

St. Michael's Orthodox Church
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Gospel: John 4:5-42
Epistle: Acts 11:19-26,29-30

May 14, 2023, Sunday of the
Samaritan Woman, Happy Mother's
Day!

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Sunday, May 14, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. (3rd Anniversary) Parastas for Robert A. Furiosi, offered lovingly by his wife; Melanie, Annual Parastas for Antoinette Petorak, offered lovingly by her family.

Saturday, May 20, Great Vespers 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 21, (No-Matins) Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Church Committee Meeting will be held on Monday, May 22 at 5:30 p.m. Please make every effort to attend!

Coffee Hour Hostesses for Sunday; May 14, Millie Telep & Dorothy Allen,
May 21 – No-Coffee Hour, **May 28**, Matushka Dolores & Mille Telep.

Please Note: The water at St. Michael's Cemetery will be shut off until the water leak is found and repair is completed. **We are sorry for the inconvenience.**

Vision Statement: “We seek to rededicate ourselves to the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Catholic and Apostolic Church. We are here to provide a loving and caring community, by participating in the worship services, so we may reach-out to those who are lost and witness the love of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.”

- Adopted on October 17, 2022.

Please remember in your prayers; **Irene Leschak** who is home receiving rehab; 229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. **John Drutarosky**, who is a patient at the Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center 10 Heart Place, Carbondale, Pa. 18407 **Peter Senio** is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. **Nicholas Mattise**, is a guest at the Personal Care at Allied Terrace, 100 Terrace Ln, Scranton, Pa. **Dr. Joseph Danyo** Hershey Medical Center (ICU) 500 University Dr. Hershey, Pa. 17033.

*After 38 years as Pastor of St. Michael's Church in Jermyn, Fr. John Kowalczyk has accepted a full-time position at St. Tikhon's Seminary, as Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology and Interim Chair of the Department. Fr. John will serve his final Divine Liturgy at our Church on Sunday, May 21, 2023. To celebrate his new position and wish him well as he concludes his Pastoral Service at our Church, a Farewell Dinner will be held at Nikki's at the Ben-Mar Restaurant, 89 North Main St. Carbondale, Pa. at 12 p.m. *The Dinner is a complete sell-out, and no more tickets available*

The Samaritan woman—the holy, glorious Great-martyr Photeini—met Jesus at midday at Jacob's Well, which was located in the city of Sychar. And being tired from travel and the heat, Jesus sat at Jacob's Well. A little after, the Samaritan woman came to draw water, and had a long conversation with Him (it is the longest recorded discourse between Christ and a human in the entire Bible). Photeini did not want to talk to Jesus, because the Samaritans did not have any dealings with Jews; Jews considered her people heretics because Samaritans kept only the first five books of the Old Testament. However, the Lord talked with her anyway, read her heart, revealed her secrets and gave her the “Living Water”—the grace of the Holy Spirit that leads to eternal life and flows to all humanity—to drink. Photeini immediately ran throughout the city to proclaim Christ. Through her, many other Samaritans believed in Jesus.

By the intercessions of Thy Martyr, Photeini, O Christ God, have mercy on us. Amen.
