Veterans in the Pittsburgh area. Hoagies are \$10 each and will be delivered to St. Pius on Sunday, Nov 8th. See Beth Gulyasy if interested.

Sunday, November 1, 2026, "*Meet Our Seminarians*", 2 PM, Moleben, followed by a Social & Refreshments at St. John Chrysostom Church, Greenfield, 506 Saline Street, Pgh., PA 15207 on behalf of Society of SS. Cyril & Methodius Vocations Ministry. RSVP to Diane Pochron: (pochrond@pitt.edu), 412-303-6534 or Dorothy Mayernik: (dk-may@verizon.net), 412-310-0521.

Sunday, Nov 11, 2026: Reservations/Checks due for *St. Nicholas Annual Banquet* held on December 6, St. John Cathedral Center, 210 Greentree Road, Munhall, PA. 3:30PM: Moleben. Social Hour: 4PM. Dinner: 5PM. Adults: \$45. Children 12 & under: \$20. Extra Donation for Seminarian Sponsorship: \$45. Make checks payable to St. Pius X BCC. (All checks will be consolidated into one.) Sign-up Sheet in vestibule of church.

Saturday, November 14, 2026. 12PM-4PM, *St. Pius X's SUPER Bingo!* Bring your friends & family for 24 games/jackpot/basket raffle/refreshments. \$40 per person. Limit 200 people. Cash only at the door. Doors open at 10AM. All proceeds benefit St. Pius X renovations and repairs.

WEEKLY OFFERING For Oct. 18, twenty-one (21) attended & contributed \$716. Envelopes are in the church vestibule for donations towards our debt reduction to the Archeparchy. Unless you want to be anonymous, put your name on the envelope so your church account can be credited.

READERS WANTED Interested in joining the rotation to read or chant the Apostolic readings at the Divine Liturgy? Contact Cantor Gerry O'Connor or Father Michael.

FOOD BANK. For October, our parish is participating in the GCU Food Bank Drive for *St. Paul's Monastery Food Bank*. Please see details in the "Opportunities" section of the bulletin.

OUR FREE LIBRARY Please feel free to keep or borrow anything from the bookcase in the vestibule of the church. Add any relevant material you would like to share.

TO ADD ANNOUNCEMENTS TO BULLETIN Please email stpiusxchurch@verizon.net with the subject "Bulletin" or call the office (412) 881-8344 to leave your request and callback number. You can also contact Gerry O'Connor or Andrea Panchura for information.

Prayer for St. Pius X Church. Please pray to our five saintly Bishops for the spiritual prosperity of St. Pius X and all the Byzantine Churches around the world, and ask to intercede for your specific intentions by praying:

O Almighty God, our Lord, we bless You, we praise You, we thank You for all the graces which You, in Your infinite mercy have bestowed upon us. We are especially grateful for giving us five saintly & heroic bishops: Theodore G. Romzha, Paul P. Gojdich, OSBM, Basil Hopko, Alexander Chira, and Peter Oros, who, by their courage, charity and intrepid faith, inspired our Ruthenian people in the darkest moments of their history. By their great sufferings humiliating imprisonment, and violent death they gave living witness to their Catholic faith and glorified Your exalted name. Therefore, O Gracious Lord, glorify them in return by Your divine power and inscribe their names in the book of Your Saints. For You are holy, our God, and we render glory to You Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen

Keep Praying for Norma & Bob Langol, Tom Kinney, Tom Kenny's daughter Cathleen, Angie Warhola, Beth Gulyasy, Dolores Cox, Mark Zerilla, Blake Chisholm, Bernie and Joe Rusinko, Ann Danchenka, Bonnie Ewanick, John White, Marion Nagy, Pat Geary, Skip Martin, Elaine Ference and Pope Leo.

Please be especially mindful of Justin Hanula and family with the passing of his mother, Laura. Also, of Gerry O'Connor and family with the passing of her brother Micheal J. Pozonsky. May God grant them His Peace.

Requesting a Home Visit by Father Michael. Parishioners requesting an Anointing of the Sick, Communion and/or Confession are to call the Holy Spirit Rectory: (412) 687-1220. Requests are to be made directly by the Parishioner unless they are unable to do so themselves.

Intentions for Divine Liturgies. Please consider dedicating a liturgy intention of thanksgiving in honor of a special occasion, milestone, or in memory of a loved one. The customary stipend is \$25.

EPISTLE: Galatians 6:11-18. *Final Appeal.* See with what large letters I am writing to you in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good appearance in the flesh who are trying to compel you to have yourselves circumcised, only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Not even those having themselves circumcised observe the law themselves; they only want you to be circumcised so that they may boast of your flesh. But may I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither does circumcision mean anything, nor does uncircumcision, but only a new creation. Peace and mercy be to all who follow this rule and to the Israel of God. From now on, let no one make troubles for me; for I bear the marks of Jesus on my body. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

GOSPEL: Luke 16:19-31. *The Parable of the Rich Man & Lazarus.* “There was a rich man* who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.’ Abraham replied, ‘My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.’ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.’ But Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.’ He said, ‘Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ Then Abraham said, ‘If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.’”

*****Our Praying Community*****

*“Never belittle the significance of your thoughts. For not one escapes God’s notice.”
St. Mark the Ascetic*

Personals. Please pray for those listed in our *Parish Prayer Request Book* on the lectern in the church vestibule. If you have a more immediate request, please call the rectory (412) 687-1220 and leave a message.

Theotokos, Searcher for the Lost Icon & Prayer Request Book. (*Faith, Hope, Love* blue-cover book) is in the vestibule of the church. Please write-in your additional requests & continue to light candles at Our Lady of Perpetual Help shrine. Participating from home? Take or request an *Akathist Prayer Book* and pray it as we are doing so in front of the Eucharist. **Next Akathist Service: Tues., November 10 at Noon.**

Prayer for the Sick. O Holy Father, Heavenly Physician of our souls and bodies who sent Your Only-Begotten Son our Lord Jesus Christ to heal all of our ailments and deliver us from death: visit and heal your servant (name) granting them release from pain and restoring them to full health and vigor, that they may give thanks to You and bless Your Holy Name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.

Prayer for a Person Near Death. Almighty and Everlasting God, preserver of souls, who dost correct those whom Thou dost love, and for their amendment dost tenderly chastise those whom Thou dost receive, we call upon Thee, O Lord, to bestow Thy healing, that the soul of Thy servant, at the hour of its departure from the body, may by the hands of Thy holy Angels be presented without spot unto Thee. Amen.

Under the Mantle of the Mother of God and in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel Shrine, please consider these intentions: Prayers of Remembrance. In fond memory of our prior pastors, Msgr. Smiciklas & Msgr. Duker and our deceased parishioners, please offer prayers & thanksgiving for them and for their service to us and to the Lord.

*****Celebrating Us in October*****

Birthdays: Rosalie Dirda 10/5, Gertrude Bozak 10/10, John Lango 10/12, Ethan Rhoads 10/14, Sam Siciliano 10/18

*****It Takes A Village THANK YINZ*****

BINGO Team Meetings (new dates). The meeting for Sunday, Oct 25 is cancelled. New dates are Tuesday, Oct 27th, 5-7PM, and also, after Liturgy, on Sunday, Nov 1st in the Auditorium to assemble baskets, review Super bingo refreshments menu & assign bingo day “jobs”. Thanks for participating!

Needed for Super Bingo Raffle Baskets...

- A) If you received a gift that won’t be used or find something on clearance, please consider donating them for this year’s bingo raffle baskets. These donated items will be set aside *FOR BINGO*.
- B) Cash Donations expressly for Super Bingo baskets are always welcome & used to buy items needed to complete the baskets. Envelopes are in the vestibule. Please mark *FOR BINGO* & placed in the collection basket.

*****Volunteer & Giving Opportunities*****

GCU Holiday Food Bank Donation Drive: All monetary donations, along with the GCU’s matching funds up to \$500, will be offered for the benefit of *St. Paul’s Food Pantry*. Please use the specially labeled envelopes provided on the table in the narthex. Drop them in the collection basket by Sun., Oct. 25. Cash or check made payable to St. Pius X Byzantine Catholic Church will be consolidated into one donation. This is the season to be generous!

Advent Pierogi Sale. We will be selling frozen pierogi this Advent season every Friday beginning on **November 20 and ending on December 18** from 12PM-4PM. **Volunteers to pinch pierogis** is on Tuesdays at 9:30am in the Auditorium kitchen. Please see Tom Kalka for other ways to help.

*“The test of the sincerity of one’s prayer is the willingness to labor on its behalf”
St. John Chrysostom*