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CONFESSIONS: SS. Peter & Paul: Sunday One half hour prior to Divine Liturgy and Daily prior to Divine Liturgy

St. Mary's: Saturday 3:00 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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Hailing the Way, the Truth, and the Life

All the deceased will arise at the sound of the trumpet and sing praise to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, the Resurrector of their bodies. O Father who created Adam from dust, O Son who by your cross delivered Adam's race from ruin, resurrect me and set me at your right hand, that I might glorify your name!

You do I worship, O Christ our Savior. You are the Resurrector and Savior of all the departed who were baptized in your name and confessed your cross and your death. Blessed is Christ who promised life and resurrection to Adam's children in the day of His coming. We too shall arise and exalt him along with the saints who have been pleasing to him. Praise to you! By your Resurrection didn't you grant all the mortal race the hope of life and resurrection? And

we offer you praise, for you are the Resurrector of all flesh.

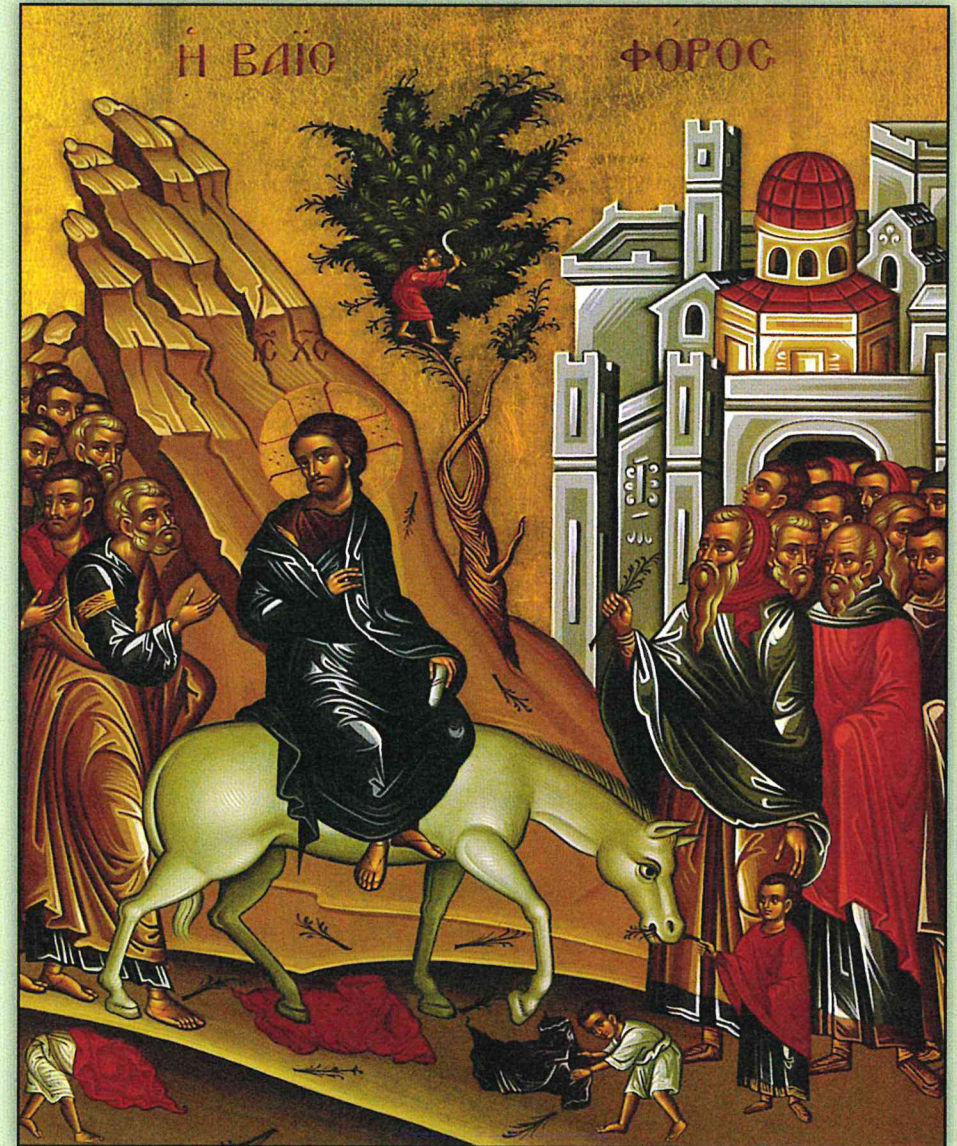
You mortals, exalt and praise Him who by His death emptied the dominion of death and promised all the mortal race life and resurrection. May the soul that has sought refuge in your cross and inherited eternal incorruptible treasure praise and exalt you together with the spirits that number her among your ranks.

Fitting it is to worship the Father who sent us His Only-Begotten Son, who saved our race from death and Satan, and sits at the right hand of His Father entreating His compassion on behalf of all of us.

St. Ephrem the Syrian

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THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM PALM SUNDAY



Icon of the Entrance into Jerusalem

Palm Sunday
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.

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April 1 – April 9, 2023

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Vigil Divine Liturgy at St. Mary
Palm Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy at SS. Peter and Paul (Livestream)
Holy Monday	9:00 a.m.	1st Lenten Canonical Hour
Holy Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	3rd Lenten Canonical Hour
Holy Wednesday	4:00 p.m.	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
Holy Thursday	4:00 p.m.	Vespers w/Liturgy of St. Basil
Good Friday	4:00 p.m.	Vespers w/Entombment of the Shroud
Holy Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Liturgy of St. Basil
Easter Sunday	8:00 a.m.	Resurrection Matins w/Divine Liturgy (Livestream)

Epistle Readers: 4/2 – Anna Keer; 4/9 - Jennifer Keer; 4/16 - Beverley Kostishak; 4/23 - Judy Kostura; 4/30 - Laura Mitchell

Confessions will be available one hour before Divine Services on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday.

Simple Blessing of Paschal Foods at 2:00 p.m. on Holy Saturday
Solemn Blessing of Paschal Foods following Resurrection Matins/Divine Liturgy on Pascha (Easter)

We have fought the good fight of the Great Fast to arrive at the most solemn celebration of our Liturgical life, viz., the Life, Death and Resurrection of our Lord, God, and Saviour Jesus Christ, the One promised after the Fall Who would redeem mankind.

Each year we celebrate these most solemn days to remind us that in following the liturgical life of the Church, the true Church bequeathed us by Jesus the Christ, we experience here on earth a foretaste of Heaven for all who believe. Where else can we partake of True Food and True Drink that offers eternal life? No where else but here in our thrice-blessed Byzantine Catholic Church under the Patronage of the Pillars of The Church, SS. Peter and Paul.

May the Holy Spirit guide you to blessed experience of the Mystery of our Salvation

Why did Jesus proclaim His thirst from the Cross? Simply to lay just one more plank on a sturdy bridge over which a doubter could walk. His confession of thirst is a signal for all who seek it; He is the Messiah.

His final act, then, is a warm and concerned word for the deliberately cautious: “You can trust in Me.”

Do we not all need someone in whom to trust; someone bigger than we are, more powerful, even the very Source of life itself?

Are we not tired of trusting people of this earth, like ourselves, for understanding?

Are we not tired of trusting the things of earth for strength?

Are we not sick of placing our trust in other created beings?

A drowning sailor does not call on another drowning sailor for help. A prisoner does not beg another prisoner to set him free. A pauper knows better than to beg from another pauper. He knows he needs someone who is strong and more able than he.

Jesus’ message through the wine-soaked sponge is this: “I am that person. Trust Me for your salvation, for your entire life.”