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Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viki!
Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!
Divine Liturgy Schedule
October 11, 2026 A. D.

Saturday, October 10

6:00PM

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

✙Michael Sawczuk - Lisa Placek

Sunday, October 11

10:30AM

TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

✙Miriam Jennings - Gail & Bobby Miles

Saturday, October 17

6:00PM

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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

Sunday, October 18

10:30AM

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

✙Shirley Kozar - Parishioner

OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE THEOTOKOS, MARY
PLAN TO SPEND SOME TIME WITH YOUR MOTHER!



Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)

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

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., Reader John Fedorko & all Parishioners who are experiencing health issues. Please pray for all clergy both in America and Ukraine. Please keep Ukraine in your prayers.

**HOLY FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL
TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

October 11, 2026



TROPAR: Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice, for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm. He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead; He saved us from the abyss of Hades and granted 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. Therefor 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.

PROKEIMON: 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. Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name forever.

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



Brethren, Remember the Fathers of the Church, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their 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. Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

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).

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John 17:1-13:



At that time Jesus 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 mankind 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 given you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do. Do you 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. I kept careful watch and 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 (3).

OCTOBER CANDLES

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & Mary Ann Potsko

In loving memory of Margaret Yanoshak.

The **Eternal Light** is given By the Yanoshak

In loving memory of Randy Yanoshak.

The **Candle before the Icon of the Theotokos** is given

Lisa Placek for Special Intention.

The **Candle before Jesus Christ** is given by

Donna Lee-Hischak in loving memory of

her husband, Jame Hischak.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by a

Parishioner in loving memory of Anna Kutsup.

PRAYER FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE CHURCH
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O glorious St. Michael, guardian and defender of the Church of Jesus Christ, come to the assistance of the Church, against which the powers of hell are unchained, guard with especial care her august Head, and obtain that for Him and for us the hour of triumph may speedily arrive. O glorious Archangel St. Michael, watch over us during life, defend us against the assaults of the devil, assist us especially at the hour of death; obtain for us a favorable judgement, and the happiness of beholding God face to face for endless ages. Amen.

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

WELCOME: We welcome everyone to our Church! We are a Ukrainian Catholic Church in communion with Rome. Our Liturgy is in English and we invite you to come and pray with us! Check out our **website:** www.Transfigurationucc.org.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! A Very Happy Birthday to Arlene Jennings who celebrates her Birthday on October 16. Mnohaya lita! God's Blessings and Happiness to You & Your Family!



MOVIE: IT'S TODAY! Come join us for fellowship and a movie in the church basement! Everyone is welcome!

OCTOBER BOOK: School of Darkness, Bella Dodd. Bella Dodd's 1954 autobiography *School of Darkness* was written at the urging of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen, and it recounts her conversion to Catholicism after a lifetime in the Communist Party, culminating in her baptism by Archbishop Sheen in St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York.

CEMETERY: Please make sure that summer items are removed from the cemetery prior to the ground freezing in preparation for the Feast of the Nativity. We will also be shutting off the water to the cemetery soon.



HOAGIE SALE: St. Nicholas Church, Glen Lyon, will be holding a Turkey, Ham & Cheese and Italian Hoagie Sale on **Saturday, October 31st from 11:00am to 2:00pm**. The cost of each hoagie is \$8.00 and a quart of vegetable soup is \$9.00. 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 and the church.

NOTABLE DATES: **Daylight Savings Time Ends** (Sunday, November 1); **Thanksgiving** (Thursday, November 26); **Myasopusna** (January 31); **Lent Begins** (February 14), Good Friday (March 26), Easter (March 28).

PYRAMID HEALTHCARE IN DALLAS: Are asking for clothing (gently-used) donations for adult men and women especially as the cold weather approaches. Please call Father Walter at the rectory 570-735-2262.

WOMEN'S SOCIETY RUMMAGE SALE Plymouth: Saint Peter & Paul Church Women's Society women's society will hold a second rummage sale will be held in two weeks, Friday, **Oct 16th (9am-4pm)**, **Saturday October 17th (9am-2pm)**, and **Sunday -Bag Day October 18th (12pm-2pm)**. Basket Raffle will be available and tickets drawn on Saturday. Food Available.

ON THE PROVIDENCE OF GOD
THE WORDS OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

If you are so curious and inquisitive [about God's reasonings], wait for the final outcome and see how things turn out. And do not be thrown into confusion, do not be troubled at the start. ... If a man who has been born and raised on the sea and is completely ignorant of how to care for the land is suddenly moved to the interior of the country, when he sees the wheat that has been stored away and protected behind doors and bars, and kept free from moisture, suddenly brought out by the farmer, scattered, thrown about, lying on the ground before all passersby, and not only not kept free from moisture, but given over to the mire and mud without any protection, will he not consider the wheat to be ruined and pass judgement on the farmer who did these things? But this condemnation does not come from the nature of what was done, but from the inexperience and folly of him who is not judging well, casting his ballot immediately at the outset. If he waited for the summer and saw the fields waving, the sickle sharpened, and the wheat—that has remained scattered and unprotected and rotted and ruined and given over to the mire—now raised up and multiplied, appearing in full bloom, having put away that which is obsolete, set upright with great strength, as though having guards and a watch, raising its stalk up high, delighting the beholder, as well as providing nourishment and great benefit—then he would be highly amazed that, by way of such conditions, the fruit had been brought to such abundance and splendor. Therefore, you too, O man, especially do not be inquisitive about the common Master of all men. But if you are so contentious and daring, ... then wait for the final outcome of events. For if the farmer waits the whole winter, considering not what the wheat is undergoing during the time of frost, but the benefit he will get from it, much more so, before Him Who cultivates the whole world, as well as our souls, is it fitting for you to wait for the final outcome. But by outcome I do not mean only the outcome in the present life—for often it will be here, as well—but also that in the life to come. God's economy is directed toward a single end in each of these lives: our salvation.

The Presence of God

The point is not simply to say words of prayer. The point is for the whole man to be a prayer before God. The moment you feel devoutness, contrition and the fear of God – exactly because you are aware of God’s presence– it is as if you are praying, no matter where you are, no matter what you do. Your soul is attached to God. As you have the sense of God’s presence, that makes you stand in piety before Him, and saves you from being led hither, thither and yon. In order for the soul to be constantly in prayer before God, it doesn’t necessarily have to utter any words, once it has a constant sense of God’s presence, moves lovingly towards God and embraces God’s love. In this sense, our whole life has to be and can be prayer according to the words in the gospels, “pray without ceasing”.

Our Lady of Czestochowa

Saint Luke the Evangelist, according to tradition, is believed to be the original artist of this painting in which Mary is depicted holding the Christ Child. This sacred picture, enshrined and venerated at the renowned Marian Shrine in Poland, was first brought from Jerusalem through Constantinople and was bestowed to the Princess of Ruthenia. It was brought to Poland in 1382 through the efforts of Ladislaus of Opole who had discovered it in a castle at Belz. To ensure its protection, he invited the Monks of Saint Paul the First Hermit from Hungary to be its guardians.



From this time onward, the historic records of the painting are documented and authenticated by the miracles associated with the painting. In 1430, a devastating attack on the Polish Shrine resulted in tragic losses and the damaging of the holy picture. To this very day, despite the attempts to repair the damage, the slashes on the face of the Virgin Mary are still visible.

The foundation of the Monastery and Shrine in Czestochowa began with a small

wooden church. Subsequent development (1632-48) led to the construction of the present day basilica and defense wall which surrounds the sacred buildings. Under the heroic leadership of the Prior of the Monastery, Father Augustine Kordecki, the Shrine withstood the attacks of the Swedish Invasion of 1655. This great victory proved to be a tremendous boost to the morale of the entire Polish nation. As a result, King Jan Casimir, in 1656, made a solemn vow proclaiming the Mother of God to be the "Queen of the Polish Crown" and the Shrine of Jasna Gora to be the "Mount of Victory" and a spiritual capital for Poland. During the years of Poland's partition (1772-1918) the Shrine of Jasna Gora became a vibrant link for the Polish people with their homeland. The holy painting enshrined at Czestochowa beamed as a lighthouse of hope during the painful years of national hardships and defeats. Following the restoration of national independence in 1918, pilgrimages to the Polish Shrine grew in number and size. As World War II ended, a nation devastated by the scourges of war drew new strength and courage from the Shrine to rebuild and recover from the war. Today the Shrine of Czestochowa in Poland attracts millions of worshipers and tourists who come to honor the miraculous image of Our Lady of Czestochowa. In 1966, in celebration of the 1000th Anniversary of Poland's Christianity, a National Shrine to Our Lady of Czestochowa was dedicated in Doylestown, Pennsylvania, and is under the direction of the Pauline Fathers and Brothers who also administer the Shrine in Poland.