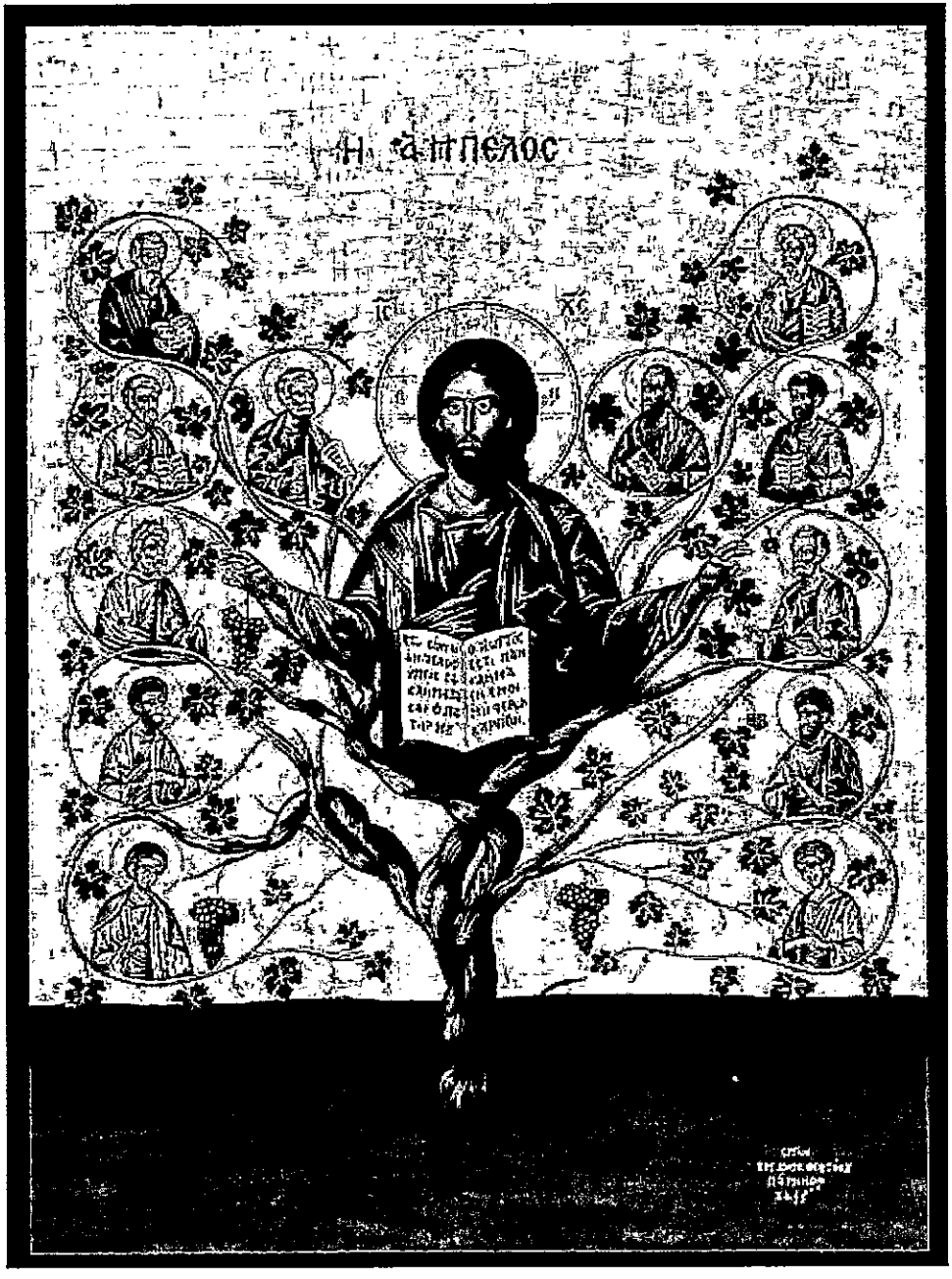
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HOLY MYSTERIES

VISITATIONS OF THE SICK AND INFIRM – If you are going into the hospital for any reason, please inform Father Stephen at the Rectory. Our hospitalization code for Christiana and Wilmington Hospitals is **UKR.**

EMERGENCY CALLS – Please call the Rectory anytime (day or night) in an Emergency!

BAPTISMS – Celebrated by appointment.

CROWNING IN MARRIAGE – Please discuss timing with Father prior to setting a date. At least six months notice is needed. There are three 2-hour courses that must be attended prior to the Wedding.

BULLETIN DEADLINE – The deadline for getting information printed in the Weekly Bulletin is Wednesday.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS – For the Needs of the Parish; 2nd Youth Ministry

July 5, 2026
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Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of July 5 - 12, 2026
Celebrating our 99th year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, July 5 - 5th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 4
8:30 AM – Confessions
9:15 AM – Prayers before Communion
9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful
Special Coffee Hour – celebrating the 250th Anniversary of the USA

Tuesday, July 6
7:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, July 8
8:00 AM – butter and onions

Thursday, July 9
7:00 PM – Boy Scouts

Friday, July 10
7:00 AM – peeling potatoes
10:00 AM – making cheese balls
3:00 PM – making potato balls

Saturday, July 11
8:00 AM – Making pyrohy

Sunday, July 12 - 6th Sunday after Pentecost – Feast of Saints Peter and Paul - Tone 5
8:30 AM – Confessions
9:15 AM – Prayers before Communion
9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful
Panakhyda: +Estelle Hlywiak - Family
Special Patronal Dinner

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IT"S SUMMER TIME – a time to relax in the sun, take some down time, enjoy our vacations. Please don't forget about your Parish as we cannot get a vacation from our bills. Treasurer, Mark Andreas

SCRIPTURE READINGS

5th Sunday – Matins: Luke 24:12-35; Liturgy: Romans 10:1-10; Matthew 8:28-9:1
Monday – Romans 16:17-24; Matthew 13:10-23
Tuesday – Nativity of St. John the Baptist – Matins: Luke 1:24-25, 57-68,76,80; Liturgy: Romans 13:11-14:4; Luke 1:1-25; 57-68,76,80; Day: 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; Matthew 13:24-30
Wednesday – 1 Corinthians 2:9-3:8; Matthew 13:31-36
Thursday – 1 Corinthians 3:18-23; Matthew 13:36-43
Friday – 1 Corinthians 4:5-8; Matthew 13:44-54
Saturday – Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 9:18-26
6th Sunday – Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul – Matins: Luke 24:36-53; Liturgy: Romans 12:6-14; Matthew 9:1-8; Feast – 2 Corinthians 11:21-12:9; Matthew 16:13-19

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EVIL SPIRITS: 5th Sunday After Pentecost

Today's Gospel presents for our instruction the miraculous driving out of the spirits into a herd of swine.

The Gospel narrates the event: "In the country of the Gadarenes, Jesus was met by two men who came out from the tombs. They were possessed by devils, and so violent that no one dared pass that way. 'You, Son of God," they shouted, 'what do you want with us? Have You come here to torment us before our time?' In the distance a large herd of pigs was feeding; and the devils begged Him: 'If you drive us out, send us into that herd of pigs. "Be gone!' He said. Then they came out and went into the pigs. The whole herd rushed over the edge into the lake, and perished in the water" (Matthew 8:28-32).

These two men differed from other men in that they were under the influenced and control of the spirits of evil. They were men possessed with devils. We notice this in the way they spoke. "You, Son of God..."they shouted. This kind of knowledge is unknown to anyone. In addition, the request to enter the herd of pigs is strange and physically impossible for humans. "If you drive us out, send us into that herd of pigs!" The voices that speak, therefore, are voices not of men but of evil spirits.

Jesus in his mercy and compassion commands the evil spirits to depart. They "go out" and enter into the pigs. Suddenly maddened, the whole herd rushes down the cliff and drowns in the sea. Who can doubt that there were powers here far greater than man's? Who can doubt also that there is a power here far greater even than theirs - the power and love of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to Justin Houser, 7/5; Barry Pinkowicz, 7/5; Michelle Czernik, 7/6 & Ryan Pinkowicz, 7/10. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy & blessed years!

UOL FLEA MARKET

Our UOL is sponsoring their annual Flea Market on Saturday, Augusl from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. All donations of your treasures will be graciously accepted. **Please note that all donations of clothing must be clean and only gently worn.** All donations will be accepted on the following days: **Sunday,** July 26 - after the Divine Liturgy; **Tuesday,** July 28 - Drop off 6:00 -8:00 PM; **Wednesday,** July 29 - Drop off 6:00 -8:00 PM; **Thursday, July 30** - Drop off 6:00 -8:00 PM Also, any finger snacks like cupcakes, brownies, etc. will be graciously accepted. Please support this event!!!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

(Please find a substitute if you cannot make a given week)
July 5 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik
July 12 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik
July 19 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow
July 26 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow
August 2 – Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin
August 9 – Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin
August 16 – Sonya Patronik and John Plachuta

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week of July 6 - Mark & Laura Andreas
Week of July 13 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson
Week of July 20 - Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi
Week of July 27 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus
Week of August 3 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration
Week of August 10 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson
Week of August 17 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly

Pyrohy Schedule: Saturday, July 11; Saturday, August 22; Saturday, September 19 & Saturday, October 3

MEETINGS: Parish Board – Wednesday, July 8 @ 6:30 PM

READERS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 5 - Thomas Scholz
July 12 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick
July 19 – Thomas Sulpizi
July 26 - John Plachuta
August 2 – Linda Hnatow
August 9 – Jean Roeth
August 16 - Andrew Duncan

CALENDER OF EVENTS - 2026

Sunday. July 12 – Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul – Patronal Dinner
Saturday, August 1 – UOL Flea Market
Sunday, September 20 – Pot Luck Dinner
Saturday, September 26 – Hall Rented
Monday, October 12 – 15 – Clergy Retreat
Saturday, October 17 – UOL Retreat
Saturday, November 7 – Fall Bazaar
Saturday, November 14 – Wine Tasting
Saturday, November 28 – St. Philip Fast
Sunday, December 20 – UOL Cookie Sale

EMMANUEL DINING HALL – we will be preparing food for the Emmanuel Dining Hall to feed the homeless on Tuesday, July 14th beginning at 6:00 PM . Please come out and help us in this very special ministry!

100th ANNIVRSARY – will be held on Saturday, July 17th, 2027 with a 10:00 AM – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with a Banquet at the Claymont Ballroom. Mark your calendars! Our first fund Raiser for the event is the sale of T-shirts ($10) polo shirts ($15) and sweat shirts ($20) with the Anniversary Logo on them thanks to the art and stitching work of Michael Kapelus.

SCHEDULING FOR THE PARISH – Please remember that all events, work parties, use of the hall must be cleared through the calendar kept by Father Stephen so that dueling events can be avoided.

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 5 - Zina Twardus and Nancy Tur
July 12 - David and Eve Lazaration
July 19 - Sandy Cramer
July 26 - Sonya Patronik

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL – Metropolitan Antony, Archbishop Daniel, Archimandrite Raphael, Father George Bazylevky, Father Vasyl Dovhan, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Andrew Molewski, Father Anthony Ugolnik, Father James Weremedic, Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Matushka Andrejuk, Matushka Laura Odell, Matushka Lisa Weremedic, Pani Matka Oksanna Bazylevsky, Pani Matka Maryann Ozlanski, Jonathan Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Joyce Belles, Joyce Bendoakas, Ethel Bernhard, Irene Billon, James Bolton, Maria Borowenski, Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Erik Colazo, Alex Czernik, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, George Daniels, Taylor Davis, Peter DiVirgilio, James Dudrick, Kathleen Dugan, Mary Eagleton, Maria Economou, Rose Eldridge, Archantula Fanjoy, Mary Farell, Kandi Fullerton, James Garrett, Lisa Gee, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovniov, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Richard Haslam, Rick Hastings, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Alicia Hlywak, John Hlywak, Nancy Hlywiak, Daniel Holoviak, Jennifer Huertes, Serhii Ivashyna, Violet Jaskolka, Stephen Johnson, Bill Jones, Linda Josepinson, Michael Kapelus, Walter Katolik, Diane Keyser, Wendy Klinedinst, Tommy Knight, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Francis Lano, Ed Lavender, Ron Lazaration, Joan Libera, Karen Livick, Sara Long, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Jeremy Madea, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Frederick McCarthy, Fred McKirachan, Stephen McNulty, Ronald Michel, Mary Ann Michalcewicz, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Karen Needham, Julie Neff, Ann Nester, Rick Orner, Sienna Ozboya, Betty Painter, Anastasios Pantelopulos, Anthony Pantelopulos, Daphne Pantelopulos, George Pantelopulos, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry Pinkowicz, Janilyn Pinkowicz, Bernice Pinkowicz, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Chuck Redden, Patricia Redden, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Sandy Roeder, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, Jeff Rozwadowski, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, Richard Scharba, Isaac Schmidt, Clay Seman, John Serth, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Alexandra Sparco, Natalia Stanford, Rich Steinman, Cynthia Stepovij, Nicholas Stepovij, Joseph Stevens, Noel Strobino, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Michael Synczyszyn, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, John Tomei, Mark Tomei, Violet Tomei, Aria Tonner, Mariel Trimble, Stephen Tur, Martha Vignali, Jack Vognetz, Margaret Vognetz, Marilyn Wagner, Olena Wasylevska, James Watts, Chris Way, Leah Way, Barbara Weeks, Laura Worley, Jack Ziegler & James Zook

ARE YOU WILLING TO TRAVEL LIGHT?

Vacation provides us with time away to relax. Before we go on a trip, we may make a list of things to put in our suitcase. Most times we pack so much that it feels like we are not really "Getting away from it all" but rather taking it all with us!

A lesson from the Gospel of Luke talks about travelling light. Jesus appointed 70 of His disciples to spread the Good News of the Kingdom of God. They were instructed to go forth to preach, teach and heal. Do you know what Christ said to take with them? "Carry neither money bag, knapsack, nor sandals...(Luke 10:14). These missionaries were instructed to trust God to provide for them and their needs. They were not to encumber themselves with possessions and worries.

Human nature tends to saddle us all down with lots of unnecessary burdens. While focusing on our problems, we may not be able to see the blessings that are in front of us. Look to the horizon to see the light and hope that God provides us. Pack your luggage light and make your possessions few, since our Lord is there to provide all that we need. Leave all the unneeded things behind, but be sure to take along your faith and courage. Shake off the dust of rejection and failure, instead of carrying them around as baggage.

As Christians, our path is all the same; we continue towards the Kingdom of Heaven. Heed the call of Jesus to travel light and be less dependent on material things. Simplify your life, become more carefree and rejoice in the journey.