

October 1st : The Sunday after the Cross

Upcoming Services

Tone 8 Tropar (Resurrection)
You descended from on high, O Merciful One! / You accepted the three day burial to free us from our sufferings! // O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

Tone 4 Tropar (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 1 Tropar (Cross)
O Lord, save Thy people / and bless Thine inheritance! / Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians / over their adversaries; / and by virtue of Thy Cross, // preserve Thy habitation!

Tone 4 Tropar (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 8 Kondak (Resurrection)
By rising from the tomb, You raised the dead and resurrected Adam. / Eve exults in Your Resurrection, // And the world celebrates Your rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

Tone 4 Kondak (Cross)
As You were voluntarily raised upon the Cross for our sake, / grant mercy to those who are called by Your Name, O Christ God; / make all Orthodox Christians glad by your power, / granting them victories over their adversaries // by bestowing on them the invincible trophy, Your weapon of peace!

Tone 2 Kondak (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!

Prokimen Tone 7 (of the Cross; Psalm 98:5,1)
Extol the Lord your God, worship at His footstool for He is holy.

v. The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20 (of the Cross)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Ps 73:2,12;90:1)

v. Remember Your congregation, which You have purchased of old!

v. God is our King before the ages; He has worked salvation in the midst of the earth.

Gospel: St. Mark 8:34-9:1 (of the Cross).

Sunday	10/1	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Wednesday	10/4	10AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	10/7	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	10/8	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Wednesday	10/11	10AM	Divine Liturgy
Friday	10/13	4PM	Patronal Festal Vigil (Pokrova)
Saturday	10/14	9AM	Hierarchical Liturgy (Pokrova)
Sunday	10/15	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	10/21	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	10/22	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Children/Youth Involved)

Parish News and Events

We are accepting donations to offset the cost of our new **Automated External Defibrillator machine**. Please help if you can.

Our next **Parish Board Meeting** will be on Monday, 10/23 at 6:30PM.

Today's Spiritually Speaking: Walter Katolik (from Philadelphia) will share his experience of the miracle of the Paschal Holy Fire at the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem.

A Change to Our Schedule: Due to a personal scheduling conflict, our weekly journey through the Old Testament will take place on **Tuesday evenings** (7-8PM). It starts this week! **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):

- 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 & 3:30PM Jim Thorpe Octoberfest (Memorial Hall, Jim Thorpe, PA)
- 11/19 Sun 1PM Ukrainian Homestead in Lehighton for Thanksgiving Fund Raiser

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: 10/1 Nik Fartuch; 10/8 Rdr. James; 10/15 John Sokalsky

Greeter Schedule: 10/1 Judy Miller & Vera Muzychka; 10/8 Pani Tina Perkins; 10/15 Eleanor Fox

***** Please join us for coffee and fellowship 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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