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Christ is Among us! He is and will be!

**11th Sunday after Pentecost**

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Welcome to the parish communities of SS. Peter and Paul and St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Churches of Minersville and Saint Clare, Pennsylvania. We greet and welcome you to our Church. Our Church is a holy place. Our Church is where we get together in Jesus’ Name. it is holy because we come here to worship, to be nourished in faith through Sacred Scripture and preaching, to open our hearts and minds to celebrate the mystery of salvation in Jesus Christ and to dedicate ourselves to a life of holiness and service to the Lord and others. The church building itself reflects this faith and calls us to enter into communion with God. We invite you to share our faith in Jesus Christ, to experience our worship and to live a life dedicated to the service of God and one another in Jesus’ Name.

**August 13– August 19, 2023**

Vigil of Sunday (at St. Mary)

Saturday 6:00 p.m. **+ Bertha Petrishko** req. by Lisa & Rayna Schultz

Sunday 9:00 a.m. **Health and Blessings of the Parishioners** (livestreamed)

**Vigil of the Dormition** (Obligation)

Monday 6:00 p.m. **+Regina Sinko**

**Dormition of the Theotokos** (Obligation)

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. **Healthe and Blessings SS Peter & Paul Parish**

6:00 p.m. **Health & Blessing of St. Mary Parish**

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. **+George Sinko** req. by Mary & Pat Antonio

Thursday 9:00 a.m. **+Michael Bailey** req. by MM David Eagen

Friday 9:00 a.m. **+Earl Kostura** req. by Kathy Melusky

Vigil of Sunday (at St. Mary)

Saturday 4:00 p.m**. +Bertha Petrishko** req. by Carol & Leonard Hamera

Next Sunday 9:00 a.m. **H&B Parishioners** (livestreamed)

**Epistle Readers:** 8/6 – Marie Wanchick; 8/13 – Paulette Murphy; 8/15 – Judy Kostura; 8/20 – Gail Burgess; 8/27 – Laura Mitchell; 8/29 – Marie Wanchick; 9/3 – Dolores Kramer.

**Candle Offering:** The candles are burning in front of the Icons of the Theotokos and Christ and the Sacramental Table for the Intention of the Health and Blessing of Anna Leshko. Donor: Anonymous.

##### **Breakfast with Father: Today following the Divine Liturgy.**

Our next breakfast will be on September 10, 2023 following the Divine Liturgy. All are welcome to attend.

##### **St. Mary News:** On Saturday, August 19 the Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 4:00 p.m. followed by a special dinner to commemorate the patronal feast-day. Please call the rectory (570-544-2074) and leave a message if you intend to stay for the dinner and tell how many will be in attendance. This will also mark the end of the summer schedule. Beginning August 26, the

##### Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 4:00 p.m. Confession from 3:00 – 3:40 p.m.

On the holy day of the Holy Dormition of the Mother of God, flowers will be blessed after Holy Communion and prior to the Dismissal Prayer. This reflects the tradition when the tomb of the Theotokos was opened following her death, the scent of flowers was present.

If you so desire, bring your flowers to be blessed and place them on the table provided.

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*Orthodox Study Bible*

*18:21-35* Unlimited forgiveness toward a brother or sister is illustrated by this parable. Sin is portrayed as a debt to God (6:12), a: debt originated by neglecting God's will. Ten thousand talents (v. 24) as an impossible sum, more than a laborer could earn in all lifetime - is contrasted to a hundred denarii (v. 28), equivalent to about a hundred days' wages. Just as the king shows mercy and severity toward the servant, so does God show love and strictness toward us depending on our willingness to forgive our brothers and sisters., The love of God is manifested in paying off the debt, a remission or letting go of sins. Because God forgives us, we in return are obliged to grant this gift of forgiveness to others. When each Christian forgives from his heart (v. 35), true reconciliation and healing come to the Church by God's grace.

Donation in memory of **+Regina Sinko**

$50.00 from George & Ellen Sinkovich

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### **Served by: Very Reverend Gregory J. Noga, Pastor**

**SS. Peter & Paul Cantor: Mr. Paul Konkus St. Mary Cantor: Dr. Peter Yasenchak**

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**CONFESSIONS**: SS. Peter & Paul: Saturday 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. and Sunday 8:00 – 8:30 a.m. prior to Divine Liturgy and Daily prior to Divine Liturgy

St. Mary’s: Saturday 5:00 PM

**SICK CALLS**: As scheduled, or anytime in case of an emergency. If anyone is homebound or

hospitalized, **please call the rectory (544-2074)**

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