

October 29th : The 21st Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 4 Tropar (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 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 4 Kondak (Resurrection)

My Savior and Redeemer / as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. / He has shattered the gates of hell, / and as Master, // He has risen on the third day!

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!

Tone 4 Prokimen (Resurrection; Psalm 103:24,1)

O Lord, how manifold are Your works; in wisdom have You made them all.

v: Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, You are very great!

Epistle: Galatians 2:16-20. Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. *I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Resurrection; 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: Luke 8:5-15. “A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold.” When He had said these things He cried, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

*** *Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service!* ***

Upcoming Services

[OOPS!: I made a mistake in last week's bulletin: Sunday's liturgies remain at 9AM!]

Sunday	10/29	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Wednesday	11/1	10AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	11/4	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	11/5	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Wednesday	11/8	10AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	11/11	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	11/12	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Wednesday	11/15	10AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	11/18	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	11/19	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Monday	11/20	4PM	Parish Vigil (Holy Archangel Michael)
Tuesday	11/21	10AM	Divine Liturgy (Holy Archangel Michael)

Parish News and Events

Our next **Parish Board Meeting** will be on Monday, 11/20 at 6:30PM.

Adult Education. Our next Spiritually Speaking (11/5, 11AM) will be about the book and movie *The Shack*. This week's Bible Study (10/31) will be on the recon of Canaan.

On 11/16 (6:30PM) St. Sophia Seminary Library will have author Nikolas Kotar talking about his book, *The Song of the Sirin*. There will be free food.

St. Mary Dancers: rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 6:30-8PM.

The Grief Support Group: 6:30PM on Tuesdays downstairs. See Joe Truchan for details. We will also have several Dealing with the Holidays sessions that last one evening each. The holidays are difficult for all of us who have lost loved ones. This is a tremendously helpful program; please encourage loved ones to take advantage of it. 11/21, 12/19, 12/26, 1/2.

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. Call Elinor Antoniuk (610-262-0682) for details.

On 11/7, Fr. Anthony will be giving a talk on the role of religion in the conflict in Ukraine at the Foreign Policy Research Institute in Philadelphia. See Fr. Anthony for more information. Because of this, there will be NO BIBLE STUDY on 11/7.

The UOC-USA is sponsoring a **photography contest for our youth**; see John O. for details.

Our parish is part of an ongoing study of Orthodoxy in America. Please consider taking this anonymous survey to help! <http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/OurFaith1>

Reader Schedule: 10/28 Robert Noecker, 11/5 Alex Mackiewicz, 11/12 Richard Bodnar

Greeter Schedule: 10/29 PM Tina Perkins; 11/5 Eleanor Fox; 11/12 Judy Miller & Vera Muzychka

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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