

STS. PETER AND PAUL BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SLAVA ISUSU CHRISTU! SLAVA NA VIKI!
GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST! GLORY FOREVER!

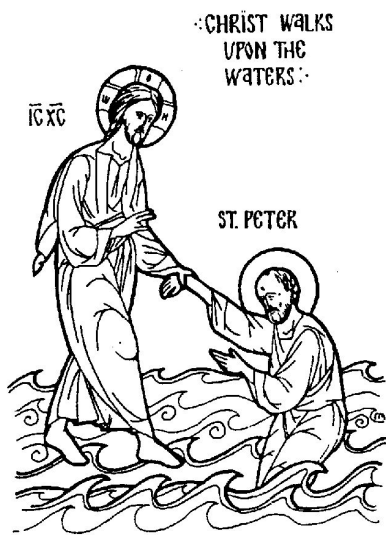
CONFESSIONS – Every Saturday, 5:00 to 5:30 PM in the Confessional or a half hour before any Liturgy in the Sacristy. **No Scheduled Confessions on Sunday.** If you are unable to come at the times listed, call Father Andrew.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS – The secretary is in the Office from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM, on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, but you are free to call at any time.

MAJOR HOLY DAYS – 7:00 PM – Vigil Liturgy (evening before) 9:00 AM Holy Day Liturgy

FEAST DAYS (Minor Holy Days) – 9:00 AM Feast Day Liturgy

July 25, 2010 9th Sun. after Pentecost/Dormition of St. Anna Tone 8 P. 161



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

It would be easy to conclude that the story of Peter's walking on the water has no application to our everyday lives. But there are many profound applications of the story. "What? Am I supposed to take up walking on water?" Some sects have exaggerated the line about handling snakes (Mark 16:18), but no one has ever taken up walking upon water! No, walking upon water is not the point. Nonetheless, the story has implications for us.

Peter could walk on water for a short time because Jesus commanded him to, and because he believed in Jesus. But his faith failed – and he began to sink. When Jesus pulled him to safety, He chided Peter, "O you of little faith." Since Jesus cannot be wrong, we can conclude that anyone who does not believe he can do what God commands is a person of little faith. If we do not *want* to do what God commands, that is an additional problem. However, if we want to obey but conclude that we cannot, then it is a failure of faith. How, then, are we to respond? Are we supposed to manufacture faith to be able to do all that we are commanded? Not exactly. Rather, we are supposed to humbly turn to God for mercy. We can say, like the man in the back of the temple, "O God, have mercy on me a sinner" (Luke 18:13). This is the response that opens us to God's grace and leads to obedience. But we should not lie to ourselves and say that God did not mean what He said.

Prayer Starter: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner of little faith. Lord, I believe. Help my unbelief!



Epistle Lessons

This Sunday's Epistle reading, and those following for the next month or so will be taken from the letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. St. Paul's first letter to the Christian community in Corinth – a city near Athens in Greece – was written 28 years after the Resurrection of Christ. The Christians there were going through a scandal. St. Paul, therefore, appealed to them to put their faith in Christ – to remember that they were a "temple of the Holy Spirit" – and they should build up the Kingdom of God with patience, with love and with peace among all people. Let us listen carefully to these Epistles, because Paul's message is good for all Christian communities – even today.

Divine Liturgies for the Week

Saturday, July 24		Vigil of the Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
	6:00 pm	+ Tom James – Rose Ferderber & Willa Mancini
Sunday, July 25		Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
	8:15 am	Parochial Divine Liturgy
	11:00 am	+ Michael Prokop – Family
Mon. 26 th		No Divine Liturgy
Tues. 27 th	8:00 am	+ Rosemary Serbin – husband, John
Wed. 28 th	4:45 pm	Queen of Heaven Monastery
		+ Sister Helen Labosh – Benedictine Sisters
Thurs. 29 th	8:00 am	+ Anna Basista – Williams, Holden, & Kolenich Families
Fri. 30 th	8:00 am	+ Florence Furrie – Lou, Dorothy & Ashley DeMars
Sat. 31 st		Vigil of the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
	6:00 pm	+ Kenny Tisher – Family
Sun. August 1		Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
	8:15 am	Parochial Divine Liturgy
	11:00 am	+ Joseph Sekula – wife, Helen & family



Coming Events:

- Mon. Aug 1-14 Fast for the Dormition begins – we recommend no meat on Wednesday as well as Friday.
- Wed. Aug. 4 St. Vincent de Paul Meals Program – 9:00 am until 2:00 pm
- Thurs. Aug. 5 Vigil of the Transfiguration – Liturgy at 7:00 pm (Blessing of Fruit)
- Fri. Aug. 6 Holy Day – Feast of the Transfiguration – Liturgy 9:00 am (Blessing of Fruit). Bring your fruit bowls for blessing and sharing.
- Mon. Aug. 9 Church Cleaning Party – 9:00 am until noon.
- Tues. Aug. 10 Ladies Guild Meeting – 7:00 pm in the Social Hall
- Sat. Aug. 14 St. Vincent de Paul Meals Program – 9:00 am until 2:00 pm
- Sat. Aug. 14 7:00 pm – Byzantine Liturgy at Our Lady of Lebanon Shrine – Lipkey Road – North Jackson, OH – Celebrant: Very Rev. Eugene Yackanich.
- Sun. Aug. 15 Feast of the Dormition of Mary – Blessing of Flowers.
- Sat. Aug. 21 50th Anniversary of Religious Profession of Sister Mary John Semon
Divine Liturgy at 4:00 pm
- Sun. Aug. 22 Parish Picnic at Perkins Park – 1:00 pm ‘til ??? Mark your calendars for an afternoon of good fun, food and fellowship!



The Benedictine Sisters Invite You

... to celebrate with us a Divine Liturgy of Thanksgiving for the Golden Anniversary of Religious Profession of Sister Mary John Semon, OSB on Saturday, August 21, 2010 at 4:00 pm here at Sts. Peter and Paul Church. The main celebrant will be the Administrator of our Archeparchy, The Very Rev. Eugene Yackanich. A dinner will follow in the Social Hall. No gifts, please! We do need your reservations for dinner by August 14th. Please call 330-856-1813 with the number of persons planning to attend.



Schedule Change for Saturday, August 21 only! Our 6:00 pm Parish Liturgy will be celebrated at 4:00 pm .



IN BLESSED REPOSE, GRANT, O LORD, ETERNAL REST TO THE SOUL OF YOUR SERVANT
+MARY HUDAK WHO HAS FALLEN ASLEEP IN THE LORD.

Our return to God for the gifts He continues to shower upon us . . . \$3,593.00