



**ST. PETER & ST. PAUL
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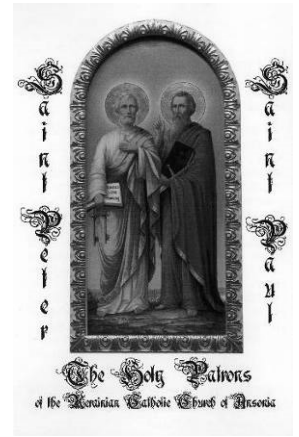
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August 9, 2020

Leaders of the Apostles and teachers of the world, pray to the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.



Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 1; Post-feast of the Transfiguration; Holy Apostle Matthias

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23 Tone: sheet

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

WEEKDAYS: MONDAY–FRIDAY 9:00AM

SATURDAY: 4:00PM (Vigil Sunday-Eng.)

SUNDAY: 8:30 AM (Ukr.) & 10:00 AM (Eng.)

Confessions are heard before each Divine Liturgy:

Saturday 3:00PM to 3:30 PM

Sunday 8:00AM to 8:30AM and

9:30AM until 10:00AM

Religious Education – Saturday 10:00AM – 11:00AM

Call Alice O'Doy @203-734-3055 for more information.

Preservation – Please use the form in church vestibule, mail it to the church or bring it to Bob Jaskilka, Michael Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young

Address or Name Change/New Phone Number –

Please update your records. See Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr. to update this info. Returned checks are subject to a \$35.00 fee.

Bulletin Notices – Notices for the bulletin must be in writing by Wednesday @6PM to be included in that week's bulletin.

Parish Council meets every 3rd Wednesday of every month @7:15pm in the church hall.

**Rectory Office Hours - Thursday 10AM – Noon
or by Appointment on other days**

******Please Note ******

Mass Offerings, Sorokousty

Mother's Day, Father's Day

**Checks must be made out to the Fr. Young
not the Church ! Thank You...**

Baptism Arrangement for baptism is to be made personally at the Parish Office. Please call rectory for an appointment.

Marriage – Arrangements for marriage are to be made at least **6 months prior** to the Wedding date. Please call rectory for an appointment.

Sick Calls – To arrange for Sacraments for the elderly and sick at home, please call Parish Office Fr. Young at 203-734-3895, **Please advise the rectory of any hospitalization.**

In your Estate planning – Remember Sts. Peter & Paul Church in your will.

Stewardship - "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10). All Catholics, should give generous support—time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church

Special Share in the Eucharist *- Bread & Wine

offered for a week, month, or year. Donations: one week - \$20.00 Donors/intentions will be listed.

Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr or Fr. Edward Young

Eternal Light *- offered to light for a week \$10.00.

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Virgin Mary's Lamp and Sacred Heart Lamp* also available for offering! Offered to light for a week is 10.00, each.

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All start on Monday to Sunday!

***Offering must be made when dates are reserved!**

A **Welcome to St. Peter and St. Paul Parish** to all who are worshipping with us today. If you are over twenty-one years of age and have not yet registered, have moved or will be moving, or have a new telephone number, **please fill out the form below**. Each household **must be registered** at St. Peter and St. Paul and every adult receives a set of stewardship envelopes. Registration also entails an annual dues to the parish. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for church authorities to issue him or her a sponsor certificate, reference, or any other certification.

Name _____ Phone# _____

Address _____ E-mail _____




City _____ State _____ Zip _____

(Please come down to the Basement to be properly registered after or before liturgy)

Prayer for our Nation (U.S.A): God our Father, Giver of life, we entrust the United States of America to Your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded. You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people. Send Your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders. Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom. Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will. Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death." Lead us into a new millennium of life. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

*Bread and Wine Offering - In memory of + Stephen Cirkot
from your loving Daughter Carol Stumpf*

08/08	Saturday		NO LITURGY
08/09	Sunday	10:00 AM	+David E. Lillis req. by M/M Richard Koalchic
08/10	Monday		No Liturgy
08/11	Tuesday	6 PM	+ Thomas Monks 40 th day served by Fr. Ivan Mazuryk
08/12	Wednesday		No Liturgy
08/13	Thursday		No Liturgy
08/14	Friday		No Liturgy
08/15	Saturday	10 AM	Dormition of the Mother of God +WILLIAM & HELEN Flood
08/16	Sunday	10:00 AM	+ Antoinette "Toni" Jaskilka req. by Robert Jaskilka

ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>In memory of +Thomas Monks by Beata Gebuza and Family</i>
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>In loving memory of +Antoinette "Toni" Jaskilka by Bobby Jaskilka</i>
SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP		<i>In memory of + Stephen Cirkot from Carol Stumpf</i>

Bread and Wine Offering Reserved Dates 8/31/20-9/6/20 9/7-9/13/20 10/5-10/11/20 11/2-11/8/20 11/9/20-11/15/20 12/7-12/13/20 12/14/20-12/20/20 12/21/20-12/27/20	Eternal Light Offering Reserved Dates 8/17/20-8/23/20 8/24/20-8/30/20 8/31/20-9/6/20 9/7/20-9/13/20 9/14/20-9/20/20 9/21-9/27/20 10/5/20-10/11/20 10/12/20-10/18/20 11/2/20-11/8/20 11/9/20-11/15/20 11/23/-11/29/20 12/14/20-12/20/20 12/21/-12/27/20	BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES 8/17/20-8/23/20 8/31/20-9/6/20 9/21/20-9/27/20 9/28/20-10/4/20 10/12/20-10/18/20 11/9/20-11/15/20 11/23/20-11/29/20 12/21/-12/27/20	SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES 8/17/20-8/23/20 8/24/20-8/30/20 11/9/20-11/15/20 12/7/20-12/13/20 12/21/20-12/27/20
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**2020 &
Past
Church
Dues
(Blue
Book)
(Kollekta)**

During Lent & every Saturday & Sunday dues current & past will be collected in the church hall after the 4:00 PM Vigil and 8:30 AM & 10AM Sunday Liturgies.
 Please bring your dues book to the church hall ***dues will not be collected in the rectory***
 Back on January 25, 2005 the Parish Council voted to increase the yearly dues to \$75.00 per member. This is the first increase since 1998. The number of upcoming projects that are needed to keep the church building in good repairs, such as painting, doors, walls, fixing the roof, warranted this increase.
Do not place dues in your weekly envelope offering !
Please remember - this is not our church but YOUR church!
Please fulfill your responsibility to your Church!!

Church Fund – In memory of **+Dorothy Motel** by Russell & Katherine Greenlaw - \$100.00

Church Fund – In memory of **+Dorothy Motel** by Frank & Ceclia Driscoll - \$100.00

Church Fund – In memory of **+Dorothy Motel** by Mary Ann Panelli - \$25.00

Church Fund – In memory of **+Dorothy Motel** by Bozzuto's Sales Department - \$270.00

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle - 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 ~ Gospel - Matthew 17:14-23

In the gospel reading today, the Lord challenged the wounded pride of the disciples, who were disappointed that they had lacked the spiritual authority to cast out the demon and heal the boy. Imagine how humbling it must have been for them to hear the Messiah say, "*O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you?*" He set them straight by saying that they had no faith, not even as much as a tiny mustard seed. Instead of wondering why they could not work miracles, they needed to humble themselves through prayer and fasting if they were to be transfigured such that they would gain authority over the powers of evil.

As we conclude our celebration of the Transfiguration of the Lord today, our Scripture readings remind us of the dangers of presuming that we already shine brightly with the light of Christ. Too often we assume that success according to some worldly standard is the same thing as holiness. But when we take a close look at the lives of the saints, we do not see merely a good life according to passing cultural expectations of whatever kind. Instead, we see people who embody humility in ways that should make us all earnestly confess and repent of our pride.

Since we are preparing through fasting to celebrate the Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God, it is especially fitting today to remember her extraordinary example of humility and obedience. The Theotokos agreed to become the Virgin Mother of the Son of God, something that made absolutely no sense according to normal ways of thinking in our world. She became His Temple in a unique way when Christ was in her womb, and then she loved and served Him throughout His life and ministry, including through His death and resurrection. She is the first and model Christian. At the end of the Mother of God's earthly life, the Apostles were miraculously assembled in her presence. St. Thomas, however, arrived three days late. When her tomb was opened for him to pay his last respects, her body was not there. Even as she was the first to accept Christ into her life, she was the first to follow Him as a whole, complete person into the Kingdom of Heaven. She leads the way for us as Christians in this world and in the world to come.

We pray and fast in preparation for the Feast of the Dormition because we want to become more like her. There is surely no better way to become transfigured by the gracious divine energies of our Savior than to imitate His Mother. She grew up in purity in the Temple at Jerusalem, where she was fed by angels. She is the epitome of the prayer and fasting that the Lord said His disciples needed in order to open themselves to His divine power. That is how she developed the spiritual clarity and strength to say "yes" to the astounding message that she was to become the Virgin Mother of the Son of God. Of course, her story makes no sense according to the conventional standards of the world. Even more so than St. Paul, the Theotokos is a "fool for Christ's sake" because many people then, as now, scoff at her virgin conception of the Savior. The same is surely true about the miraculous characteristics of her Dormition.

In order to turn away from self-centeredness to Christ-centeredness, we must become fools who devote time and energy each day to commune with a Lord we do not see with our eyes in the world as we know it. So we must pray. We must go against society's expectations and our own desires by regularly refusing to indulge our taste buds and stomachs with the richest and most satisfying foods. In other words, we must fast. We must act in ways that will appear crazy in the eyes of many people today, such as reserving sexual intimacy only for marriage as blessed in the Church and refusing to consume pornography or any other media or entertainment that inflames our passions. We must give generously to the poor, forgive our enemies, welcome the stranger, and refuse to allow stupid distinctions between people—such as politics or race— to keep us from treating every human being—from the womb to the tomb— as one created in God's image and likeness. No matter what may be popular or appealing, we must sacrifice to live as those being transfigured in holiness by God's grace.

But at the end of the day, we have to decide whether we would rather be part of a “faithless and perverse generation” that cowers in fearful weakness before the corruptions of evil in our lives or like the young Palestinian Jewish girl who changed the history of the universe by bravely saying “yes” to a calling that seemed, and still seems, insane by the standards of the corrupt world.

Let us conclude our celebration of the Transfiguration by opening ourselves to the strength and holiness of our Savior, which shone so brightly throughout the life of the Theotokos. If we want, by God’s grace, to shine with holy light, we must first become fools who, through prayer and fasting, simply want to love and serve our Lord with every ounce of our being. In other words, we need to become like His Mother, the first and model Christian who has shown us how to welcome the Savior into our lives and to follow Him into the glory of the heavenly Kingdom. Remember this: **To follow her example is to be transfigured.** (*Excerpts from Ancient Faith Ministry homily by Fr. Philip LeMasters*)

CATECHISM - CHRIST OUR PASCHA - TODAY’S GOSPEL LESSON :

HOLINESS: Page 51, Section 130; Page 52, Section 135; Page 101, Section 288, 289; Page 109, Section 311; Page 111, Section 316-319; Page 114, Section 326

MOTHER OF GOD: Page 69, Section 189; Page 192, Section 576

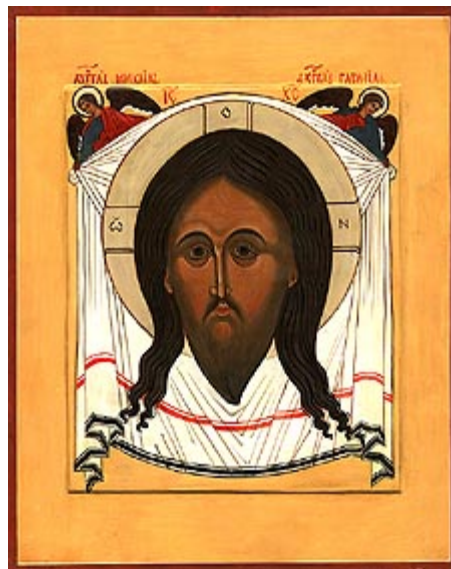
FEAST OF THE DORMITION (ASSUMPTION):

On **August 15**, the Church celebrates the Dormition of the Most Holy Mother of God. **This day is a HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION.** The Feast of the Dormition is one of the twelve Major Feasts of the Byzantine Rite and is celebrated with uncommon solemnity. In preparation for the Feast, a two weeks period of fasting is prescribed for the faithful, called the **FAST OF THE DORMITION**, which begins on the first day of August. The Fast of the Dormition can be traced to the ninth century but it was officially introduced into the Byzantine discipline by the Synod of Constantinople in 1166. The Feast has one day of pre-festivity and eight days of post-festivity during which time the mysteries of Mary’s wondrous death and Her glorious assumption to heaven are celebrated. A custom of the Church is to bring flowers and herbs to Church to be blessed. This custom most probably originated from the traditional belief that after Mary’s glorious assumption into heaven, Her holy tomb was filled with a “heavenly fragrance” and flowers. The herbs, used by our people as natural medicine are blessed in commemoration of the numerous healings and extra ordinary graces bestowed on the pilgrims at Mary’s tomb.

KONDAK for the Feast: *“Neither the grave nor death have detained the Mother of God, the Theotokos, who continues to pray for us and who, by Her intercession, remains our unflinching hope; for He, Who dwelt in Her ever-virgin womb, has transferred Her to life as the Mother of Life.”*

Translation of the Image “Not-Made-By-Hands” of our Lord Jesus Christ from Edessa to Constantinople, the Third Commemorated on **August**

The Transfer from Edessa Lord Jesus Christ Not-944. Eusebius, in that when the Savior was stricken all over his miracles worked by the Lord reached even Abgar. believed in Him as the Son Him to come and heal him. own portrait-painter paint a likeness of the Ananias arrived in surrounded by people. He because of the large throng the Savior. Then he stood



the portrait of the Lord Jesus Christ from afar, but this effort was not successful. The Savior saw him, called to him by name and gave him a short letter for Abgar in which He praised the faith of this ruler. He also promised to send His disciple to heal him of his leprosy and guide him to salvation.

“Feast of the Savior in August”

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to Constantinople of the Icon of our Made-by-Hands occurred in the year his *History of the Church* (I:13), relates preaching, Abgar ruled in Edessa. He body with leprosy. Reports of the great spread throughout Syria (Mt.4:24) and Without having seen the Savior, Abgar of God. He wrote a letter requesting He sent with this letter to Palestine his Ananias, and commissioned him to Divine Teacher.

Jerusalem and saw the Lord was not able to get close to Him of people listening to the preaching of on a high rock and attempted to paint

Then the Lord asked that water and a cloth be brought to Him. He washed His Face, drying it with the cloth, and His Divine Countenance was imprinted upon it. Ananias took the cloth and the letter of the Savior to Edessa. Reverently, Abgar pressed the holy object to his face and he received partial healing. Only a small trace of the terrible affliction remained until the arrival of the disciple promised by the Lord. He was Saint Thaddeus, Apostle of the Seventy (August 21), who preached the Gospel and baptized Abgar and all the people of Edessa. Abgar put the Holy Napkin in a gold frame adorned with pearls, and placed it in a niche over the city gates. On the gateway above the icon he inscribed the words, "O Christ God, let no one who hopes on Thee be put to shame."

For many years the inhabitants kept a pious custom to bow down before the Icon Not-Made-by-Hands, when they went forth from the gates. But one of the great-grandsons of Abgar, who later ruled Edessa, fell into idolatry. He decided to take down the icon from the city wall. In a vision the Lord ordered the Bishop of Edessa to hide His icon. The bishop, coming by night with his clergy, lit a lampada before it and walled it up with a board and with bricks.

Many years passed, and the people forgot about it. But in the year 545, when the Persian emperor Chozroes I besieged Edessa and the position of the city seemed hopeless, the Most Holy Theotokos appeared to Bishop Eulabius and ordered him to remove the icon from the sealed niche, and it would save the city from the enemy. Having opened the niche, the bishop found the Icon Not-Made-by-Hands: in front of it was burning the lampada, and upon the board closing in the niche, a copy of the icon was reproduced. After a church procession with the Icon Not-Made-by-Hands had made the circuit of the city walls, the Persian army withdrew.



In the year 630 Arabs seized Edessa, but they did not hinder the veneration of the Holy Napkin, the fame of which had spread throughout all the East. In the year 944, the emperor Constantine Porphyrogenitos (912-959) wanted to transfer the icon to the Constantinople, and he paid a ransom for it to the emir of the city. With great reverence the Icon of the Savior Not-Made-by-Hands and the letter which He had written to Abgar, were brought to Constantinople by clergy.

On August 16, the icon of the Savior was placed in the Tharossa church of the Most Holy Theotokos. There are several traditions concerning what happened later to the Icon Not-Made-by-Hands. According to one, crusaders ran off with it during their rule at Constantinople (1204-1261), but the ship on which the sacred object was taken, perished in the waters of the Sea of Marmora.

According to another tradition, the Icon Not-Made-by-Hands was transported around 1362 to Genoa, where it is preserved in a monastery in honor of the Apostle Bartholomew. It is known that the Icon Not-Made-by-Hands repeatedly gave from itself exact imprints. One of these, named "On Ceramic," was imprinted when Ananias hid the icon in a wall on his way to Edessa; another, imprinted on a cloak, wound up in Georgia. Possibly, the variance of traditions about the original Icon Not-Made-by-Hands derives from the existence of several exact imprints.

During the time of the Iconoclast heresy, those who defended the veneration of icons, having their blood spilt for holy icons, sang the Troparion to the Icon Not-Made-by-Hands. In proof of the validity of Icon-Veneration, Pope Gregory II (715-731) sent a letter to the Byzantine emperor, in which he pointed out the healing of King Abgar and the sojourn of the Icon Not-Made-by-Hands at Edessa as a commonly known fact. The Icon Not-Made-by-Hands was put on the standards of the Russian army, defending them from the enemy. In the Russian Orthodox Church it is a pious custom for a believer, before entering the temple, to read the Troparion of the Not-Made-by-Hand icon of the Savior, together with other prayers.



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