

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection
Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory Forever!
Слава на вики!

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30 JULY 2023 / 7531
NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
The Holy Apostles Silas and Silvanus and their Companions.



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. July 29 17:00 VIGIL: **NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
Suffrages pro populo

Sun. July 30 10:30 **NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** *Suffrages*
+**Martin Osif** – Dorothy & Tina Osif; Laurie & Robert Knouse;
Suffrages for the health and well-being of the Ketcham family.

Sat. Aug. 05 17:00 VIGIL: **TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD**
w/ Mirovanije Suffrages pro populo.

Sun. Aug. 06 10:30 **TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD** *w/ Mirovanije.*
Suffrages for +Robert & Mary Knouse, Sr. – Robert & Laurie Knouse.
40th Day Panachida: James Forrai

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07 / 23 / 2023	Adults: \$883	Candles: \$58	Cemetery: \$480		
COLLECTION	TOTAL: \$1421				
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He Came to Them, Walking on the Sea THE MIRACLE FORESEEN IN PROPHECY.

CHROMATIUS: Who was able to walk on the sea if not the Creator of the universe? He, indeed, about whom the Holy Spirit had spoken long ago through blessed **Job**: *“Who alone stretched out the heavens and walked on the sea as well as the earth.”* **Solomon** spoke about Him in the person of Wisdom: *“I dwelt in the highest places and my throne was in a pillar of cloud. I orbited the heavenly sphere alone and walked on the waves of the sea.”* **David** likewise declared in his psalm: *“God, your way was through the sea, your path through the great waters.”* So too **Habakkuk** noted, *“The raging waters swept on; the deep gave forth its voice.”* What is more evident than this testimony, what is more clear? It points to Him walking on the water as well as on the ground. This is God’s only begotten Son, Who long ago according to the will of the Father stretched out the heavens and at the time of Moses in a pillar of cloud showed the people a way to follow. TRACTATE ON MATTHEW 52.2.

THE DORMITION FAST begins Tuesday, August 1th and ends on the 14th. The traditional rule for this fast is a strict abstinence from meat, eggs and dairy products, with the usual mitigations of wine and oil for Saturday and Sunday and the Feast of the Transfiguration (August 6th). It is, therefore, observed as during the Great Fast. It is the millennia long tradition of the Byzantine Churches that the faithful avail themselves of the Mystery of Holy Confession during this time.

It is also customary in many parishes that the *Office of Paraklesis*, or *The Small Supplicatory Canon to the Most Holy Theotokos*, composed by Theosterictus the Monk in the 9th Century, is offered during the Fast in preparation for this most glorious feast of the Dormition. If you would like to offer this supplicatory canon privately at home, it begins on page 627 in the *Publicans Prayer Book*, 3rd edition. The *Paraklesis* (text and music) may also be found on our MCI website:

<https://mci.archpitt.org/sheetmusic/general/Paraklesis.pdf>



~ Announcements ~

- ✦ **BLESSING OF FRUIT:** It is a pious custom to bless fruit (especially apples and grapes) at the feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord. Parishioners are encouraged to bring a bowl of fruit next week-end to be blessed after the Ambon Prayer.
- ✦ **THANK YOU** to the Weed Wackers United team of David, Joshua, Daniel, Jennifer, and Eric for all their hard work around the estate to make it look so attractive! And thank you to Greg for mowing the various lawns and fields!