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ko Rusyns in Poland following World War II has been completed by two documentary filmmakers, John Righetti and Maria Silvestri of Pittsburgh, and debuted in Poland, Pittsburgh, and New York the last week of April on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the infamous action.

The film, *Even Tears Were Not Enough*, is available online at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_JCGkBiRZVA.

Righetti and Silvestri previously worked on *Changed by Thalerhof*, which is also available online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n6Q6SRbDQic>. It is the story of the Rusyns being interred in Europe’s first concentration camp in 1914 during World War I. Both documentaries were produced by the John and Helen Timo Foundation.

■ **In Case of Emergency** — Please make sure we have your current phone number and/or e-mail address so that we can notify you when unforeseen events arise. Give your information to Marie Shanks or Belinda or John Radko.



Welcome to our
visitors and guests
who are praying
with us today.

PLEASE NOTE DATES & TIMES

Divine Liturgy Schedule

June 18	Mother of God School 8 a.m. (Fr. Lewis)
June 25	Mother of God School 8 a.m. (Fr. Lewis)
June 29	[Feast of SS. Peter & Paul] Mother of God School 7:30 p.m. (Fr. Dan)
July 2	Mother of God School 10 a.m. (Fr. Dan)
July 9	Mother of God School 10 a.m. (Fr. Dan)
July 16	Mother of God School 10 a.m. (Fr. Dan)

Liturgy Propers

Second Sunday of Pentecost

Saint Leonius, Martyr

June 18, 2017

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Troparion of the Resurrection — Tone 1 (p. 125)

Kontakion of the Resurrection — Tone 1 (p. 126)

Prokiemenon — Tone 1 (p. 127)

Epistle: Romans 2:10-16

Alleluia — Tone 1 (p. 127)

Gospel: Matthew 4:18-23

Communion Hymn (p. 78-81)

Celebrant: Fr. Lewis Rabayda

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In the Liturgy we pray “for those who serve
and have served in this holy church.”
Until the happy day when we have our own temple
(grant it, O Lord!),
we will need men and women
to help with setup and takedown.

The signup sheets for June and July
are now available
on the information table.

Thank you!

Announcements

■ **Today’s Liturgy Intention** — Today’s Divine Liturgy is offered for the recovery and physical well being of Fr. Lee Gross. *Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na v’iki!*

“O Lord Jesus Christ... We beseech You, look mercifully upon him and in Your great love grant him relief from his pain... that restored to the vigor of health, he may serve You faithfully and gratefully all his life and become heir of Your kingdom, for You are the physician of our souls and bodies, O Christ...”

— St. John Chrysostom

■ **Second Sunday after Pentecost** — Today is the Second Sunday after Pentecost. On this date, June 18, the Byzantine Catholic Church commemorates St. Leontius. St. Leontius, along with SS. Hypatius and Theodolus, were Roman soldiers who, according to Christian tradition, were martyred for their faith in Tripoli in Phoenicia circa A.D. 76 in the reign of Vespasian, Emperor.

■ **Welcome and Thank You, Fr. Lewis** — We again welcome Fr. Lewis Rabayda of St. Gregory of Nyssa Church in Beltsville, who is praying the Divine Liturgy with us today, and we thank him for assisting us during Fr. Lee’s recovery.

■ **Apostles Fast & Feast** — The Apostles Fast began this past Monday (on the day following the Sunday of All Saints (tomorrow) and concludes on the eve of the Feast of the Prime Apostles, Peter and Paul. A fasting period of variable length, in 2017 the fast is observed from June 12 through June 28. Observance of the fast is voluntary, but all Fridays during this period remain days of penance (abstinence from meat products).

The Feast of Peter and Paul, a day of precept (obligation) for the Byzantine Church, falls annually on June 29. Divine Liturgy with Fr. Dan Grigassy, O.F.M., will be prayed that evening at 7:30 p.m.

Epiphany of Our Lord
Byzantine Catholic Church



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Our community...

was established in October 1996 to meet the spiritual needs of Byzantine Catholics living in northern Montgomery County, southern Frederick County, and adjoining areas.

We celebrate our faith...

in a diverse community. We welcome all, regardless of ethnic or religious background who are committed to develop a deeper understanding of the Christian faith expressed in the Byzantine tradition and spirituality, and who wish to pray and work towards the full communion of the Catholic and Orthodox Churches as sister Churches of the One Universal Church of Jesus Christ.

We continually resolve...

to gather in His Name, share the truth of our Faith, and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ to everyone.

Please Remember

"Is anyone among you sick? ...the prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise him up."

James 5:14-15 NKJV/OSB

OUR MISSION COMMUNITY

- Ron Pytel.
- Maggie and Robert Karam.
- Lou Shanks.
- Rosemary Chisarick.
- Doris Fejka.
- Raymond Klimkosky.

OUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS

- Christine Dennis.
- Peggy Winkelmann.
- Laura Hinkle.
- Doran Coady.
- Ann Tracy.
- Travis Waters.
- Bertha Bergan.
- Arlene Kollar.
- Jamee Kruse.
- Joseph and Nancy Dillmann.
- Paul and Mary Ellen Sorensen.
- Tony Tworkoski.
- Linda Oros.
- Mike DiMarino.
- Robert Kreger.
- Robert Diethrich.
- Lucy Fontenot
- Patricia Minihane.
- Brother Joseph Comber, CFX.

SPECIAL INTENTION

- Elizabeth Basarab.
- Fr. Francis Martin.
- Sally Pekarik.
- Fr. Conan Timoney.
- Fr. Lee Gross.



Pray for Our Community

"Return, we beseech You, O God of hosts; Look down from heaven and see, and visit this vine and the vineyard which Your right hand has planted, and the branch that You made strong for Yourself."

Psalms 80:14-15 NKJV/OSB



Food Pantry

Our community places a food collection basket near the information table as you enter the gymnasium. Don't forget those who are less fortunate. Nonperishable food items, diapers, baby food, and personal care items are always in demand. The Food Pantry Program, administered by St. Martin of Tours Roman Catholic Church in Gaithersburg, supports the working poor of our area.



"...for I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink; I was a stranger and you took Me in; I was naked and you clothed Me; I was sick and you visited me; I was in prison and you came to Me. ...Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."

Matthew 25:35-36, 40 NKJV/OSB

■ **Birth of John the Baptist** — Annually on June 24 the Byzantine Church commemorates the Solemn Feast of the Birth of the Holy Prophet and Forerunner John the Baptist.

St. John was born of the righteous parents Elizabeth and Zachariah. Although old and barren, Elizabeth came to be with child. Fearing derision at being pregnant so late in life, she kept it a secret for five months. Then her cousin, the Virgin Mary, came to share with her Her own joy. Elizabeth, "filled with the Holy Spirit," was first to greet the Most Holy Virgin Mary as Theotokos (God-bearer). St. John leaped in his mother's womb at the visit of the Theotokos and the Son of God incarnate within Her.

This feast of St. John the Baptist was very popular in ancient times and throughout the Middle Ages in both the Eastern and Western Churches.

■ **Oriental Lumen XXI** — The Oriente Lumen XXI Conference begins tomorrow and runs through this Thursday in Washington, D.C., on the theme of "Chieti and Crete: Two Historical Events."

Speakers are invited to discuss the importance of the Agreed Statement of the International Theological Commission on the role of the Bishop of Rome in the first millennium (Chieti Agreement) juxtaposed with the Great Council of Crete, which brought together a majority of the Orthodox Churches for the first time in nearly 1,000 years.

Last Week's Liturgy

June 11, 2017

Attendance: 27 Souls

Greetings from Fr. Lee:

I just wanted to express my thanks and appreciation to all of you for your cards, prayers, and good wishes during my convalescence. I miss all of you, and I very much regret the inconvenience it has caused you and the Liturgy schedule for the Mission.

The good news is that I have recently graduated from a walker to a cane! The bad news is that I still must wear a stabilizer on my leg, which means I cannot bend it. This makes driving impossible, and until the stabilizer comes off, I cannot resume anything resembling normal activity. According to the surgeon, it will likely be at least another month, but that depends on my progress.

In the meantime, please keep the prayers going, and I hope to see you soon again. God bless you.

Fr. Lee

The Papal Nuncio to the United States, Archbishop Christophe Pierre, along with Archbishop Job of Telmessos, will participate in the Moleben to the Holy Spirit and make a few remarks at the Opening Session. For more information, visit <http://olfoundation.net/conferences/ol-xxi-june-19-22-2017/>.

■ **Uniontown 'Otpust'** — The 83rd Annual Pilgrimage (otpusť) in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be held September 2 & 3. Watch for more information in your *Eastern Catholic Life*.

■ **Lemko/Rusyn Documentaries** — A documentary on the forced deportation of the Lem-

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