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> Divine Liturgy Schedule May 12, 2024, A. D.



Saturday, May 11 6:00 PM Sunday, May 12 10:30 AM	SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE 1 st ECUMENICAL COUNCIL For All Mothers Living & Deceased SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE 1 st ECUMENICAL COUNCIL MOTHER'S DAY For All Mothers Living & Deceased
Thursday, May 16	
10:00AM	God's Blessings on America- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko
Friday, May 17 10:00AM	ប៉Henry Jakimowicz- Parish Family
Saturday, May 18	PENTECOST
8:00 AM	SOROKOUSTY- SERVICES FOR THE DECEASED
6:00 PM	라Helen Heylek- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko
Sunday, May 19	PENTECOST
10:30 AM	God's Blessings on Leona Kobela- loving daughter, Ellen

Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners Assisted Living: Mary Hoolick. At Home: Geraldine Adamchak; Shirley Kozar, Dolores Miller, Rita Kurtz, Diane Petry, Mary Louise Bailey. Away: Leona Kobela. Prayer Request: Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Fr. Peter Waslo; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Fr. Gregory Maslak, Angel Ocasio, Elizabeth Biasci, Dolores Jennings, Barnett Kurtz, Mike Oresick., Debbie Schwartz, Ed Schwartz; Julia Yurchak.

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE 1st ECUMENICAL COUNCIL May 12, 2024

ANTIPHON 1

Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with the voice of joy. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us. For the Lord most high is awesome, a great king of all the earth. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us. He has subdued peoples to us, and nations under our feet. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us. God ascended amid shouts of joy; the Lord at the sound of the trumpets. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us. God ascended amid shouts of joy; the Lord at the sound of the trumpets. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us.

ANTIPHON 3

Son of God, who ascended in glory, save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

TROPAR: Angelic powers were upon Your tomb and the guards became like dead men; Mary stood before Your tomb seeking Your most pure body. You captured Hades without being overcome by it. You met the Virgin and granted life. O Lord, risen from the dead, glory be to You!

TROPAR: You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, giving joy to Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit, and assuring them through your blessing that You are the Son of God, the Redeemer of the world.

TROPAR: Christ our God, You are glorified above all, You established our fathers as beacons on earth and through them guided all of us to the true faith. Glory to You, most compassionate Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

KONDAK: The apostles' preaching and the Fathers' doctrine confirmed the Church's one faith, and wearing the garment of truth woven from theology that descends from on high, she rightly imparts the mystery of godliness and sings its glory. **Now and for ever and ever. Amen.**



KONDAK: When you had fulfilled Your plan for us and united things on earth with those in heaven, You ascended in glory, O Christ our God, in no way distant, but remaining in separable, You cried to those who love You: I am with You and there is none against you.

PROKEIMENON: Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name forever. verse: For You are righteous in everything that You have done to us. Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name forever.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (20:16-18;28-36):

Brethren, in those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus so as not to lose time in Asia, for he was eager to get to Jerusalem by the feast of Pentecost, if at all possible. Paul sent word from Miletus to Ephesus, summoning the presbyters of that church. "Keep watch over yourselves, and the whole flock the Holy Spirit has given you to guard. Shepherd the church of the God, which he has acquired at the price of his own blood. I know that when I am gone, savage wolves will come among you who will not spare the flock. From your own number, men will present themselves distorting the truth and leading astray any who follow them. Be on your guard, therefore. Do not forget that three years, night and day, I never ceased warning you individually even to the point of tears. I command you now to the Lord, and to that gracious word of his, which can enlarge you, and give you a share among all who are consecrated to him. Never did I set my heart on anyone's silver or gold or envy the way he dressed. You yourselves know that these hands of mine have served both my needs and those of my companions. I have always pointed out to you that it is by such hard work that you must help the weak. You need to recall the words of the Lord Jesus himself, who said, "There is more happiness in giving than receiving."

ALLELUIA: Alleluia (3). The God of gods, the Lord, spoke and summoned the earth from the rising of sun to its setting. Alleluia (3). Gather to Him His devout ones, who with sacrifice make covenant with Him. Alleluia (3).

Gospel of John 17:1-13

After Jesus said this, he looked toward heaven and prayed: "Father, the time has come. Glorify your Son, that your Son may glorify you. For you granted him authority over all people that he might give eternal life to all those you have given him. Now this is eternal life: that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent. I have brought you glory on earth by completing the work you gave me to do. And

now, Father, glorify me in your presence with the glory I had with you before the world began. "I have revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world. They were yours; you gave them to me and they have obeyed your word. Now they know that everything you have given me comes from you. For I gave them the words you gave me and they accepted them. They knew with certainty that I came from you, and they believed that you sent me. I pray for them. I am not praying for the world, but for those you have given me, for they are yours. All I have is yours, and all you have is mine. And glory has come to me through them. I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name—the name you gave me—so that they may be one as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe by that name you gave me. None has been lost except the one doomed to destruction so that Scripture would be fulfilled. "I am coming to you now, but I say these things while I am still in the world, so that they may have the full measure of my joy within them.

HYMN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD: O my soul, magnify the Lord who in glory ascended bodily into the heavens. O Mother of God, you transcended both mind and word, and in time, ineffably bore the Timeless One: it is you who, with one accord, we, the faithful, magnify.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him the highest. Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous. Alleluia (3).

Instead of "We have seen the true light" and "Let our mouths be filled," we sing: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, above all the earth be Your glory.

Prayer is the light of the soul, giving us true knowledge of God. It is a link mediating between God and man. By prayer the soul is borne up to heaven and in a marvellous way embraces the Lord. – **St John Chrysostom**

CHURCH NEWS

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!: Father Walter wishes all of the Mothers of our Parish a Very Happy and Blessed Mother's Day and Eternal Rest to all Deceased Mothers.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!: Happy Birthday to Gayle Miles who celebrates her birthday on May 15! Mnohaya Lita! May God Grant her Many Happy, Healthy & Blessed Years!

MOTHER'S DAY TEA: The Children's Group and their parents did a wonderful job on the Mother's Day Tea. Thank You!

PYROHY FOR SALE: We have potato pyrohy for sale in the church basement for \$10.00 a dozen.

SOROKOUSTY SERVICE: The fifth Sorokousty is next Saturday, May 18 at 8:00 am.

ZONING VARIANCE: Please note that on <u>Thursday, May 23</u>, the City of Nanticoke will hold a meeting at 6:00PM to discuss an application for a zoning variance which is required to establish 4 apartment buildings (12 Units each) "behind Birchwood Nursing," which is the general location of this apartment complex. (See the pink sign outside out Parking Lot.) Keep in mind that this is Phase I – they are considering Phase II.

PENNSYLVANIANS FOR HUMAN LIFE: The Wyoming Chapter of Pennsylvanians for Human, 31 Hanover Street, WB are always in need of wipes or disposable diapers in sizes 1-4. If you would like to donate to this cause please drop them off in the church basement and Diane Petry has offered to deliver them to the center.



PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL: 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.

PRAYER: Please remember in your prayers to intercede for the salvation of Henry Jackimovicz who was born May 12, 1950 and passed away on November 21, 2011. In gratitude, we remember his contribution to our church. Vichnaya Pamyat.



MISSIONARY IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe is a 4' x 6' exact digital replica of the_original Miraculous Image "painted" by Heaven on St. Juan Diego's cloak in 1531.

The Rector of the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Msgr. Diego Monroy, blessed the Missionary Image for the purpose of promoting sanctity of the family, solidarity of the Church in America, a culture of life, and a civilization of love.

Thus, we are pleased to announce that this Missionary Image will be at

Holy Transfiguration Ukrainian Catholic Church, Nanticoke

Friday, May 10- 10:00AM Divine Liturgy 11:00AM Short Talk about the Missionary Image 11:15-12:15 Hour of Prayer 12:15 – 2:00PM Veneration of the Image

Saturday, May 11- Noon to 4:00PM Veneration of the Image 6:00PM Divine Liturgy 7:15PM Short Talk about the Missionary Image

Ss. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Plymouth

Sunday, May 12 - 8:30AM Divine Liturgy; 9:45AM Short Talk about the Missionary Image 10:00AM- 2:00PM Prayer & Veneration of the Image



Prayer For Peace in Ukraine

Heavenly Father, Your Son taught us "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the sons of God." We fervently pray in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that you inspire men to become peacemakers. May

mankind seek reconciliation and peace as is Your will in this world. May tranquility be restored to all nations, and especially Ukraine. Heavenly Father, we beseech You to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded, and accept the souls of the dearly departed into Your heavenly kingdom. May the Most Holy Mother of God extend Her Mantle of Protection over Ukraine and the whole world. May each of us always live our lives as instruments of Your peace, in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

May 2024



The **Altar Candles** are given by Mark & Arlene Jennings in loving memory of Anna Wrobel. The **Eternal Light** is given by the Yanoshak Family in loving memory of Connie & Shirley Yanoshak The **Candle Before the Icon of the Theotokos** is given by Diane Petry for the soul of Jason Yankosky. The **Candle on the Proscomedia Table** is given by the MaryAnn & Donna Kelley in loving memory of Brian Kelley & Julia Boback. The **Candle before St. Nicholas** is given by Lisa Placek For God's Blessings on Ben Placek.

Acts 10:1-12; John 14:10-21

And whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in My name, that will I do.(John 14:13) What consoling promise! But how few make use of it! People rarely keep this in mond. There are people who do not understand this at all, and do not accept it. Why is this so? Because they do not love the Lord and do not fulfill His commandments. This unfaithfulness of the heart toward the Lord cuts off any boldness to petition the Lord, just as a lazy servant does not dare ask something of his masters, for he knows that he does not deserve any mercy, The established prayers are read in their usual course, and they contain very great petitions; but they are merely read, and this, as we well know, is far from prayer and petitioning. We cannot stand with true prayer before the Lord and extend our petitions to Him until our conscience is clear before Him. – **St. Theophan the Recluse**

"A psalm implies serenity of soul; it is the author of peace, which calms bewildering and seething thoughts. For, it softens the wrath of the soul, and what is unbridled it chastens. A psalm forms friendships, unites those separated, conciliates those at enmity. Who, indeed, can still consider as an enemy him with whom he has uttered the same prayer to God? So that psalmody, bringing about choral singing, a bond, as it were, toward unity, and joining the people into a harmonious union of one choir, produces also the greatest of blessings, charity. A psalm is a city of refuge from the demons, a means of inducing help from the angels, a weapon in fears by night, a rest from toils by day, a safeguard for infants, an adornment for those at the height of their vigor, a consolation for the elders, a most fitting ornament for women. It peoples the solitudes; it rids the market place of excesses; it is the elementary exposition of beginners, the improvement of those advancing, the solid support of the perfect, the voice of the Church. It brightens the feast days; it creates a sorrow which is in accordance with God. For, a psalm is the work of angels, a heavenly institution, the spiritual incense."— **St. Basil the Great**