



Leaders of the Apostles and teachers of the world, pray to the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great n

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October 8, 2023

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Very Rev. Archpriest Edward Canon Young, *Pastor*

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost. Our Venerable Mother Pelagia.

Epistle **2 Corinthians 11: 31-12: 9.**

Gospel: **Luke 7: 11-16**

Tone 2

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

WEEKDAYS: MONDAY–FRIDAY 10:00AM

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

Confessions are heard before each Divine Liturgy:

Sunday 8:00AM to 8:30AM and
9:30AM until 10:00AM

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

Sunday After 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Call Audrey Sokol 203-924-1184 for more
information.

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

Address or Name Change/New Phone Number

– Please update your records. See Michael
Wysowski, Jr. to update this info.
Returned checks are subject to a **\$35.00 fee
per check.**

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 1:00 to 3:00
PM 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. Edward 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.

Michael Wysowski, Jr or Fr. Edward Young

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

Michael Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young

Virgin Mary's Lamp and Sacred Heart Lamp* also available for offering!

Offered to light for a week is 10.00, each. Michael Wysowski, Jr. or
Fr. Edward Young

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# _____ Email _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

From the Vespers of the Sunday for our Venerable Mother Pelagia: You transformed the beauty of the body* into the highest worth, glorious Pelagia,* not with the shining of ornaments,* but with the beauty of virtues.* You became the image of your Creator,* ever praying for those who celebrate your venerated memory in faith. Each day you poured forth an alabaster jar of tears,* filling the air with sweet fragrance* offered to Christ as precious ointment* poured out to the mystery of His love.* Therefore, ever pray for those who celebrate your venerated memory in faith.

Bread and Wine Offering None Offered

10/07	Saturday	10:00 AM	+Anna Garbera Malinak req. by Son and Daughter
10/08	Sunday	8:30AM 10:00AM	+Stefan Zanowiak req. by Joze Garun Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян
10/09	Monday		No Liturgy
10/10	Tuesday		No Liturgy
10/11	Wednesday		No Liturgy
10/12	Thursday		No Liturgy
10/13	Friday	10:00 AM	+Mary Hylwa
10/14	Saturday	10:00 AM	+ Mary Elizabeth Koalchic Garahan req, by family
10/15	Sunday	8:30AM 10:00AM	Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян +Samuel & Anna Mlynar req. by Robert Mlynar & Nancy Sherman

ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>In Loving Memory +Marilyn Michel by Karen Michel Wilson</i>	
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>In loving memory of +Marilyn Michel by Karen Wilson</i>	
SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP		<i>None Offered</i>	
BREAD & WINE OFFERING RESERVED DATES 11/13/23-11/19/23 11/27/23-12/3/23	ETERNAL LIGHT LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES 10/16/23-10/22/23 10/23/23-10/29/23 11/6/23-11/12/23 11/13/23-11/19/23 11/20/23-11/26/23 12/11/23-12/17/23 12/25/23-12/31/23 1/1/24-1/7/24 1/15/24-1/21/24 6/17/24-6/23/24	BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES 11/6/23-11/12/23 11/13/23-11/19/23 11/20/23-11/26/23 12/25/23-12/31/23 1/15/24-1/21/24 4/8/24-4/15/24	SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES 10/23/23-10/29/23 11/20/23-11/26/23 12/25/23-12/31/23 1/8/24-1/14/24 1/15/24-1/21/24

2023 & Past Church Dues (Blue Book) (Kollekt)

During Lent & every Sunday dues current & past will be collected in the church hall after 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. ,
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!!

Over 32 letters have been **resent** to delinquent dues members of St. Peter & St. Paul totaling over \$27,000 - **Past Church Dues** are due to support your church to pay our obligations to keep the church running such as salaries; electricity; oil; gas; water ; and continual maintenance; repair of the church, rectory and cemetery; insurance ; chancery fees; and telephone just to name a few. As spoken of during the 2022 annual meeting, February 19, 2023.

Sunday



Sunday, at 9:30 AM there will be the Recitation of the Holy Rosary of Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. One of the intentions for our prayers will be for our parish, and the needs for Ukraine. In this time of Foreign Invasion prayers are needed for we are hearing of the deaths of some many Soldiers and Civilians each day. Please Pray for USA and Ukraine in this time of Great NEED!

God Save and Protect! Боже спаси і О Хорони!

Support
Ukraine



PRAYER FOR OUR NATION Lord, we pray for peace and unity in our nation today. Keep us in peace, O Christ our God, under the protection of your Holy Cross; save us from our enemies, visible and invisible, that we may glorify You with thanksgiving, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. We pray that You would inspire this nation to be a nation under God. Give us your hope. Give us your peace. Amen the Light of God ~ surround us. The Love of God ~ enfold us.

The Power of God ~ protect us. The Presence of God ~ watch over us.

The Mind of God ~ Guide us. The Law of God ~ direct us.

Wherever we are God ~ be our strength.

PRAY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE AND THE WORLD: MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS, THROUGH THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL, SPREAD YOUR OMOPHOR ~ WE IMPLOR YOUR PROTECTION OVER UKRAINE AND BEG THAT YOU INTERCEDE WITH OUR LORD TO GRANT PEACE.



PRAYER FOR THE DELIVERANCE OF UKRAINE IN TIME OF INVASION: O Lord God of powers, and God of our salvation, O God, who alone work wonders: look down with mercy and compassion on Your humble servants, and out of love for mankind hearken and

have mercy on us and on the land of Ukraine. For, behold, enemies have once more gathered together, in order to cause division and enmity. But You who know all things, understand that they have risen up righteously, and that it will be impossible to oppose their multitudes unless You show us Your help. Therefore, we who are sinful and unworthy pray unto You in repentance and with tears: Help us, O God, our Savior, and deliver the land of Ukraine for the sake of the glory of Your Name, that the enemy may not to say: "Their God has forsaken them, and there is none to deliver and save them." But let every nation understand that You are our God, and we Your people are always protected under Your dominion.



2023 STAMFORD CHARITIES DIOCESE APPEAL

The month of **August continues** the Stamford Diocese Charities Appeal for **2023**

This fund provides support for many programs in the Diocese as indicated in the Sower.

Our offering reminds us that we are members of a greater body of the Church that operates beyond the barriers of our local parish and that each one of us has a role to play in the Church's mission of evangelization and sanctification.

You have received by mail your request for support. Please help this fund as you have in the past.

The 2023 goal is **\$7,500.00** set by Stamford. **Please do not send your donation to Stamford!!!**

Donations \$4,005 or 54.6% to go \$ 3,405 – 45.4% This week \$0.00

There will be collectors to take your donation for 2023 in the **church hall**



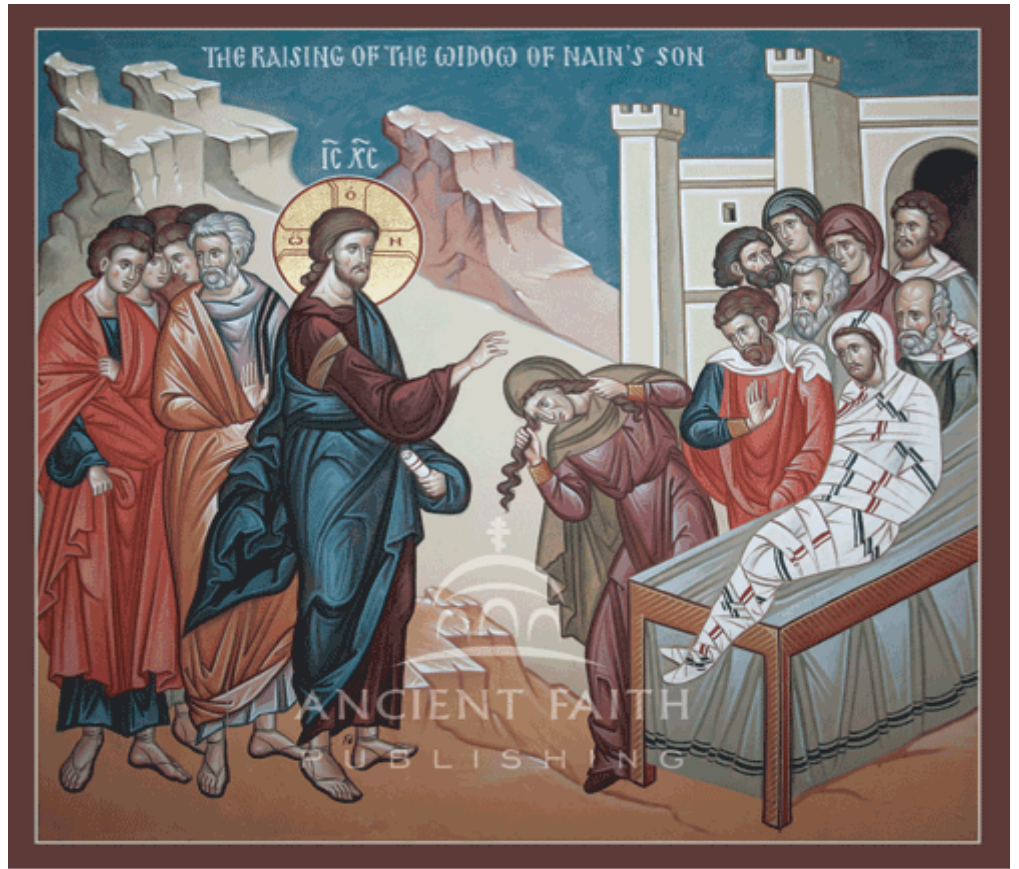
VOLUNTEER – By definition, it is a person who freely offers to do something or undertakes a task; To volunteer means to freely offer up your time and service to help, willingly and without being forced or paid to do it to serve another or the community. When was last time you Have ever asked yourselves "How do I serve a parish Community"? As parishioners, we look to come together at a meal, at the parish festival, and other happenings.... Remember these events do not just 'happen'. These events are not the responsibility of the pastor! For these events to take place, it requires the talents of the member of the parish; it requires each of you to come forward and VOLUNTEER your time and talents.

You don't need an invitation, you need to come forward and offer to help freely, inquire where you can serve. For a parish to be active, vibrant, it needs the help from those it serves! It is time to look around, to become aware of where you and your time and your talents can serve the needs of the parish. It is time to step forward and become involved in the life of the parish. Don't look for the other person to step up, this is your Church. If you want to see parish events happen, you need to be involved. Remember each of you are the CHURCH, each responsible for the full life of the parish. Let us come together to grow in hospitality, grow in community and service. Be a leader and come forward. Be that "Gift" !!

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

EPISTLE - 2 CORINTHIANS 11: 31 - 12:9 GOSPEL - LUKE 7: 11 – 16 TONE 2

In order to reestablish the moral principals of the entire creation and to bring it to its original beauty, a supreme sacrifice was indispensable. However, to accomplish that sacrifice no human being was capable to bring it to completion; therefore, God in His love and compassion toward us was willing to become incarnated for that purpose. Thus, the Gospel reading which is appointed for this Sunday bears the mark of that act, the act of mercy and compassion, for in the Gospel we read, "...And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow...When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, 'Do not weep'. Then He came and touched the open bier, and those that carried him stood still. And He said, 'Young man, I say to you, arise'." (Lk. 7:11-16)



Although Jesus performed this act of mercy on the widow and resurrected her son, yet the miracle in its essence has a much broader meaning. For Jesus did not come to resurrect one young man only, nor does He have compassion on one widow, but our Lord is, as we read in last Sunday's Gospel "...kind to the unthankful and evil." (Lk. 6: 35)

This week, we find insights about the Gospel reading, where we learn about the death of a widow's son. What happened in those times when a woman lost her husband and her son? And what did Christ do for her? Also, what are the parallels between Christ's death and His Mother? And how does Jesus renew our life from death to life?

The Lord Jesus begins His ministry by traveling around the area where He had grown up. In this passage, Jesus is walking not far from where He had grown up, and He came to the town of Nain.

As the Lord approaches the gates of the small town, there is a funeral procession and a commotion. Family and friends are helping a mother and carrying her dead son's casket, also known as a bier. The situation is one of great sadness and provides many parallels to Christ's work and its implications for our lives. The mother has lost her only son (in Greek, μονογενής), and she is also a widow. This means that, having lost her husband and only son, she was left destitute. In that society, the husbands provided for the family. If the husband died, the sons would take on such responsibility. The widow is left without a husband and without her only son. There is not only the deep grief of the loss by death, but also the distress of being left alone with no provision. The widow contemplates her losses with a sense of devastation and fear for the future. In a real sense, she is carrying her own sentence of death. Jesus, however, sees her and comes to her. He has compassion for her. Our Lord is gracious and compassionate, and He is deeply moved when He comes to the widow who has lost her only son. He wipes the tears from her eyes, saying, "Do not weep." This scene, in many ways, prefigures the situation in which Jesus will find Himself in, not too long after this. He, the only Son of God, would be crucified. Mary the Theotokos was weeping as Jesus Himself would weep at the death of His friend, Lazarus. Jesus shared in the sorrowful condition of humanity, with pain and loss. And yet, death does not have the last word because He has destroyed death by His death. Therefore, He comforts the widow by raising her only begotten son. The Word of God raises the young man when Jesus Christ says,

“Young man, I say to you, arise!” What is more powerful than the Word of God? He needs only to speak to exert His Will. The widow’s son, in his casket, sits up and begins to speak. Jesus then gives him back to his mother. The Lord, Who is the source of life, defeats death. As Saint Cyril of Alexandria says, “He performs the miracle not only in word, but also touches the bier (a type of casket), to the end that you might know that the sacred body of Christ is powerful to the saving of man. . . For as iron applied to fire does the work of fire, so the flesh, when it is united to the Word, which quickens all things, becomes itself also quickening, and the banisher of death.”

Remarkably, Jesus does not ask (as He sometimes does with other people) if the mother has faith, nor if she wants Him to resurrect her son. He knows not only the feelings but also the disposition of her heart. He gives back to her that which is needed for her earthly life, that is, her son. With this miracle, He cures her soul’s despair, strengthens her faith, and leads her to salvation. We can all experience miracles of deliverance in our lives when we experience God’s compassionate help and His Divine plan for our salvation.

Jesus is, in a real sense, saying, “Woman behold your son; and, young man, behold your mother,” just as He did at the Cross. The son’s life is restored. The mother’s life is restored. He also restores our lives when things seem hopeless, and we feel alone. This story is an example and proof of the two natures of Christ — human and Divine. In His human nature, Jesus feels the pain of loss and death. In His divine nature, the Son of God raises the son back to life, as He does with us. Jesus, calls light out of darkness, creates all things, and makes all things new again. He is the only begotten Son who died and rose to restore life. We are the ones who, without Christ, are dead in trespasses and sins but are raised with Him in new life. Even though we separate ourselves from God when we betray Him with our sins, God is waiting for us so that He may raise us from the deadliness of sin. God does not shy away from us when we shy away from Him. He will take us by the hand and restore us to health and salvation. (Excerpts from <https://www.goarch.org/>)

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

HUMANITY: Page 16, Section 20; Page 77, Section 211-214






Venerable Pelagia the Penitent Memory Kept 8 October **Troparion — Tone 4:** Like a fragrant rose growing among thorns, / you were revealed to the Church by your virtuous deeds / becoming a source of joy for the faithful. / You offered your life as a sweet-smelling fragrance / to Him who made you wondrous. / intreat Him to deliver us from every passion of soul and body, / O righteous Pelagia. **Kontakion — Tone 2:** You exhausted your body through fasting, vigils, and prayer / earnestly entreating the Creator that you might receive complete forgiveness for your former deeds. / Truly, you received this, O Mother Pelagia, / thereby showing us the way to repentance. Saint Pelagia the Penitent was converted to Christianity by Saint Nonnus, Bishop of Edessa (Saturday of Cheesefare Week). Before her acceptance of Christianity through Baptism, Pelagia was head of a dance troupe in Palestinian Antioch, living a life of frivolity and prostitution. One day Pelagia, elegantly dressed, was making her way past a church where Saint Nonnus was preaching a sermon. Believers turned their faces away from the sinner, but the bishop glanced after her. Struck by the outer beauty of Pelagia and having foreseen the spiritual greatness within her, the saint prayed in his cell for a long time to the Lord for the sinner. He told his fellow bishops that the prostitute put them all to shame. He explained that she took great care to adorn her body in order to appear beautiful in the eyes of men. “We... take no thought for the adornment of our wretched souls,” he said. On the following day, when Saint Nonnus was teaching in the church about the dread Last Judgment and its consequences, Pelagia came. The teaching made a tremendous impression upon her. With the fear of God and weeping tears of repentance, she asked the saint for Baptism. Seeing her sincere and full repentance, Bishop Nonnus baptized her. By night the devil appeared to Pelagia, urging her to return to her former life. The saint prayed, signed herself with the Sign of the Cross, and the devil vanished. Three days after her baptism, Saint Pelagia gathered

up her valuables and took them to Bishop Nonnus. The bishop ordered that they be distributed among the poor saying, “Let this be wisely dispersed, so that these riches gained by sin may become a wealth of righteousness.” After this Saint Pelagia journeyed to Jerusalem to the Mount of Olives. She lived there in a cell, disguised as the monk Pelagius, living in ascetic seclusion, and attaining great spiritual gifts. When she died, she was buried in her cell.



Church Donation of \$5,000.00 from the Estate of +Bishop John Bura in his memory by Theodore & Joyce Bura

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<p>Support those who advertise in our bulletin!</p>		



Thank you for your donation of time, items and baked goods!!
 Your generosity made this tag sale a HUGE success!! The tag sale will continue before and after liturgy for the next few weeks!
 Please stop in the church hall and look around!!