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Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

Divine Liturgy Schedule

July 19, 2026 A. D.

Saturday, July 18

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE 6 ECUMENICAL COUNCILS

6:00PM

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

☒ Edward & Anna Kroll - Lipowski Family

Blessing of Vehicles

Sunday, July 19

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE 6 ECUMENICAL COUNCILS

10:30AM

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's Blessings & Healing for Jordan & Quinby Finch

- Owen Family

Blessing of Vehicles

Monday, July 20

THE GREAT PROPHET ELIJAH

God's Blessings for America - Tom & Mary Ann Potsko

Blessing of your chariots

Saturday, July 25

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30AM

PYROHY MAKING IN CHURCH BASEMENT

6:00PM

God's Blessings & Good Health for Helen Lipowski

-Lipowski Family

Sunday, July 26

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:30AM

God's Blessings & Good Health for All Parishioners



Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)

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

SUNDAY OF THE FATHER OF THE SIXTH ECUMENICAL COUNCILS
EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 19, 2026

TROPAR: By Your cross You destroyed death; You opened Paradise to the thief; You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy, and charged the apostles to proclaim that You are risen, O Christ our God, offering great mercy to the world.

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: No longer shall the dominion of death be able to hold mankind, for Christ went down shattering and destroying it's powers. Hades is bound. The prophets exult with one voice. The Savior has come for those with faith, saying: "Come forth, O faithful, to the resurrection!"

PROKIMEN: Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name forever. For You are righteous in everything that You have done to us. The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace.

A Reading of the First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews (13:7-16):

Brethren, remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be carried away by all kinds of strange teachings. It is good for our hearts to be strengthened by grace, not by eating ceremonial foods, which is of no benefit to those who do so. We have an altar from which those who minister at the tabernacle have no right to eat. The high priest carries the blood of animals into the Most Holy Place as a sin offering, but the bodies are burned outside the camp. And so Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy through his own blood. Let us, then, go to him outside the camp, bearing the disgrace he bore. For here we do not have an enduring city, but we are looking for the city that is to come.

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 John 17:1-13



After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed: “Father, the hour has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began. “I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name, the name you gave me, so that they may be one as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled. “I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them.

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.

UKRAINIAN INDEPENDENCE FOLK FESTIVAL: On Sun., Aug. 23, at 12:00 PM, the Ukrainian American Sport Center Tryzub (County Line and Lower State Rds., Horsham, PA) invites you to the **Ukrainian Independence Folk Festival 2026**. Commencing at 1:30 PM, , a BBQ and cool refreshments for all ages will be plentiful. Admission: \$20; Free for children to age 14. Info: 267-664-3857; info@tryzub.org; www.tryzub.org. \$2 of each paid admission goes to Humanitarian Relief in Ukraine. Review the website for possible offsite parking instructions.

WHY COOK WEDNESDAYS! “Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will hold the 3rd and last of their Why Cook Wednesday Dinners for the Summer with a Ukrainian Festival Food, Take-Out Dinner on Wednesday, August 12th. Order from a menu of festival foods including; a Holubtsi Dinner with 2 piggies, 3 pyrohy and green beans for \$12.00, a Kovbasa Dinner with Kielbasa & Sauerkraut, Hard Roll and 3 Pyrohy for \$10.00, Pagash - 3 Cuts for \$6.00 or a whole tray of 12 for \$22.00, Pyrohy - 6 for \$6.00 or a dozen frozen for \$10, Cabbage and Noodles for \$4.00 a pint, and Piggie 6-Packs for \$18.00. Desserts available at our bake sale. Pick-Ups from 4:00 to 7:00pm in their school hall on the corner of North River and West Chestnut Streets, near the General Hospital Parkade in Wilkes-Barre. Take-Out Only and Pre-Orders are strongly encouraged. Place your order by calling the School Hall Kitchen (570) 829-3051. Tickets will also be sold for a Basket Raffle. Remember...When Baba Cooks, Everybody’s Happy!”



JULY CANDLES

The Candles on the Tetrapod are given by
Mark & Arlene Jennings in loving memory
of Peter & Anna Wrobel.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Marc & Karen Lipowski
In loving memory of Barbara Siviluch.

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Tom & Mary Ann Potsko
In loving memory of Henry, Helen & Joseph Heylek.

The Candle **Before John the Baptist** is given by Pasicznyk Family
In loving memory of Ihor & Olympia Pasicznyk.

The Candle **before the Icon of the Theotokos** is given
Lisa Placek for God’s Blessings on Nikolas & Benjamin Placek.

The **Candle before Jesus Christ** is given by the
Ellen, Saad & Leona in loving memory of our cousins:
Nicholas, Lorraine & Cathyann Gula.

The **Candle before St. Nicholas** is given by Ellen Alqrainy for
her dear mother Leona Kobela with Love, Health & Happiness.

The **Candle before the Icon of Transfiguration** is given
JoAnn Grout in Loving memory of Mike & Olga Yurkowski.

**Saturday, SEPTEMBER 5th
11:00am-4:00pm**

**Transfiguration of Our Lord Church is holding a One-
Day Ethnic Food Festival on
Saturday, September 5th.**

CAN YOU HEAR THE POLKA MUSIC PLAYING???????

**Home-Made Pierogi, Haluski,
PIGS-in-the Blanket, POTATO PANCAKES,
Homemade Clam Chowder...and more!**

**RAFFLE BASKETS
APPETITES ARE WANTED!!!!**



CHURCH NEWS..... Every day is a Holy Day of Opportunity. Pray Always.- Father Daniel Gurovich



HAPPY JULY BIRTHDAYS!: Happy Birthday to **Mike Gagliardi** and John Ferrato who both share a July 20th Birthday!! Mnohaya Lita! A very Happy Birthday to **Leona Kobela** who celebrates her birthday on Saturday, July 25th. Happy Birthday to **Helen Lipowski** who celebrates her birthday on Sunday, July 26th. Happy Birthday to **Joan Skordy** and **Mike Oresick** who celebrates their Birthdays on Friday, July 31! Mnohaya Lita! May God grant them many Happy & Healthy Years!



SYMPATHY: Please remember in your prayers the soul of Shirley Kozar who fell asleep in the Lord on Tuesday, June 23th. Mrs. Kozar will be remembered for being always cheerful and helping with pyrohy and activities with the church ladies. May Our Lord grant her rest in the bosom of Abraham, may she be numbered among the saints, and may her memory be eternal. Vichnaya Pamyat. Our deepest sympathies are extended to the Kozar Family. Funeral Services are private.

HALL DISHWASHER: The hall requires \$2,000 to repair the commercial dishwasher. Donations are being requested to offset this substantial cost. Thank you to everyone who donated to the dishwasher fund, we have received \$700 so far for the dishwasher fund.

PYROHY MAKING: We will be making pyrohy on Saturday, July 25th at 8:30AM. **Please come out and help.**



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

BAKE SALE: We will be having a Bake Sale in conjunction with the Food Festival. Baked Goods will be needed. Please bake.

Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners At Home: Dolores Miller, Rita Kurtz, Diane Petry, Mary Louise Bailey. Request: Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Fr. George Worschak; Fr. Peter Waslo; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Angel Ocasio, Elizabeth Biasci, Dolores Jennings, Mark & Debbie Schwartz, Mary Schwartz, Helen Lipowski, Raquel Camelia, Marie Neimeyer, Leona Kobela, Paulette Parcel, Josh Alberola, Sister Evhenia Prusnay & Mother Maria M.S.M.G. & all Parishioners who are experiencing health issues. Please pray for all clergy both in America and Ukraine. Please keep Ukraine in your prayers.

During the month of February our minds inevitably turn to two of America's greatest leaders, to Washington and Lincoln. Thinking of leaders, we think of some of the necessary qualities of a leader. We think of some of our own leaders of the present day and wonder if they have the qualities necessary for a leader.

Too many people when thinking of the attributes of a leader think first of the honor of it. They may think of the monetary benefits. They think of everything but the responsibility of a leader. It has well been said that many "think of leadership as the spire of the cathedral, not as its foundation."

It would be well for leaders, and would-be leaders, to remember that there is a compulsion about success. It is not enough to be useful and active until leadership is won.

The liner which has made a fast crossing of the ocean, ever afterwards lives under obligation of its own record. Each successive voyage is compared and should the liner descent into the ruck of the six or seven day vessels there would gather around its name something of disappointment, even a tinge of shame.

So it is with high achievement in any sphere. The football team which is at the top of the league and succumbs to one almost beneath the horizon of popular knowledge becomes a target for the wits and cynics. The boxer who has had world honors and goes down to a jab from a novice becomes an object of derision. The novelist who has produced a notable work of art and then perpetrates a pot-boiler has to endure the barbs of comparative criticism. The leader who "falls down on his job" meets scorn not honor. There lies upon every man the obligation to achieve the highest and to live up to it.

To think of leadership only for the honor is to think superficially and unsoundly. Such thinking takes into consideration only the leader, and not the people to be led.

Most people need leaders, but good, sincere leaders, leaders with a sense of responsibility. They hunger for leaders as they hunger for food, for light and air. They drink the inspiration they get from a leader as the thirsty will drink cold water. The need, the desire of men and women for inspirational leadership is the fact by which all the qualities of a leader must be estimated. The need is not for someone to honor, but for someone who can give them inspiration, who can serve their needs.

Men and women often want guidance in making up their opinion. They have a deep instinctive need of someone who can touch in them the springs of action, who can make their heart beat faster or their mind work quicker.

There is not one of us but, looking back, we can see that the formative things in our life were little phrases either of criticism or approval from those above us, glimpses

of action in them which became for us an example, a model upon which consciously or unconsciously our character was shaped. These things remain a need for most people to the end of their lives. Civilization and education may disguise it; but they cannot eliminate it.

This inspirational leadership was never desired and needed more than it is today. We feel the lack of good leaders. Let us help raise them for the future through the influence of our own Church, our schools and our own press.

PRAYERS: Please Pray for our leaders of today that God will lead them
and guide them.