

September 10th ; The 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 5 Troparion (Resurrection)

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, / co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, / born for our salvation from the Virgin; / for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, / to endure death, / and to raise the dead // by His glorious Resurrection.

Tone 4 Troparion (for the Pokrova/Temple)

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 5 Kontakion (Resurrection)

You descended into hell, O my Savior, / shattering its gates as Almighty, / resurrecting the dead as Creator, / and destroying the sting of death. / You have delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Man, // and we cry to You: "O Lord, save us!"

Tone 2 Kondakion (for the Pokrova/Temple)

The mystery hidden from eternity / and unknown to the angels, / is manifested to those on earth through you, Theotokos! / God being incarnate of you by union without confusion / and of His Own will freely enduring the Cross for us / and raising the first-formed man, // has saved our souls from death!

Prokeimenon Tone 5 (Resurrection; Psalm 11:7,1)

You, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.

v: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly.

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4. Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand. But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Psalm 88:1,2)

v: I will sing of Your mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Your truth from generation to generation.

v: For You have said: "Mercy will be established forever; My truth will be prepared in the heavens."

Gospel: St. Matthew 22:1-14. When the king invites you to a feast, it really is best to put it on your calendar, come, and enjoy it.

Upcoming Services

Sunday	9/10	1030AM	Divine Liturgy at Emmaus Park (Pav. 6)
Monday	9/11	10AM	Hierarchical Liturgy; opening of school year followed by lunch (all at St. Sophia's in SBB)
Saturday	9/16	10AM 4PM	Hierarchical Liturgy in Dover DE Reader's Vespers
Sunday	9/17	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Wednesday	9/20	4PM	Festal Vigil: Nativity of the Theotokos
Thursday	9/21	10AM	Festal Liturgy: Nativity of the Theotokos
Saturday	9/23	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	9/24	9AM	Divine Liturgy

Parish News and Events

We are accepting donations for an AED machine for St. Mary's. Please help if you can.

St. Mary's finally has a regular rotation at the soup kitchen! We will be serving the second Thursday of every other month starting this Thursday, 9/14. Please see Joe if you interested and able to serve.

Save the Date! Metropolitan Antony is coming to lead us in our celebration of the 100th anniversary of our beloved cathedral on our feast day (Pokrova), Saturday October 14th. The Divine Liturgy will be followed by a catered banquet downstairs. Please RSVP for the banquet.

Upcoming St. Mary Dancers' Events (rehearsals start 9/6, 6:30-8PM):

- 9/10 Sun 1PM St. Mary's Picnic (Emmaus Park)
- 9/23 Sat 4PM Ukrainian Potato Bake (Ukrainian Homestead Leighton)
- 10/14 Sat 1PM St. Mary's 100th Church Anniversary (Parish Hall)
- 10/15 Sun Noon Open Gate Farm Tour (Willow Haven Farm, New Tripoli, PA)
- 10/15 Sun 2:30 & 3:30 Jim Thorpe Octberfest (Memorial Hall, Jim Thorpe, PA)

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

St. Mary's Seniors is running a trip to see "Home for the Holidays" at the Brownstone Dinner Theater in Patterson, NJ on December 12. ALL ARE WELCOME. \$94 includes transportation, show, family style dinner, gratuities. Very little walking involved--- bus to restaurant and back unless you want to dance. Call Elinor Antoniuk 610-262-0682.

Reader Schedule: 9/10 Robin Bodnar, 9/17 Dennis Ritter, 9/24 Joseph Truchan

Greeter Schedule: 9/10 Judy Miller & Vera Muzychka; 9/17 Pani Tina Perkins; 9/24 Eleanor Fox;

***** Please join us for hot dogs and games after the service! *****

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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