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### *The Apostles' Call and Ours*

But note both their faith and their obedience. For though they were in the midst of their work (and you know how time consuming a chore fishing is), when they heard His command they did not delay or procrastinate. They did not say, "Let us return home, and talk things over with our family." Instead, "they left everything behind and followed," even as Elisha did when he followed Elijah. For Christ seeks this kind of obedience from us, such that we delay not even for a moment, though something absolutely most necessary should vehemently press in on us.

*St. John Chrysostom*

The kingdom of heaven has no price tag on it. It is worth as much as you have. For Zacchaeus it was worth half of what he owned, because the other half that he had unjustly pock-

eted he promised to restore four-fold. For Peter and Andrew it was worth the nets and vessel they had left behind; for the widow it was worth two copper coins; for another it was worth a cup of cold water. So, as we said, the kingdom of heaven is worth as much as you have.

*St. Gregory the Great*

Like Peter, Andrew, James and John, we have been called to discipleship. As such, we are given the name of "Christian." But are we conscious what that name stands for, what responsibility comes with it? It is more than just a title or a label. To be a disciple of Christ, to bear the name of Christian, compels us to take on the responsibility – regardless of the difficulty and cost – of living the Gospel every moment of our lives.

## SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



*Icon of the Call of the Apostles*



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**PATRONAGE CHURCH SERVICES SCHEDULE**

Date	Time	Service	Intention
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost 6.7.2026	9:00am	Divine Liturgy	For the Health and Salvation of Parishioners
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost 6.14.2026	9:00am	Divine Liturgy	For the Health and Salvation of Parishioners
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost 6.21.2026	9:00am	Divine Liturgy	Special Intention for: Living and +Deceased Fathers

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

*Today's Propers can be found on page 125, Tone 1, in the Divine Liturgy book.*

**HOLY MYSTERY OF REPENTANCE:** Confession is available beginning an hour before Divine Liturgy, and ending 15 minutes before the start of services.

**HOLY EUCHARIST AND VISITATION OF THE SICK:** Eucharist can be brought to a parishioner who is ill, in the hospital, or at home. You can request a visit by either sending our church an email, or contacting either Fr. Vasyl or Deacon Tony, personally.

*Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki! Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!*

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** The people of Ukraine, that peace may be soon be restored to their land, our parishioners, the founders of our parish, our benefactors, those who are sick, and those who cannot make it to church. Also, Fr. Vasyl Symyon, Charlie Toth, Larissa Toth, Tony Kotlar, Jr., Mary Hrinca, Michael Demyan, Michael Skovran, Mary Ann Ondrish, Betty Charlock, Elizabeth Hresko, John Hanyok, Ann Marie Elwell, James DeWolfe, Clara Valeika, Joe Belensky, Kay Dinko, Doris Ruszin, Veronica Ruszin, Anna Martin, Joseph Repasi, Mary Jo Kelly Wilhelm, Howard Guba, Melanie Copper, Julie Wiegand, Natalie, Edin, and +Walter Lourdes Najera Herder, Mark and Betsey Herder, Greg Rudy, our first responders, and all military service men and women throughout the world. Please help us keep our prayer list up to date. Let us know if we need to remove or add a name by sending an email to our church. *May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician and Healer of souls and bodies, grant them peace and good health for many blessed years!*

**STEWARDSHIP:** You honor God and our Church by continuing to tithe each week. An offertory basket is on the table in the back of our Temple for your weekly donation. You may also mail your donation to our church, or donate using Tithe.ly online at: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=2346733>. The link is also on the first page of our website. *“Remember then, it is the Lord, your God, who gives you the power to acquire wealth” (Dt. 8:18).*

**EASTERN CATHOLIC FORMATION (ECF):** ECF will be having their end of the year celebration after Divine Liturgy today. We appreciate and thank everyone who supported our program this year for the youth in our parish. Registration for the 2026-2027 school year will begin in July. More details to follow.

**FATHER'S DAY INTENTION:** On **Sunday, June 21<sup>st</sup>**, Fr. Vasyl will be celebrating Divine Liturgy with a special Intention for living and deceased fathers. If you would like to submit any names, a form can be found on the shelf in the Narthex, or on our website. *Please return your completed form by Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>.*

**TO PATRONAGE CHURCH PARISHIONERS:** The family of +Anna Martin would like to extend their appreciation to the parishioners of our church for all of our prayers for her over the years. She loved our church and missed not be able to attend Liturgy due to her health. *Eternal Memory! Vičnaja Pamjat'!*

**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH:** We are glad that you have chosen to participate in the Divine Liturgy with us today, and we pray that it will be a spiritually nourishing experience. All Catholics may receive the Eucharist if you are in good standing and prepared. We receive the Body and Blood of Christ in our mouth by spoon. Please DO NOT stick out your tongue. *If you would like to become an active part of our parish community, be added to our email list, and register as a parishioner*, please complete a “Census” form. Forms are located on the bookrack in the Narthex, or on our website, and can either be mailed to our church, or placed in the offertory basket in the back of our Temple. On-line donation information can be found under “Stewardship” in this bulletin. *“My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples” (Isaiah 56:7).*



# Children's Corner

## The Book of The Psalms - Scavenger Hunt

### Use your Bible to fill in the blanks.

1. Psalms is the 3<sup>rd</sup> longest book of the Bible. How many chapters does it have? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What is the first Psalm that was written by David?  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. What book comes before Psalms? \_\_\_\_\_
4. What book comes after Psalms? \_\_\_\_\_
5. Psalm 117 is the shortest Psalm; how many verses are in it?  
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6. Psalm 119 is the longest Psalm; how many verses are in it?  
\_\_\_\_\_
7. Moses only wrote 1 Psalm. Which one did he write?  
\_\_\_\_\_
8. Who wrote Psalm 72? \_\_\_\_\_
9. How does Psalm 100:2 say we should come into the Lord's presence with? \_\_\_\_\_
10. Read Psalm 24:1-2. Who does the earth belong to?  
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**2026 "OUR DAILY BREAD" CASSEROLE DONATIONS:** Thank you to everyone who made a casserole for today's collection to benefit "Our Daily Bread," and for your continued support of this organization.

**PARISH SOCIALS:** Thank you to everyone who donates food, drinks, and/or money to support our weekly parish socials. This truly helps make our socials that much more special, and benefits the fellowship amongst parishioners. Please contact Mary Demyan or Sharon Kotula if you plan on donating any food or drinks to our Sunday socials, so we can adjust our shopping for these items accordingly. Your efforts are greatly appreciated!

**NEW CHURCH WEBSITE:** Patronage Church will be launching a refreshed website in June, with an updated look and improved information for parishioners and visitors. The website address will remain the same: [PatronageChurch.com](http://PatronageChurch.com), and the launch date will be advertised when it becomes available.

**HOLY ANNUNCIATION MONASTERY "HELPING HANDS DAY:"** The GCU is returning to Holy Annunciation Monastery, 403 West Country Road, Sugarloaf, PA 18249, for "**Helping Hands Day**" on **Saturday, June 13, 2026**, from 9:00am – 1:00pm. The day will begin with Divine Liturgy at 8:00am (optional). Whether you enjoy being outdoors tending gardens or prefer lighter, indoor tasks like assembling bakery boxes, there's a place for you here. All ages and skill levels are welcome. Following a morning of teamwork, we will enjoy lunch as a group. For more information, please contact Kevin Yurkanin at 570-956-4517 or [tyurkanin@gcuusa.com](mailto:tyurkanin@gcuusa.com).

**2026 BYZANTINE CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT CONVOCATION:** This summer, encounter "*The Heart of the God-Bearer*," on **July 31<sup>st</sup> to August 2<sup>nd</sup>**, at St. Mary's Byzantine Catholic Church in Hillsborough, New Jersey. **Young adults ages 18-35** will gather for fellowship, communal praying of the Liturgy of the Hours, and talks from speakers like Mother Natalia of *Christ the Bridegroom Monastery* and co-host of the *What God Is Not* podcast and Very Rev. Paul Varchola West, MFA, MDiv of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Levittown, PA; host of the "*Building Athosin Our Hearts Podcast*;" and "*Spiritual Father of the Springs in the Desert ministry*." For more information and regular updates, go to <https://www.heartofthegodbearer.org/>. **Online registration is open until June 30th!**

**2025 BISHOP'S APPEAL:** Donation towards the Bishop's Appeal ends on **June 30, 2026**. Checks must be made payable to: *Eparchy of Passaic*, and mailed to: 445 Lackawanna Avenue, Woodland Park, NJ 07424-2969. Please write in the memo the name of our church. You can also pledge online at: [www.eparchyofpassaic.com](http://www.eparchyofpassaic.com), then click on "Giving." Thank you to those who have already donated to support our Eparchy!

# Young Adult Retreat

June 26 - 28, 2026

Fri. 7 p.m. - Sun. 12 noon

Overnight  
Accommodations

Prayer Services

Conferences



Sacrament of  
Reconciliation

Group Discussions

Sunday Divine Liturgy

**“Make me a channel of your peace!”**

**Registration due: June 19**

Offering: \$125

Due upon Arrival or by Mail:

Mount Saint Macrina - Trinity Center  
510 W. Main St. - Uniontown, PA 15401

Sponsored by the Sisters of St. Basil  
Program by Sister Barbara Jean and a team of Young Adults  
hpmsm@verizon.net 724-438-7149

**Special Intention for  
Living and Deceased Fathers  
will be Remembered at the Divine Liturgy on  
Sunday, June 21, 2026**

**Living Fathers:**

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**Deceased Fathers:**

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**Your Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Donation:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to: Very Reverend Vasyl Symyon**

**Kindly return this Intention form by: Sunday, June 14, 2026**