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St. Mary's: Saturday 1:00 – 1:30 PM

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Authority of the Council - Authority of the Church

The authority of the Councils is based also on their ecclesiological grounding. A council is not an independent, autonomous body, additional, coming from outside, acting unilaterally. It is not the product of accidental circumstances in history and imposed afterwards. It is closely, or rather organically, related with the very essence of the Church. This body of Christ is a living organism, destined to grow, to face difficulties during this process, to be implanted in other regions of the world needing inculturation and a certain adaptation.

Such embodiment and multifaceted ministry creates problems, tensions, even divisions and in spite of the good will of the local

bishop and pastors, the convocation of as a major assembly is considered as a natural instrument, salutary and indispensable.

The official voice of the catholicity and the koinonia of all the other sister churches, in harmony and guided by the Spirit, would only provide the new assessments, possible remedies and solutions. The functioning of such a council was such that the opinions and requests at issue found expression from the very womb of the Church. Once the decision was made, the people had a part in receiving it and publicizing it (Acts 15:22) as is seen in the first assembly of Jerusalem.

Metropolitan Emilianos

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST SIX ECUMENICAL COUNCILS



Icon of the Holy Fathers

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Christ is among us!
be!

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He is and will

Eighth 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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July 18 – July 24, 2021
All Divine Services are livestreamed where noted

Saturday Vigil Divine Liturgy (at SS Peter & Paul)
4:00 p.m. + **Anna Fedeles Gribben** req. by Emil Keitsock Family

Sunday
8:00 a.m. + **Paul Platko** req. by Mary & Dominik Fanelli (at St. Mary)
10:00 am **Health and Blessing of the Parishioners** (at SS. Peter & Paul)
Livestreamed

Tuesday
8:00 a.m. **No Divine Liturgy Today**

Wednesday
8:00 a.m. **No Divine Liturgy Today**

Thursday
8:00 a.m. **No Divine Liturgy Today**

Friday
8:00 a.m. **No Divine Liturgy Today**

Saturday Vigil Divine Liturgy (at SS. Peter & Paul)
4:00 p.m. + **Donald Batyko** req. by Fr. Gregory

Epistle Readers ; 7/18 – Anna Keer; 7/24 – Dolores Kramer; 7/25 – Ellen Sinkovich; 7/31 – Angela Frank; 8/1 – Jennifer Keer.

Special Note: On August 15, 2021, the Divine Liturgy at St. Mary Parish, Saint Clair, is transferred to 10:00 a.m. at SS. Peter & Paul, Minersville for that Sunday Only. Kindly mark your calendars. Father Joseph Loya will be the celebrant of that Divine Liturgy. I will be away that Sunday.

Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Six Ecumenical Councils

- What is an Ecumenical Council?
- The First Ecumenical Council - Nicea, Asia Minor, A.D. 325
 - Summary: Divinity of Christ Upheld (Arius Condemned) / Produced First Part of Creed
 - Text: <http://abbey.apana.org.au/Councils/ecum01.htm> council text
- The Second Ecumenical Council - Constantinople, A.D. 381
 - Summary: Defined Doctrine of the Holy Trinity (Condemned Macedoniusism) / Completed Creed
 - Text: <http://abbey.apana.org.au/Councils/ecum02.htm> council text
- The Third Ecumenical Council - Ephesus, A.D. 431
 - Summary: Christ is the Incarnate Word; Mary is Theotokos (God-Bearer) - (Condemned Nestorianism)
 - Text: <http://abbey.apana.org.au/Councils/ecum03.htm> council text
- The Fourth Ecumenical Council - Chalcedon, A.D. 451
 - Summary: Proclaimed Two Natures of Christ - Perfect God and Perfect Man (Condemned Monophysitism)
 - Text: <http://abbey.apana.org.au/Councils/ecum04.htm> council text
- The Fifth Ecumenical Council - Constantinople II, A.D. 553
 - Summary: Confirmed Two Natures of Christ (Condemned Nestorianism and Monophysitism)
 - Text: <http://abbey.apana.org.au/Councils/ecum05.htm> council text
- The Sixth Ecumenical Council - Constantinople III, A.D. 680
 - Summary: Further definition of the Two Natures
 - Text: <http://abbey.apana.org.au/Councils/ecum06.htm> council text