

Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Divine Liturgy Schedule

September 8, 2019

Saturday, September 7

BIRTH OF THE THEOTOKOS

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

6:00PM

†Dolores Grozio- Arden & Michelle Miller

Sunday, September 8

BIRTH OF THE THEOTOKOS

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:30AM

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners

Friday, September 13

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

MYROVANYA – Blessing with oil

**6:30 PM

God's Blessings & Good Health for

Transfiguration Parishioners

Saturday, September 14

SUNDAY AFTER EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

6:00PM

†Mary Kressel – Anna Kutsup

Sunday, September 15

SUNDAY AFTER EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

10:30AM

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners **Assisted**

Living: Olga Yurkowski, Mary Manson, Anna Hopyak, Mary Hoolick **At Home:** Anna Kutsup, Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Sophie Staronka, Andrew Kobela **Away:** Leona Kobela **Prayer Request:** Mike Sawczuk;

Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko; Fr. Uriy Markewych; Fr. Peter Waslo.

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
BIRTH OF THE THEOTOKOS
September 8, 2019

TROPAR: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection and cast off the ancestral condemnation, they proudly told the apostles: “Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen, granting to the world great mercy.”

TROPAR: Your nativity, O Virgin Mother of God, has made joy known to all the world, for from you dawned the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God. He abolished the curse and gave the blessing; and by making death of no effect He bestowed on us eternal life.

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

KONDAK: My Savior and Deliverer from the grave as God raised out of bondage the children of the earth and shattered the gates of Hades; and as Master, He rose on the third day. **Now and for ever and ever. Amen.**

KONDAK: By your birth, O most pure one, Joachim and Anna were freed from the reproach of childlessness, and Adam and Eve from the corruption of death. And your people, redeemed from the guilt of their sins, celebrate as they cry out to you: “The barren one gives birth to the Mother of God and nourisher of our life.”

PROKEIMON: Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance. verse: Unto You I will cry, O Lord, my God, lest You turn from me in silence. My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior. (no Repeat)

A reading of the letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Galatians:

Brethren, See with what large letters I use as I write to you with my own hand! Those who want to impress people by means of the flesh are trying to compel you to be circumcised. The only reason they do this is to avoid being persecuted for the cross of Christ. Not even those who are circumcised keep the law, yet they want you to be circumcised that they may boast about your circumcision in the flesh. May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. Neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; what counts is the new creation. Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule—to the Israel of God. From now on, let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. Brothers, may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. In your relationships

with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing, by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross! Therefore, God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen.

ALLELUIA: ALLELUIA (3) verse: I have exalted one chosen from the people and with my holy oil anointed him. ALLELUIA (3) verse: My hand shall always be with him and my arm shall make him strong. ALLELUIA (3) verse: Hear, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear. ALLELUIA (3) verse: The rich among the people shall entreat your countenance. (Psalm 44:13)



Gospel (John 3:13-17; Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28)

The Lord told this parable: “There was a man a householder, who planted a vineyard, and put a hedge about it and dug a wine vat in it, and built a tower; then he let it out to the vine-dressers, and went abroad. But when the fruit season drew near, he sent his servants to the vine-dressers to receive his fruits. And the vine-dressers seized his servants, and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again, he sent another party of servants more numerous than the first; and they did the same to these. Finally, he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But the vine-dressers, on seeing the son said among themselves, ‘This is the heir; come let us kill him. When, therefore, the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vine-dressers?’” They said to him, “He will utterly destroy those evil men and will let out the vineyard to other vine-dressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons.” Jesus said to them, “Did you never read in the Scriptures, ‘The stone which the builders rejected, has become the corner stone; by the Lord this has been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes.’”

Hymn to the Mother of God: O my soul, magnify the Virgin Mary, born from a barren womb. **And the Irmos:** Virginitly is alien to mothers and childbearing is foreign to virgins; yet in you, O Mother of God, both of them came together. Therefore, we and all the nations of the earth without ceasing magnify you.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. I will take the cup of salvation; and I will call upon the name of the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



Priest and people sing the following hymn three times with a bow:

Krestu Tvojemu poklanajemsja Vladyko, I svjatoje voskressenije tvoje slavim.(3 times). To your cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify your holy resurrection.

SEPTEMBER CANDLES

The Eternal Light is given by the Brian & Joanne Kawczenski in loving memory of Mary & Joseph Englot.

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

The St. Nicholas Candle is given by the Alberola Family
For All the Deceased Members of the Weron Family.

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

Candle Intentions Before the Icon for the Month of September

The Candles on the Tetrapod are given Anna Kutsup
In loving memory of Mary Kressel.

The Candle Before Christ is given by the Lee Family
in loving memory of Helen Lee.

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
the Slota Family in loving memory of Peter & Pauline Slota.

CHURCH NEWS

Every day is a Holy Day of Opportunity. Pray Always.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! A Very Happy Birthday to Bobby Miles who celebrates his Birthday on Friday, September 6th! Mnohaya Lita!! May God Grant Him Many Happy Years! And Salvation!

CAKE AND COFFEE: IN ORDER TO CONTINUE BOBBY'S WEEK-LONG BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.....Please join us for Cake & Coffee after the Divine Liturgy on September 8th hosted by Mike & Jill Gagliardi to celebrate Bobby's Birthday! Mnohaya Lita!!

FOOD FESTIVAL & FLEA MARKET & BAKE SALE: We held our first ever "Annual" Food Festival yesterday and it can be pronounced a great success. Super Job Everyone! We ARE so blessed to have so many talented hard-working people in our Parish. A great big Thank YOU!!

FOOD FESTIVAL WRAP-UP MEETING: The meeting will be Tuesday, September 10 at 6:30PM. The other topics to be discussed will be the next Penguins Outing and the date of the next Parish Council Meeting. The aim of the meeting is to discuss our next Food Festival. Everyone is welcome... we feel that the meeting should be now while the festival is fresh in our minds.

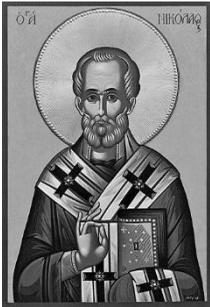
NOTABLE DATES:

SEPTEMBER 8TH – Birth of the Theotokos (Birth-Giver Mary).

SEPTEMBER 14th-Exaltation of the Holy Cross. If any of the parishioners would like to decorate the cross with red flowers for the feast please let Fr. Walter know.

SEPTEMBER 16 – 19 – Exaltation of the Holy Cross Archeparchial Priestly Retreat, Fr. Walter will be away from Monday the 16th until Friday the 20th for the Archeparchial Retreat. If you have an emergency please contact a local Ruthenian priest or a Roman Catholic Priest. If you prefer Fr. Walter for a grave situation call Father's cell phone, he will be happy to come to your assistance or you can call Lisa on her cell at 570-574-1016.

FLEA MARKET: Many thanks to everyone who donated items, worked at the flea market and the customers. It is greatly appreciated.



125th ANNIVERSARY OF SAINT NICHOLAS CHURCH: St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church is celebrating its' 125th anniversary. A Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on **Sunday, October 6, 2019** at 1:30PM at St. Nicholas Church. A banquet will follow at 4:00pm at Transfiguration of Our Lord Church Hall. The cost per adult is \$45.00. Children ages 7-15 is \$15.00 and under 7 are free. Beer, wine, & soda are included. No tickets will be available at the door & there are no refunds

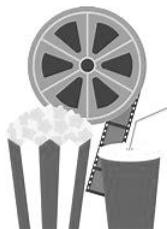


PASTIE SALE: Saints Peter & Paul, Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, North Wilkes-Barre is taking orders for Pasties for **pick-up on Saturday, September 14th, 2019**. Our Pasties are made with seasoned ground beef and potatoes wrapped in a pie crust pastry and are available with or without onions. Pasties are \$7.00 each and Gravy is available for \$1.00 for an 8 oz. cup. **Call (570)829-3051 to place your order. (Please specify with or without onions.)** Pick-up from 1:30 to 3:30pm in our School Hall, corner of North River and West Chestnut Streets, Wilkes-Barre. Remember, when Baba cooks... everybody's happy!

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION: "The Divine Liturgy and You: Deepening our Understanding of Community and the Individual in Prayer" will be the topic of the afternoon presentation by Father Morozowich on **Sunday, September 22, 2019** beginning at 3:00pm in Scranton's St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, 430 North Seventh Avenue. Cosponsored by the nine Ukrainian Catholic parishes of Northeastern Pennsylvania's Anthracite Deanery and the North Anthracite Council of the League of Ukrainian Catholics, the event is of special interest to the faithful of both the Catholic and Orthodox traditions. The educational event is open to the general public - everyone is welcome to attend. Light refreshments will be served following the presentation.

LOTTERY TICKETS: Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Plymouth, is selling Lottery Tickets for the month of November Evening Numbers. The tickets are \$5.00 and are in the back of the church.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: The Financial Statement for 2018 is READY and available in the back of the church. Any questions regarding the statement should be addressed to Father Walter at 570-735-2262.



MOVIE: As fall looms ahead and the days get shorter & cooler..... WHY not have another movie afternoon? **Sunday, October 20** is the chosen date. Suggestions for the movie so far are: The Wizard of Oz (flying monkeys...woo hoo), The Island (with subtitles), and October Sky. Please nominate the movie YOU would like to see. If you don't like these movies- suggest one!



THE SIGN OF THE CROSS in the GREEK CATHOLIC CHURCH:

In case you don't know what that title means, IC XC are abbreviations (in both Greek and Slavonic) for the name Jesus Christ. NIKA is a Greek verb that means "conquers" (perhaps "is victorious" is better, though not as grammatically accurate). Why am I giving you a lesson in Greek words and abbreviations? First of all, it will help you understand a few things you may see in the Eastern Christian tradition. On icons of Christ, you will always find somewhere the IC XC. If you look carefully when a Byzantine Catholic or Orthodox priest gives a blessing, you'll see (if they're doing it correctly) that they form the fingers of their right hand into the letters IC XC. So we always bless with the sign of the Cross and in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. In the Liturgy, the priest facing the people holds his hand so that the fingers make the letters IC XC and gives the cross to the faithful who then receive the cross. This is why from the priest's perspective during the blessing his hand goes to his left first but to the people facing him, to their right first [actually the Priest is asking God to give the people a blessing]. Here is the meaning, the priest presents the cross to the person and the person picks up, or takes up, their cross willingly. The cross is never imposed on a person, they take it up willingly.



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.