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## **Divine Liturgy Schedule**

**September 29, 2024, A. D.**

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



**Saturday, September 28**

**6:00 PM**

**Sunday, September 29**

**10:30 AM**

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

†Ted Weron- Donna Lee

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

†Michael Sawczuk- Lisa Placek

**Tuesday, October 1**

**10:00 AM**

**PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS- POKROV**

God's Blessings for America- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

**Saturday, October 5**

**6:00 PM**

**Sunday, October 6**

**10:30 AM**

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

†George, Gertrude & Rick Potsko- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

†Donna Walters- Mark & Arlene Jennings

**OCTOBER IS THE MONTH OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY!**  
**IN THANKSGIVING FOR THE PROTECTIONS WE HAVE RECEIVED CONSIDER**  
**SPENDING MORE TIME WITH OUR MOTHER!**

**Welcome! VITAEMO!** You enter this Church - not as strangers, but as a guest of God. He is your heavenly Father. Come, then, with joy in your heart and thanks on your lips into His presence, offering Him your love and service. .... Ask His blessing on those who love His house of faith as the inspiration of their labor, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit, and may that blessing rest on you, both in your going out and your coming in. .... Bring our people together to worship in the hope of everlasting love.

**Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)**

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

**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**September 29, 2024**



**TROPAR:** When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out: “O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory be to You!”!

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Now and for ever 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.

**PROKIMEN:** The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become my salvation. The Lord has indeed chastised me, but He has not delivered me to death. The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become my salvation.

**A Reading of the Second Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians (11:31-12:9):**

Brethren, The God and Father of the Lord Jesus, who is to be praised forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor under King Aretas had the city of the Damascenes guarded in order to arrest me. But I was lowered in a basket from a window in the wall and slipped through his hands. I must go on boasting. Although there is nothing to be gained, I will go on to visions and revelations from the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven. Whether it was in the body or out of the body I do not know—God knows. And I know that this man—whether in the body or apart from the body I do not know, but God knows— was caught up to paradise and heard inexpressible things, things that no one is permitted to tell. I will boast about a man like that, but I will not boast about myself, except about my weaknesses. Even if I should choose to boast, I would not be a fool, because I would be speaking the truth. But I refrain, so no one will think more of me than is warranted by what I do or say, or because of these surpassingly great revelations. Therefore, in order to keep me from becoming conceited, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me. Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me. But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me.

**ALLELUIA:** Alleluia (3). The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the God of Jacob will shield you. Alleluia (3). Lord, grant victory to the king and hear us in the day that we shall call upon You. Alleluia (3).

**A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke 6:31-36:**



The Lord said, “Even as you wish men to do to you, so also do you to them. And if you love those who love you, what merit have you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what merit have you? For even sinners do that. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive in return, what merit have you? For even sinners lend to sinners that they may get back as much in return. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, not hoping for any return, and your reward shall be great, and you shall be children of the Most High, for he is kind towards the ungrateful and evil. Be merciful, therefore, even as your Father is merciful.”

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



**Prayer For Peace in Ukraine**

Heavenly Father, Your Son taught us “Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the sons of God.” We fervently pray in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that you inspire men to become peacemakers. May mankind seek reconciliation and peace as is Your Will in this world. May tranquility be restored to all nations and especially Ukraine. God, Our Father, we beseech You to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded, and accept the souls of the dearly departed into Your heavenly kingdom. May the Most Holy Mother of God extend Her Mantle of Protection over Ukraine and the whole world. May each of us always live our lives as instruments of Your peace, in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH**

We pray You, O almighty and eternal God! Who through Jesus Christ hast revealed Your glory to all nations, to preserve the works of Your mercy, that Your Church, being spread through the whole world, may continue with unchanging faith in the confession of your name. Amen.

## CHURCH NEWS ....

### IT'S THIS SUNDAY AFTER LITURGY!

**CONVENTION OF STATES:** Several of our Parishioners have expressed an interest in the Convention of States Project. BE AWARE THIS HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE ELECTION OR POLITICS AS YOU KNOW IT, AND THE TIMING OF THIS PRESENTATION WAS A MATTER OF THE SPEAKER'S AVAILABILITY. This about a 30 minute presentation about the organization. It will be presented on **Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>** immediately following the Divine Liturgy. From the COS literature: ***"Convention Of States project educates citizens on the US Constitution as the foundation of the federal government. The focus is on Article 5 (of only 7 Articles) which has two methods for amending: Congress has added 27 amendments. The second method is whereby states legislatures who agree on specific topics, can then aggregate 34 applications to start deliberating on proposals. Any proposal is not a law, instead it will be sent to the states to either reject or ratify. Our slogan is to "use the constitution to save the constitution'"*** Bring a friend or neighbor!



**FLEA MARKET:** We are planning to have a Christmas Flea Market before Christmas. We are accepting gently used, non-broken Christmas Decorations. Thank you in advance for your contributions. Please call Bob or Johanna at 570-592-5776 and we will pick up items or you can bring them to the hall. Thank you!

**PRESENTATION ON THE CHURCH TEACHING OF CREATION:** On Wednesday, **October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30PM.** We will have a presentation on the Church Teaching of Creation in the church basement. The presentation will be about 1 hour, and a short question period will follow. Invite your friends & Neighbors!! Bring any questions you have!

**MOVIE PRESENTATION:** We are planning another Parish Movie Day. Day to be announced. There will be food and fellowship and we hope you can come! Possible dates are one of the Sundays in November. If you have any conflicts and would like to attend, speak to Father Walter.



**STANDARD TIME:** Don't forget Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, November 3. Set your clocks back one hour Saturday night before you go to bed on November 2.

## LOCAL NEWS.....



**WHEELCHAIR RAMP FOR SALE:** TaiH WHEELCHAIR RAMP: 8ft portable, foldable, 96”L by 29”W, 800lbs. capacity, requires an 8” to 24” step height necessary. Used 3 times. Please call Rita Kurtz at 1-484-651-5551. Asking \$200. Brand New Listing \$365.

**ST. PETER & PAUL FLEA MARKET:** The St. Peter & Paul (Plymouth) Annual Rummage Sale will be held on **Friday, October 11th & Saturday, October 12th**. There will be a Food & Bake Sale and basket raffle for the benefit of the Ukrainian Relief Fund.

**“PASTIE SALE:** Saints Peter & Paul, Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, North Wilkes-Barre is taking orders for Pasties for pick-up on Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Our Pasties are made with seasoned ground beef and potatoes wrapped in a pie crust pastry and are available with or without onions. Pasties are \$9.00 each and Gravy is available for \$1.00 for an 8 oz. cup. Call (570) 829-3051 to place your order. (Please specify with or without onions.) Pick-up from 2:00 to 4:00pm in our School Hall, corner of North River and West Chestnut Streets, Wilkes-Barre. Remember, when Baba cooks... everybody’s happy!”

**UKRAINIAN DONATIONS BEING MATCHED:** The Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia is pleased to announce that an anonymous benefactor has committed to matching every dollar donated for the Philadelphia Reporting and Benefit Event on October 5, up to \$100,000, for the "Healing of the Wounds of War in Ukraine Fund." It is a great opportunity to help the Archeparchy, and also help the people of Ukraine. If you would like to donate, please write the check to: Archdiocese of Philadelphia and put “Phila Event” on the memo line of your check and mail it to:

Philadelphia Archdiocese  
Attn: Finance  
810 N Franklin Street  
Philadelphia, PA 19123-2001

**THIS IS THE LAST WEEK TO DONATE & GET YOUR DONATION TO PHILADELPHIA!**

**PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF FATIMA:** O Most Holy Virgin Mary, Queen of the most holy Rosary, you were pleased to appear to the children of Fatima and reveal a glorious message. We implore you, inspire in our hearts a fervent love for the recitation of the Rosary. By meditating on the mysteries of the redemption that are recalled therein may we obtain the graces and virtues that we ask, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer, in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.



**PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS (Birth-Giver of God; or, The One Who Gave Birth to God; or, God Bearer) (October 1)-**

The Protection of the Theotokos is one of the most beloved feast days among the Slavic peoples, commemorated on October 1. The feast is celebrated additionally on October 28 in the Greek tradition. It is also known as the feast of the Virgin Mary's Cerement. In most Slavic languages the word "cerement" has a dual meaning of "veil" and "protection." The Russian/Ukrainian word Pokrov (Покров), like the Greek Skepi (Σκέπη), has a complex meaning. First of all, it refers to a cloak or shroud, but it also means protection or intercession. For this reason, the name of the feast is variously translated as the Veil of Our Lady, the Protecting Veil of the Theotokos, the Protection of the Theotokos, or the Intercession of the Theotokos. The Protection is commemorated most fervently in Slavic churches, probably because St. Andrei was a Slav. The first celebration of the Theotokos' cerement in the Russian Orthodox /Ukrainian Catholic Church calendar dates back before the 12th century and today is celebrated throughout the Orthodox/Catholic/Slavic Churches. The feast day commemorating the miracle is celebrated with an All-Night Vigil, with many of the same elements as occur on other Great Feasts of the Theotokos. However, this feast has no post feast.

**BOOK(S) OF THE MONTH FOR OCTOBER - Suggested Reading Material:**

**Lectures on the Christian Sacraments, St. Cyril of Jerusalem**

by St. Vladimir Seminary Press

ISBN: 978-0-88141-564-3

**On the Human Condition, St. Basil the Great** by St. Vladimir Seminary Press

ISBN: 978-0-88141-294-9

Remade for Happiness- Bishop Fulton Sheen



**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.



## October 2024

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

In loving memory of Margaret Yanoshak.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Ellen Kobela

in loving memory of her grandparents, Papa Mike & Helen Oresick.

The **Candles on the Proscomedia Table** are given by

Donna Lee-Hischak in loving memory of James Hischak.

The **Candle before St. Nicholas** is given by Ed & Mary Schwartz

for God's Blessings for their grandson, Zachary.

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

is given by the Slota Family for God's Blessings & Good Health for Peter & Marla Slota.

The **Candle before the Icon of Jesus Christ** is given by

is given by Lisa Placek for God's Blessings on Helen & Marc Lipowski.

The **Candle before the Icon of John the Baptist** is given by

MaryAnn Jarolen in loving memory of Irene Hvozda.