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Christ Continues to Catch People in the Nets of Preaching

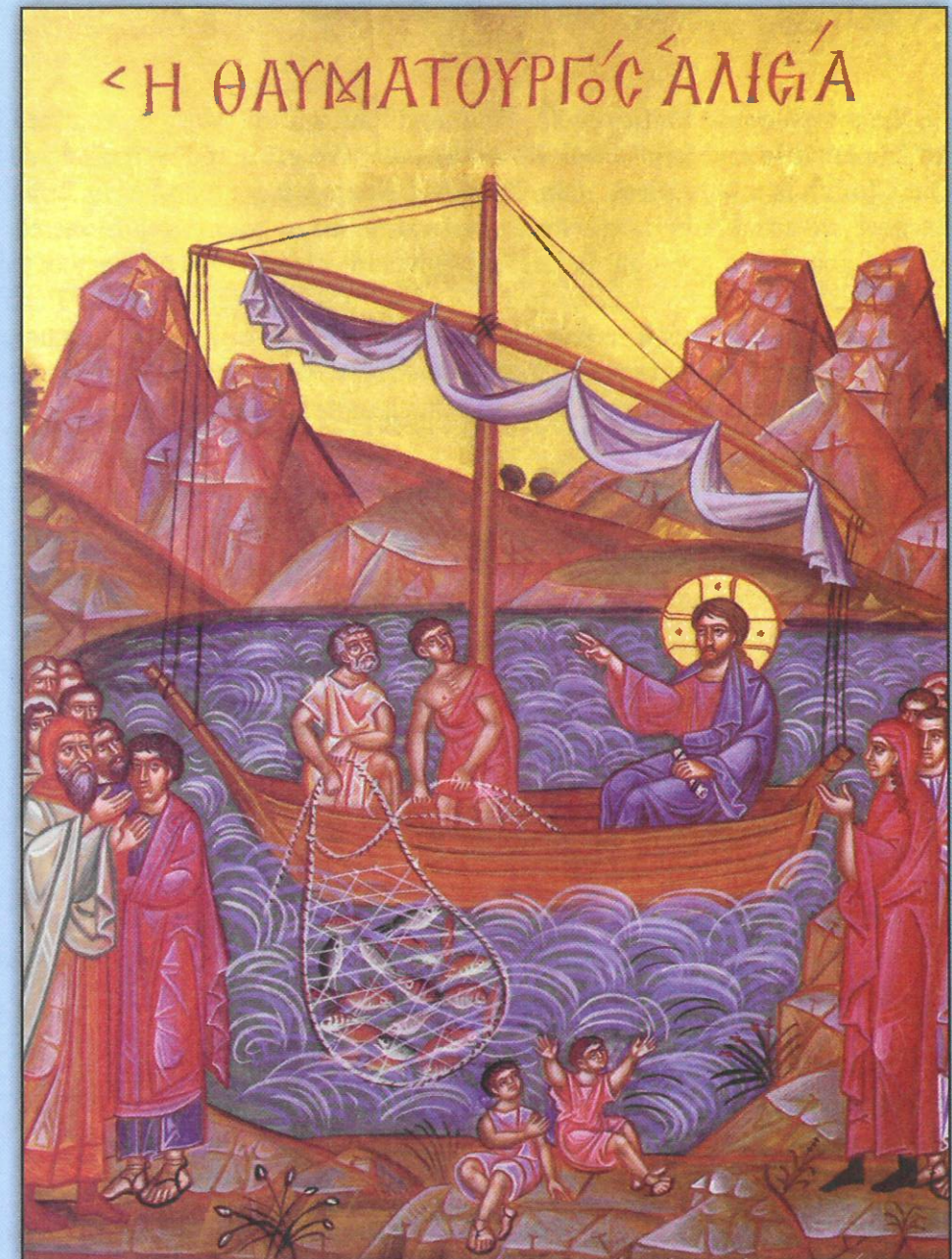
He told Simon and his companions to sail off a little from the land and to let down the net for a catch. But they replied that they had been toiling the whole night and had caught nothing. However, in the name of Christ, they let down the net, and immediately it was full of fish. By a visible sign and by a miraculous type and representation, they were fully convinced that their labor would be rewarded, and the zeal displayed in spreading out the net of the gospel teaching would be fruitful. Within this net they should most certainly catch the shoals of the heathen.

But note that neither Simon nor his companions could draw the net to land. Speechless from fright and astonishment for their wonder

had made them mute, they beckoned to their partners, to those who shared their labors in fishing, to come and help them in securing their prey. For many have taken part with the holy apostles in their labors, and still do so, especially those who inquire into the meaning of what is written in the holy Gospels. Yet besides them there are also others: the pastors and teachers and rulers of the people, who are skilled in the doctrines of truth. For the net is still being drawn, while Christ fills it, and calls to conversion those who, according to the Scripture phrase, are in the depths of the sea, that is to say, those who live in the surge and waves of worldly things.

St. Cyril of Alexandria

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Great Catch of Fish

16th Sunday after Pentecost
Tone 7

Welcome to the parish communities of SS. Peter and Paul and St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Churches of Minersville and Saint Clair, 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.

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September 25 – October 1, 2022

All Divine Services are livestreamed where noted

Saturday Vigil of Sunday (at SS Peter & Paul)

4:00 p. m. + **Michael Popovich** req. by Joey DeConcini

Sunday

8:00 a.m. + **Dawn Erdock** req. by husband, Joseph (at St. Mary)

10:00 a.m. **Health & Blessing of the Parishioners** (at SS. Peter & Paul)
livestreamed

Monday

8:00 am + **Irene Pavelko** req. by John, Helen & Julia Kruef

Wednesday

8:00 a.m. + **William Halcovage, Jr.** req. by Anna Souchak & Family

Thursday

8:00 a.m. **H&B Father Gregory** req. by Parishioners

Friday Vigil of the **Protection of the Theotokos** (at SS Peter & Paul)

6:00 p.m. **H&B Deborah Ballenger** req. by mother, Marie Wanchick

Saturday **Protection of the Theotokos** (at St. Mary)

9:00 a.m. **Health & Blessings of the Parishioners**

Saturday Vigil of Sunday (at SS Peter & Paul)

4:00 p.m. + **Michael Sinko** req. by wife, Regina Sinko

Epistle Readers: 9/3 – Madeline Dinich; 9/4 – Laura Mitchell; 9/8 – Ellen Sinkovich; 9/10 – Dolores Kramer; 9/11 – Jennifer Keer; 9/14 – Paulette Murphy; 9/17 – Gail Burgess; 9/18 – Anna Keer; 9/24 – Marie Wanchick; 9/25 – Ellen Sinkovich; 10/1 – Judy Kostura. (If you cannot be present for any time, kindly contact another reader to cover for you).

Candle Offering: Mother of God, Jesus Christ & Sacramental Table: Health & Blessing of Father Noga

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Schedule Change: Beginning October 9 the Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at SS Peter and Paul at 10:00 a.m. The Saturday Vigil Liturgy will be discontinued. The Sunday Divine Liturgy at St. Mary Church, Saint Clair will be suspended and the parishioners are invited to attend the Divine Liturgy at SS. Peter and Paul, Minersville. The Intention for all Sunday Divine Liturgies is for the Health and Blessing of the Parish Families.

This schedule will remain in effect until I return from my surgery and recuperation period. Any announcements of consequence will be posted to our website and face book page.

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The following questions were submitted for the ECF Children:

1. How could you get God's trust back when you already betrayed Him?
Every time we commit a sin, whatever it is, when we express sorrow in the Mystery of Forgiveness (Confession) and receive Absolution, the sin is forgiven and we are given another chance by God Himself, thereby regaining His Trust.
2. Can trying to follow Jesus indirectly lead us to sometimes sin?
No, following Jesus never leads us to sin. He only leads us to God. The devil tries to tempt us not to follow Jesus. God gave us a free will which allows us to sometimes stray from the Truth, but that is a choice we make on our own. By keeping the Commandments to the best of our ability we can be sure to follow Jesus and not sin.
3. Why do we call God different names?
In order not to abuse the Divine Name irreverently we sometime address God as Lord, or reference Him as Creator or Father or even as Jesus suggested Abba.



He is *Revealed*
by many Names...

"...and His name shall be called..." Isaiah 9:6.

The Holy Name of our Lord, God and Saviour was revealed by the angelic visitor. Throughout salvation history, He is referred to in a variety of ways, each of which make known more and more of the enduring love of our Heavenly Father for each of us.

Physician

"And He said to them, You will surely say to me this proverb, Physician, heal yourself!" Luke 4: 23.

Our Lord had been in Galilee. His fame had spread throughout the region. He worked many great miracles. He comes back home to Nazareth where He had been brought up, and preached in the synagogue on the Sabbath Day from the Old Covenant Prophet, Isaiah 61: 1-3, saying, "This day is the Scripture fulfilled in your hearing." The people who heard these words said, "Is this not Joseph's son?" And then Jesus quoted to them our verse, a proverb among the Jews. What a mistake they made in attempting to dismiss Him. He is the Great Physician, able to do beyond what we can even think or dream. How few know Him today as the Divine Physician! How few look to Him! How few seek to be cured at His tender touch in the Sacrament of Reconciliation! How few depend upon Him! *Lord, cure us of our spiritual laziness that we may come to You to be cured!*

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The 'acceptable' time, what is this? It is the gift of grace, when it is appointed not that an account should be required of our sins, nor penalty exacted, but besides being delivered, that we should also enjoy ten thousand good things, righteousness, sanctification, and all the rest. For how much toil would it have behooved us to undergo in order to obtain the 'time!' But, behold, without our laboring at all it has come to pass, bringing remission of all that was before, simply because we repented and confessed our sins. He also calls it 'acceptable' because He accepted those who transgressed in ten thousand things, and not merely accepted, but advanced them to the highest honor. Let us, too, therefore strive for mastery in the time of this gift of grace. It is a day of grace divine; wherefore even we will obtain the crown with ease. For, if, when laden with such great evils, He both received and delivered us, after being delivered from all and actually contributing our part, will He not accept us even more? - St. John Chrysostom.

Did You Know That ...

- ...the man who wants to lead the orchestra must turn his back on the crowd?
- ...men are alike in their promises; it is only in their deeds that they differ?
- ...you should conquer yourself rather than the world?
- ...he who learned how to obey will know how to command?
- ...you must have long-range goals to keep you from being frustrated by short-range failures?
- ...the future belongs to those who believe in the truth of their dreams?
- ...the future also belongs to those who see possibilities before they become obvious?
- ...the most valuable of all talents is that of never using two words when one will do?
- ...nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm?
- ...you should carve your name on hearts, not on marble?
- ...one half the trouble of this life can be traced to saying yes too quickly and not saying no soon enough?
- ...we can accomplish more in one hour with God than in one lifetime without Him?
- ...man cannot discover new oceans unless he has the courage to lose sight of the shore?
- ...one man with courage makes a vast majority?
- ...a man never describes his character so clearly as when he describes that of another?
- ...the greatest use of life is to spend it for something that will outlast you?
- ...what we do on some great occasion will probably depend on what we already are; and what we are will be the result of previous years of self-discipline?



Deliverance

Out of six troubles he will deliver you, and at the seventh no evil shall touch you Job 5:19.

The Lord, indeed, knows how to rescue devout men from trial, and how to continue the punishment of the wicked up to the day of judgment 2 Peter 2:9.

Whoever believes in him avoids condemnation, but whoever does not believe is already condemned for not believing in the name of God's only Son John 3:18.

The law was powerless because of its weakening by the flesh. Then God sent his Son in the likeness of sinful flesh as a sin offering, thereby condemning sin in the flesh, so that the just demands of the law might be fulfilled in us who live, not according to the flesh, but according to the spirit Romans 8:3, 4.

No test has been sent you that does not come to all men. Besides, God keeps his promise. he will not let you be tested beyond your strength. Along with the test he will give you a way out of it so that you may be able to endure it 1 Corinthians 10:13.

Wait for the Lord with courage; be stouthearted, and wait for the Lord Psalm 27:14.

For you, O Lord, bless the just man; you surround him with the shield of your good will Psalm 5:13.

For the Lord loves what is right, and forsakes not his faithful ones. Criminals are destroyed and the posterity of the wicked is cut off Psalm 37:28.

The favoring hand of our God is upon all who seek him, but his mighty wrath is against all who forsake him Ezra 8:22.