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Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!
November 2, 2025, A. D.



Saturday, November 1

6:00 PM

TWENTY-FIRST AFTER SUNDAY PENTECOST

+ John Lipowski – Virginian Palermo

Daylight Savings Time Begins*****

Sunday, November 2

10:30 AM

TWENTY FIRST AFTER SUNDAY PENTECOST

+Tamara Newton – Becker Family

Monday, November 3

9:00 AM

God's Blessings for America- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Thursday, November 6

9:00 AM

Thanksgiving to God for Prayers Answered

- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Friday, November 7

9:00 AM

God's Blessings for Heylek-Potsko Families

- Mary Janine Potsko

Saturday, November 8

6:00 PM

TWENTY-SECOND AFTER SUNDAY PENTECOST

+Francis John & Ann Marie Panek

Sunday, November 9

10:30 AM

TWENTY SECOND AFTER SUNDAY PENTECOST

+Pauline Maciborski- in loving memory, Leona Kobela



Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)

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

TWENTY FIRST AFTER SUNDAY PENTECOST
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TROPAR: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection and cast off the ancestral condemnation, they proudly told the apostles: “Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen, granting to the world great mercy.”
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

KONDAK: My Savior and Deliverer from the grave as God raised out of bondage the children of the earth and shattered the gates of Hades; and as Master, He rose on the third day.

PROKIMEN: How great are Your works, O Lord You have made all things in wisdom. verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great. How great are Your works, O Lord You have made all things in wisdom.

A Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Galatians (2:16-20):



Brethren, know that a person is not justified by the works of the law, but by faith in Jesus Christ. So, we, too, have put our faith in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law, because by the works of the law no one will be justified. “But if, in seeking to be justified in Christ, we Jews find ourselves also among the sinners, doesn’t that mean that Christ promotes sin? Absolutely not! If I rebuild what I destroyed, then I really would be a lawbreaker. “For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God. I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ Who lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia (3). Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, meekness, and justice. Alleluia (3). You have loved justice and hated iniquity. Alleluia (3).

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke 8:26-39:



At that time when Jesus came to the country of the Gerasenes there met him a certain man who for a long time was possessed by a devil, and wore no clothes, and lived in the tombs, not in a house. And when he saw Jesus, he fell down before him, and crying out with a loud voice said, "What have I to do with you, Jesus, Son of the most high God? I pray you, do not torment me." For he was charging the unclean spirit to go forth from the man. For many times it had laid hold of him; and he was bound with chains and fetters, and kept under guard, but he would break the bonds asunder and be driven by the devil into the deserts. And Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many devils had entered into him. And they entreated him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a herd of many swine was there, feeding on the mountainside. And they kept entreating him to give them leave to enter into them. And he gave them leave. And the devils came out from the man and entered into the swine; and the herd rushed down the cliff into the lake and were drowned. And when the swineherds saw what had happened, they fled and reported it in the town and in the country; and people came out to see what had happened. And they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the devils had gone out sitting at his feet, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those also who had seen it reported to them how he had been saved from Legion. And all the people of the Gerasene district besought him to depart from them; they were seized with great fear. And he got into a boat and went back. But the man from whom the devils had gone out prayed him that he might remain with him. But Jesus sent him away saying, "Return to your house, and tell all that God has done for you." And he departed, publishing throughout the whole town all that Jesus had done for him.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL

St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

CHURCH NEWS

FEAST OF SAINT MICHAEL: The Feast of Saint Michael is next Saturday, November 8th.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY: A Very Happy Birthday to **Brian Kawczenski** who celebrates his birthday on November 1st! May God grant Him & his Family Many Happy, Healthy, Blessed Years! Mnohaya Lita!

STANDARD TIME: **It's this week!!!** Don't forget Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, November 2. Set your clocks **back** one hour Saturday night before you go to bed on November 1st.



PYROHY SALE: There are potato pyrohy for sale in the church basement. The cost is \$12.00 per dozen. If you would like to purchase pyrohy please contact the church rectory or call Lisa on 570-574-1016.

TEN MINUTE MEETING: Next Sunday, before lunch we will have a 10 minute meeting to decide on Myasopusna (February 8th, 2026 A.D.), it's early this year, Christmas Cookies, Vigil of Christmas, and MORE.....



HALLOWEEN MOVIE DATE CHANGE: Movie Time next Sunday, November 9th! The movie is, "The Inspector General, a funny, lighthearted and touching story. You do not have to stay for the movie; everyone is welcome to come for a light lunch and fellowship. Come for the lunch – don't stay for the movie- come for the movie, have no lunch - that's okay! IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO DONATE POTATO CHIPS, POPCORN OR PRETZELS, or anything else, just give Lisa a call. Also, any potluck dish or volunteers are welcome! Everyone is welcome! Lisa 570-574-1016. Please sign the list if you think you might come.

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. The water was shut off at the cemetery. This year the dirt mound in the corner of the cemetery, by the shed, was moved in order to make it easier to keep the cemetery grass cut and clean. In removing this pile of "dirt" it was noticed that there was a lot of garbage that had been piled up with the "dirt" – keep in mind that you need to take your garbage with you from the cemetery. There is no garbage service at the cemetery.



NOVEMBER CANDLES

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by MaryAnn Jarolen
In loving memory of Emil Jarolen.

The **Eternal Light** is given by Tom & MaryAnn Potsko
In honor of Saint Michael & the Guardian Angels.

The **Altar Candles** are given by MaryAnn Jarolen
In loving memory of Michael Hvozda.

The Candle **Before the Icon of Jesus Christ** is given by
Bob & Johanna Longenberger in loving memory of
Sister Martin Rodko & Michael Rodko.

The Candle **Before St. Nicholas** is given by Lisa Placek
For God's Blessing on her son Nikolas

The Candle before the Icon of the Theotokos is
given by Lisa Placek for a Special Intention.



Prayer For Peace in Ukraine

Heavenly Father, Your Son taught us "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the sons of God." We fervently pray in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that you inspire men to become peacemakers. May mankind seek reconciliation and peace as is Your Will in this world. May tranquility be restored to all nations and especially Ukraine. God, Our Father, we beseech You to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded, and accept the souls of the dearly departed into Your heavenly kingdom. May the Most Holy Mother of God extend Her Mantle of Protection over Ukraine and the whole world. May each of us always live our lives as instruments of Your peace, in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.



ASK FATHER A QUESTION? I have a question about Phillip's Fast which I see begins Saturday, November 15th. Father, didn't the Church mitigate Phillips fast? Is still obligatory? Let me begin with a question back to you. Suppose

you are an athlete, a marathon runner, is it obligatory that you train? I could answer, no, it is not obligatory that you train. You could lie around eating, watching television, going to parties, reading or whatever else your heart desires and then on the day of the marathon show up and run. What do you think will happen on that day? You will very likely lose to someone else who did train. So now let us apply this to fasting. Why do we fast? We fast to grow stronger spiritually. Why do I need to be spiritually strong? It is because the devil, Lucifer, who was the highest-ranking angel in heaven before his sin, is stronger than any man. Lucifer uses all his power to lead mankind, that is each of us, into sin so that we will fail to succeed to inherit heaven and as a result we would inherit hell and be forced to worship him (Lucifer), not God. If you desire heaven, and not hell, then you need to be strong enough to thwart the attacks of Lucifer when they come. If you are weak you will fail. How then do you grow in strength? You grow in strength by applying the gifts Jesus left us which do not make sense to a fallen world that does not believe in God. The primary gifts are prayer, fasting and almsgiving. The highest form of prayer is the Divine Liturgy every Sunday. Fasting is critical too so that we can learn to become stronger in controlling our human desires and not letting Lucifer lead us astray through bodily desires. Fasting from food is one of those ways, to learn to be in control of all your appetites. So yes, the fast is obligatory if you desire heaven.

**BOOK(S) OF THE MONTH FOR NOVEMBER:
Achieving Your Potential in Christ: THEOSIS**

Anthony M. Conaris
ISBN: 0-937032-93-X

**Remembrance Day for the Victims of Holodomor (Stalin imposed Genocide) in Ukraine
this year is NOVEMBER 22, 2025.**

In 1932–1933, a man-made [famine](#), known as the [Holodomor](#), killed 3.3–6 million people in the [Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic](#) (as part of the [Soviet Union](#)), included in a total of 5.5–8.7 million killed by the broader [Soviet famine of 1930–1933](#). At least 3.3 million ethnic Ukrainians died as a result of the famine in the USSR.

The Holy Eucharist (an excerpt) By Fr. Alexander Schmemmann

The Eucharist is Christ, himself. The Eucharist is his Eucharist, and he is the Eucharist. It is he who offers, and it is he who is offered. Christ is the perfect man, who stands before God. Christ, alone, is the perfect Eucharistic being. He is the Eucharist of the world. In and through this Eucharist, the whole creation becomes what always was to be, and yet, failed to be.

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The Eucharist is communion with the whole Church. It is the supreme revelation of the communion of the saints, of the unity and interdependence of all the members of the Body of Christ. It is judgment and condemnation to people who do not see Christ in the Church, but see in it merely human pride and arrogance, selfishness, and the spirit of this world. It is the breaking of the [body of Christ], the one source of life that brings all to it, and redeems the unity of all men under one head, Christ, the mystery of forgiveness, the mystery of reconciliation achieved by Christ, and eternally granted to those who believe in him. It is the essential food of the Christian, strengthening his spiritual life, healing his diseases, affirming his faith, making him capable of leading a truly Christian life in this world, the gift of eternal life, an anticipation of the joy, peace and fullness of the Kingdom, a foretaste of its light. It is both partaking of Christ's suffering, the expression of our readiness to accept his way of life, and sharing in his victory and triumph—a sacrificial meal, and a joyful banquet. His body is broken, and his blood is shed, and partaking of them, we accept the cross. Yet, by the cross, joy has entered the world, and this joy is ours when we are at the Lord's table. It is given to me, personally, in order to transform me into a member of Christ, to unite me with all those who receive him, to reveal the Church as a fellowship of love.

The Eucharist is the mystery of the Kingdom, the fullness and manifestation of the Church as the age to come.

The Eucharist is our secret joy and certitude, the source of inspiration and growth, the victory that overcomes evil, the presence that makes our whole life, life in Christ.

The Eucharist is the beginning, and things that were impossible are again revealed to us as possible. The time of the world has become the time of the Church, the time of salvation and redemption.

Ancient Faith Radio transcript, reprinted with permission; The Holy Eucharist, Fr. Alexander Schmemmann.

Other Resources: THE EUCHARIST by Alexander Schmemmann
Video: "The Holy Eucharist; God's Lamb" (Souls & Liberty URL:
www.youtube.com/watch?v=KluDay7t0wA)