

Weekly Scripture

1 cor 3:9-17

For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw-- each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If any one destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

Mt 14:22-34

Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.



ST. NICHOLAS

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

July 26–August 2, 2026

Weekend Services:

Saturdays:

Vespers **5 p.m. (W)**

Sundays:

Liturgy **8 a.m. (M)**

Matins, **9. a.m.** Liturgy, **10:30 a.m. (W)**

Confession:

Saturdays after Vespers

Sundays 9:30 a.m.

or by appointment

Sacraments:

Contact Parish office

Parish Phone Hours:

Mon.-Thurs: 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Fri: 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

**for pastoral emergencies,
call Fr. Andrew's cell**

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Holy Services

July 26: Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Liturgy (M) 8 a.m.

+Fr. Steve Koplinka by Paul & Rena Fulka

Festal Matins (W) 9 a.m.

Divine Liturgy (W) 10:30 a.m.

July 27: Panteleimon-Great-Martyr

Divine Liturgy (M) 6:30 p.m.

For Byzantine Catholics in Northwest Indiana

August 1:

Vespers & Confessions (W) 5 p.m.

August 2:

Divine Liturgy (M) 8 a.m.

Festal Matins (W) 9 a.m.

Divine Liturgy (W) 10:30 a.m.

M=St. Nicholas, Munster W=St. Mary, Whiting

August 2: Bake Sale

A bake sale is scheduled to take place following Liturgy on August 2. Be sure to indulge in our delectable treats!

We are cleaning up our birthday list! To make sure you are included in our bulletin birthday list, please fill out the form at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/stnickbirthdays>. You can also fill out the form in the narthex and put it in the box! Thank you for helping us keep our lists up to date!

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Glory to Jesus Christ!

Glory to Him Forever!

Dormition Fast

August 1-14 is the Spasovka or Formation Fast. We prepare for the feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God with fasting and up our game with prayer and good works. A couple ways to do this will be celebrating the Paraklesis of the Mother of God, a service of supplication and healing. I will also be hearing confession or just listening before those services.

Thank you!
Hospice Care

The Care Team Hospice Care is looking for volunteers to help with office assistance, their bereavement program, patient companionship, & more. These volunteer opportunities are flexible, there is no-cost training, and volunteers may serve within their own communities. *“Hospice volunteers provide comfort, companionship, and support to patients & families... Sometimes this looks like simply sitting with a patient, offering conversation, reading, praying, writing cards, and supporting caregivers... These small acts of kindness make a lasting impact.”* - The Care Team
Please contact Ailisha Scartozzi for more info: 219-661-3100
ailisha.scartozzi@tct-cares.com

Pilgrimage Host Families
For the upcoming Pilgrimage coming to Whiting, we need rooming options for our guests! If anyone would be willing to open their homes and some air mattresses and become Host Families for the Pilgrimage. Please let anyone in the Pilgrimage committee know!

Parish Committee/Council News

August 1: Parish Council Meeting at 12 p.m.

Should you have any announcements or events that you wish to include in the bulletin, please do not hesitate to reach out to us via email.

parish@stnicholasmunster.com or frasummerson@parma.org

Upcoming events:

July 26: Catholic Day at Pierogi Fest
Sunday, July 26th, at 10:30 a.m. we will. have Catholic Day at Pierogi Fest with our guest preacher Fr. Patrick Baikauskas, O.P. during liturgy in Whiting. He serves as chaplain and director of campus ministry at the University of Chicago’s Calvert House. Free parking for Pierogi Fest for everyone who comes to church!

August 1: Adult Bible Study
St. Mary’s is hosting an adult bible study every other Saturday at 4 p.m. before Vespers. We invite you to join in discipleship and community as Byzantines.

Aug. 9-14: Family, Liturgy & Life Camp
This faith-filled family event in Cedar Lake will host families from across the eparchy and draw from the source of life: the liturgy. All of the services for the family camp are public, so please think about joining us. There will be a special liturgy with the campers celebrated by Bishop Robert at St. Michael’s. more details forthcoming.

Oct 3-4: Eparchial Midwest Pilgrimage
We had another great meeting to bring the Eparchy its heartland for the Midwest pilgrimage. Anyone is welcome to join this committee!

October 19-22: Eparchial Assembly
Bishop Robert has announced an Eparchial Assembly, bringing together the faithful of our eparchy this October. The Pre-Assembly is to take place from Oct. 17-19, and is open to all. The Assembly itself is by invitation only, and will take place Oct. 19-22.

If you would like to join the pre-assembly, please scan QR code to purchase tickets.



Prayer Requests

PARISH FAMILY

Please pray for:

Tom Guiden, Andrew Kucek, Pauline Kucek, Dennis Kucer, Tim Maksymczak, Michael Metrick, Helen Michel, Monica Obuch, Marge Osborne, Tracy Pender, Mary Skratsky, Maureen Solan, Irene Walsko, Diane Walsko, Eugene Walsko, Anne Weber, Annemarie Zima

“May our Lord, Physician of souls and bodies, extend his healing hand to ease their every pain and suffering. May he grant them healing, strength, and spiritual comfort.”

Send prayer requests to the office.

Tithes & Offerings

July 19, 2026 - \$4,979
7/5/26 Sunday Attendance: 52

Practice sacrificial stewardship. We need to live from the collection basket. Please consider adjusting your tithe to 10% of your weekly take-home pay. Your offering also helps the many charities that appeal to us for help.

Happy Birthday!

*Add your birthday by scanning this QR code!



From Fr. Andrew:

We extend our congratulations to Anabella and Anthony Procanin, who were united in the the Mystery of Crowning, July 18. Anabella is the daughter of Brian and Julie Olenik and the granddaughter of Mike and Cookie Metrick. We had a beautiful liturgy yesterday at Church and the rain that Elias brings came a couple days early!

Thursday, August 13, at St. Michael Merrillville at 10:30 a.m., Bishop Robert will be celebrating a Divine Liturgy with the participants of our Family, Liturgy, and Life Camp. We had a record breaking year of sign ups. Come celebrate liturgy with the Eparchy, our Bishop, and the people who care most about true worship in our 12-state region.

Enrich Your Spiritual Life

Reading

Make sure to visit our eparchial website Parma.org for great readings and other resources to enrich your reading of our faith.

Give a Listen!

Did you know that God With Us, the publisher of many books on Eastern spirituality, also has podcasts you can listen to? Get your fill of positive, Christ-centered discussion! Some podcasts update daily, while others do so weekly!

Online Catechism for Adults

All adults are highly encouraged to continue growing in their spiritual life. To this end, *God With Us Online* is hosting a series of free webinars on various facets of our faith! You can find out more and register on their website.