

Weekly Scripture

1 Cor 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brethren, in what terms I preached to you the gospel, which you received, in which you stand, by which you are saved, if you hold it fast--unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God which is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Mt 19:16-26

And behold, one came up to him, saying, "Teacher, what good deed must I do, to have eternal life?" And he said to him, "Why do you ask me about what is good? One there is who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments." He said to him, "Which?" And Jesus said, "You shall not kill, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother, and, You shall love your neighbor as yourself." The young man said to him, "All these I have observed; what do I still lack?" Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." When the young man heard this he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions. And Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly, I say to you, it will be hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." When the disciples heard this they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."



ST. NICHOLAS

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 16 – August 23, 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

Aug. 16: 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Liturgy (M) 8 a.m.

+ Fr. Steven Koplinka by St. Nicholas Parish Family

Festal Matins (W) 9 a.m.

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

Aug. 22:

Vespers & Confessions (W) 5 p.m.

Aug. 23: 13th Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Liturgy (M) 8 a.m.

+John Beno by the Beno Family

Festal Matins (W) 9 a.m.

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

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

Reminders:

Annual Parish Picnic & Ice Cream Social

This year's picnic will be on Saturday, August 22nd and will be accompanied by an ice cream social! Please sign up for donation of side dishes. Thank you!

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Glory to Him Forever!

Volunteer Opportunities:

Hospice Care

The Care Team Hospice Care is seeking volunteers for their office, bereavement program, and patient companionship. These 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

Contact Ailisha Scartozzi for info:
219-661-3100
ailisha.scartozzi@tct-cares.com

Pilgrimage Host Families

For the upcoming Midwest Pilgrimage, we are seeking host families to welcome pilgrims from across the eparchy. If your family is open to this experience, contact Pani Laura at 216-470-3287.

Upcoming events:

August 22: Annual Parish Picnic & Ice Cream Social

Join us to enjoy hot dogs, beverages & ice cream, and bring your pets! Any donation of side dishes are greatly appreciated. Please look out for the sign up sheet.

Aug. 29: Adult Bible Study

St. Mary’s is hosting an adult Bible study every other Saturday at 4 p.m. before Vespers. All are welcome.

Sept 26: 4th Annual Pilgrimage in Honor of St. Thérèse of Lisieux

Holy Annunciation Monastery in Sugarloaf, PA is holding an all day pilgrimage with Divine Liturgy at 12 p.m. All are welcomed to join!

Oct. 3-4: Eparchial Midwest Pilgrimage

We had another great meeting for the Midwest pilgrimage. All are welcome to join the committee. Nex meeting: Aug. 6, 6:30 p.m.

Oct. 19-22: Eparchial Assembly

Bishop Robert has announced an Eparchial Assembly, bringing together the faithful of our eparchy this October. The Pre-Assembly is Oct. 17-19. All are welcome. The Assembly itself is by invitation, and will be Oct. 19-22.

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



Parish Council News

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

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.

From Fr. Andrew:

The Dormition Fast is upon us and is a time to prepare for Mary’s falling asleep and assumption into heaven. We call this in the Byzantine tradition a “summer pascha.” In the spirit of the fast, we should be decreasing distractions and increasing prayer. There are opportunities to pray every evening of the week and we will be discussing Bishop Robert’s document: “Eucharistic Communion and the Parochial Community.”

Thursday, August 13, at St. Michael Merrillville at 10:30 a.m., Bishop Robert will celebrate 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 our camp families.

Tithes & Offerings

August 2, 2026 - \$ 1,458

7/5/26 Sunday Attendance: 58

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!



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 weekly and daily podcasts? Get your fill of positive, Christ-centered discussion!

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.