

Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Divine Liturgy Schedule May 21, 2017

Saturday, May 20

8:30AM

9:00AM

6:00PM

Sunday, May 21

10:30 AM

Monday, May 22

9:00 AM

Wednesday, May 24

6:30 PM

Saturday, May 27

6:00PM

Sunday, May 28

10:30 AM

Monday, May 29

9:00 AM

Pyrohy Making In the Church Hall

SOROKOUSTY

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners

SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

†Shirley Yanoshak- Yanoshak Family

God's Blessing on Thomas & Sandra Sydnor

Wedding Anniversary

ASCENSION OF OUR LORD-Holy Day Of Obligation

†Helen O'Bremski- Geraldine Adamchak

Blessings to the Kovalchik Family-Louise Golemb

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE 1ST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners

MEMORIAL DAY

†All Deceased Parishioners especially Veterans

Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)

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

Weekday Liturgy: M,W,F: 9:00AM

20 Nottingham Street, Plymouth, PA

SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

May 21, 2017



TROPARION: 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.

TROPARION: After seeing the image of Your cross in the heavens, O Lord, and receiving like Paul the summons that was not from men, your apostle among kings entrusted into Your hands the imperial city.

Always save it in peace by the prayers of the Mother of God, only Lover of mankind.

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

KONTAKION: Blinded in the eyes of my soul, I come to You, O Christ, like the man who was blind from birth, and I cry in repentance: You are the brilliant light of those in darkness. Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

KONTAKION: Though You descended into a tomb, O Immortal One, yet You destroyed the power of Hades; and You rose as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! and giving peace to Your Apostles: You, who grant Resurrection to the fallen.

PROKEIMENON: Pray and give thanks to the Lord our God.

verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel. Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth, and their word unto the ends of the world.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (16:16-34)

In those days, while we (apostles) were on our way out to the place of prayer we met a slave girl who had a clairvoyant spirit. She used to bring substantial profit to her masters by fortune telling. The girl began to follow Paul and the rest of us shouting, "These men are servants of the Most High God; they will make known to you a way of salvation." She did this for several days until finally Paul became annoyed, turned around, and said to the spirit. "In the name of Jesus Christ I command you, come out of her!" Then and there the spirit left her. When her masters saw that their source of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the main square before the local authorities. They turned them over to the magistrates with this complaint: "These men are agitators disturbing the peace of our city! Furthermore, they are Jews, which means they advocate customs which are not lawful for us Romans to adopt or practice." The crowd joined in

the attack on them and the magistrate stripped them and ordered them to be flogged. After receiving many lashes they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was given instructions to guard them well. Upon receipt of these instructions he put them in maximum security, going so far as to chain their feet to a stake. About midnight, while Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God as their fellow prisoners listened, a severe earthquake suddenly shook the place, rocking the prison to its foundation. Immediately all the doors flew open and everyone's chains were pulled loose. The jailer woke up to see the prison gates wide open. Thinking that the prisoners had escaped, he drew his sword to kill himself; but Paul shouted to him, "Do not harm yourself! We are all still here." The jailer called for a light, then rushed in and fell trembling at the feet of Paul and Silas. After a brief interval he led them out and said, "Men, What must I do to be saved?" Their answer was, "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, and all your household." They proceeded to announce the word of God to him and to everyone in his house. At that late hour of the night he took them in and bathed their wounds; then he and his whole household were baptized. He led them up into his house, spread a table before them, and joyfully celebrated with his whole family his newfound faith in God.

ALLELUIA (3): Direct my steps according to Your word. **ALLELUIA (3)** O Lord, by Your power the king shall rejoice, and shall greatly exult in Your salvation. **ALLELUIA (3).**

Gospel John 9:1-38

IN PLACE OF "IT IS TRULY PROPER": The angel exclaimed to the Lady full of grace: "Rejoice, O pure Virgin. And again I say: "Rejoice!" Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day. With himself he has raised all the dead. All you peoples, rejoice!" **IRMOS:** "Shine, O Shine! New Jerusalem! For the glory of the Lord has shone on you! Sing now and exult with joy, O Sion. And you, O pure Mother of God, adorn yourself in the splendor of your Son's resurrection."

COMMUNION HYMN: Receive the Body of Christ;* taste the fountain of immortality.* Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. (Psalm 148:1)* Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth,* and their word unto the ends of the world.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

IN PLACE OF: "Blessed is He", "We have seen the true light", "May our mouths be filled", "Blessed be the name", "Glory be to the Father": Christ is risen from the dead. By death he conquered death, and to those in the graves he granted life.

CHURCH NEWS

Christos Voskres! Voistinyu Voskres!

COFFEE HOUR: Thank you to Mike & Jill Gagliardi for hosting coffee hour last week!



CONGRATULATIONS! Congratulations and Best Wishes to Stephanie Jennings who is graduating Magna Cum Laude from Luzerne County Community College with an AAS degree in Office information Technology. Mnohaya Lita! May Grant Her Many Happy & Blessed Years!



PYROHY SALE: Thank you to the great group of people who came out to help make pyrohy! We appreciate all the hard work everyone did to make this project a success. **We have 54 additional dozen of pyrohy for sale. If you would like to purchase additional pyrohy, please call Geri at 570-824-3880 or Helen at 570-735-4654.**

VETERAN'S DAY LITURGY: If you have a Deceased Veteran in your family that you would like to be remembered by name at the Liturgy, please submit that name in the donation basket.



MEMORIAL DAY: On Monday, May 29 we will have Liturgy followed by Panakhyda Services at **Transfiguration of Our Lord Church** at **9:00AM** for all deceased veterans. **Blessing of Graves at Transfiguration Cemetery and Saint Nicholas Cemetery will be done upon request following Liturgy.** Please submit a request to Father Walter in the donation basket if you would like to have the grave of a loved one blessed.

SOROKOUSTY SERVICES: We will have Sorokousty Services on the following Saturday June 3 at 9:00AM.

The ideal posture during the Paschal Season is to stand and not to kneel as a sign of respect for the Risen Christ. This is during the Anaphora and the Reception of the Eucharist. When in doubt in our church, it is never wrong to stand.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS.....

PAVING PROJECT STATUS: The hall lot is completed. The cost of the Hall Lot is \$3,675. If you have an idea for a fund-raiser for this project, please let Father Walter or a Parish council member know your idea. If you would like to make a donation for this project, please contact the rectory at 570-735-2262.

PYROHY PROJECT: Our Pyrohy Project has an extra 54 dozen pyrohy to sell. If you would like pyrohy, please call Gerri at 570-824-3880.

JUNE MOVIE: The next Parish movie will be the Sunday, June 4 immediately following Divine Liturgy. The movie is titled **“Living With Wolves,”** an original National Geographic Special about virtuous family living.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: The next Parish Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, **July 11, 2017 at 6:30PM.**

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD FEAST DAY BBQ: Our Transfiguration of Our Lord Feast Day Celebration will be held on Sunday, August 6. **Please mark your calendars.**

DETOURS & CONSTRUCTION: There is further construction on the highway project as of April 3. Middle Road will be closed from Kosciuszko Street to the Lower Askam section of Hanover Township. The road will reopen in November. Kosciuszko Street will be closed July 6 and be opened in November. Prospect Street will be closed in the summer of 2018 and reopen in November 2018.



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners
Nursing Homes: Mary Kozmoski, Theodore Kulmatiski, Dorothy Kopiak
Assisted Living: Mary Manson, Anna Hopiak **At Home:** John & Mary Hoolick, Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Dorothy Swiderski. Sophie Staronka **Away:** Leona Kobela, Irene Diakiw.

REQUEST FOR HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHS:



We have received a request from Rich Custer, Washington DC, who is preparing a book on the history of the immigrant Carpathian Eastern Slavs in PA:

“After many years of research that began in my Penn State years, I am preparing to publish a book on the history of immigrant Carpathian Eastern Slavs in Pennsylvania, whether they called themselves Lemkos, Ukrainians, Galicians, Carpatho-Rusyns, etc. The book will include a long and detailed chapter on the on the immigrants of Nanticoke (Hanover Section, Nanticoke city, Askam, Warrior Run, etc.) and Plymouth (and Larksville, Breslau, etc.), including those who founded and were the members of your parishes, and their descendants. At the end of this month I will be in your area for several days trying to do one final assessment and collection/scanning of whatever old photographs may be available from your parish and others in the area.”

“I have the 75th anniversary book of Transfiguration Church and the centennial book of Ss. Peter & Paul Church, but would greatly benefit from being able to scan the original photographs that have been published in them, or any others that might be in the parish archives. I'm hoping you would be willing to permit me to scan some of them, and/or point me to individuals in your parishes who would have such photographs.”

“In past years I have conducted on-site research with the metrical records of both parishes, and so with that information, anniversary books, and numerous other sources, I have a lot of source material with which to write about the history of the parishes and their people, but having good copies of some of these photos would be a wonderful enhancement to the story. I will be staying in the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton area from Sunday, May 28 through Wednesday, May 31.”

If you have any historical photographs that would be appropriate that you would think would be helpful, please contact Father Walter or submit them to the rectory. Please make sure that they are in an envelope with you NAME AND PHONE NUMBER on it so that they may be returned to you. Additionally, if possible, if you could include information (short) about the photograph such: the year it was taken, where it was taken, any short pertinent information, it would be appreciated. Rich will be scanning the photographs in digitally and then returning them to you.

For we walk by
Faith,
not by Sight.
2 corinthians 5:7

MAY CANDLES

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Yanoshak Family
in loving memory of Shirley Yanoshak

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by
Leona Kobela for Blessings & Health for
Michael David Balicki.

Weekly Candle Intentions

Candle Before Christ is given by Donna Davis in memory of
Hvozda & Frankowski Families.

Candle Before John The Baptist is given by the
Irene Hvozda & MaryAnn Jarolen for Good Health & God's Blessings.

Faith has to do with things that are not seen, and hope with
things that are not in hand."

—Saint Thomas Aquinas

"One life is all we have and we live it as we believe in living it. But
to sacrifice what you are and to live without belief, that is a fate
more terrible than dying."

—St. Joan of Arc