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Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!
July 20, 2025, A. D.

Saturday, July 19

6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Great Prophet Elijah

Blessing of Cars & Chariots

† Gerri Adamchak – Helen Lipowski



6:00 PM

Sunday, July 20

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† Special Intention- Lisa Placek

10:30 AM

Monday, July 21

9:00 AM

God's Blessings for America- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Friday, July 25

FEAST OF THE DORMITION OF ANNA

9:00 AM

† Roger E. Nicholas- Rebecca Micca

Saturday, July 26

7th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

6:00 PM

God's Blessings & Health for Helen Lipowski – Lisa Placek

Sunday, July 27

7th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:30 AM

God's Blessings & Health for John Yanoshak
-Yanoshak Family



Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)

Divine Liturgy: Saturday 4:00 PM; Sunday 8:30 AM

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TROPAR: Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

TROPAR: The glorious Elijah, angelic in body, pillar of prophets, second herald of Christ, by sending grace upon Elisha from on high, dispels disease, cleanses lepers, and overflows with healing for those who honor him.

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

KONDAK: O prophet and seer of the mighty works of our God, Elijah greatly renowned, by your word, you stopped the rain clouds. Pray for us to the only One who loves mankind.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

KONDAK: You, my Savior, descended to Hades, and as the Almighty, You shattered its gates. With Yourself You, as the Creator, raised the dead and shattered the sting of death, and delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Mankind. And so we cry out: "Save us, O Lord."

PROKIMEN: You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us from this generation and forever. Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man. You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

A Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans 12:6-14:

Brethren, we have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with the faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully. Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Love one another with mutual affection; anticipate one another in showing honor. Never be lacking in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, endure in affliction, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the Holy Ones, exercise hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Brethren, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. As

you know, we count as blessed those who have endured. You have heard of the patience of Job, and you have seen the end of the Lord, that the Lord is merciful and compassionate. Above all, my brothers, do not swear—not by heaven or by earth or by any other oath. But let your speech be, yea, yea: no, no: that you do not fall under judgment. Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the priests of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. And the prayer of faith shall save the sick man: and the Lord shall raise him up: and if he be in sins, they shall be forgiven him. Confess therefore your sins one to another: and pray for one for another, that you may be saved. For the continual prayer of a just man helps greatly. Elijah was a man passible like us: and with prayer he prayed that it might not rain upon the earth, and it rained not for three years and six months. And he prayed again: and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit. My brethren, if any of you err from the truth, and one convert him: he must know that he who causes a sinner to be converted from the error of his way, shall save his soul from death, and shall cover a multitude of sins.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia (3). Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing forever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth. Alleluia (3). For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared. Alleluia (3). Moses and Aaron are among His priests and Samuel among those who call upon His name. Alleluia (3).

Gospel Matthew 9:1-8; Luke 4:22-30

At that time, Jesus stepped into a boat, crossed over and came to his own town. Some men brought to him a paralyzed man, lying on a mat. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the man, “Take heart, son; your sins are forgiven.” At this, some of the teachers of the law said to themselves, “This man is blaspheming!” Knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, “Why do you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts? Which is easier: to say, ‘Your sins are forgiven,’ or to say, ‘Get up and walk’? But I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.” So he said to the paralyzed man, “Get up, take your mat and go home.” Then the man got up and went home. When the crowd saw this, they were filled with awe; and they praised God, who had given such authority to man. And all those present said: Is not this the son of Joseph? And he said to them: “Doubtless you will say to me this similitude: ‘Physician, heal thyself:’ as great things as we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy own country.” And he said: “Amen I say to you, that no prophet is accepted in his own country. In truth I say to you, there were many

widows in the days of Elijah in Israel, when heaven was shut up three years and six months, when there was a great famine throughout all the earth. And to none of them was Elijah sent, but to Sarepta of Sidon, to a widowed woman. And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet: and none of them was cleansed but Naaman the Syrian. And all they in the synagogue, upon hearing these things, were filled with anger. And they rose up and thrust him out of the city; and they brought him to the brow of the hill, whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong. But he passing through the midst of them, went his way.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance; of evil hearsay he shall have no fear. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



JULY CANDLES

The **Eternal Light** is given by Mark & Arlene Jennings
in loving memory of Peter & Anna Wrobel.

The Candle **Before the Icon of Jesus Christ** is given by
Ellen Algrainy for God's blessings for her mother Leona Kobela.

The **Candle before St. John the Baptist** is given by
by the Pasicznyk family in loving memory of Olympia Pasicznyk.

The **Candle Before the Icon of the Theotokos** is given by the
Bruce & Maria Slota for God's blessings on Helen Lipowski.

The **Candle Before St. Nicholas** is given by Mrs. Mary Schwartz
for God's Blessings on her granddaughter, Elizabeth.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & Mary Ann Potsko
loving memory of Henry & Joseph Heylek.

The **Proscomedial Table Candles** are given by Mary Ann Jarolen in
loving memory of Emil Jarolen.

The **Candle before the icon of the Transfiguration** is given by the parish in
loving memory of Geraldine Adamchak.

MEMORIAL DONATION: Thank you very much to Bob & Johana Longenberger for their donation in memory of Mrs. Gerri Adamchak.

CHURCH NEWS



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!: A very Happy Birthday to Leona Kobela who celebrates her birthday on Friday, July 25th. Happy Birthday to Helen Lipowski who celebrates her birthday on Saturday, July 26th. Happy Birthday to Joan Skordy who celebrates her Birthday on Thursday, July 31! Mnohaya Lita! God grant them many Happy & Healthy Years!

FLEA MARKET: We are currently having a “pop up” Flea Market in our church basement. We have been gifted the contents of a home from a generous donor and need to sell the contents as the hall has been rented. Tell your friends and neighbors, especially if they require dressers, a desk, 2 antique kitchen tables, couch & matching chairs, miscellaneous items, etc. **Flea Market is this Saturday, July 19th and next Saturday, July 26th from 8AM to NOON.**

FOOD FESTIVAL PREPARATION & PYROHY: The Food Festival is planned for **Saturday, August 30th**. Also, we will be making Pyrohy on **Saturday, August 16th for the Festival**. Please save the date. These fund-raisers are very important for our Parish.



RAFFLE BASKET DONORS NEEDED: We need Raffle Baskets for the Food Festival. There are baskets in the church basement if you need one.

HOLY SPIRIT PARISH WALKING PILGRIMAGE: You are cordially invited to participate in the **third annual Holy Spirit Parish Walking Pilgrimage on Saturday, July 26, 2025**. Sing and pray through beautiful forest land as we walk from St. Mary’s Church in Mocanaqua to St. Adalbert’s Church in Glen Lyon. The pilgrimage begins at 8:00 a.m. with Confessions and prayer at St. Mary’s Church, 130 Rectory Road, Mocanaqua. Pilgrims depart at 9:00 a.m. for the six mile trek through the Mocanaqua Tract of the Pinchot State Forest. The walk culminates with Holy Mass around 12:00 noon at St. Adalbert's Church. Those who cannot walk the entire pilgrimage route are welcome to meet at the church for Mass. Lunch will be served and bus transportation will be available back to Mocanaqua. We will walk rain or shine: please dress accordingly and modestly. **All are invited to participate in the pilgrimage either by walking or by submitting prayer requests. Register online at www.tinyurl.com/walkingpilgrimage2025 or text/call Raphael Micca at 570-301-9253.**

DORMITION FAST: The Dormition Fast is from August 1 through August 14.



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners **Assisted Living:** Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Shirley Kozar, Dolores Miller, Rita Kurtz, Diane Petry, Mary Louise Bailey. **Away:** Leona Kobela. **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Fr. Peter Waslo; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Fr. Gregory Maslak, Angel Ocasio, Elizabeth Biasci, Dolores Jennings, Mike Oresick, Mark & Debbie Schwartz, Mary Schwartz, Helen Lipowski, Raquel Camelia, Marie Neimeyer, Paulette Parcel & all Parishioners who are experiencing health issues.

PRAYER SWEETEST JESUS

O Lord Jesus Christ, my God, Who dost visit Thy creature, and to Whom are known my passions, the weakness of our human nature, and the strength of our adversary: Protect me from his malice, for his power is strong and our nature is weak and fraught with passions. Wherefore, O Good One Who knowest our weakness and dost bear the burden of our weakness, preserve me from the tumult of my thoughts and the deluge of my passions, and make me worthy of Thy holy ministry, that in my passions I may in nowise defile its delight and so appear shameless and presumptuous before Thee. O my Jesus, most sweet Lord, have mercy on me, and save me! Amen.

PRAYER TO THE HOLY ARCHANGEL GABRIEL

O Holy Gabriel, great archangel, who standest before the throne of God, art illumined with splendor by divine light and enlightened by the knowledge of unapproachable mysteries of His eternal wisdom! With full earnestness I beseech thee: Guide me to repentance, away from evil deeds, and to the confirmation in my faith; strengthen and preserve my soul against deluding temptations and entreat our Creator for the remission of my sins. O great and holy Archangel Gabriel, disdain me not, a sinner, who beg thee for help and aid in this age and that which is to come; but ever show thyself to be a helper for me, that I may unceasingly glorify the dominion of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, and thine intercession, unto the ages of ages. Amen.

BOOK(S) OF THE MONTH FOR JULY/AUGUST:

HUMILITY RULES: St. Benedict's Guide to Genuine Self-Esteem
Ignatius Press, by J. Augustine Wetta, O.S.B., Monk of St. Louis Abbey
ISBN: 978-1-62164-149-0

HISTORY OF THE CHURCH BY EUSEBIUS

Penguin, Available on Amazon

The only surviving historical record of the Church during its crucial first 300 years. A

Spiritual Psalter

or Reflections on God

from the writings of

Saint Ephraim the Syrian 63

Prayer for the granting of all virtues

Grant me, O Son of the Good One, that for which my mind yearns, and join to it that which is pleasing to Thy will.

Grant that I may choose to do good and in no way deviate from Thy will.

Do not permit me to be a wicked and hypocritical disciple who violates Thy commandments.

Protect me from thinking that I can walk along Thy path merely for the sake of appearance and thus by my hypocrisy deceive those who see me, inciting them to proclaim me blessed.

Grant that my heart might please Thy greatness in secret, and that my just life might glorify Thee publicly.

May truth be a mistress to guide Thy worshipper; may it preserve me in chastity both near and far.

Deliver me from the misfortune of knowing Thy law, yet lacking the desire to please Thee. Vouchsafe me the company of people who are simple, but experienced and wise in the performance of virtues.

My flesh is weak. Fortify it with Thy strength. Help me, break the arrows of the cunning enemy, and number me among the hosts of Thine heirs.

Grant me, O Lord, ever to be among Thy dominion and to do what is pleasing to Thee. And whenever I begin something good, do Thou, O Lord, give me strength to complete it. I know, O Lord, that I have sinned against Thy will. Clearly do I see that I have transgressed Thy commands. But do Thou, Who makest Thy sun to shine on the bad and the good,

deign also to shine Thy light in my clouded mind, and sins, those murderers and robbers who have taken up residence inside of me — will be driven out by this Thy light.

The Evil One sees in me no wickedness that did not come from him, for it is because of him that I have become wicked. I am, however, conquered by him through mine own free will. The Evil One has entangled me because I myself instructed him to do so.

The slothful and the timid run from Thy yoke; Thy love shames the negligent.

Praise be to Thy goodness, to that mother of all teachers. The blows that they deliver to bring the stubborn to their senses are perhaps quite painful, yet sympathetically do they offer healing to the penitent

Worthy of veneration are Thy Father and Thy Holy Spirit, Who rejoices at our return!