

July 1st ; 5th Sunday after Pentecost

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 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 4 Kontakion (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 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 4 (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: Romans 10:1-10. Brethren, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God’s righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that every one who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says, Do not say in your heart, “Who will ascend into heaven?” (that is, to bring Christ down) or “Who will descend into the abyss?” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (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: Matthew 8:28-9:1. Summary: Human salvation is even better than bacon!

Please join us for coffee hour after the service!

Upcoming Services

Sunday	7/1	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Sunday	7/8	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Metropolitan Antony serves)
Wednesday	7/11	4PM	Parish Vigil for Sts. Peter and Paul (Fast Ends!)
Thursday	7/12	*8AM*	Divine Liturgy for Sts. Peter and Paul
*** Note time change from 10AM to 8AM – to accommodate Soup Kitchen work ***			
Saturday	7/14	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	7/15	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	7/21	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	7/22	9AM	Divine Liturgy
Saturday	7/28	10AM	Hierarchical Liturgy at St. Andrew's in South Bound Brook, celebrating 100 years of Ukrainian Orthodox ministry in America!
Sunday	7/29	9AM	Divine Liturgy

Parish News and Events

Today's Spiritually Speaking: A Pilgrimage to the Holy Island of Iona

God bless everyone (kids and adults) who helped make our **Summer Church Camp** a success! We'll build on this to make next year's even better. Donations to the Sunday School Fund to help defray the costs would be greatly appreciated – thank you!

The Chapel AC is completely broken. We are accepting donations to fix it – **thank you!**

We will be pinching perohi on Saturday, 7/14 – please come and bring friends!

Our next **soup kitchen service** is on 7/12. See Joe Truchan if you would like to help.

Our Summer Wine-Tasting will be on 8/11. Refreshing Rose's are on the menu – join us and bring your friends and family!

Our **Divine Liturgy & Picnic at Emmaus Park** will be on August 5th starting at 10AM.

Our **St Mary's Seniors:** Clambake 7/9, Hoagies 7/25.

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

Fr. Anthony's Summer travel: 2-10 July (family reunion); 24-28 July (Participant, UOL Convention/100th Anniversary of UOC-USA); 30 July – 3 August (Spiritual Advisor, Mommy & Me/Daddy & Me at All Saints Camp); 13-17 August (Great Perkins Family Road Trip). Metropolitan Antony will serve on the Sunday that Fr. Anthony is gone (8 July).

Reader Schedule: 7/1 John Sokalsky, 7/8 Alex Mackiewicz, 7/15 Richard Bodnar

Greeter Schedule: 7/1 Judy Miller & Vera Muzychka, 7/8 PM Tina Perkins, 7/15 Eleanor Fox

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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