

## Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church

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*Christ is Risen! Indeed He Is Risen!  
Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!*

### Divine Liturgy Schedule

May 26, 2019

**Saturday, May 25**  
**6:00PM**

#### **SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND**

†Victor, Dorothy & Matthew Swiderski

**Petitions to the Mother of God**

**Sunday, May 26**  
**10:30AM**

#### **SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND**

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners

**Petitions to the Mother of God**

**Monday, May 27**  
**9:30AM**

#### **MEMORIAL DAY**

**All Deceased Veterans of the Parish**

**Wednesday, May 29**  
**6:30PM**

#### **ASCENSION OF OUR LORD**

†Olga (Bluey) Waganka-Tom Bukowski

**Friday, May 30**  
**9:30AM**

†Wasył Kobela- Ellen Algrainy & Leona Kobela

**Saturday, June 1**  
**6:00PM**

#### **SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL**

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners

**Petitions to Jesus Christ-Lover of Mankind**

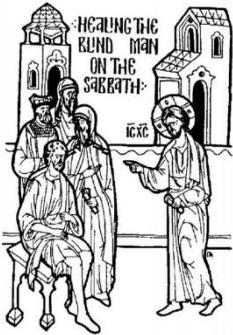
**Sunday, June 2**  
**10:30AM**

#### **SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL**

†Peter & Pearl Sawczuk-Michael & Jean Sawczuk

**Petitions to Jesus Christ-Lover of Mankind**

**SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND**  
**MAY 26, 2019**



**TROPAR:** 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.

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

**KONDAK:** Blinded in the eyes of my soul, I come to You, O Christ, like the man who was blind from birth, and I cry in repentance: You are the brilliant light of those in darkness.

**Now and ever, and forever. Amen.**

**KONDAK:** Though You descended into a tomb, O Immortal One, yet

You destroyed the power of Hades; and You rose as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! and giving peace to Your Apostles: You, who grant Resurrection to the fallen.

**PROKIMEN:** Pray and give thanks to the Lord our God. verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

**A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 16:16-34):**

Brethren, in those days, while we (apostles) were on our way out to the place of prayer we met a slave girl who had a clairvoyant spirit. She used to bring substantial profit to her masters by fortune telling. The girl began to follow Paul and the rest of us shouting, "These men are servants of the Most High God; they will make known to you a way of salvation." She did this for several days until finally Paul became annoyed, turned around, and said to the spirit. "In the name of Jesus Christ, I command you, come out of her!" Then and there the spirit left her. When her masters saw that their source of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the main square before the local authorities. They turned them over to the magistrates with this complaint: "These men are agitators disturbing the peace of our city! Furthermore, they are Jews, which means they advocate customs which are not lawful for us Romans to adopt or practice." The crowd joined in the attack on them and the magistrate stripped them and ordered them to be flogged. After receiving many lashes, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was given instructions to guard them well. Upon receipt of these instructions he put them in maximum security, going so far as to chain their feet to a stake. About midnight, while Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God as their fellow prisoners listened, a severe earthquake suddenly shook the place, rocking

the prison to its foundation. Immediately all the doors flew open and everyone's chains were pulled loose. The jailer woke up to see the prison gates wide open. Thinking that the prisoners had escaped, he drew his sword to kill himself; but Paul shouted to him, "Do not harm yourself! We are all still here." The jailer called for a light, then rushed in and fell trembling at the feet of Paul and Silas. After a brief interval he led them out and said, "Men, What must I do to be saved?" Their answer was, "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, and all your household." They proceeded to announce the word of God to him and to everyone in his house. At that late hour of the night he took them in and bathed their wounds; then he and his whole household were baptized. He led them up into his house, spread a table before them, and joyfully celebrated with his whole family his newfound faith in God.

**ALLELUIA:** Alleluia (3). Look upon me and have mercy. Alleluia (3). verse: Direct my steps according to Your word. Alleluia (3).

### **GOSPEL John 9:1-38**

As he went along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" "Neither this man nor his parents sinned," said Jesus, "but this happened so that the work of God might be displayed in his life. As long as it is day, we must do the work of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work. While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." Having said this, he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man's eyes. "Go," he told him, "wash in the Pool of Siloam" (this word means Sent). So, the man went and washed, and came home seeing. His neighbors and those who had formerly seen him begging asked, "Isn't this the same man who used to sit and beg?" Some claimed that he was. Others said, "No, he only looks like him." But he himself insisted, "I am the man." "How then were your eyes opened?" they demanded. He replied, "The man they call Jesus made some mud and put it on my eyes. He told me to go to Siloam and wash. So, I went and washed, and then I could see." "Where is this man?" they asked him. "I don't know," he said. They brought to the Pharisees the man who had been blind. Now the day on which Jesus had made the mud and opened the man's eyes was a Sabbath. Therefore, the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. "He put mud on my eyes," the man replied, "and I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others asked, "How can a sinner do such miraculous signs?" So, they were divided. Finally, they turned again to the blind man, "What have you to say about him? It was your eyes he opened." The man replied, "He is a prophet." The Jews still did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they sent for the man's parents. "Is this your son?" they asked. "Is this the one you say was born blind? How is it that now he can see?" "We know he is our son," the parents answered, "and we know he was born blind. But how he can see now,

or who opened his eyes, we don't know. Ask him. He is of age; he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews, for already the Jews had decided that anyone who acknowledged that Jesus was the Christ would be put out of the synagogue. That was why his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." A second time they summoned the man who had been blind. "Give glory to God," they said. "We know this man is a sinner." He replied, "Whether he is a sinner or not, I don't know. One thing I do know. I was blind but now I see!" Then they asked him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered, "I have told you already and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you want to become his disciples, too?" Then they hurled insults at him and said, "You are this fellow's disciple! We are disciples of Moses! We know that God spoke to Moses, but as for this fellow, we don't even know where he comes from." The man answered, "Now that is remarkable! You don't know where he comes from, yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners. He listens to the godly man who does his will. Nobody has ever heard of opening the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." To this they replied, "You were steeped in sin at birth; how dare you lecture us!" And they threw him out. Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" "Who is he, sir?" the man asked. "Tell me so that I may believe in him." Jesus said, "You have now seen him; in fact, he is the one speaking with you." Then the man said, "Lord, I believe," and he worshiped him.

**IN PLACE OF "IT IS TRULY PROPER":** The angel exclaimed to her, full of grace: "Rejoice, O pure Virgin. And again I say: "Rejoice!" Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day. With himself he has raised all the dead. All you peoples, rejoice!"

**IRMOS:** "Shine, O Shine! New Jerusalem! For the glory of the Lord has shone on you! Sing now and exult with joy, O Sion. And you, O pure Mother of God, adorn yourself in the splendor of your Son's resurrection."

**COMMUNION HYMN:** Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality. Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**IN PLACE OF:** "Blessed is He", "We have seen the true light", "May our mouths be filled", "Blessed be the name", "Glory be to the Father": Christ is risen from the dead. By death he conquered death, and to those in the graves he granted life.

The ideal posture during the Paschal Season (now through Ascension) is to stand and not to kneel as a sign of respect for the Risen Christ. This is during the Anaphora and the Reception of the Eucharist. When in doubt in our church, it is never wrong to stand.



**Please remember all of our deceased Veterans from Transfiguration of Our Lord and Saint Nicholas Parishes, especially:**

**Peter Wrobel Sr.**

**Andrew Sloto**

**John Petrochko**

**Robert Jennings**

**Russell Skordy**

**Michael Hvozda**

**John Hvozda**

**Michael Skordinski**

**Clarence "Red" Lee**

**Peter Weron**

**Peter Slota**

**Andrew Hvozda**

**Peter Kutsup**

**George Salonski**

**John Yanoshak**

**Daniel Adamchak**

**2nd Lt. Daniel Lee**

**Pavlo Kuczeria**

**Henry M. Heylek**

**Daniel Lee**

**Michael Weron**

**Robert Jennings**

#### **PRAYER FOR DECEASED VETERANS**

O God, by whose mercy the faithful departed find rest, look kindly on your departed veterans who gave their lives in the service of their country. Grant that through the passion, death, and resurrection of your Son they may share in the joy of your heavenly kingdom and rejoice in you with your saints forever. We ask this in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### **Why is Memorial Day different from Veterans Day?**

Many people confuse Memorial Day and Veterans Day. Memorial Day is a day for remembering and honoring military personnel who died in the service of their **country**, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle.

**CHURCH NEWS ....**

## **ХРИСТОС БОКПЕЦЕ !**

**MEMORIAL DAY: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING LITURGY ON MONDAY...** we will bless the graves at Transfiguration of Our Lord Cemetery and THEN Saint Nicholas Cemetery. Panahyda will be at both Cemeteries. The earliest we will be at TOL cemetery will be 10:00AM.



**PYROHY SALE:** We have potato pyrohy for sale at \$7.00 each in the church basement.

**BUS TRIP TO ENTHRONEMENT:** The North Anthracite Council of LUC has chartered a 33-passenger bus to the Tuesday, June 4th Enthronement of Metropolitan Archbishop Borys Gudziak at our magnificent Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Philadelphia. Pick-ups will be at 5:15am at SS. Cyril and Methodius Church in Berwick, 5:45am at SS. Peter and Paul Church in Plymouth and 6:15am at St. Vladimir Church in Scranton. Cost is **\$35.00 per person** - please make out check to North Anthracite Council - LUC. Reservations can be made by contacting Janina Everett at 570 441-9593 or Paul Ewasko at 570 563-2275. Reservations are on a first-come first- served basis. Payment in full reserves a bus seat.

**SOROUKOSTY:** The Fifth and Final All Soul's Saturday will be on Saturday, June 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM.

**UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP FUND:** 30 Tickets have been sent to our Parish (from the Archdiocese) to help aid the support for the Ukrainian Catholic Schools. The tickets can be purchased for \$10 and prizes will be awarded on June14, 2019. A min. of 2500 tickets will be sold. The prizes are (1<sup>st</sup>) \$5000; (2<sup>nd</sup>) \$3000; and (3<sup>rd</sup>) \$2000. The proceeds will go to the three individual scholarships in each of our three schools: St. Nicholas (Minersville, PA); NY & Assumption School (Perth, NJ) and St. Nicholas (Passaic, NJ). Please purchase tickets at the rectory.



**FLEA MARKET:** Save the date-we will b having a Flea Market on June 1 and June 8. If you have items for the Flea Market please contact Johanna at 570-256-7883 to make arrangements to bring them to the church.

**CEMETERY WATER:** The water was turned on Thursday, May 23.

**“Icons on Ammo Boxes” a Unique Icon Exhibit from Ukraine Opens Sunday, June 2 at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception;**

**Exhibit Begins a Week of Events Inaugurating the Episcopal Ministry of Archbishop Borys Gudziak as the 7th Metropolitan-Archbishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia, Philadelphia, Pa.—**

A most unique exhibit of religious iconography, entitled “Icons on Ammo Boxes” will be on display at the Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 830 North Franklin Street during the week of June 2-9. The week-long exhibit, which opens Sunday, June 2 at 3:45 pm, is one of the many events inaugurating the episcopal ministry of the new metropolitan-archbishop of Philadelphia Borys Gudziak, who will be enthroned Tuesday, June 4. Sunday evening, June 2 at 7:45 pm and Saturday, June 8 at 12:15 pm Gennadiy Druzenko and iconographer Oleksandr Klymenko will present an informative lecture “Art of Volunteering; Volunteering Art” about the Icons on Ammo Boxes and the “Buy an Icon—Save a Life” initiative. These icons are written on ammo boxes brought from the combat zone in eastern Ukraine where a war between Ukraine and Russian backed separatists has been going for several years. The main idea of the Icons on Ammo Boxes project is the transformation of death (symbolized by ammo boxes) into life (traditionally symbolized by icons in Ukrainian culture). The goal, this victory of life over death happens not only on the figurative and symbolic level but also in reality through these icons on ammo-boxes. This art project of Kyivan artists Sofia Atlantova and Oleksandr Klymenko, “Buy an Icon – Save a Life” supports the Pirogov First Volunteer Mobile Hospital (PFVMH), a non-government project that employs civilian medics to provide medical aid to both militants and civilians in the Anti-Terrorist Operation (ATO) zone in eastern Ukraine. The icons will be available for purchase.

**LUC MEETING:** Father Paul Wolensky, pastor of Edwardsville’s St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, extends a warm invitation to the beautiful Prayer Service - Moleben to Jesus Christ Lover of Mankind - on **Sunday, June 9, 2019 at 3:00pm** to be followed by a church sponsored meeting of the North Anthracite Council of the League of Ukrainian Catholics (LUC). This is a public event of St. Vladimir parish to which all parishioners and friends are welcome.



**Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners:** Please pray for our Parishioners  
**Nursing Homes:** Doris Conrad **Assisted Living:** Olga Yurkowski, Mary Manson,  
Anna Hopiak, Mary Hoolick **At Home:** Anna Kutsup, Helen Bogdan, Dolores  
Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Sophie Staronka **Away:** Leona  
Kobela **Prayer Request:** Mike Sawczuk; Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin  
Rodko; Fr. Uriy Markewych; Fr. Peter Waslo



Remember -  
our fallen heros.  
They are the reason  
that we are free.

### MAY CANDLES

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Yanoshak Family  
in loving memory of Shirley Yanoshak.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & Mary Potsko in  
Honor of All our Military Living or Deceased.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Lisa Placek  
for God's Blessings on her son, Benjamin Marc Placek.

The **Proscomedia Table** is given by MaryAnn & Donna Kelly  
In loving memory of Brian Kelley.

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

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by Irene Hvozda  
Good Health & God's Blessings for Barb Kunec.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by Mary Ann Jarolen  
in loving memory of the Hvozda & Frankowski Families.

The **Candle Before the Theotokos** is given by  
the Slota Family in loving memory of Peter & Pauline Slota.

The **Candle Before John the Baptist** is given by  
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