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## Divine Liturgy Schedule

October 23, 2022, A. D.

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



**Saturday, October 22**

**6:00 PM**

**Sunday, October 23**

**10:30 AM**

**Wednesday, October 26**

**10:00 AM**

**Thursday, October 27**

**10:00 AM**

**Friday, October 28**

**10:00 AM**

**Saturday, October 29**

**6:00 PM**

**Sunday, October 30**

**10:30 AM**

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

†Michael Yurchak – Anonymous (no Name Given)

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

For the Intercession of the Mother of God for  
Conversion of Sinners & Protection of America

†Irene Hvozda- Art & Karen Jones

End to Abortion-Diane Petry

†Anna Kutsup- MaryAnn, Sophie & Michael Medlin

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

God's Blessings on America-Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

**TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

†Anna Kutsup- Ted & Donna Wurcester

**SS. PETER & PAUL CHURCH (20 Nottingham Street, Plymouth)**

Saturday Liturgy 4:00 PM

Sunday Liturgy 8:30 AM

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
BLESSED APOSTLE JAMES-BROTHER OF THE LORD**

**October 23, 2022**



**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:** Having gone to the very ends of the earth, the glorious Apostle James, caught the nations like fish, and taught them to worship You, O Christ our God, together with the Father and the Spirit. For His sake, O only Merciful Lover of Mankind, strengthen Your Church and bestow upon the faithful, Your Blessing.

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

**KONDAK:** Christ the Sun of Justice sent you, O glorious apostle James as a brilliant ray to illumine all the Earth. Through your prayers and with the Divine Near-setting Light, you illumine and enlighten all who in faith celebrate your Holy memory.

**Now and forever and ever. Amen.**

**KONDAK:** You rose from the tomb, O compassionate Lord, and led us out from the gates of death. Today Adam exults and Eve rejoices, and the prophets together with the patriarchs unceasingly acclaim the divine might of Your power.

**PROKEIMENON:** Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing. verse: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy. Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

***A reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Galatians (1:11-19):***

Brethren, for I want you to know, that the gospel that was proclaimed by me is not of human origin; for I did not receive it from a human source, nor was I taught it, but I received it through a revelation of Jesus Christ. You have heard, no doubt, of my earlier life in Judaism. I was violently persecuting the church of God and was trying to destroy it. I advanced in Judaism beyond many among my people of the same age, for I was far more zealous for the traditions of my ancestors. But when God, who had set me apart before I was born and called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, so that I might proclaim him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with any human being, nor did I

go up to Jerusalem to those who were already apostles before me, but I went away at once into Arabia, and afterwards I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I did go up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas and stayed with him fifteen days; 19 but I did not see any other apostle except James the Lord's brother.

**ALLELUIA:** Alleluia (3). In You, O Lord, have I hoped that I may not be put to shame for ever. Alleluia (3). Be a protector unto me, O God, and a house of refuge to save me. Alleluia (3).

**Luke 16:19-31**

At that time, the lord told this parable: "There was a certain rich man who used to clothe himself in purple and fine linen, and who feasted every day in splendid fashion. And there was a certain poor man, named Lazarus, who lay at his gate, coved with sores, and longing to be filled with the crumbs that fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. And it came to pass that the poor man died and was borne away by the angels into Abraham's bosom; but the rich man also died and was buried in hell. And lifting up his eyes, being in torments, he was Abraham afar off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried out and said, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am tormented in this flame.' But Abraham said to him, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime had received good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now here he is comforted whereas you are tormented. And besides all that, between us and you a great gulf is fixed, so that they who wish to pass over from this side to you cannot, and they cannot cross from your side to us.' And he said, 'Then, father, I beseech you to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, they he may testify to them, lest they too come into this place of torments.' And Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hearken to them.' But he answered, 'No father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' But he said to him, 'If they do not hearken to Moses and the Prophets, they will not believe even if someone rises from the dead.'"

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

**CHURCH NEWS .... Pray the Rosary.**



**Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners:** Please pray for our Parishioners **Assisted Living:** Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Geraldine Adamchak; Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Josephine Latoszewski. **Away:** Leona Kobela. **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko; Fr. Peter Waslo; Bishop John Bura Emeritus; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Rita Kurtz, Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Ted Weron, Fr. Gregory Maslak, Mary Yules, Angel Ocasio, Elizabeth Biasci.

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!** A Very Happy Anniversary to Arden and Michelle Miller who celebrate their Wedding Anniversary on October 21. Mnohaya Lita! May God grant Them and Their families - Many Happy, Healthy, Blessed Years!

**MYOSOPUSNA 2023:** Myasopusna will fall on Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>. Looking forward, we need to have a meeting to discuss this event.

**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. Please also be aware that the water will be shut off this week at the cemetery. **The water will be shut off on October 18, 2022.**

**STANDARD TIME:** Don't forget Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, November 6. Set your clocks back one hour Saturday night before you go to bed on November 5.

**TRANSFIGURATION CHORAL CLUB:** The club meets Thursday at 6:00pm to learn and practice singing leading Congregation-Style for the Divine Liturgy. Everyone is welcome.

**CHRISTMAS FLEA MARKET:** We are collecting new and gently used Christmas items for the upcoming Christmas sale. Please take donations to the hall after Election Day, November 8. Call 570-256-7883 and we will open the hall. We are accepting, Christmas trees, ornaments, lights, mangers, knick-knacks, flowers, cards, gifts that you never-used, ceramics, crafts, ribbons etc. The sale is scheduled to start on **Black Saturday, November 26.**

**FLEA MARKET:** Saints Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth) will be holding their Annual Yard Sale on **Friday, October 21 (9am-4pm)** and **Saturday, October 22 (9am-2pm)**. Bag day will be Sunday (noon to 3) . Food will be served-Take-Out only: Haluski and Assorted Soups.  
**SAINT PETER & PAUL UKRAINIAN AID RAFFLE:** In conjunction with the Flea Market, St. Peter & Paul Church will hold a Ukrainian Humanitarian Aid Raffle. Please come out and buy tickets to support the Raffle doe Ukraine.

**HOAGIE SALE:** St. Nicholas Church, Glen Lyon, will be holding a Turkey, Ham & Cheese and Italian Hoagie Sale on Thursday, October 27 from 11:00am to 4;00pm. The cost of each hoagie is \$8.00, and a quart of vegetable soup is \$8.00. 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.**

**PENNSYLVANIANS FOR HUMAN LIFE:** The Wyoming Chapter of Pennsylvanians for Human, 31 Hanover Street, WB are always in need of wipes or disposable diapers in sizes 1-4. If you would like to donate to this cause, please drop them off in the church basement and Diane Petry has offered to deliver them to the center. Thank You to our **GENEROUS DONORS!**

**“ANNUAL TURKEY-FEST DINNE”-** Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, will host their annual Turkey Fest Dinner as a take-out only event on Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> in their school hall on the corner of West Chestnut and North River Streets in Wilkes-Barre. Pick-ups will be from 12:00(noon) to 4:00pm. The event will feature our traditional turkey dinner and basket raffle. Dinners will be \$15.00 for adults and \$9.00 for children. Walk-in customers will be welcomed, but reservations are strongly encouraged. Tell your friends and family. Non-perishable food items will be collected for donation to a local food pantry.”

**Remembrance Day for the Victims of Holodomor (Stalin imposed Genocide) in Ukraine  
this year is NOVEMBER 26, 2022.**



**ASK FATHER A QUESTION? Father, why did St. Paul write to the Galatians? Was it one Galatian or a whole country Paul was writing to?** Paul was writing to the Church in Galatia, whom he had taught. His anger is evident even in the letter, because the letter does not open with the usual salutation and praise that is found in another letter of Saint Paul. After Paul had evangelized many people and started the church in Galatia, he moved on to evangelize other people and sometime later received word that others had come in behind and were giving false teachings to the church he found in Galatia. These other teachers are assumed to be Jews from Israel and the early church referred to these people as Judaizers. They are called Judaizers because they claim that salvation came from the Jews not from Jesus Christ, further the Judaizers claim that you had to become Jewish BEFORE you could become Christian or a follower of Christ. So, Paul writes the Letter to summarize all of the teachings he had given them while he was with them and to remind them not to be carried off by strange teachings.



### OCTOBER CANDLES

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & MaryAnn Potsko  
in Honor of Guardian Angels & Saint Michael.

The **Eternal Light** is given by Mary Ann Jarolen  
In loving memory of Irene Hvozda.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Ed & Mary Schwartz for  
God's Blessings on their grandson, Zachary.

The **Proscomedia Table** is given by Anna Kutsup  
in loving memory of Michael Kucab.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by MaryAnn Jarolen  
For the Deceased Members of the Hvozda and Frankowski Families.

The **Candle Before the icon table of the Theotokos** is given by  
the Yanoshak Family in loving memory of Randy Yanoshak.

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by Donna Lee Hischak  
in loving memory of James Hischak.

The **Candle Before the icon of the Theotokos** is given by  
Fr. Walter asking for the intercession of Our Blessed Lady against demonic forces during  
this time of open war against God's sheep in the USA.

The **Candle before John the Baptist** is given in loving memory of  
Anna Kutsup from Theodore & Donna Wurster.

“Do not let pass any opportunity to pray for anyone, either at his request or at the request of his relatives, friends, of those who esteem him, or of his acquaintances. The Lord looks favorably upon the prayer of our love, and upon our boldness before him. Besides this, prayer for others is very beneficial to the one himself who prays for others; it purifies the heart, strengthens faith and hope in God, and enkindles our love for God and our neighbor. When praying, say thus: ‘Lord, it is possible for Thee to do this or that to this servant of Thine; do this for him, for Thy name is the Merciful Love of Men and the Almighty.’” + **St. John of Kronstadt, My Life in Christ**

### **COMMEMORATION OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE SEVENTH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL AND THE VENERATION OF HOLY ICONS**

The Seventh Ecumenical Council was held in Nicaea in the year 787. This council was convened by Patriarch Tarasius of Constantinople with about 350 bishops in attendance coming from the various regions of Christendom. The Council is most noted for its decree refuting the Iconoclast heresy. The Council was convened to restore the use and veneration of icons. The Council Fathers decreed that the veneration of the holy icons has a rightful place within Eastern Christian worship, both in church and at home. The Proclamation reads: We define that the holy icons, whether in color, mosaic, or some other material, should be exhibited in the holy churches of God, on the sacred vessels and liturgical vestments, on the walls, furnishings, and in houses and along the roads, namely the icons of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ, that of our Lady the Theotokos, those of the venerable angels and those of all saintly people." Furthermore, at the seventh session of the Council it was stated: “As the sacred and life-giving cross is everywhere set up as a symbol, so also should the images of Jesus Christ, the Virgin Mary, the holy angels, as well as those of the saints and other pious and holy men be embodied in the manufacture of sacred vessels, tapestries, vestments, etc., and exhibited on the walls of churches, in the homes, and in all conspicuous places, by the roadside and everywhere, to be revered by all who might see them. For the more they are contemplated, the more they move to fervent memory of their prototypes. Therefore, it is proper to accord to them a fervent and reverent veneration, not, however, the veritable adoration which, according to our faith, belongs to the Divine Being alone – for the honor accorded to the image passes over to its prototype, and whoever venerate the image venerate in it the reality of what is there

represented. ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Second\\_Council\\_of\\_Nicaea](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Second_Council_of_Nicaea))

Here the Council Fathers state that adoration belongs to God alone. What Eastern Christians, Catholic and orthodox, do is venerate the holy icons. The icons are “windows”

into the spiritual realm. They help the faithful to be more contemplative and prayerful. The icons guide the believer into a life of prayer. They ultimately are to transform and sanctify the person, the believer. The holy blessed icon is a conduit to the healing of soul and body. And this in turn should lead to a total and final transformation of the world. Depicted in the holy icons may be an image of God, Jesus Christ, Angels, the Mother of God, other saints or the various events in biblical and church history. The icons lift up our eyes heavenward. Early church writers state that the true-believing Christian receives vision of the spiritual world. Truly, the icons are windows of Heaven. The Second Council of Nicaea took place in 787 in order to refute iconoclasm, which was the false teaching or heresy that prohibited the use of religious images or icons within the Christian churches in the East. There were two periods of Byzantine Iconoclasm. The first was from 726 until 787 and the second was from 814 until 842. The Seventh Ecumenical Council, also known as the Second Council of Nicaea in 787 had refuted the heresy and brought the first period of Byzantine Iconoclasm to a halt. The second period of iconoclasm ceased under the reign of Empress Theodora, when Patriarch Methodius summoned the synod or local council in Constantinople in 843 to reaffirm the teaching of the Seventh Ecumenical Council regarding the veneration of holy icons. This brought peace to the Church and settled the controversy. We celebrated that final and ultimate victory over the iconoclasts on the First Sunday of the Great Fast (Lent), also known as the Sunday of Orthodoxy (True Faith). Let us thank the Lord God for the wisdom and courage of the Church Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council as well as those of the Synod in 843. Due to their great faith, we have icons to venerate in our churches and homes that give a foretaste, a glimpse to Heaven, the Kingdom of God where we all seek one day to be deemed worthy of entry.

**Rev. D. George Worschak**