

Weekly Scripture

1 Cor 16:13-24

Be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Steph'anas were the first converts in Acha'ia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Steph'anas and Fortuna'tus and Acha'icus, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aq'uila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If any one has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Mt 21:33-42

"Hear another parable. There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard, and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes'?"



ST. NICHOLAS

BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 16 – August 30, 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. 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.

Aug. 29: Beheading of John the Baptist

Divine Liturgy (W) 8:30 a.m.

Vespers & Confessions (W) 5 p.m.

Aug. 30: 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Liturgy (M) 8 a.m.

+Mary Skratsky (40th Day) by St. Nicholas Parish Family

Festal Matins (W) 9 a.m.

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

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

**We extend our prayers to all those currently
without power and affected by storm
damage.**

*Add your birthday by
scanning this QR code!



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.

Pilgrimage Children's activities supervision

We will have a variety of fun activities for children during the upcoming pilgrimage. We are seeking volunteers to assist with these engaging events!

Upcoming events:

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. 4-7: 92nd Annual Pilgrimage in Honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Mount St. Macrina, Uniontown, PA

This year, the Sisters of St. Basil the Great celebrate the 92nd Annual Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. Since 1934, her Shrine at Mount St. Macrina has been a favored destination for the thousands of pilgrims who come to venerate her icon. Praying before this sacred image, they place all their needs, their hopes, their sorrows, and their joys into her hands.

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!

Aug 28: Ray Palasz

*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.