

Upcoming Services

Sunday	5/14	9:00AM	Divine Liturgy (Mother's Day!)
Saturday	5/20	4:00PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	5/21	9:00AM	Baptismal Divine Liturgy Memorial Litya for Mp. Constantine
Wednesday	5/24	4:00PM	Vigil of the Ascension
Thursday	5/25	10:00AM	Divine Liturgy of the Ascension
Saturday	5/27	4:00PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	5/28	9:00AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	6/3	10:00AM	Hierarchical Liturgy, followed by Fr. Anthony's Tenth Anniversary BBQ
		4:00PM	Pentecost Vigil
Sunday	6/4	9:00AM	Divine Liturgy of Pentecost Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost

Parish News and Events

The Grief Support Group meets at 6:30PM on Tuesdays downstairs.

Please come on 6/3 to celebrate Fr. Anthony's tenth anniversary as a priest (Liturgy & BBQ)!

Did you enjoy the UOL Lenten Retreat? If you liked that, then you will LOVE this: St. Sophia Seminary is offering a week long retreat during which the faculty will offer classes on chanting, choir directing, and theology (and lots of opportunity for fellowship and open discussions). 6-10 June. This retreat is open to everyone! Fr. Anthony is the POC.

St. Mary's Seniors: 5/24 Hoagies; 6/5 Meeting. We are always looking for new members!

The next **Parish Board Meeting** will be on 5/22 at 6:30.

Adult Education

- **Sundays (11AM).** Our next "Spiritually Speaking" is TODAY.
- **Wednesdays (7PM).** This week: who was on the mountain with Moses?
- **Thursdays (10AM).** Home Bible Study. This Thursday meets in Parish Hall.

Reading and Greeter Schedule

Date	Epistle Schedule	Greeters
5/14/2017	Nicolai Fartuch	Richard Rosko
5/21/2017	Rdr. Nicholas Perkins	Eleanor Fox
5/28/2017	Rdr. James	Judy Miller & Vera Muzychka
6/4/2017	John Sokalsky	Richard Rosko
6/11/2017	Robert Noecker	Eleanor Fox

For Today's Service

Tone 4 Troparion (Resurrection)

When the women Disciples of the Lord / learned from the Angel the joyous message of the Resurrection, / they cast away the ancestral curse / and elatedly told the Apostles: / "Death is overthrown! / Christ God is risen, // granting the world great mercy!"

Tone 8 Troparion (Midfeast)

In the middle of the feast, O Savior, / fill my thirsting soul with the waters of piety as You cried to all: / "If anyone thirst, let him come to Me and drink!"//

O Christ God, Fountain of our life, glory to You!

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 8 Kontakion (Pentecostarion)

The Samaritan Woman came to the well in faith; / she saw You, the Water of wisdom and drank abundantly. // She inherited the Kingdom on high, and is ever glorified!

Tone 4 Kontakion (Midfeast)

Christ God, the Creator and Master of all, / cried to all in the midst of the feast of the Law: / "Come and draw the water of immortality!" / We fall before You and faithfully cry: // "Grant us Your mercies, for You are the Fountain of our life!"

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; Psalm 46:6,1)

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: Acts 11:19-26; 29-30. Now those who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; 26 and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with [b] the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Tone 4, Psalm 44:5,8)

v: Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth!

v: For You love righteousness, and hate iniquity.

Gospel: St. John 4:5-42

Hymn to the Birthgiver of God, Mary.

The Angel cried to the Lady, full of grace: / "Rejoice, O pure Virgin! Again, I say: 'Rejoice, / your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb! / With Himself He has raised all the dead.'" // Rejoice, O ye people!

Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem! / The glory of the Lord has shone on you! / Exult now, and be glad, O Zion! / Be radiant, O pure Theotokos, // in the Resurrection of your Son!

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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