

July 2nd : The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 3 Troparion (Resurrection)

Let the heavens rejoice! / Let the earth be glad! / For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. / He has trampled down death by death. / He has become the first born of the dead. / He has delivered us from the depths of hell, / and has granted to the world // great mercy.

Tone 4 Troparion (Parish Patron/Pokrova)

O Mother of God, sheltered by thy coming / we faithful people today keep feast in joy, / and looking at thy most pure image, / moved to the depths of our hearts, we say: / "Protect us with thy precious veil / and deliver us from every ill, / by entreating Christ, thy Son and our God, // to save our souls.

Tone 3 Kontakion (Resurrection)

On this day You rose from the tomb, O Merciful One, / leading us from the gates of death. / On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; / with the Prophets and Patriarchs // they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Your power.

Tone 2 Kontakion (Parish Patron/Pokrova)

The Choirs of Saints and the Virgin / stand in church praying to God for us. / Angels and hierarchs bow in adoration, / Apostles and Prophets all rejoice / in thee, O Mother of God, // who for us prays to God Eternal.

Prokimen Tone 3 (Psalms 14:6,1) (Resurrection)

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
v: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

Epistle: Romans 6:18-23. Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness. I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for as ye have yielded your members servants to uncleanness and to iniquity unto iniquity; even so now yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness. For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness. What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed? for the end of those things is death. But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Psalms 30:1, 2)

v: In You, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!
v: Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me!

Gospel: Matthew 8:5-13. Jesus heals the centurion's servant from a distance and commends him for his faith and discernment.

Please join us for coffee hour after the service!

Upcoming Services

Sunday	7/2	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Fr. Vasyl Shak serving)
Saturday	7/8	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	7/9	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Tuesday	7/11	4PM	Parish Vigil (Sts. Peter and Paul)
Wednesday	7/12	10AM	Divine Liturgy (Sts. Peter and Paul); End of the Apostle's Fast!!!
Saturday	7/15	10AM 4PM	90 th Ann. Sts.Peter&Paul (Wilmington DE) Parish Vigil
Sunday	7/16	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	7/22	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	7/23	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	7/29	****	NO SATURDAY SERVICE (UOL Convention)
Sunday	7/30		9AM Divine Liturgy

Parish News and Events

Please welcome Fr. Vasyl Shak; it is a blessing to have him serve here today!

Please consider making a donation to help send our youth and their chaperones to the UOL Convention (a check with "2017 UOL Convention" in the memo section will work nicely).

We are in need of more collectors to help gather and count Sunday donations. Please see Vera Muzychka if you would like more information.

The Grief Support Group: 6:30PM on Tuesdays downstairs. See Joe Truchan for details.

St. Mary's Seniors: 7/10 Clambake, 7/26 Hoagies. New members are welcome!

The next **Parish Board Meeting** will be Monday, 6/26, at 6:30PM.

Father's Summer Travel Schedule: Fr. Anthony will be out of town 6/28-7/5 (vacation; family reunion); 25-29 July (UOL Convention); 7/31-8/4 (serving as Spiritual Director for MMDM at All Saints Camp); 8/9-8/17 (vacation; Scotland). Supply priests will fill-in on 7/2 and 8/13. Local clergy will provide spiritual assistance, as needed. You will still be able to reach Fr. Anthony by phone and e-mail.

Reader Schedule: 7/2 Robin Bodnar; 7/9 Dennis Ritter; 7/16 Joseph Truchan

Greeter Schedule: 7/2 Eleanor Fox; 7/9 Judy Miller & Vera Muzychka; 7/16 Pani Tina Perkins

Welcome to the God-loving and God-protected Orthodox Christian parish of *Pokrova* (“St. Mary Protection of the Holy Theotokos” or “St. Mary’s”)!

It is a blessing to have you with us today and we encourage you to come back as often as you are able. Like us, you may find that you have found your spiritual home here (and a wonderful home, it is)!

We are a parish of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA under the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople and our doors and hearts are open to you, your family, and your friends!

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