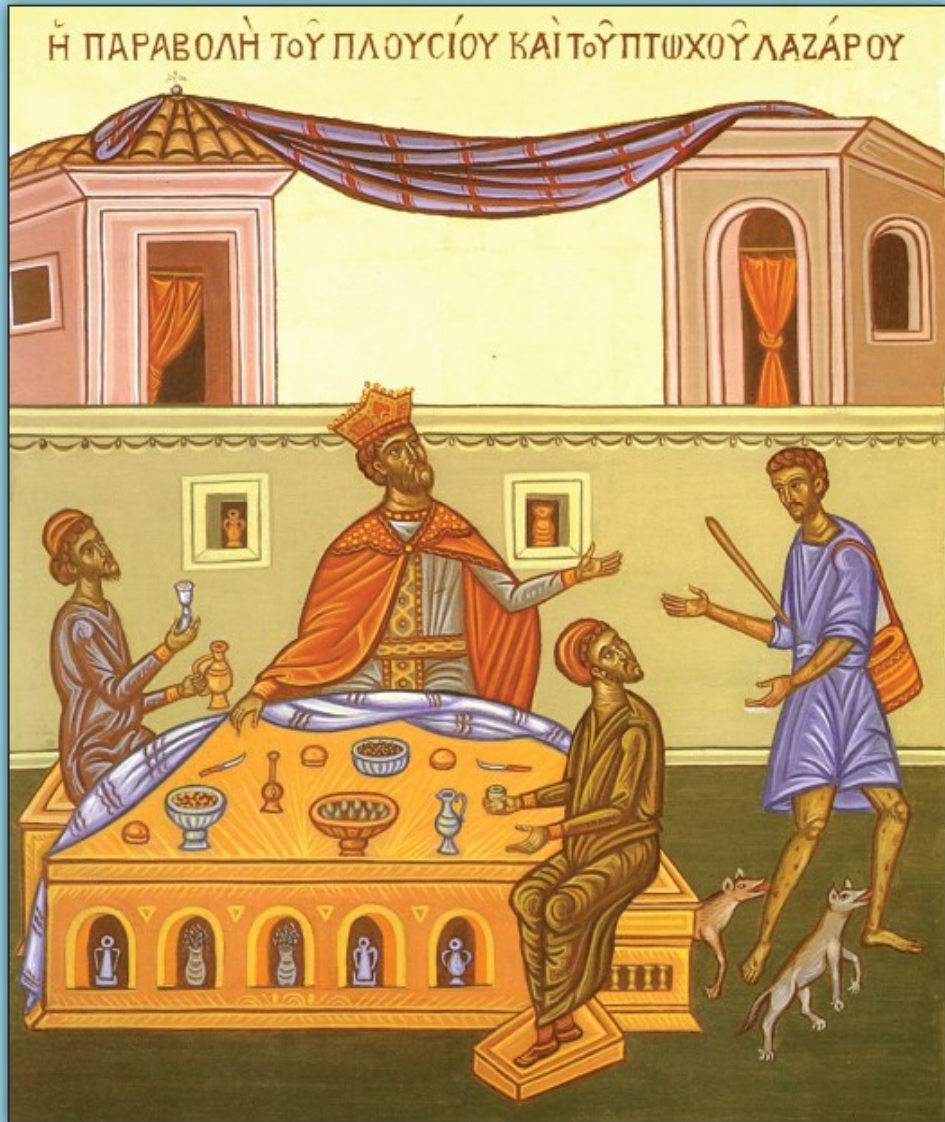


TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS

- Sat, Oct 21st:** **The Venerable Father Hilary the Great**
6:30 pm: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom. Intention for God's Blessings on Our Living and Deceased Parishioners.
- Sun, Oct 22nd:** **The 21st Sunday After Pentecost; of the Hierarch and Wonderworker Abercius**
9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Eng.); Intention for +Maria Chorwat, by Jaroslaw Chorwat.
- Mon, Oct 23rd:** **The Apostle James, Brother of Our Lord, Jesus Christ**
No Divine Services.
- Tue, Oct 24th:** **The Martyrs Arethas and His Companions**
9:00 am: Matins/3rd Hour.
6:30 pm: *Moleben for Peace in Ukraine; Pokrova/St. Mary's Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Allentown, PA.*
- Wed, Oct 25th:** **The Martyrs Marcian and Martyrius**
No Divine Services (9:00 am Matins/3rd Hour at Holy Ghost, West Easton).
7:00 pm: *UAV Post 41 Meeting (Holy Ghost Chapel, West Easton, PA).*
- Thu, Oct 26th:** **The Great Martyr Demetrius**
9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom; Intention for +Nancy Makar (3rd/9th Days).
- Fri, Oct 27th:** **The Martyr Nestor**
No Divine Services
- Sat, Oct 28th:** **The Martyr Paraskevia**
6:30 pm: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom. Intention for God's Blessings on Our Living and Deceased Parishioners.
- Sun, Oct 29th:** **The 22nd Sunday After Pentecost; of the Venerable Mother and Martyr Anastasia**
10:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Eng.); Intention for Rev. Dn. +James Bremer, Rev. Dn. +Michael Waak, and Rev. +Anthony Radchuk, by Mary Ann Cokos.
12:30 pm: *Theology On Tap (Theme: Where Does the Bible Fit Into the Ukrainian Catholic Church), Weyerbacher Brewery, Easton, PA.*

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. We thank Barry Bennington and Sons, Inc., for their repairs to the dome and sanctuary from the water damage incurred from last year's vandalism. This repair project is funded by our Archeparchial property insurance fund. We will be following up on this with projects to improve the lighting in the sanctuary/iconostasis and also renovating our weather beaten front and side entrance doors. For more information, please contact St. Josaphat's Rectory.
2. With the arrival of Father Paul's assistant, Father Andrii in West Easton this month, St. Josaphat's will be returning to the original 10:00 am Divine Liturgy schedule starting on Sunday, October 29th. Please be sure to mark your calendars.

3. We are looking to replace the old and worn priest and altar boy vestments that are currently in use. Already, we have \$2600.00 total pledged (two sets of priest vestments and 1 set of acolyte (altar boy) vestments). If you, or your family, would like to donate for the purchase of new priest and altar boy vestments for St. Josaphat Church, either in memory of a loved one, or for our parish, please contact Father Paul at St. Josaphat Rectory for more information.
4. Our sister parish, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, will be hosting their next pyrohy/noodle sale on Wednesday, November 8th, 2023. A sign up sheet will be provided next weekend for ordering; or you may order online by emailing foodsales@holyghostucc.com.
5. The St. Josaphat Tryzub Association is planning to have their fall Holubtsi/Halupki sale Saturday, November 11th. Price for Holubtsi is \$10.00 for 4 rolls. For more information or to order, see David Kadingo or any Tryzub member
6. The St. Josaphat Tryzub Association have started selling tickets for their annual St. Josaphat Dinner, tentatively scheduled for Sunday, November 12th. The Tryzub Association has an extensive menu set for this event, and we invite all our parish family and friends to purchase tickets to enjoy an afternoon of fellowship with good food and friends. For information, please see David Kadingo, or any Tryzub Member.
7. The Ukrainian Catholic/Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood of the Lehigh Valley will have their next weekly Moleben for Peace in Ukraine on Tuesday, October 24th, 2023, at Pokrova/St. Mary's Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Allentown, PA. All are encouraged to come and pray with us.

St. Josaphat Calendar of Events – Mark Your Planners!

October 29th:	Theology on Tap (Weyerbacher Brewery).
October 31st:	Church Clean up
November 5th:	Daylight Savings Time Ends (Change Calendars).
November 5th:	Catechetical Sunday/Begin Eastern Catholic Catechism (ECC) Classes
November 11th:	St. Josaphat Holubtsi/Halupki Sale.
November 12th:	Annual St. Josaphat Dinner

Please remember to pray for the sick, for those who are shut-in, and for all those who have requested, or are in need of, our prayers:

Anna Kapustiak	Amelia Balandovich	Ethel Bednarchek	Bob Silvert
Slava Harasymovych	Oleh Balaziuk	Mike Wetherill	Rev. Paul Wolensky
Adisu Picca		Very Rev. Mitred Archpriest Roman Mirchuk	
Rev. Andrii and Halyna Rubel		All Our Archeparchial Seminarians	
The Missionary Sisters of the Mother of God			

If anyone knows of someone in need of our prayers, or who is sick or shut in and cannot make it to church, please contact Father Paul via email or telephone as listed on the cover of this bulletin.

The Sayings of the Desert Fathers

Abba Pachomius once asked Abba Makarius, “When there are brothers who are out of order, is it good to correct and discipline them?” Abba Makarius said to him: “Judge aright and correct only those who are under your authority and judge nobody who is not, for it is written: ‘Do you not judge those who are inside [the fellowship]? But God judges rightly those who are outside [it],’” [1 Cor 5:12-13]

Abba Makarius

**The Lives of the Saints:
The Hierarch (Bishop) and Wonderworker Abercius of Hieropolis**

Commemorated on Sunday, October 22nd, 2023

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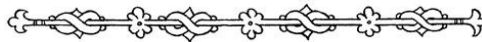
Saint Abercius, Bishop and Wonderworker of Hieropolis lived in the second century in Phrygia. The city of Hieropolis was inhabited by many pagans and very few Christians. The saint prayed to the Lord for the salvation of their souls and that they might be numbered among God's chosen flock. An angel appeared and bade Saint Abercius to destroy the idols in the pagan temple. He fulfilled the command of God with zeal. Hearing that the idol-worshippers wanted to kill him, the saint went to the place where the people had gathered and openly denounced the failings of the pagans. The pagans tried to seize the saint.

At this moment three demon-possessed youths in the crowd cried out. The people were dumbfounded, as the saint expelled the devils from them by his prayers. Seeing the youths restored to normal, the people of Hieropolis asked Saint Abercius to instruct them in the Christian Faith, and then they accepted Holy Baptism.

After this the saint went to the surrounding cities and villages, healing the sick and preaching the Kingdom of God. With his preaching he made the rounds of Syria, Cilicia, Mesopotamia, he visited Rome and everywhere he converted multitudes of people to Christ. For many years he guarded the Church against

heretics, he confirmed Christians in the Faith, he set the prodigal upon the righteous path, he healed the sick and proclaimed the glory of Christ. Because of his great works, Saint Abercius is termed "Equal of the Apostles."

Saint Abercius returned home to Hieropolis, where he soon rested from his labors. After his death, many miracles took place at his tomb. He wrote his own epitaph, and it was carved on his tombstone, which is now in the Lateran Museum.



THE 21st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

It is pointless for someone to say that he has faith in God if he does not have the works which go with faith. What benefit were their lamps to the foolish virgins who had no oil (Matt. 25:1-13), namely, deeds of love and compassion? What good did calling Abraham his father do to that rich man frying in the unquenchable flame for his pitilessness towards Lazarus (Luke 16:19-31)? What use was his apparent obedience to the invitation to that man who had failed to acquire through good works a garment fitting for the divine wedding and the bridal chamber of immortality? He was invited and approached because he clearly believed, and he sat down alongside those holy guests, but when he was convicted and put to shame for being clothed in depraved habits and deeds, he was mercilessly bound hand and foot, and cast into hellfire, where there is weeping and gnashing of teeth (Matt. 22:11-14).

St. Gregory Palamas, Homily Eighteen para. 15, The Homilies Vol. 1; St. Tikhon's Seminary Press pgs. 235-236

