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# Divine Liturgy Schedule August 29, 2021

Saturday, August 28

6:00 PM

Sunday, August 29

10:30 AM

Wednesday, September 1

8:30 AM

9:30 AM

Thursday, September 2

10:00AM

Friday, September 3

10:00AM

Saturday, September 4

6:00 PM

Sunday, September 5

10:30 AM

Monday, September 6

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**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** 

God's Blessings & Good Health on all Parishioners

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Peter & Pauline Slota- Slota Family

BEGINNING OF THE LITURGICAL YEAR MOLEBEN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD

God's Blessings on America - Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

<sup>⊕</sup>Michalene Barton - Dr. & Mrs. William Motel, Sr.

⊕Caitlin Yakscoe- Rebecca Micca

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST-

⊕ Harry Salavantis- Jack & Judy Lee

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

God's Blessings & Good Health on all Parishioners

LABOR DAY

MOLEBEN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD

God's Blessings on Bobby Miles- Lisa Placek



**Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners:** Please pray for our Parishioners **Assisted Living:** Olga Yurkowski, Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Anna Kutsup, Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Marion Hvozda, Sophie Staronka, Andrew Kobela, Josephine Latoszewski; MaryAnn Kelly **Away:** Leona Kobela. **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko; Fr. Uriy Markewych; Fr. Peter Waslo; Bishop John Bura

Emeritus; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Fr. Daniel Gurovich. Pavlyk Motychka(baby in Ukraine with SMA); Marion Hvozda; Rita Kurtz.

# BEHEADING OF JOHN THE BAPTIST FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST August 29, 2021



**TROPARION:** Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

**TROPAR:** The just man is remembered with praises, but for you the Lord's testimony suffices, O Forerunner, for you truly became more honorable than the prophets and were deemed worthy to baptize the One foretold. Then you suffered for the truth and joyfully announced to those in Hades that God appeared in the flesh taking away the sin of the world and offering us great mercy. **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.** 

**KONDAK:** You, my Savior, descended to Hades, and as the Almighty, You shattered its gates. With Yourself You, as the Creator, raised the dead and shattered the sting of death, and delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Mankind. And so, we cry out: "Save us, O Lord." **Now and forever and ever. Amen.** 

**KONDAK:** The Forerunner's glorious beheading came to be a form of dispensation divine that he might proclaim to those in Hades the message of the coming of the Savior. Let Herodias shed tears of lament for a lawless murder that was her request; for she loved a false and transitory age rather than God's law and the age of life.

**PROKEIMENON:** You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us from this generation and forever. Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man. The just man shall be glad in the Lord and shall hope in Him. (No repeat.)

## A reading from St. Paul's Second Epistle to the Corinthians (1:21-2:4):

Brethren, now it is God who makes both us and you stand firm in Christ. He anointed us, set his seal of ownership on us, and put his Spirit in our hearts as a deposit, guaranteeing what is to come. I call God as my witness—and I stake my life on it—that it was in order to spare you that I did not return to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith, but we work with you for your joy, because it is by faith you stand firm. So I made up my mind that I would not make another painful visit to you. For if I grieve you, who is

left to make me glad but you whom I have grieved? I wrote as I did, so that when I came, I would not be distressed by those who should have made me rejoice. I had confidence in all of you, that you would all share my joy. For I wrote you out of great distress and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to grieve you but to let you know the depth of my love for you.

**ALLELUIA:** Alleluia (3). The just man shall flourish like the palm tree; and he shall grow like the cedar in Lebanon. Alleluia (3). verse: They who are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. Alleluia (3).

#### **Gospel of Matthew 22:2-14**



The Lord told this parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a king who made a marriage feast for his son. And he sent his servants to call in those invited to the marriage feast for his son, but they would not come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, behold, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and fatlings are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' But they made light of it, and went off,

one to his own farm, and another to his business; and the rest laid hold of his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. But when the king heard of it, he was angry; and he sent his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burnt their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The marriage feast indeed is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy; go therefore to the crossroads and invite to the marriage feast whomever you shall find.' And his servants went out into the roads and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; and the marriage feast was filled with guests. Now the king went in to see the guests, and he was there a man who had not on a wedding garment. And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' But he was speechless. The king said to the attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet and cast him forth into the darkness outside, where there will be weeping and the gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

**COMMUNION HYMN**: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance; of evil hearsay he shall have no fear. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

# Tell your Friends & Neighbors! IT'S NEXT WEEK!!!!! LABOR DAY WEEKEND ONE DAY FOOD FESTIVAL & FLEA MARKET

Saturday, September 4
11:00am-4:00pm
Transfiguration of Our Lord Parish, 240 Center St.,
Nanticoke is holding a One-Day Ethnic Food Festival on
Home-Made Pierogi, Haluski,
Pigs-in-the Blanket, Potato Pancakes,
Sausage & Peppers, Clam Chowder, Borsch,
Hot Dogs & Wimpies & Bake Sale
APPETITES ARE WANTED!!
CAN YOU HEAR THE POLKA MUSIC PLAYING???????



# NEXT SATURDAY IS OUR FOOD FESTIVAL! YOUR HELP IS NEEDED. CAN YOU DONATE A BASKET? OR A BAKED GOOD?

BAKE SALE AT FOOD FESTIVAL: Once again we call upon the talented bakers of our parish to donate homemade baked goods for our Food Festival on September 4. Please have cakes cut into serving pieces and items individually wrapped. Baked goods can be brought to the hall the day of the food festival. Thank you.

BASKET RAFFLE AT FOOD FESTIVAL: We will have a Basket Raffle in conjunction with our Food Festival. We are asking for Donations, if you would like to donate a basket, please contact Mark Jennings.



30th UKRAINIAN INDEPENDENCE DAY: Ukrainian Independence Day was August 24, please keep praying for Ukraine. There is informational material in the back of the church regarding wounded soldiers who require additional care in the United States and how to donate to the Revived Soldiers Ukraine to help these men & women. Donations can be made online (PayPal) or through mail to: Revived Soldiers Ukraine. 9542 Tavistock Road, Orlando, Fl 32827. Website: rsukraine.org. There is information at the back of the church.

**CHURCH INFORMATION:** Please check out the back of the church for information materials.



# PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL (Feast Day September 6)

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls.

Amen.

WYOMING VALLEY CHURCHES MEETING: On Wednesday, September 1, there was a meeting of representatives of the Pastoral and Finance Councils Only of the Wyoming Valley Churches with Auxiliary Bishop Andriy Rabiy and the Financial Committee from the Archeparchy. This meeting will be held at Saint Vladimir's Church in Edwardsville.

## The Liturgical Year (Begins September 1) HOLY DAYS

The ecclesiastical year, in the Eastern tradition begins on the first of September, is divided between movable and immovable, or fixed, holy days. The movable holy days are determined by the date of Pascha (Easter), the most important of all feast days and The Central Feast of the Liturgical Year. The determination of the date of Pascha was definitively regulated by the decision of the First Ecumenical Council, held in Nicaea (325). Next in importance to Pascha are the "Twelve Great Feasts," of which three are movable. Eight of these feasts are devoted to Christ and four to the Theotokos (The Birth-giver, Mary). There are also a number of feast days of varying importance, most of which commemorate the more popular saints. The "Twelve Major Feast Days," as they occur in chronological order after September 1, are as follows:

The Nativity of the Theotokos (Virgin Mary) (September 8)

The Elevation of the Life-giving Cross (September 14)

The Presentation of the Theotokos (Virgin Mary) in the Temple (November 21)

**Christmas (December 25)** 

**Epiphany (January 6)** 

The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (February 2)

The Annunciation (March 25)

Palm Sunday (the Sunday before Easter)

Feast of Ascension (40 days after Easter)

Pentecost (50 days after Easter)

The Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior(August 6)

The Dormition of the Theotokos (August 15)

## **Fast Days and Fast Periods**

Four main fast periods are included in the ecclesiastical year. They are:

The Great Fast (Lent)--beginning on a Monday 7 weeks before Pascha.

Fast of the Apostles--varying in length from 1 to 6 weeks; it begins on a Monday, 8 days after Pentecost, and ends on June 28--the eve of the feast of Saints Peter and Paul.

Fast of the Dormition of the Theotokos Mary--August 1 to 14.

Philips Fast--lasting 40 days, from November 15 to December 24, so named because the fast begins the day following the Feast Day of St. Philip.

Individual fast days include the feast of the Elevation of the Holy Cross (September 14), the Beheading of St. John the Baptist (August 29), and the eve of Epiphany (January 5), as well as all Wednesdays and Fridays. There is no fasting, however, between Christmas and Epiphany, during the tenth week before Pascha, the week after Pascha because the whole week is Pascha, the week after Pentecost and the Wednesdays or Fridays of Post-Feast Periods of major Holy Days. Although the term fast, denotes total abstinence from food or drink, fasting as practiced in the Church means abstinence from meat, fish, dairy products, olive oil, and wine.

#### PRAYER FOR THE BISHOP

Heavenly Father, in these trying times when the spirit of the age threatens virtue, give our bishop holiness of life and wisdom to direct and guide our Archeparchy so that we may grow in Your Charity. We pray in the name of the Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

In trial or difficulty, I have recourse to Mother Mary, whose glance alone is enough to dissipate every fear. If every flower wanted to be a rose, nature would lose her springtime beauty. The world's thy ship and not thy home. A soul in a state of grace has nothing to fear of demons who are cowards. - Saint Theresa of Lisieux

#### **AUGUST CANDLES**

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Lee Family in loving memory of Danny Lee.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Ellen Alqrainy In memory of John Hook.

The **Proscomedia Table** is given by MaryAnn & Donna Kelley in loving memory of Julia Boback.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by the Koretz Family in loving memory of Leo Koretz.

The Icon Candle before the Theotokos is Given by Diane Petry for Jason Yankosky, A Holy Soul in Purgatory.

The Candle before the Icon of the Theotokos is
Given by Lisa Placek in loving memory of John Lipowski.
The Icon Table Candle of the Transfiguration of Our Lord
Is given for Blessings for Our Parish.