

May 27th ; Pentecost

First Antiphon (verses from Psalm 18/19 and 19/20).

The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims His handiwork.

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

Day to day poureth forth speech, and night to night declareth knowledge. (Refrain)

Their proclamation hath gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe. (Refrain) Glory ... now and ever ... Amen. (Refrain)

Second Antiphon (verses from Psalm 19/20).

The Lord answer thee in the day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob protect thee!

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! (Refrain)

May He remember all thy offerings, and fulfill all thy plans! (Refrain)

Glory ... now and ever ... Amen. Only-begotten Son...

Third Antiphon (verses from Psalm 20/21).

Tropar 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!

Kondak 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.

(For Trisagion) As many as have been baptized into Christ, / have put on Christ. Alleluia.

Prokimen (Tone 8; Psalm 18;4,1) Their proclamation hath gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe!

v: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaimeth His handiwork.

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Psalm 32:6,13)

v: By the Word of the Lord the heavens were made; and all their host by the Spirit of His mouth.

v: The Lord looked down from heaven, and saw all the sons of men.

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

(For “It is truly meet ...”) 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!

Dismissal & Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost. These prayers mark the return of kneeling and prostrations to our personal prayer and public worship.

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

Upcoming Services

Sunday	5/27	9AM	Divine Liturgy of Pentecost w/Kneeling Prayers
		Noon	Blessing of Graves and Cemetery
Monday	5/28	10AM	Divine Liturgy & Memorial Litya at Monument
Saturday	6/2	***6PM***	Great Vespers, Service of Repentance
Sunday	6/3	9AM	Divine Liturgy
*** Apostles Fast Begins 6/4 (Ends 7/11)***			
Sunday	6/10	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Metropolitan Antony serves)
Sunday	6/17	9AM	Divine Liturgy & 50 th Anniversary Blessing for Pat (Blaschak) & Bob Hussar (married here!)
Saturday	6/23	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	6/24	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	6/30	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	7/1	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Sunday	7/8	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Metropolitan Antony serves)

Parish News and Events

We will be blessing graves today at Noon. Fr. Anthony will pray for souls of all our departed family members (by last name). Please get him the list of graves you would like prayed for. Father is happy to visit the graves of your beloved in other cemeteries, as well – just let him know!

We will have a Divine Liturgy & Memorial Litya tomorrow for Memorial Day.

We are accepting non-perishable items so that we can prepare “gift bags” for the needy that come to our parish asking for help.

Please note: there are no Vigil services at St. Mary's on 6/9, 6/16, or 7/7.

Our **St Mary's Seniors:** Meeting 6/4; Hoagies 6/27; Clambake 7/9.

The **Jr. UOL** is going to play paintball (or something else fun) today after Liturgy.

Our next **Parish Board Meeting:** Monday, 5/21 @ 6:30PM.

Lord willing, our Old Testament **Bible Study** series will resume in the Fall.

Interesting Event: Remembering Patriarch Mstyslav Program: 6/2 11-3PM in South Bound Brook. See Fr. Anthony (or uoc-usa.org) for more information.

This Summer, we are having a **Summer Church Camp** 28-30 June.

We have two Grief Share groups: Mondays at 10AM and Tuesday at 6:30PM. Both meet in the Library. See Joe Truchan for details.

Reader Schedule: 5/27 Robin Bodnar, 6/3 Dennis Ritter, 6/10 Joseph Truchan

Greeter Schedule: 5/27 PM Tina Perkins, 6/3 Eleanor Fox, 6/10 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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