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Christ is Among us! He is and will be!

**Transfiguration of Our Lord**

 **Festal Tone**

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 6– August 12, 2023**

Vigil of Sunday (at St. Mary)

Saturday 6:00 p.m. **+ Margaret Heim** req. by Gene & Rosie Chattin

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

Monday 10:00 a.m. **Funeral of +Regina Sinko**

Tuesday 9:00 a.m. **Greater Honor & Glory of God** req. by Marie Wanchick

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. **H&B John & Janet Cremo** req. by Paul Joseph Cremo

Thursday 9:00 a.m. **+Ada Fetro** req. by Robert Cox

Friday 9:00 a.m. **+John Luchanin** req. by Ron & Dolores Kramer

Vigil of Sunday (at St. Mary)

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

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 Father Gregory. Donor: Anonymous.

##### **Breakfast with Father:**

Our next breakfast will be on August 13, 2023 following the Divine Liturgy. All are welcome to attend.

#####  **St. Mary News:** August 15, the Dormition of the Theotokos is the Patronal Feast Day of the Parish. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 6:00 p.m. on that day. On Saturday, August 19 the Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 4:00 p.m. followed by a special dinner to commemorate the patronal feastday. 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.

AUGUST 6TH

Mystically, when one has passed beyond the six days, as we explained, he shall see the

transfigured Christ before the eyes of his soul. For the Word of God has various forms, and

appears to each one according to the manner He knows is best suited to the one who sees; and to

no one does He show Himself in a manner above their comprehension. Here he does not simply

say: He was transformed; but, He was transformed before them. For in the Gospels Jesus is

simply seen by those who do not, by the practice of virtue, ascend to the sacred mountain of

wisdom; but to those who do ascend there He is no longer known as man, but is understood as

God the Word. Jesus therefore is transfigured before them; and not before those who are down

below, following an earthly manner of life. But they before whom He is transfigured have been

made children of God, and to them He is revealed as the sun of justice; and His garments become

white as light: which are the words and sayings in which Jesus is clothed, according to what the

apostles tell us of Him. Or the garments of Christ mean the saints, of whom Isaias says: &quot;You

shall be clothed with all these as with an ornament&quot; (Is. 49:18). And they are compared to snow

because they are shining white with virtue, and purified of all fever of vice.

Origen

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**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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