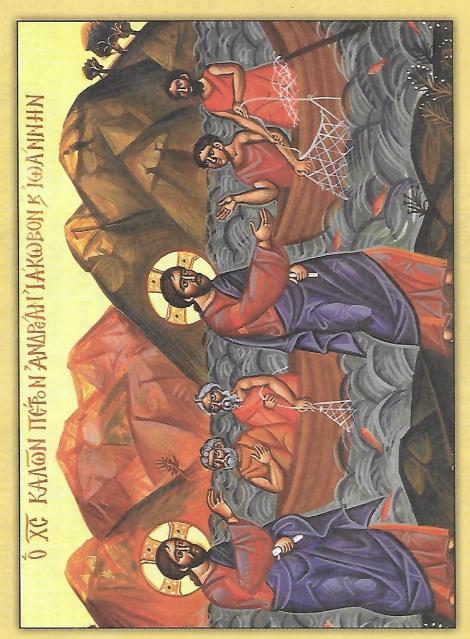
SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Call of the First Apostles

What Have We Left Behind?

Most successful people would probably tell you that what separates great people from ordinary people is that great people are willing to risk making decisions, whether right or wrong, and then acting on those decisions. Great people are people who have made great choices, often very risky choices, but in the long run their choices have usually been right. Biblical history is peopled with folks who were confronted by decisions they had to make.

Just imagine the decision required of those fishermen on the shores of Lake Galilee. Simon Peter, Andrew, James and John were fishermen, true, but they were businessmen. Perhaps even prosperous businessmen. Fish was a staple in the diet, and fishermen could often make a very good living. The brothers Peter and Andrew were

probably business partners with the brothers James and John and most likely had a good business going. So when Jesus said to the two sets of brothers, "Follow me," He was not calling them to leave a sport, or a hobby; he was asking them to leave their careers, their livelihoods, and their families! They had everything to lose.

What have we left behind to follow Him? Unless there's some pain, some discomfort, some sacrifice, then most probably we haven't left anything. Perhaps we're still fumbling about in our boats, tossing our nets over the side, and business goes on as usual.

Yet, if we do that, the Great Fisherman might leave us and move on to someone else, and the choice might go by forever.



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"Glory to Jesus Christ!"
"Slava Isusu Khristoo!"

June 23, 2019 Second Sunday

THIS SPRING OUR PARISH is so very proud of this year's graduates. Be sure to inform Father Pastor if any family members are graduating this year from either college or highschool. Our list to date includes: Jake Danko (HS), Caroline Rotondo (HS), Derek Koziol (HS), Brianna R. Plush (Villanova). God bless these newly minted scholars!

IN SPITE OF THE NOAH_LIKE WEATHER we have been able to maintain all the parish properties in beautiful form. Matthew Martyniuk is keeping our cemetery in great shape. Jack Strouse and his good crew have planted a ton of begonias this week and trimmed all the trees and bushes at the church and rectory. Floyd and Pam Pachella painted all the statues at the Grotto and church, as well as repairing several pews. Bert Le-Gendre has lent his muscles to haul and carry trash from the buildings in on ongoing spring cleaning. God bless and keep all these terrific folks for saving Father's back and sanity!

NEXT SUNDAY, THE 30TH, Dr. George Isajiw will give a talk at St. John's Church here in Bridgeport on the martyrdom of his grandfather, Fr. Nicholas Konrad in 1941 at the hands of the Russian KGB. All our parishioners are invited to attend the 11:30 am event at St. John Church.

ON FRIDAY WE SANG the burial liturgy for Maryann Erdek, 77, long-time parishioner and resident at the Regina Home in Norristown. Maryann was the wife of the late John Erdek, and mother of John Jr. and Diane. May the Risen Lord now take Maryann home to Heaven - VICHNAYA PAMYAT!

home. See Father Ronald after Liturgy to claim these great photos. TO BE BAPTIZED AND CHRISMATED SUNDAY: Cameron Rennix, son of Rob and Trisha (White) Rennix, King of Prussia, PA; Bryce Richard Lachenmayer, son of Christopher and Megan (Collins) Lachenmayer, King of Prussia, PA; Calvin Thomas Fonock, son of Jeffrey J. and Carolyn (nee) Przegon Fonock, Oxford, PA; Marilyn Elisa Todd, daughter of Michael L. and Samantha L.

The families to take

(Christian) Todd, Coatsville, PA. We all pray with great joy that the Lord Jesus will bless these four little angels with good health, much love and, along with their parents, a strong Faith in God, for many good years - NA MNOHAYA LEETA!

DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

TODAY'S KONTAK:

Saturday, 6 pm +Horace Hitchens (The Parish Auxiliary) Sunday, 9 am Maksym, Petro, Inna, Dmytro, Antonina (Kozak Family) Thursday, 7 am +Walter Wasylenko (Diane and Family)

Friday, 7 am Health of Joann T. (Parish Auxiliary) Saturday, 8 am +Panczak-Smisko Family (Maryanne Cameron)

Sunday, 9 am +Roman Dychdala (Borys and Neonila Pawluk) TODAY'S TROPAR: When the stone was sealed by the Jews, and soldiers

Saturday, 6 pm +Maryann Rocus (Bob and Angie Simko)

sealed and guarded Your most pure Body, You did rise on the Third Day, o Savior, giving life to the world. And so the angels cried to You, O Giver of Life: "Glory to Your Resurrection, of Lord,! Glory to Your kIngdom! Glory to Your Providence, O Lover of mankind!"

GLORY TO THE FATHER AND THE SON AND ...

As God, You did rise from the tomb in glory and restored the world to life. The human race sings its praises to You as God. And death has vanished, Both Adam and Eve rejoice, O Lord, for they have been released from their bonds, amen. TODAY'S PROKIMEN: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, for we trusted in You, amen.

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