

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

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Glory Forever!
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31 May, 2015: Sunday of All Saints

St. Hermas, Apostle and Bishop of Philippi; St. Hermeas, Martyr

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

Sat. May 30 **17:00 Vigil of All Saints** + Suffrages for **Helen Krynicky** – *Gregory & Patricia Krynicky*; for **Kathleen Snitzer** – *Joseph & Carol Sestavich*; for **Irene Strosko** – *St Mary Youth Group*.

Sun. May 31 **10:00 Sunday of All Saints** + Suffrages for the **parish**, for **John Osif** – *Mr. & Mrs. Timothy Burdette*; for **Peter Shultz** – *Margaret Magda*; for **Mary Miscik** – *Agnes & Andrew Lipko*.

Sat. June 06 **17:00 Vigil of 2nd Sunday after Pentecost** + Suffrages for **John Osif** – *Donna Brugla*; for **Peter Shultz** – *Agnes Shultz Family*; for **Kathleen Snitzer** – *Jerry and Barbara Chirdon*.

Sun. June 07 **10:00 2nd Sunday after Pentecost** + Suffrages the **parish**, for **Abigail Elizabeth Knouse** and her parents – *Father*.



Acolytes

Lectors

Ushers

Sat. May 30	-----	J. Krynicky	J. Kontir, R. Garber
Sun. May 31	E. R. A. Hess	J. Hess	D. Hess, J. Overdorff
Sat. June 06	-----	M. Harhai	R. Garber, J. Kontir
Sun. June 07	Ruggieri, Syphans	L. Knouse	R. Garber, J. Overdorff

5/24/15 Collection:	Adult: \$635.00	Student: \$3.00	Candles: \$50.00
Cemetery: \$160.00	Ascension: \$5.00	Seminary: \$20.00	Total: \$713.00

Attendance:	All Souls: 13	Saturday 19	Sunday: 45 + 7
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WHY THE LORD CHOSE FISHERMEN. **CHROMATIUS:** Here they proved that they were true sons of Abraham, because by a similar pattern they followed the Savior on hearing God's voice. For they immediately gave up hope of material advantage that they might seek eternal rewards. They left behind their earthly father that they might have a heavenly Father, and hence not undeservedly were they chosen. So the Lord chose fishermen who in a better way of plying their fishing trade were converted from earthly to heavenly fishing, that they might catch the human race for salvation like fish from the deep waters of error, according to what the Lord himself said to them: «*Come after Me, and I will make you fishers of men.*» It was the very same thing He had promised

through Jeremiah the prophet: «*Behold, I am sending for many fishers, says the Lord, and they shall catch them; and afterward I will send for many hunters and they shall hunt them.*» So we see that the apostles are called not only fishermen but also hunters: fishermen, for in the nets of gospel preaching they catch all believers like fish in the world; hunters, for they catch for salvation by heavenly hunting those people who are roving in this world as though in the woods of error and who are living like wild animals. TRACTATE ON MATTHEW 16.2.

JESUS CHOOSES THEM FOR WHAT THEY CAN BECOME. **ANONYMOUS:** Before He says or does anything, He calls the apostles so nothing may be concealed from them as to Christ's words or works and they may later say in confidence: «*For we cannot but speak of what we have seen and heard.*» He sees them not bodily but spiritually, regarding not their appearance but their hearts. And He chooses them not as apostles but because they could become apostles. Just as an artist who sees precious, and not rough-hewn, stones chooses them—not because of what they are but because of what they can become. Like the sensitive artist who does not spurn the unshaped good—so too the Lord, upon seeing them, does not choose their works but their hearts. INCOMPLETE WORK ON MATTHEW, HOMILY 7.

Jesus Teaches, Preaches and Heals JESUS' HEALINGS PROPHESED. **CHROMATIUS:** Isaiah predicted this would happen when he said, «*He Himself took our infirmities and bore our sickness.*» To this end the teacher of life and heavenly physician Christ the Lord had come that by His direction He might educate people to life and with His heavenly medicine cure the sickness of body and soul, that He might free bodies beset by the devil and restore those persons afflicted by various infirmities to true and complete health. By the word of divine power He cured the weaknesses of the body, but by the medicine of heavenly teaching He healed the wounds of the soul. David clearly noted that the wounds of the soul are healed by God alone when he said, «*Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits,*» to which he added, «*who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases.*» He is the true and perfect physician therefore Who gives healing to the body and restores the soul to health: our Lord and Savior. TRACTATE ON MATTHEW 16.4.

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Next Sunday's Readings: **2nd Sunday after Pentecost**

Romans 2:10 - 16: *The Righteous Judgment of God*

Matthew 4:18 – 23: *The Calling of Four Fishermen*



~ Announcements ~

- **APOSTLES' FAST** begins **tomorrow, 1 June** and ends on **Sunday evening, 28 June** with the Vigil Divine Liturgy. The **feast of Saints Peter and Paul** is a day of **OBLIGATION** for Byzantine Catholics. Vesperal Divine Liturgy will be served Sunday evening at 19:00 and the Divine Liturgy on Monday morning at 9:30.

- **In the Hospital:** Kindly remember in your prayers **Norma Regalla** who was admitted to the hospital this past week. *May Christ the divine Physician of our souls and bodies grant to His servant Norma and to all the sick and shut in of our parish peace, improved health, and many blessed years.*
- «**ETERNAL MEMORY** and blessed repose, grant, O Lord, to your departed servant **Walter Furwa** and remember him forever.» Our deepest condolences are extended to “Happy’s” family, relatives, and friends.
- The «**PETER’S PENCE COLLECTION**» is scheduled to be taken up on **14 June** to help support the charitable work of the Holy See. A special envelope is in your box.
- **The Handicap Committee** still has some tickets left and will be selling them in the Narthex after the Divine Liturgy. The winning number will be taken from the «Pick 3 Daily Number 1st Evening Drawing» on **Saturday, 20 June**. Tickets are **VOID** after 30 days.
- **FATHER’S DAY is June 14th**. See Father if you wish to have a father, grandfather, god father, spiritual father remembered at the Divine Liturgy with a *Spiritual Bouquet Card*. As with Mother’s Day, checks are to be made payable to Father, **NOT** the parish. As w/ all donations for suffrages at the Liturgy, your offering is turned in to the abbey or donated to charity.

