

St. Mary Protection of the Theotokos Parish

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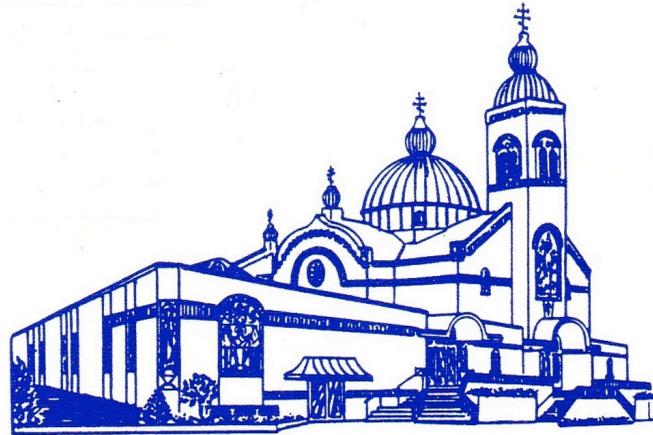
GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!

GLORY FOREVER!

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Welcome to the God-loving and God-protected Orthodox Christian parish of *Pokrova* (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!

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 and your family!

Please visit our website: pokrova-allentown.org and help yourself to the many pamphlets located on the literature racks outside the church. Fr. Anthony would love answering your questions; you can reach him at 484-232-9423, father.anthony@yahoo.com, on Facebook (Douglas Anthony Perkins or facebook.com/pokrova.allentown), or face to face after services.

Handicap parking is available behind the church; regular parking is available on the street and (on Sundays) at Kohut Funeral Home.

Upcoming Services

PENTECOST 6/19 9:00AM Divine Liturgy, Festal (& Father’s Day) Feast
2:00PM Grave Blessing

Monday 6/20 9:00AM Divine Liturgy

Saturday 6/25 4:00PM Cathedral Vigil (note Summer time change)

ALL SAINTS 6/26 9:00AM Divine Liturgy, Coffee Hour

*****MONDAY 6/27: THE APOSTLE’S FAST BEGINS*****

Saturday 7/2 NO SERVICE (Fr. Anthony will be on vacation)

Sunday 7/3 9:00AM Divine Liturgy, Coffee Hour

Saturday 7/9 4:00PM Cathedral Vigil (note Summer time change)

Sunday 7/10 9:00AM Divine Liturgy, Coffee Hour

Monday 7/11 7:00PM Cathedral Vigil of Sts. Peter & Paul

Tuesday 7/12 9:00AM Festal Liturgy of St. Peter & Paul

*****END OF THE APOSTLES FAST*****

Saturday 7/16 4:00PM Cathedral Vigil (note Summer time change)

Sunday 7/17 9:00AM Divine Liturgy, Coffee Hour

Saturday 7/23 4:00PM Cathedral Vigil (note Summer time change)

Sunday 7/24 9:00AM Divine Liturgy, Coffee Hour

Saturday 7/31 4:00PM Cathedral Vigil (note Summer time change)

Sunday 8/1 9:00AM Divine Liturgy, Coffee Hour

Check our website for the full listing of services & activities!!

Speaking of our website – we just updated its look and layout and have continued adding more content. Now it includes AMAZING HIGH RESOLUTION 360 “pictures” of the outside (taken from a drone) and inside (taken from several points) that you can explore at your leisure. Pokrova-allentown.org.

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June 12th: Sunday after Ascension

The Order of Worship

First Antiphon.

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork. (Ps. 18/19:1)

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Day to day poureth forth speech, and night to night declareth knowledge. (Ps 18/19:2)

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Their proclamation hath gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe. (Ps 18/19:4)

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Second Antiphon.

The Lord answer thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob protect thee! (Ps.19/20:1)

Refrain: O Gracious Comforter, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

May He send thee help from the sanctuary and give thee support from Zion! (Ps 19/20:2)

Refrain: O Gracious Comforter, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

May He remember all thy offerings, and fulfill all thy plans! (Ps 19/20:3)

Refrain: O Gracious Comforter, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Only-begotten Son...

Third Antiphon.

In Thy strength the king rejoiceth, O Lord, and exulteth greatly in Thy salvation.

(Ps. 20/21:1)

(Troparion of the Feast, Tone 8) Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, / Who hast revealed the fishermen as most wise / by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit, / and through them Thou didst draw the world into Thy net. // O Lover of Man, glory to Thee!

Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not withheld the request of his lips. (Ps 20/21:2)

Troparion of the Feast

For Thou dost meet him with goodly blessings; Thou settest a crown of fine gold upon his head. (Ps 20/21:3)

Troparion of the Feast

Entrance Verse: Be Thou exalted, O Lord, in thy strength! We will sing and praise Thy power! (Ps 20/21:13)

Troparion of the Feast

Glory...now and ever. Amen.

(Kontakion of the Feast, Tone 8) When the Most High came down and confused the tongues, / He divided the nations; / but when He distributed the tongues of fire, He called all to unity. // Therefore, with one voice we glorify the All-holy Spirit.

(Instead of the Trisagion, we sing:)

As many as have been baptized into Christ, / have put on Christ. Alleluia.

Prokeimenon, Tone 8. Their proclamation hath gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe! (Ps 18/19:4)

v: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaimeth His handiwork. (Ps. 18/19:1)

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v: By the Word of the Lord the heavens were made; and all their host by the Spirit of His mouth. (Ps 32/33:6)

v: The Lord looked down from heaven, and saw all the sons of men. (Ps.32/33:13:)

Gospel: John 7:37-52; 8:12

(Instead of "It is truly meet ...," we sing:)

Rejoice, O Queen, glory of mothers and virgins!

No tongue, however sweet or fluent, is eloquent enough to praise thee worthily.

Every mind is overawed by thy childbearing.

Therefore, with one voice, we glorify thee.

Communion Hymn

Let Thy good Spirit lead me on a level path! (Ps 142/143:10) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Communion of the Faithful. Communion is reserved for those who are members of an Orthodox parish and have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, and regular confession. All are invited to join this parish and commune with us!

Parish News and Events

Summer provides temptations that try to pull us away from Sunday worship. To help us fight back, we have transitioned into “Summer mode”, with cool AC, earlier Saturday Vigil, shorter homilies (from the amvon), and simple musical settings designed so that everyone can sing along! Longer homilies (from the raised pulpit) and more exciting music will return in the Fall.

Grief Support Group. Tuesdays. 6:30PM – 8:00PM in the Library. For more information or registration, please call Joe Truchan at 610-262-3251.

We have been making due *without a dishwasher* in the hall for several years, and it’s time to get a new one. ***If we plan on continuing to use the kitchen and hall for fundraisers and events, we really need to get this done.*** Please consider supporting this investment in the life of our parish with a donation.

Many of our families have been blessed through sending their children to All Saints Camp. ***Please consider sending your children and youth to All Saints Camp*** (we will be attending Mommy & Me, Daddy & Me the first week in August).

Ministry to the Hungry: Please see Joe Truchan if you are interested.

St. Mary’s Seniors: 6/22 - Making hoagies (all seniors are invited)!

St. Mary’s Ukrainian Dance Group Performance: 2:00 PM Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church Picnic, West Easton PA (Dancers arrive @ 1:30 PM)

If someone you know could use a visit (they don’t need to be parishioners), please let Fr. Anthony know.

Reading and Greeter Schedule

Today’s Epistle Reader: Nik Fartuch; Next Week: John Sokalsky

Today’s Greeters: Richard and Carolyn Rosko;

Next Week: Eleanor Fox & Katherine Kramer

Let Fr. Anthony know if you would like to be added to the schedule!

In Orthodoxy, communion is reserved for those who are members in good standing of an Orthodox parish and who have prepared themselves through prayer and fasting. We would love to have you as a member and communicant here at St. Mary’s - See Fr. Anthony if you would like to join our parish!

Today’s Scripture Readings

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11

When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord[a] in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven. And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language. Then they were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, “Look, are not all these who speak Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born? Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God.”

Gospel: St. John 7:37-52; 8:12

On the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink. He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.” 39 But this He spoke concerning the Spirit, whom those believing in Him would receive; for the Holy Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified. Therefore many from the crowd, when they heard this saying, said, “Truly this is the Prophet.” Others said, “This is the Christ.” But some said, “Will the Christ come out of Galilee? Has not the Scripture said that the Christ comes from the seed of David and from the town of Bethlehem, where David was?” So there was a division among the people because of Him. Now some of them wanted to take Him, but no one laid hands on Him. Then the officers came to the chief priests and Pharisees, who said to them, “Why have you not brought Him?” The officers answered, “No man ever spoke like this Man!” Then the Pharisees answered them, “Are you also deceived? Have any of the rulers or the Pharisees believed in Him? But this crowd that does not know the law is accursed.” Nicodemus (he who came to Jesus by night, being one of them) said to them, “Does our law judge a man before it hears him and knows what he is doing?” They answered and said to him, “Are you also from Galilee? Search and look, for no prophet has arisen out of Galilee.”

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, “I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life.”