

## September 16th: The 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

### Tone 7 Tropar (for the Resurrection)

By Your Cross You destroyed death. / To the thief You opened Paradise. / For the Myrrhbearers You changed weeping into joy. / And You commanded Your disciples, O Christ God, / to proclaim that You are risen, // granting the world great mercy.

### 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 7 Kondak (for the Resurrection)

The dominion of death can no longer hold mankind captive, / for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers. / Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry: / "The Savior has come to those in faith; // enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!"

### Tone 2 Kondak (for the Pokrova/Temple)

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 7 (Psalm 28:11,1)

The Lord shall give strength to His people. The Lord shall bless His people with peace.

*v: Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!*

**Epistle:** 2 Corinthians 6:1-10. We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed. But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much [a]patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

### Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia (Psalm 91:1,2)

*v: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High.*

*v: To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night.*

**Gospel:** St. Matthew 25:14-30. Get to work; God really is going to judge our efforts.

\*\*\* Please join us in the hall for coffee and fellowship after the service. \*\*\*

## Upcoming Services (also see our website)

<b>Sunday</b>	9/16	9AM	Divine Liturgy
<b>Thursday</b>	9/20	6PM	Moleban and Memorial Litya
<b>Friday</b>	9/21	*9AM*	Divine Liturgy (Nativity of the Theotokos)
<b>Saturday</b>	9/22	4PM	Parish Vigil
<b>Sunday</b>	9/23	9AM	Divine Liturgy
<b>Thursday</b>	9/27	10AM	Divine Liturgy (The Cross!)
		6PM	Moleban and Memorial Litya
<b>Saturday</b>	9/29	4PM	Parish Vigil
<b>Sunday</b>	9/30	9AM	Divine Liturgy
<b>Thursday</b>	10/4	6PM	Moleban and Memorial Litya
<b>Saturday</b>	10/6	4PM	Great Vespers and Canon of Repentance
<b>Sunday</b>	10/7	9AM	Divine Liturgy (w/extra Ukrainian)

It is with sorrow transformed into joy through the Resurrection that I share the news of the repose of Stephanie Hutzayluk on 9/6 (after last week's bulletin had been published). Her Funeral Services were on Sunday evening (9/9) and Monday morning (9/10). May her memory be eternal!

The Men's Auxiliary has two projects (caulking outside and painting the women's bathroom) they would like to accomplish. If you can help with this and come in during the week, please see Joe Zimmerman or John Onulack.

We are looking to have another CPR/AED Certification Course. The last one was excellent. Please see Chris Zimmerman for questions or sign-up.

**HOLY ASSUMPTION PICNIC/PIG ROAST** Sunday, Sept. 30th – beginning at noon till dusk...Canal Street Park, Northampton. Bring your own lawn chairs. If we have inclement weather – OR – the chance of inclement weather the event will be held in Assumption of Virgin Mary Church hall. For questions, please contact Linda Winters 610-837-3076

Please join St. Mary's Seniors on December 7 for **lunch and the Christmas Show at American Music Theater** in Lancaster. The cost is \$104. See Elinor Antoniuk for more information.

Our **St Mary's Seniors:** Next meeting – 10/1. Hoagies - 9/26. Join us!

The **Fall Bible Study** will meet on Thursdays at 7PM in the chapel starting on 9/20.

**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:** 9/9 Alex Mackiewicz, 9/16 Richard Bodnar, 9/23 Robin Bodnar.

**Greeter Schedule:** 9/9 Pani Tina Perkins, 9/16 Eleanor Fox, 9/23 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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