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Divine Liturgy Schedule

October 16, 2022, A. D.

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!



Saturday, October 15

6:00 PM

Sunday, October 16

10:30 AM

Tuesday, October 18

10:00 AM

Thursday, October 20

10:00 AM

Saturday, October 22

6:00 PM

Sunday, October 23

10:30 AM

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's Blessing & Good Health for David Surman- Tina Smith

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

For the Intercession of the Mother of God for
Conversion of Sinners & Protection of Ukraine

†Michael & Helen Oresick – Ellen Alqrainy

God's Blessings for America – Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

†Michael Yurchak – Anonymous (no Name Given)

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

For the Intercession of the Mother of God for
Conversion of Sinners & Protection of America

SS. PETER & PAUL CHURCH (20 Nottingham Street, Plymouth)

Saturday Liturgy 4:00 PM

Sunday Liturgy 8:30 AM

Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners **Assisted Living:** Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Geraldine Adamchak; Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Josephine Latoszewski. **Away:** Leona Kobela. **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko; Fr. Peter Waslo; Bishop John Bura Emeritus; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Rita Kurtz, Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Ted Weron, Fr. Gregory Maslak, Mary Yules, Angel Ocasio, Elizabeth Biasci.

**COMMEMORATION OF THE FATHERS OF THE 7th ECUMENICAL COUNCIL
NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

October 16, 2022

TROPAR: When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out: “O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to You!”

TROPAR: Christ our God, You are glorified above all, You established our fathers as beacons on earth and through them guided all of us to the true faith. Glory to You, most compassionate Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

KONDAK: The Son who ineffably shone from the Father was born two-fold of nature from a woman. Beholding Him, we do not reject the image of His form; but depicting it, we revere it faithfully. Therefore, the Church, holding the true faith, kisses the icon of Christ’s becoming man.

Now and forever and ever. Amen.

KONDAK:

You rose from the tomb, O almighty Savior; and Hades, seeing this wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead arose. Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults. And the world, my Savior, sings Your praises forever.

PROKEIMENON: The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become my salvation. The Lord has indeed chastised me, but He has not delivered me to death. Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name forever.

A Reading from the Second Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (11:31-12:9):



Brethren, The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, who is to be praised forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor under King Aretas had the city of the Damascenes guarded in order to arrest me. But I was lowered in a basket from a window in the wall and slipped through his hands. I must go on boasting. Although there is nothing to be gained, I will go on to visions and revelations from the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. Whether it was in the body or out of the body I do not know—God knows. And I know that this man—whether in the body or

apart from the body I do not know, but God knows— was caught up to paradise and heard inexpressible things, things that no one is permitted to tell. I will boast about a man like that, but I will not boast about myself, except about my weaknesses. Even if I should choose to boast, I would not be a fool, because I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain, so no one will think more of me than is warranted by what I do or say, or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia (3). The God of gods, the Lord, spoke and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting. Alleluia (3). Gather to Him His devout ones, who with sacrifice make covenant with Him. Alleluia (3).

Gospel of St. Luke 8:5-15

The Lord told this parable; “The sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air ate it up. And other seed fell upon the rock, and as soon as it had sprung up it withered away, because it had no moisture. And other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. And other seed fell upon good ground and sprang up and yielded fruit a hundredfold.” As he said these things he cried out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!” But his disciples then began to ask him what this parable meant. He said to them, “To you it is given to know the mystery of the kingdom of God, but to the rest in parables, that ‘Seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.’ Now the parable is this: the seed is the word of God. And those by the wayside are they who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their heart, that they may not believe and be saved. Now those upon the rock are they who, when they have heard receive the word with joy; and these have no root, but believe for a while, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among the thorns, these are they who have heard, and as they go their way are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not ripen. But that upon good ground, these are they who, with a right and good heart, having heard the word, hold it fast, and bear fruit in patience.” When he had said this, he cried out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.” The Lord said to his disciples, “He who hears you hears Me; and he who rejects you, rejects Me; and he who rejects Me, rejects him who sent Me.” Now the seventy-two returned with

joy, saying, ‘Lord, even the devils are subject to us in your name.’ But he said to them, ‘I was watching Satan fall as lightning from heaven. Behold, I have given you power to tread upon serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall harm you. Yes, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice in this, that your names are written in heaven.’ In that very hour Jesus rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, ‘I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you did hide these things from the wise and prudent and did reveal them to little one. Yes, Father, for such was your good pleasure.’”

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



OCTOBER CANDLES

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & MaryAnn Potsko
in Honor of Guardian Angels & Saint Michael.

The **Eternal Light** is given by Mary Ann Jarolen
In loving memory of Irene Hvoda.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Ed & Mary Schwartz for
God’s Blessings on their grandson, Zachary.

The **Proscomedial Table** is given by Anna Kutsup
in loving memory of Michael Kucab.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by MaryAnn Jarolen
For the Deceased Members of the Hvozda and Frankowski Families.

The **Candle Before the icon table of the Theotokos** is given by
the Yanoshak Family in loving memory of Randy Yanoshak.

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by Donna Lee Hischak
in loving memory of James Hischak.

The **Candle Before the icon of the Theotokos** is given by
Fr. Walter asking for the intercession of Our Blessed Lady against demonic forces during this
time of open war against God’s sheep in the USA.

The **Candle before John the Baptist** is given in loving memory of
Anna Kutsup from Theodore & Donna Wurster.

PENNSYLVANIANS FOR HUMAN LIFE: The Wyoming Chapter of Pennsylvanians for Human, 31 Hanover Street, WB are always in need of wipes or disposable diapers in sizes 1-4. If you would like to donate to this cause, please drop them off in the church basement and Diane Petry has offered to deliver them to the center. Thank You to our GENEROUS DONORS!

CHURCH NEWS Pray the Rosary.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! A Very Happy Birthday to Arlene Jennings who celebrates her birthday on Sunday, October 16! Mnohaya Lita! May God grant her and her family Many Happy Years!

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY! A Very Happy Anniversary to Arden and Michelle Miller who celebrate their Wedding Anniversary on October 21. Mnohaya Lita! May God grant Them and Their families - Many Happy, Healthy, Blessed Years!

FLEA MARKET: Saints Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth) will be holding their Annual Yard Sale on **Friday, October 21 (9am-4pm)** and **Saturday, October 22 (9am-2pm)**. Bag day will be Sunday (noon to 3) . Food will be served-Take-Out only: Haluski and Assorted Soups.
SAINT PETER & PAUL UKRAINIAN AID RAFFLE: In conjunction with the Flea Market, St. Peter & Paul Church will hold a Ukrainian Humanitarian Aid Raffle. Please come out and buy tickets to support the Raffle doe Ukraine.

CEMETERY: As the weather is getting cooler, please make sure that summer items are removed from the cemetery prior to the ground freezing in preparation for the Feast of the Nativity. Please also be aware that the water will be shut off this week at the cemetery. **The water will be shut off on October 18, 2022.**

STANDARD TIME: Don't forget Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, November 6. Set your clocks back one hour Saturday night before you go to bed on November 5.

TRANSFIGURATION CHORAL CLUB: The club meets Thursday at 6:00pm to learn and practice singing leading Congregation-Style for the Divine Liturgy. Everyone is welcome.

HOAGIE SALE: St. Nicholas Church, Glen Lyon, will be holding a Turkey, Ham & Cheese and Italian Hoagie Sale on Thursday, October 27 from 11:00am to 4:00pm. The cost of each hoagie is \$8.00, and a quart of vegetable soup is \$8.00. Orders can be placed by calling Debbie at 570-736-6908 by Sunday, October 23. A bake sale will also be held with the soup and hoagie sale. **A Basket Raffle is also being held to Benefit Ukraine.**

Holodymyr: Literally translated from Ukrainian means death by hunger.



ASK FATHER A QUESTION? Father, why don't we call Moses and Elijah Saints?

In short, all the prophets are Old Testament Saints, because God gave His message to them to give to the nation of Israel. We know that they spoke to God Face to Face. So now we are living in New Testament times and the church has rules for when a person is classified a Saint-those rules are about recognizing the intercession of a person who is deceased, we recognize they must be speaking to God Face to Face. Now that God has sent His Son into the world there are no more calling of Prophets. So your question of why we do not call Moses and Elijah Saints, while a valid and good question is sort of asking the question backward. Why do we call these people in our day saint and not prophet? Most people think a prophet is someone who predicted the future. That is wrong. A Prophet is a person who lived a holy life and God called them to deliver His message to the sinful people to turn away from their sin. In short, a prophet was an intercessor between the people and God who was called by God. The prophets did not seek this work out on their own. The point of this is to understand that in the eyes of the church – prophets and saints are people who will enter into eternal bliss at the final judgement. The prophets are from Old Testament times-the church does not go back and add the title of saint even though they will enter heaven. After Christ's resurrection, church figures, who by church understanding are people who would enter into heaven are given the title saint, not prophet. Understanding all of this, the short answer to your question is the church does not use the title of saint to Old Testament figures.

Remembrance Day for the Victims of Holodomor (Stalin imposed Genocide) in Ukraine this year is NOVEMBER 26, 2022.

A Letter from Belarusian workers to the CC CP(b)U on starving Ukrainians in their republic July 15, 1932: When has Belarus ever fed Ukraine? There were bad years, but Ukraine always fed Belarus; now it's the other way around. Belarus is not against helping Ukrainian collective farms and worker-peasants in an organized manner, [but] not the way it's happening right now: in Belarus [we] cannot go anywhere, travel on the railways and roads because of the Ukrainians. Starving and destitute Ukrainians are everywhere, lying on the streets of Belarusian towns: Zhlobin, Homiel, Bakhmuch, Bykhaw, Mahimt, Orsha, Minsk, Sirotsino. Some live in the woods... Many Ukrainians are looking for bread near the very border of bourgeois feudal Poland and people are saying that [the government] wants to starve Ukrainians to death, while the newspapers write that everything's fine. Why don't they write the truth: millions are starving, and grain is rotting in the fields, many of which have been overgrown with grass and left untilled, because able men and women have run off into the world for a piece of bread, to avoid dying from famine. Copyright HREC <https://holodomor.ca/resource/holodom>

THE MIRACULOUS CATCH OF FISH

By Rev. D. George Worschak from The Way

**“Put out into deep water and lower your nets for a catch. ” Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets.”
When they had done this, they caught a great number of fish, and their nets were tearing. (Luke 5:4-6)**

The Gospel speaks of the crowd in the Lake Gennesaret area that gathered to listen to Jesus speak the Word of God. The crowd indeed was great and they were pressing upon Him. Jesus got into one of the boats, the one belonging to Simon Peter. And from the boat Jesus taught the crowds. After he finished speaking, Jesus asked Simon Peter to pull out into the deep water and lower the nets for a catch. Simon Peter, being an experienced fisherman who had toiled all day and caught nothing, replies that he didn't catch a single fish. But he goes on to say to the Lord and Master: “At Your command I will lower the nets.” (v. 5) And what was the result? There was a remarkable number of fish that were caught. The fishing nets were tearing (v.6) and both (two) boats were in danger of sinking. (v.7) Simon Peter recognizes that Jesus had divine power. Simon recognized that Jesus was a holy person and He was “of God,” one with God. And this made him be filled with astonishment, amazement and an awesome fear of being in the presence of the Lord God. Simon Peter asked the Lord to depart from him, for he (Simon Peter) considered himself to be “a sinful man.” (v. 8) But Jesus encourages him with these words: “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” (v. 10) Jesus was calling the ordinary fisherman, Simon Peter, to leave all and to follow Christ. Jesus Christ Our Lord was sent to rescue us, sinful mankind, from clutches of the evil one and to bring the repentant sinner back home to the safe harbor of salvation. In this earthly life we may encounter difficulties and disappointments. Things may not go “the way they were supposed to.” God enlightens us as to the way to Truth, a perfect truth without any falsehood or deception. We are called to love and perform works of charity abundantly. Those of evil intent may try to deter us or make us feel non-useful or unimportant. Such is not the way of the Lord God. He is always there for us. He wants to heal and save us, each and every one of us. Just as when the disciples recognized Jesus for Whom He was and is, that is “of divine origin”, we are to give the Lord precedence in all things. There is no one nor anything of greater importance than He. As true believers and followers of Christ, we walk daily with the Lord. We seek with divine help, with the graces and blessings from God, to give glory to God and to convert sinners unto salvation.