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Divine Liturgy Schedule

July 21, 2024, A. D.

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

Saturday, July 20

6:00 PM

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

✠Augustine & Kaminsky Families- Denise Kaminsky
Blessing of cars in memory of St. Elijah

Sunday, July 21

10:30 AM

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's Blessings & Good Health for Natalia Becker
- Becker Family

Thursday, July 25

10:00 AM

Blessing of cars in memory of St. Elijah

DORMITION OF ANNA

God's Blessings on America- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Friday, July 26

10:00 AM

God's Blessings & Good Health for Helen Lipowski
-Lipowski Family

Saturday, July 27

6:00 PM

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

✠Theodore Weron-Elias, Richard, & Sharon Grevera

Sunday, July 28

10:30 AM

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's Blessings & Good Health for Helen Lipowski,
Joan Skordy, Mike Gagliardi, Leona Kobela
& John Ferrato -Lisa Placek

Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)

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

20 Nottingham Street, Plymouth, PA

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 21, 2024



TROPAR: You came down from on high, O Merciful One, and accepted three days of burial to free us from our sufferings. O Lord, our life and our resurrection, glory be to You. **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever and forever. Amen.**

KONDAK: When You rose from the tomb, You also raised the dead and resurrected Adam. Eve exults in Your resurrection, and the ends of the world celebrate Your rising from the dead, O most merciful One.

PROKIMEN: Pray and give praise to the Lord our God. In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel. Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

A Reading of the First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (3:9-17):

Brethren, we are God's co-workers, while you are his cultivation, his building. Thanks to the favor God showed me, I laid a foundation as a wise master-builder might do, and now someone else is building upon it. Everyone, however, must be careful how he builds. No one can lay a foundation other than the one that has been laid, namely Jesus Christ. If different ones build on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay or straw, the work of each will be made clear. The Day will disclose it. That day will make its appearance with fire, and fire will test the quality of each man's work. If the building a man has raised on this foundation still stands, he will receive his recompense; if a man's building burns, he will suffer loss. He himself will be saved, but only as one fleeing through fire. Are you not aware that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, and you are the temple!

ALLELUIA:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

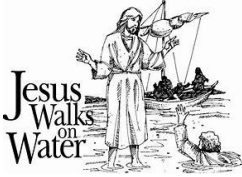
Come, let us rejoice in the Lord; let us acclaim God our Savior.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Let us come before His countenance with praise and acclaim Him with psalms.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel of Saint Matthew 14:22-34



At that time, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd. After he had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside by himself to pray. Later that night, he was there alone, and the boat was already a considerable distance from land, buffeted by the waves because the wind was against it. Shortly before dawn Jesus went out to them, walking on the lake. When the disciples saw him walking on the lake, they were terrified. "It's a ghost," they said, and cried out in fear. But Jesus immediately said to them: "Take courage! It is I. Don't be afraid." "Lord, if it's you," Peter replied, "tell me to come to you on the water." "Come," he said. Then Peter got down out of the boat, walked on the water and came toward Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid and, beginning to sink, cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. "You of little faith," he said, "why did you doubt?" And when they climbed into the boat, the wind died down. Then those who were in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret.

COMMUNION VERSE: Praise the Lord from the heavens; Praise him in the highest. Alleluia (3).

CMombo Large Power Lift Recliner, model 7634 for sale by a parishioner in Larksville. Craig's list for more info: <https://scranon.craigslist.org/fuo/d/plymouth-mcombo-large-power-lift/7766067368.html> 2 months old, like new Lots of options, Infinite Position, Power Headrest,Lumbar and Seat Heating, Extended Footrest, USB Charging Ports & Cup HoldersCall Rita at (484) 651-5551.

VOLUNTEERS: The Sisters of the Order of Saint Basil the Great are looking for volunteers to help during this year's Pilgrimage which will take place on September 29th, on the grounds of the motherhouse in Jenkintown. If you are interested in helping us, please call Mrs. Maria Panczak at 215-379-3998 at ext. 17 or by email at development@stbasils.com.



PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL: Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard 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 cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

CHURCH NEWS



HAPPY JULY BIRTHDAYS!!!: Happy Birthday to Leona Kobela who celebrates her Birthday on July 25th!! Happy Birthday to Helen Lipowski who celebrates her Birthday on July 26th!! Happy Birthday to Joan Skordy who celebrates her Birthday on July 31!! Mnohaya Lita! May God Grant You Many Happy Years!



FOOD FESTIVAL PICNIC: A planning meeting was held Sunday, July 7th. Please save the date of the **Food Festival – Saturday, August 31st**. We RELY on these fund raisers for CHURCH expenses, please help.

RAFFLE: We will once again have a Raffle in conjunction with the Food Festival. Baskets are needed. (Mr. & Mrs. Schwartz have donated a TV and it will be raffled off at this time.) We have already applied for a Special Use Permit.

BAKE SALE: We will hold a bake sale at the Food Festival. Bake Goods are needed, please keep us in mind for this fund raiser.

PYROHY MAKING: We will be making pyrohy on **Saturday, August 10th at 8:30am**. We will be making 90 dozen so many hands are needed. We will make pyrohy again on **Wednesday, August 28th** for immediate use at the Festival.

TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD CEMETERY: As many Parishioners are well aware the Cemetery Fence requires some repair, the Men's Work Group has graciously offered to repair the fence. They have assessed it & what is expected to be needed. We needed 18 posts at \$50 each and we reached our goal by the grace of God! We are extremely grateful that the men have donated their time to this project. Thank You! Our deepest gratitude for their efforts and our donors. Donations to the cemetery are always welcome.



ROOF PROJECT: As many Parishioners are aware, we replaced half the roof this past year and repaired the dome that was leaking. Many people have donated toward this repair. More donations are needed. Please keep us in mind, more roof information is forthcoming for the remainder of the roof.

1Corinthians 15:1-11; Matthew 19:16-26

A rich man shall hardly ever enter into the Kingdom of Heaven (Matthew 19:23). Here is meant a rich man who sees within himself the many means and powers that lead to his prosperity. But as soon as one who has many possessions cuts off all attachments to them, extinguishes within himself all reliance on them, and ceases to see them as his substantial support, then in his heart he is the same as one who possesses nothing. To such a one is the road to the Kingdom opened. Riches then not only do not hinder him, but they help him, for they provide a means for charitable works. Riches are not the danger, but rather reliance upon them and attachment to them. This thought can be generalized in this way: whoever relies on something and is attached to it is rich in that thing. Whoever relies on God alone and cleaves to Him with all his heart is rich in God. Whoever relies on something turns his heart to it instead of to God. Such a person is rich in this other thing, but not in God. Here are meant such things as family, connections, intelligence, rank, spheres of activities and so forth. From this it follows that he who is not rich in God has no entrance into the Kingdom of God. - **St. Theophan the Recluse**



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners **Assisted Living:** Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Geraldine Adamchak; Shirley Kozar, Dolores Miller, Rita Kurtz, Diane Petry, Mary Louise Bailey. **Away:** Leona Kobela. **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Fr. Peter Waslo; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Fr. Gregory Maslak, Angel Ocasio, Elizabeth Biasci, Dolores Jennings, Mike Oresick, Debbie Schwartz, Ed & Mary Schwartz.

DORMITION FAST: The traditional rule for the Dormition Fast is a strict abstinence from August 1 to 14, with the usual mitigations (wine and oil) for Saturday and Sunday and the Feast of the Transfiguration (August 6). It is, therefore, observed as the Great Fast. The observance of this fast is voluntary.

BOOK(s) OF THE MONTH FOR JULY-Suggested Reading Material:

St. Gregory of Nyssa – On the Soul and the Resurrection

(121 pages long) by Popular Patristis Series,

Remade for Happiness- Bishop Fulton Shee

If you cannot find Christ in the beggar at the church door, you will not find Him in the chalice. - Saint John Chrysostom



ASK FATHER A QUESTION? What is the Dormition Fast and when did it start?

Just like the Feast of Resurrection (Easter), there is a preparation period which lasts 40 days (The Great Fast). The preparation period for the Feast of the Dormition of Holy Mother of God is a two week preparation/penitential period, which begins August 1 of each year. As the Great Fast ends with the Dormition of Christ on the Cross (Good Friday), we prepare for our Blessed Lady's Dormition and her resurrection and ours, even though we don't experience it yet in time. This preparation period is not only for her feast, but also to prepare us for our Dormition and resurrection and to lead us to heaven. BUT Father, can you explain this in English? The Dormition of the Mother of God is the day that she died. The Blessed Mother was put in a tomb. Thomas-aka Doubting Thomas, the Apostle, was not present at her death and burial, he asked to see where she was laid and when they arrived at the tomb was empty and filled with the aroma of roses. Roman Catholics call this day the Assumption of the Mother of God because her body was taken to heaven. **HOW DO WE KEEP THIS FAST PERIOD?** The traditional fast is a period of 14 days no meat and dairy. The fast is voluntary. Just like Lent we can omit meat perhaps on Wednesdays and Fridays, if we choose.

St Isaac the Syrian says we should:

- **Pray with attention** – so that we can have a true encounter with God
- **Pray with humility** – because this sort of prayer goes straight to God's ear
- **Pray with affection and tears** – with joy and thanksgiving, but also with true repentance and purity.
- **Pray with patience and ardor** – 'to deny oneself' is courageously to persevere in prayer.
- **Pray from the depths of the heart** – even if we pray using 'the words of another' they should be uttered as if they are our own. St. Isaac says this is especially true of the Psalms.
- **Pray with faith and absolute trust in God** – because He knows our life

Prayer to Our Lady of Lourdes

O ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of mercy, health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comfort of the afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings; deign to cast upon me a look of mercy. By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, whence you dispense your favors, and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal. I come, therefore, with the most unbounded confidence, to implore your maternal intercession. Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests. I will endeavor to imitate your virtues, that I may one day share your glory, and bless you in eternity. Amen.

Have patience with all things - but first with yourself. Never confuse your mistakes with your value as a human being. You are perfectly valuable, creative, worthwhile person simply because you exist. And no amount of triumphs or tribulations can ever change that.- St. Francis de Sales



July 2024

The **Candle before the Icon of St. John the Baptist** is given
In celebration of Rev. Father Walter Pasicznyk's
10 years of priestly ordination.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & MaryAnn Potsko
In loving memory of Henry Heylek, Sr. & Joseph Heylek.

The **Eternal Light** is given by Mark & Arlene Jennings in
loving memory of Peter & Anna Wrobel.

The **Candles on the Proscomedia Table** are given by the
Mary Ann Jarolen, Tom & Jenn Jones in loving memory of Emil Jarolen.

The **Candle before St. Nicholas** is given by Ed & Mary Schwartz
For God's Blessings on their Granddaughter, Elizabeth & Grandson, Peyton.

The **Icon Table before the Transfiguration of Our Lord Candle**
Is given by Ed & Mary Schwartz for God's Blessings on
The 25th Anniversary of Nicholas & Cheryl Schwartz.