# **Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church**

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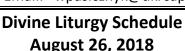
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Saturday, August 25 14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday, August 26 14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**10:30AM** God's Blessings and Good Health on All Parishioners

Tuesday, August 28 BEHEADING OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

Saturday, September 1 15<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners Nursing

Homes: Dorothy Kopiak, Doris Conrad Assisted Living: Mary Manson, Anna Hopiak

At Home: John & Mary Hoolick, Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki,

Mary Louise Bailey, Sophie Staronka Away: Leona Kobela Prayer Request: Mike

Sawczuk; Michelle Miller; Kerri; Anna Kutsup; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko: Fr.

Deacon Michael Waak.



#### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### August 26, 2018

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

**KONDAK:** You, my Saviour, 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.

**THEOTOKION:** Rejoice, O rampart and protection of those who have recourse to you! Rejoice, O tranquil haven and Virgin, who gave birth in the flesh to your Maker and God! Fail not to intercede for those who sing and worship the Child you bore.

**PROKEIMENON:** You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us from this generation and forever. *verse:* Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man.

# 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). Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing forever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth. Alleluia (3). **verse:** For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared. Alleluia (3).

### Gospel of Matthew 22:1-14



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, 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. The 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 the see the guests, and he saw 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. Then 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. Alleluia, alleluia.

COFFEE HOUR: We will have coffee hour immediately after Sunday Divine Liturgy! Everyone is Welcome! Coffee Hour is hosted by Mike & Jill Gagliardi.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** A Very Happy Birthday to Bobby Miles who celebrates his Birthday on September 6th. A Belated Happy Birthday to Mark Jennings who celebrated his Birthday on August 22. Mnohaya Lita! May God Grant Them & their Families Many Happy Years!!

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:** A Very Happy 51<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary to Dr.& Mrs. Mike Sawczuk who celebrate their Anniversary on September 2nd. Mnohaya Lita! May God Grant Them & Their Families Many Happy Years!



**FLEA MARKET:** Flea Market Items can be dropped at the church hall before and after Divine Liturgy on Sunday, September 2. On Labor Day, Monday, September 3 the church hall will be open from 9:00am to 6:00pm, please call 570-592-5776 to verify someone is there. Pickup is also available. **The flea market will be held Saturdays, Sept 8 and Sept** 

**15.** The pancake brigade will be making their delicious potato pancakes. Items can also be brought to the church basement. Johanna is also collecting paper and plastic bags for the Flea Market.

**FLEA MARKET HELP:** We need much help to pull off one of our biggest fund-raisers of the year! Please come out and help!

**ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH HOAGIE SALE:** St. Nicholas Church, 153 East Main Street, Glen Lyon will be holding a hoagie and bake sale on Thursday, September 13, 2017 from 11AM to 5PM in the church hall. Orders can be placed by calling Debbie at 570-736-6908 by Sunday, September 10th. Turkey or Italian Hoagies cost is \$6.00 each.

IT'S PARISH MOVIE TIME AGAIN THIS SEPTEMBER!!!!: This time the movie is...... (drum roll)... "The Quiet Man," with John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara. We will have Movie "Sunday" on <u>September 16</u> immediately following Divine Liturgy!

**PRAYERS:** Sister Martin Rodko MSMG, Room 454B IMMACULATE MARY CENTER, 2990 Holme Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19136. Sister Martin Rodko, MSMG was hospitalized but is improving.

### Beginning of Ecclesiastical Year - Sept. 1 (Indiction)

September 1 marked the beginning of the indiction (from the Latin 'to impost') or New Year for the Romans. Christians also observed this calendar which has been followed by the Greek Orthodox Church since the time of Constantine the Great, who observed it as a day of taxation. His purpose was to erect a new capital of the Roman empire known as Constantinople; the completion of which served to remind civilization that in this city was to be built the greatest of churches. It followed, therefore, that the magnificent city was not only a tribute to the world's greatest empire but a tribute to the spirit of the Greeks who also saw a glorification of God in their handsome architecture and unparalleled culture. Emperor Constantine the Great, revered as a saint in the church, had the Savior in mind, with crosses everywhere, even on his soldiers' shields, when he passed the hat for God and country. There are other New Year observances, particularly on the New Year of Our Lord which are celebrated in gala fashion, but the ecclesiastical year of the Greek Orthodox and Ukrainian Catholic Church goes unnoticed by all but a few of the most devout who usher in the religious year with quiet solemnity. This lightly observed first day of the ecclesiastical year should not be shouted out since it marks another Year of the Lord. At first, a day of marking the end of a cycle of fifteen years in order to reassess taxes by the Romans, September 1 is now a day for a reassessment of the faith and, therefore, a reaffirmation of our commitment to Jesus Christ. This transfer of an ancient Roman law is in keeping with the character of the Greeks which allowed them in ancient times to step out of temples worshiping myths and to stand before Christ. Centuries of mythological gods vanished in the embrace of the Messiah.



#### **AUGUST CANDLES**

The Eternal Light is given by Ellen Algrainy & Leona Kobela In loving memory of Mrs. Helen O'Bremski.

The Altar Candles are given by Julie Yurchak in loving memory of Michael Yurchak.

The St. Nicholas Candle is given by Theresa Broskoske In loving memory of Ronald Broskoske.

The Proscomedia Table is given by Maryann & Donna Kelley In loving memory of Julia Baback.

### Candle Intentions Before the Icon for the Month of August

The Candle Before Christ is given by Irene Hvozda in memory of Hvozda & Frankowski Familes.

The Candle Before the Theotokos is given by Tom & MaryAnn Potsko for Thanksgiving.

#### CANDLES FOR SEPTEMBER

The **Eternal Light** is given by **Bobby Miles** for A Special Intention.

The **Altar Candles** are given by **Tom & MaryAnn Potsko** for a Special Intention.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by **Michelle & Arden Miller**In loving memory of Dolores & Michael Grozio.

The **Proscomedia Table** is given by **Joan Cominsky**In loving memory of John(Sonny) Petrochko.

The Candles on the Tetrapod are given by MaryAnn Jarolen
For the Good Health of Irene Hvozda.

The Candle Before Christ is given by Donna Davis in
memory of Hvozda & Frankowski Familes.

The Candle Before the Theotokos is given by
The Lee Family in loving memory of Helen Lee.
The Candle Before John the Baptist is given by
Joan Cominsky in loving memory of John(Sonny) Petrochko.

# **PSALM 118**



Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever. Let Israel say: "His love endures forever." Let the house of Aaron say: "His love endures forever." Let those who fear the LORD say: "His love endures forever." When hard pressed, I cried to the LORD; he brought me into a spacious place. The LORD is with me; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me? The LORD is with me; he is my helper. I look in triumph

on my enemies. It is better to take refuge in the LORD THAN to trust in a man. It is better to take refuge in the LORD, than to trust in princes. All the nations surrounded me, but in the name of the LORD I cut them down. They surrounded me on every side, but in the name of the LORD I cut them down. They swarmed around me like bees, but they were consumed as quickly as burning thorns; in the name of the LORD I cut them down. I was pushed back and about to fall, but the LORD helped me. The LORD is my strength and my defense he has become my salvation. Shouts of joy and victory resound in the tents of the righteous: "The LORD's right hand has done mighty things! The LORD's right hand is lifted high; the LORD's right hand has done mighty things!" I will not die but live, and will proclaim what the LORD has done. The LORD has chastened me severely, but he has not given me over to death. Open for me the gates of the righteous; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter. I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. The LORD has done it this very day; let us rejoice today and be glad. LORD, save us! LORD, grant us success! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you. The LORD is God, and he has made his light shine on us. With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession up to the horns of the altar. You are my God, and I will praise you; you are my God, and I will exalt you. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.

Gratitude from the receiver incites the giver to bestow gifts greater than before. He who is ungrateful in lesser things, is false and unjust in greater. —The Monks Callistus and Ignatius (Directions to Hesychasts no. 16h, Writings from the Philokalia on Prayer of the Heart; Faber and Faber pg. 187)