



Icon of the Holy Prophet Joel -- October 19th

Prayer is Answering the Word of God

Isidore said:

'Anyone who wants to be always united to God must pray often and read the Bible often. For in prayer it is we who are speaking to God, but in the readings it is God speaking to us.'

'All spiritual progress is based on reading and meditation. What we do not know, we learn in the reading; what we have learned, we preserve by meditation. Reading the Bible provides us with a two-fold advantage. It instructs our minds, and introduces us to the love of God by taking our attention off vanities.'

'None can understand the meaning of the Bible if they do not acquire familiarity with it through the habit of Bible reading.'

Augustine said:

'Nourish your soul with Bible reading. It will prepare a spiritual feast for you.'

Jerome said:

'Anyone who is assiduous in reading the Word of God becomes weary while reading, but afterwards is happy because the bitter seeds of the reading produce sweet fruits in the soul.'

'Let us study while we are on earth that Reality which will stay in our minds also when we are in heaven.'

Defensor Grammaticus (ca. 7th century)



PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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Divine Liturgy Schedule: Every Saturday at 4:00pm

PATRONAGE CHURCH SERVICES SCHEDULE

| Date | Time | Service | Intention |
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| 19 th Sunday After Pentecost 10.19.2025 | 9:00am | Divine Liturgy | For the Repose of the Souls of: +Anthony and +Mathilda Kotlar From: Deacon Anthony and Theresa Kotlar & Family |
| 20 th Sunday After Pentecost 10.26.2025 | 9:00am | Divine Liturgy | For the Repose of the Souls of: +Margaret and +Michael Loncaric From: Anna Esquela |

19th Sunday After Pentecost

Today's Propers are on page 130, Tone 2, in the teal Divine Liturgy book.

HOLY MYSTERY OF REPENTANCE: Confession is available beginning an hour before Divine Liturgy, and ending 15 minutes before the start of services.

HOLY COMMUNION AND VISITATION OF THE SICK: Holy Communion can be brought to parishioners who are ill, in the hospital, or at home. If you would like to receive Communion, or a visit by either Fr. Vasyl or Deacon Tony, you can send the church an email, and let us know, or contact either one personally.

Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na v'iki! Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: The people of Ukraine, that peace may be soon be restored to their land, our parishioners, the founders of our parish, our benefactors, those who are sick, and those who cannot make it to church. Also, Fr. Vasyl Symyon, Charlie Toth, Larissa Toth, Tony Kotlar, Jr., Clyde Wood, Mary Hrinda, Michael Demyan, Michael Skovran, Mary Ann Ondrish, Betty Charlock, Elizabeth Hresko, John Hanyok, Ann Marie Elwell, James DeWolfe, Clara Valeika, Caroline and Joe Belensky, Kay Dinko, Doris Ruszin, Veronica Ruszin, Anna Martin, Joseph Repasi, Mary Jo Kelly Wilhelm, Howard Guba, Melanie Copper, Julie Wiegand, Natalie, Edin, and +Walter Lourdes Najera Herder, our first responders, and all military service men and women throughout the world. Please help us keep our prayer list up to date. Let us know if we need to remove or add a name by sending an email to our church. Thank you for your help!

*May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician and Healer of souls and bodies,
grant them peace and good health for many blessed years!*

STEWARDSHIP: You honor God and our Church by continuing to tithe each week. A collection basket is on the table in the back of our Temple for your weekly donation. You may also mail your donation to our church, or donate using Tithe.ly online at: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=2346733>. The link is also on the first page of our website.

“Remember then, it is the Lord, your God, who gives you the power to acquire wealth” (Dt. 8:18).

ADULT ENRICHMENT MINISTRY: Today, in our social hall after Liturgy, Deacon Tony will wrap up his presentation on the Divine Liturgy. A flyer is posted on the bulletin board, in the Narthex, listing future dates/topics for this ministry. Everyone is welcome to attend, so please join us!

EASTERN CATHOLIC FORMATION (ECF): Students in ECF will be having a fall party and craft after Divine Liturgy next **Sunday, October 26th**, in our social hall. In order to ensure we have enough supplies, parents, please see Kevin Ross, and let him know how many children from your family will be participating no later than today. Each family is also asked to provide a food item for the party. Kevin has the list of items needed for the party. Thank you for your assistance in helping us plan this party for our ECF students!

“THE CALL OF THE DISCIPLES” PILGRIM VOCATION ICON PROGRAM: Week #3 - Across every Byzantine Catholic parish in the United States, the Pilgrim Vocation Icon, “The Call of the Disciples,” is now making its way into homes. This beautiful initiative invites every parishioner to actively pray for vocations and encourage others to respond generously to god’s call. Whether to the priesthood, diaconate, monastic life, or religious life, the Church depends on faithful men and women – and on your prayers. By welcoming the icon into your home for one week, you become part of a powerful movement of prayer and discernment. *A sign-up sheet is available on the bulletin board in the Narthex.* Be a source of inspiration and grace in our parish community. Remember to bring the icon and prayer booklet to church the following week, and place it on the Tetrapod for the next family on the list. Any questions, please contact Fr. Vasyl.

DECREE ON THE HOLY MYSTERY OF REPENTANCE: Bishop Kurt Burnette issued a Decree, dated May 1, 2025, regarding cell phones and electronic devices in locations where the Holy Mystery of Reconciliation (Confession) is held. The Bishop’s order: *“All cell phones, both belonging to the priest or to a penitent must be left outside the confessional or be powered off. It is not enough to have it silenced. The same care should be exercised around other electronic devices that respond to audio commands or contain microphones such as smart speakers and other devices. Speakers that respond to verbal commands should never be near the confessional. A sign stating this rule will be prominently posted where the Mystery is celebrated with regularity.”*

FEAST OF ST. NICHOLAS/NATIVITY FAST RETREAT: Save the date - our church will be celebrating the Feast of St. Nicholas on **Saturday, December 6th, with Divine Liturgy at 4:00pm**, followed by a presentation from our ECF students and a pot-luck dinner in our social hall. Please note that there is no scheduled Divine Liturgy on Sunday, December 7th. If you are planning on attending our pot-luck dinner, please contact Mary Demyan (mdemya1@verizon.net), and let her know how many people from your family will be attending, and what dish you will be providing. We want to ensure we have enough seating and food for everyone. **Also, on December 6th, our church will be having a Nativity Fast Retreat beginning at 10:00am.** Please refer to a flyer included with this bulletin for more information.

RESPECT LIFE MONTH: LIFE - OUR SIGN OF HOPE: During the month of October, join us in honoring Respect Life Month with the theme, "Life: Our Sign of Hope." Inspired by the Jubilee Year of Hope, we're called to celebrate the dignity of every human life and take action through prayer, reflection, and faithful witness.

BISHOP'S APPEAL 2025: If you did not receive a form in the mail for the Bishop's Appeal, you are encouraged to pledge online at: www.eparchyofpassaic.com, then click on "Giving," or send a check payable to: Eparchy of Passaic, and mail it to 445 Lackawanna Avenue, Woodland Park, NJ 07424-2969. Pledges and payments will be accepted through June 30, 2026. Any contributions received after December 31, 2025, must be attributed to the 2026 tax year. Help us reach our parish's goal of \$9,800.00. Thank you for supporting the Eparchy of Passaic!

"BELOVED" – AN ONLINE BIBLE STUDY FOR YOUNG WOMEN: Join this Bible study based on the Walking with Purpose Young Adult Series for ages 18-35. This zoom event begins **Monday, November 10th, at 7pm**, for six weeks. Connect with other women seeking clarity, faith, and community. Together, you will explore God's love and what it means to be His beloved daughters. Participants will need to purchase their own study book, "Beloved" – Opening Your Heart Young Adult Series – Part 1, which is available at www.walkingwithpurpose.com. For more information, and to register (no later than November 5th), please visit www.archpitt.org.

2025 "OUR DAILY BREAD" CASSEROLE DONATIONS: Our next casserole collection will be **Sunday, November 9th**. Aluminum pans are available on the kitchen counter in our social hall to use to make a casserole. We will also be collecting by November 9th, hygiene products such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, soap, shampoo, sunscreen, skin wipes, alcohol free mouthwash, and other personal sanitary products. A labeled plastic bin will be available in our cry room for these items. If you have any questions, please contact Greg Calvitt (gregcalvitt@gmail.com).

ST. NICHOLAS MINISTRY – PATRONAGE GREETERS: We still have a few openings if you would like to volunteer to be a parish greeter, and welcome new faces to our church. A sign-up sheet can be found on the bulletin board in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Carol Herder (carolherder@msn.com), or Dan Bobby (dnmbobby@aol.com). Thank you for supporting this ministry!

BETHANY MINISTRY: The booklets we will be using to establish the Bethany Ministry have arrived! Please contact Kelley Wood (m_k_wood@yahoo.com) or Tim Herder (timothyherder@gmail.com) to borrow a copy. If there is interest, we will start a "reading group" to discuss a few chapters at a time. Those discussions will guide us on deciding how we will support our homebound parishioners.

ICONOGRAPHY CLASS: If you are interested in participating in our Iconography Class on **February 27th, 28th, and March 1, 2026**, at Patronage Church, please contact Kevin Ross (keviross@gmail.com), as soon as possible. There is limited space available, and spots are quickly filling up. Priority will be given to Patronage parishioners, after which registration will be open to members of other parishes. Beginner students will create an Icon of the Theotokos, while more advanced students may choose to work on an Icon of Christ.

GREEK CATHOLIC UNION (GCU) – ST. NICHOLAS 2025

VIRTUALTHON: The GCU Board of Directors has once again instituted the St. Nicholas Virtualthon – a GCU community outreach event to benefit the Ss. Cyril & Methodius Byzantine Catholic Seminary in Pittsburgh, PA. This is a matching funds event with the GCU Board pledging to match up to \$5,000 in total donations. If you would like to donate to this effort, please visit the GCU's website: www.gcuusa.com if you would like to pay by credit card. If you prefer to pay by check, please make payable and mail to: St. Nicholas Virtualthon, 5400 Tuscarawas Road, Beaver, PA 15009. Donations will be accepted through Saturday, December 6, 2025, 11:45pm. The GCU thanks you for supporting this event.

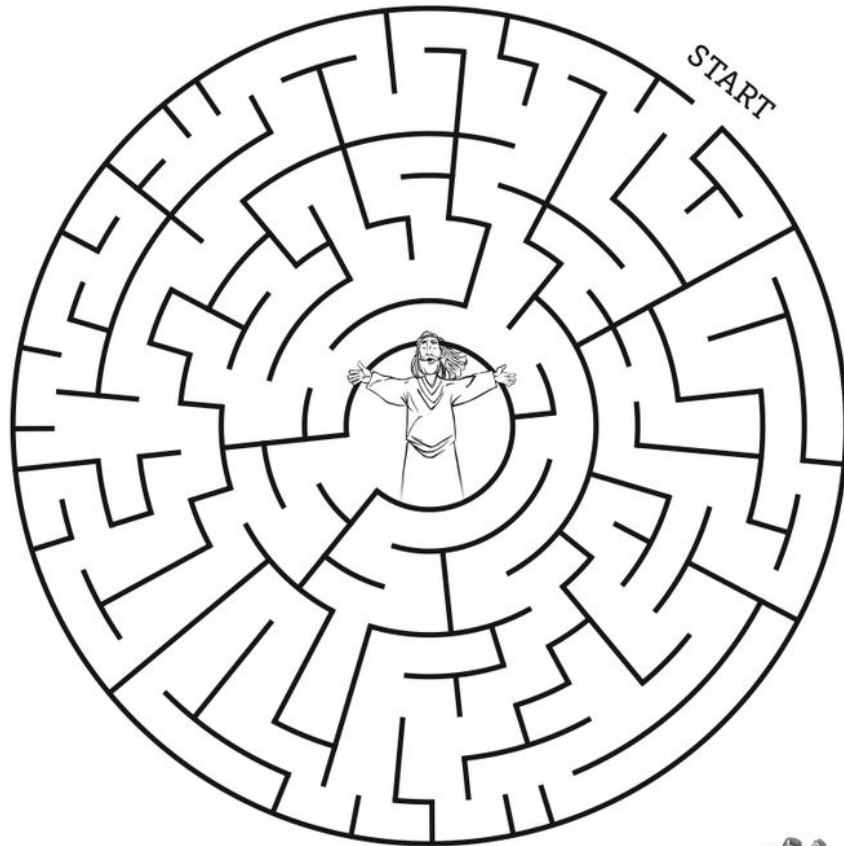
GCU - 2025-2026 SCHOLARSHIP: The GCU is now accepting applications for the GCU Scholarship Awards. All applications must be completed online, and applicants must be a GCU member as of December 31, 2024, with a permanent life insurance certificate or annuity with a balance of \$2,000 or more, to be considered for the award. For complete information on scholarships available, requirements and to apply for the award, please visit www.gcuusa.com, and click on "Scholarships-Learn More" link. Applications for the 2025-26 scholarship will be available through December 31, 2025.

Children's Corner

Patronage Church - Veterans Day Commemoration
All Living and Deceased Military Veterans will be
remembered at Divine Liturgy on
Sunday, November 9, 2025

JESUS TEACHES HOW TO PRAY

Follow the path to Jesus.



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Deceased Veterans/Branch of Military: (please print clearly)

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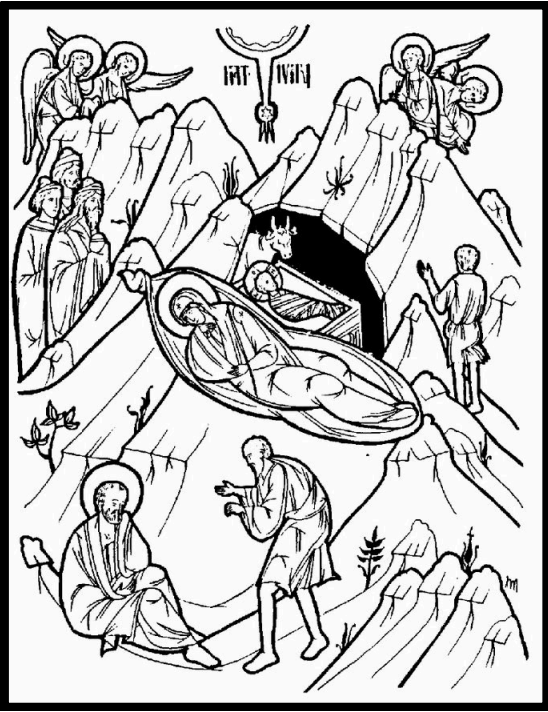
Please make checks payable to: Very Reverend Vasyl Symyon, and return this form to our church no later than Sunday, November 2nd.

For accurate record keeping, all requests must be made using one of the commemoration forms. Thank you for your assistance!

LITURGY INTENTIONS: If you would like to request a Liturgy intention. Forms are available either on our website, or on the bookrack in the Narthex. Completed forms can be placed in the offertory basket or mailed to our church. ***Checks should be made payable to: Very Rev. Vasyi Symyon.*** Cash will also be accepted.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH: We welcome all new visitors, to our parish family, and are happy you are joining us to share in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy and hope you will become an active part of our parish community. We receive the Body and Blood of Christ in our mouth by spoon; please DO NOT stick out your tongue. All Catholics may receive the Eucharist if you are in good-standing and prepared. If you would like to be added to our parish email list, send us an email at patronage.church@gmail.com. ***If you want to make us your home church, registration is the OFFICIAL way to join our church.*** Simply complete a census form that is located on the bookrack in the Narthex, or on our website, and either mail it to the church, or place it in the offertory basket in the back of our Temple. On-line donation information can be found under “Stewardship” in this bulletin.

“My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples” (Isaiah 56:7).



Christ is Born!

Please Join Us

for a

Nativity Fast Retreat

Patronage of the Mother of God
Byzantine Catholic Church

1265 Linden Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21227

Saturday, Dec. 6, 2025

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fr. Jerome Wolbert, OFM, will help us prepare to celebrate the Birth of Our Lord, exploring Scripture, hymns and carols, and the prayers of the Byzantine Catholic Church.

Fr. Jerome grew up in St. Michael's Byzantine Catholic Church now in Flushing, Michigan, and has served Byzantine parishes in Pennsylvania. He currently lives at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in Washington, DC.

At the conclusion of the retreat, **Divine Liturgy for the Feast of St. Nicholas** will be celebrated, followed by our annual **St. Nicholas celebration and pot-luck dinner**.

While families of all ages are warmly invited to Divine Liturgy and our St. Nicholas celebration, we respectfully suggest that the retreat is most appropriate for high-school age and up.

To help with our planning, **please RSVP to nbobby0116@gmail.com no later than November 25, 2025**. Free-will donations will be gratefully accepted to help cover the cost of the retreat.



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Discover God's game plan at "Come and See"!

Men ages 18-35 invited to weekend retreat from Friday, 7 November until Sunday, 9 November, 2025

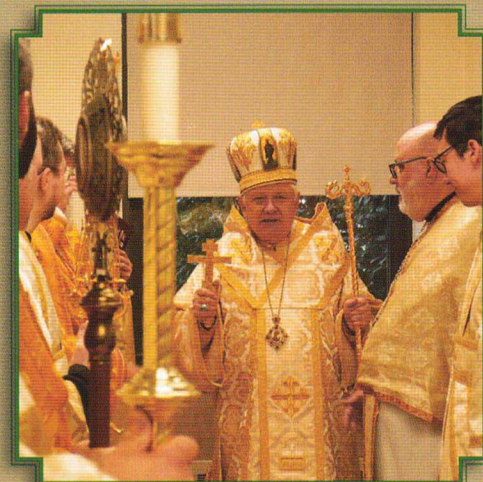
To be a priest ... don't you have to give up everything - your family, your friends, the things you enjoy? Don't you have to be super holy, super smart, or somehow "different"? **"Come and see" can help!**

Every young man eventually must make some hard decisions - college, career, marriage, family, religious life. How do I know what's right? Does God care what I decide? If you've ever thought about the priesthood, it's worth taking a weekend to learn how to listen for God's plans for your future. The Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Saints Cyril and Methodius is hosting a "Come and See" weekend retreat for men ages 18 to 35 who may be considering a vocation to the priesthood in the Byzantine Catholic Church. The event runs from 5:00 pm (EST) on Friday evening, 7 November through 4:00 pm (EST) on Sunday afternoon, 9 November, 2025 at the Seminary (3605 Perrysville Avenue) in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The weekend retreat is free of charge and will include sharing liturgical worship services and meals with the Seminary community, an introduction to the Seminary's Program of Priestly Formation, a tour of the Seminary, gatherings with the Seminarians, talks, and a panel discussion. The retreat is conducted in a "no pressure, no hard-sell" environment. The atmosphere is prayerful, positive, and fraternal.

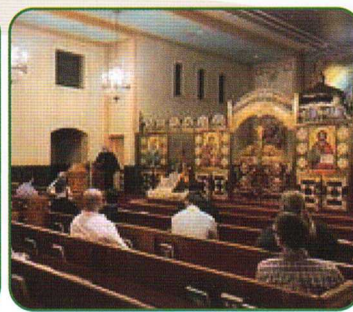
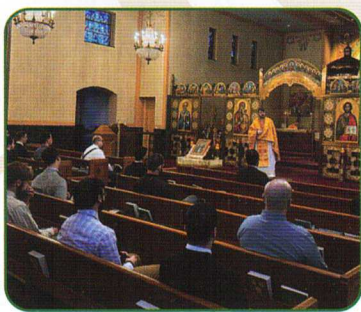
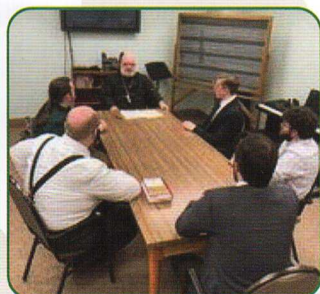
Any man seeking further information or wishing to register for this "Come and See" weekend retreat of discovery is encouraged to contact his vocation director and use the online registration at <https://bcs.edu/come-and-see-2025/>.



Hierarchical Divine Liturgy began the new 2025-2026 Academic Year on 26 August, 2025



Archbishop William greeting the Seminary Community after the Opening Hierarchical Divine Liturgy



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If so, your gift can, in most cases, be doubled, even tripled! Please check with the company's Human Resources Department and see if this benefit is available.

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

If you would like to receive the *Joyful Light* newsletter electronically, please email your request to: development@bcs.edu.

From our Rector

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Dear friends and benefactors:

Where has the summer gone? It seems like it would be time to ease back a bit and relax. While there were some precious moments for that, the summer otherwise was a flurry of activity for the Seminary which no doubt contributed to its quickness of passing. There were not only significant repairs and renovations to our Seminary building, but there were also many different programs that gave the Seminary community the opportunity to share their vocation and develop their ministries.

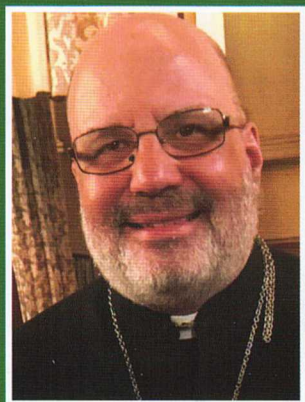
In addition to their summer parish assignments, most of our seminarians were involved in the Labour Society, a Catholic non-profit organization that teaches seminarians the methods of vocation-sharing and benefiting from the generosity of those they serve. There was also their participation in the Byzantine Catholic Assembly (see article on page 3) in July which provided opportunities to learn, serve, and share. And we have just completed the annual Seminary orientation days for four new and nine returning seminarians which has spawned a renewed sense of fellowship. This is the largest community we have had in some time, and we proceed into this new school year with much enthusiasm and joy.

The spiritual renewal and ministerial opportunities given to us by the Annual Pilgrimage at Mount St. Macrina over Labor Day weekend, our next Melkite Week in October, and of course, our Come and See Weekend on 7-9 November are precious indeed. Even so, if Fall moves as fast as Summer, it will all be behind us before we know it!

I ask for your continued prayers and support that you have so lovingly given to our Seminary community as a whole. With deep gratitude to Almighty God for his many blessings, and a deep appreciation for your prayerful and material support, I remain...

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Ron Barusefski
Rector



Faculty Doings

Fr. Thomas Bailey, OSB, Professor of Pastoral Practice and Dogmatics, Director of Human Formation, was one of the presenters at the 20th Annual Women's Day of Reflection sponsored by the Archeparchy of Pittsburgh on 17 May. The overall theme of the Day of Reflection was "Do Whatever He Tells You," Revisiting the Wedding Feast of Cana. Fr. Thomas' talk was entitled "From Empty Jar to Overflowing Grace." In his reflection, Fr. Thomas presented several examples of early, female Christian saints together with important Holy Women in Sacred Scripture and how their examples of grace can be applied today in our world. On 11-15 August, he preached a retreat for the Sisters of St. Basil at Mount St. Macrina. Over the course of 5 conferences, he spoke on the topic of "Bearing Light: Women Monastics as Vessels of Divine Fire," highlighting the unique spiritual insights of these remarkable spiritual teachers: Amma Syncletica, St. Mary of Egypt, Amma Theodora, St. Melania the Younger, St. Catherine of Alexandria, and Amma Sarah.

Fr. Ronald C. Barusefski, J.C.D., Professor of Homiletics and Canon Law, Rector of B.C.S. and Director of Community of Aspirants, gave a presentation on "The Challenges Facing Vocations Today" on 18 July to the bishops, priests, deacons, and religious gathered at the Byzantine Catholic Assembly held at St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in Whiting, Indiana. A lively exchange of questions and observations followed concerning the contemporary factors that need to be addressed in fostering vocations and seminary formation.

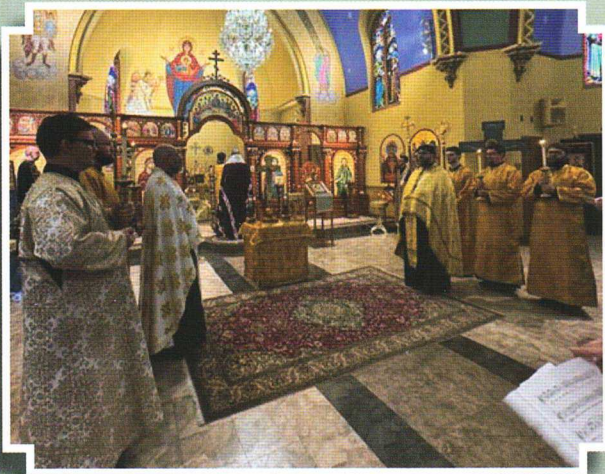
Fr. Hryhoriy (Gregory) Lozinskyy, S.S.D., Adjunct Professor of Sacred Scripture, presented at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Meeting of Catholic Biblical Association at Princeton Theological Seminary on 15 March a paper entitled "Second Passover: A Missing or Unwanted Feast from the OT Calendars?" He has also presented at the Annual Meeting of the Catholic Biblical Association at Loyola University Chicago on 5 August a paper entitled: "Is Jubilee Year a Pro-Levite Regulation?" He has published "Making Bridges in the OT: Covenant as One of the Key Concepts throughout the Texts of the OT and Beyond," *Rivista Biblica* 73/1 (2025): 3-16 and has been awarded a research grant of \$3,500.00 for his project *Laws concerning Levitical Cities: Lev 25:32-34 and Num 35:1-8 and their Relevance for Similar Texts*.

Matthew Miner, Ph.D., Professor of Philosophy and Moral Theology, delivered conference papers including "Revelation Begetting Reason: On the Supernatural Aids Afforded to Christian Philosophy" (American Maritain Association annual meeting, Ave Maria University); participated as a plenary panelist with Dr. Jon Kwan in the *Sacra Doctrina* project (Theological College, Washington, DC), where he also presented "Thoughts from a Byzantine Thomist Moral Theologian;" served as a panelist on the state of Catholic theology for the *Encyclopedia of Catholic Theology*; and gave an invited paper at Mundelein Seminary, "Sources of Revelation and Theology: Some Observations Concerning Jesuit and Jesuit-Adjacent Treatments of the *De Locis Theologicis*," during the conference *Twentieth-Century Jesuit Manuals: An Assessment*. His recent publications include: "The Ontology of the Divine Indwelling: A Hard-Headed Thomist Meets with Palamas" (American Maritain Association / Catholic University of America Press), "The Superanalogy of Faith" (*Nova et Vetera*), and his English translation and introduction of Michel Labourette, "What is Spiritual Theology?" (*Nova et Vetera*). He also published "Hermeneutic Tradition or Catholic Tradition?" with *Catholic Culture*. He is the translator Charles Journet, *The Church of the Word Incarnate, vol. 2 (The Internal Structure of the Church: Christ, Mary, and the Holy Spirit)*. This fall he is leading a Lyceum Institute seminar, "What Kind of Certainty?: Small Steps Toward Dialectical Logic." He has spoken on "Uniting Traditions: A Byzantine Catholic and a Thomist" at the St. Charbel Center in Pittsburgh and discussed the Eastern Catholic experience since Vatican II with Dr. Larry Chapp on his podcast *Gaudium et Spes 22*.

Fr. Stelyios Muksuris, Ph.D., Professor of Liturgical and Sacramental Theology and Languages, was appointed co-editor of the international print journal *The Wheel* and the online blog *The Spin*, a forum for Orthodox theology, history, thought, and culture. On 1 July, Archbishop Elpidophoros of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America personally appointed Fr. Stelyios as a permanent member of the Synodal Committee for Liturgical Texts, where he will officially serve as chief consultant on liturgical matters for both the Metropolis of Pittsburgh and the Archdiocese of America.

B.C.S. represented at North American Byzantine Catholic Assembly

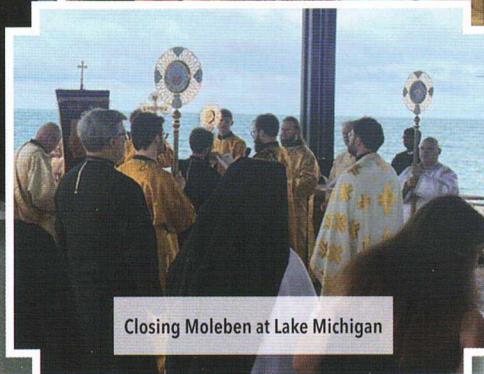
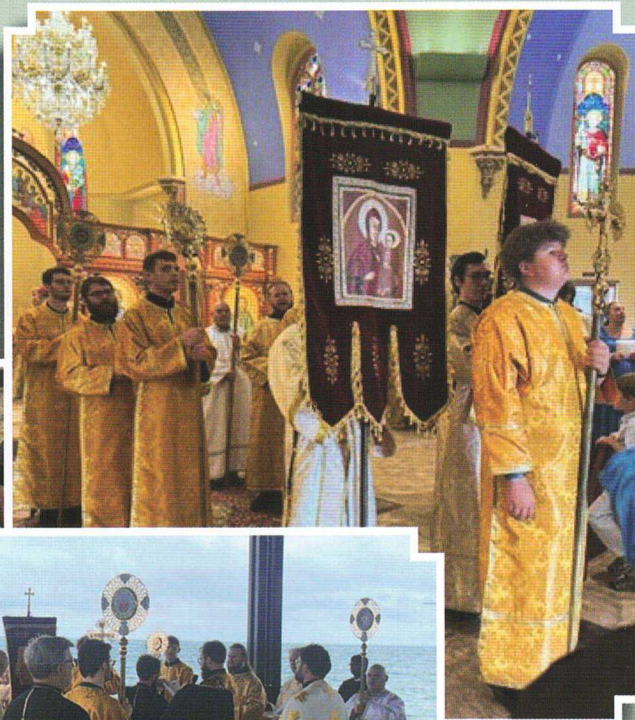
Many of our seminarians from the Byzantine Catholic Seminary of Ss. Cyril and Methodius participated at the North American Byzantine Catholic Assembly, held from 16-20 July at St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, Whiting, Indiana. It was an inspiring week of sharing among the faithful of all our eparchies, and the seminarians contributed wherever possible by serving at all the liturgical services, sharing their vocation stories, and offering information about the Seminary and its many programs. Their presence gave a sense of joy and hope for the future of our Byzantine Catholic Church to those who gathered there.



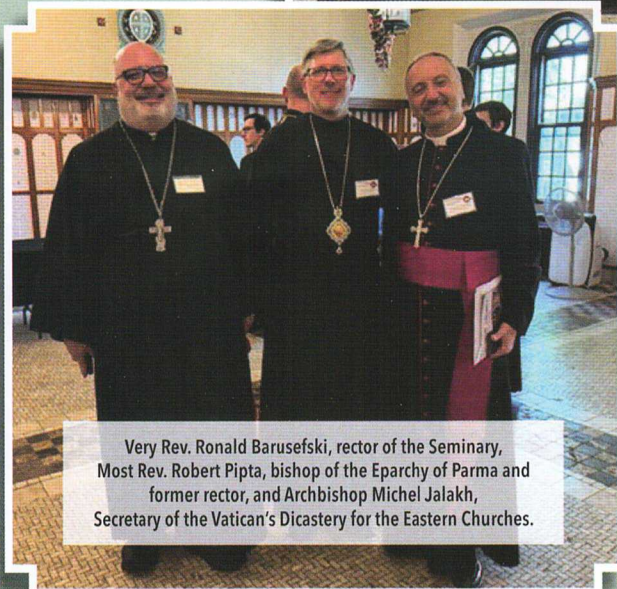
Archbishop Michel Jalakh joins the seminarians at their information table.



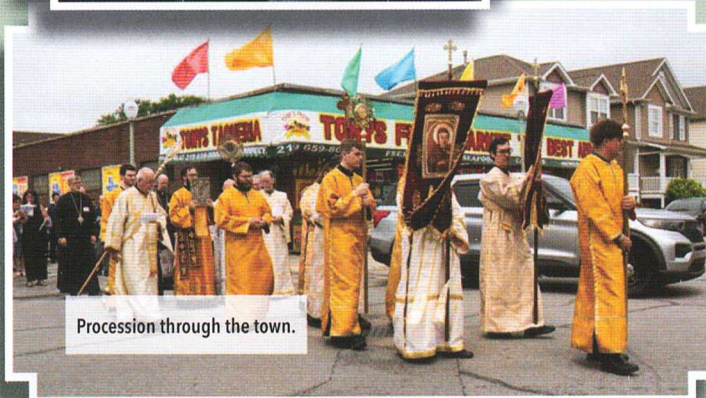
Exploring Whiting for dinner.



Closing Moleben at Lake Michigan



Very Rev. Ronald Barusefski, rector of the Seminary, Most Rev. Robert Pipta, bishop of the Eparchy of Parma and former rector, and Archbishop Michel Jalakh, Secretary of the Vatican's Dicastery for the Eastern Churches.



Procession through the town.

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