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## Divine Liturgy Schedule

May 22, 2022

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

Saturday, May 21

6:00 PM

Sunday, May 22

10:30 AM

Wednesday, May 25

6:30 PM

Thursday, May 26

10:30 AM

Friday, May 27

10:00 AM

Saturday, May 28

9:00 AM

6:00 PM

Sunday, May 29

10:30 AM

Monday, May 30

9:00 AM

10:30 AM

11:30 AM

### SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

†Irene Hvozda- Lee Family

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God's Blessings and Good Health on all Parishioners

### FEAST OF ASCENSION- Vespertal Liturgy (Myrovania)

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God's Blessings on America- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Mary, Help of Christians- Br. Evangelos & Sandy Ocasio

### SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

†Perina Dzikoski- Mushala Family

†In Memory of All Deceased Veterans of Our Parish

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### MEMORIAL DAY

†John Lipowski (1 Year)- Placek Family

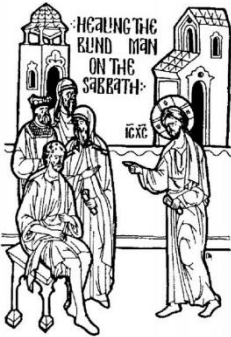
**Blessing of the Graves at Transfiguration Cemetery**

**Blessing of the Graves at St. Nicholas Cemetery**

**Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners:** Please pray for our Parishioners Assisted Living: Mary Hoolick. At Home: Geraldine Adamchak; Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Josephine Latoszewski **Away:** Leona Kobela **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko; Fr. Peter Waslo; Bishop John Bura Emeritus; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Rita Kurtz, Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Ted Weron

## SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

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**PASCHAL TROPARION:** Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.

**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.

**Glory 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. Pray and give thanks to the Lord our God.

### **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).** 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!" "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.

THERE IS NO KNEELING DURING THE PASCHAL SEASON UNTIL EVE OF ASCENSION. WE STAND IN JOY OF RESURRECTION.



**PETITIONS TO THE MOTHER OF GOD:** We will have Petitions to the Mother of God following Divine Liturgies this week.



**FLEA MARKET:** We are considering a yard sale/flea market June 11, 18 & 25. Please bring "stuff" directly to the church hall, **any time AFTER** May 28. We will not accept sewing machines, exercise machines, or clothing. Please call 570-256-7883 any questions or concerns. We will also pick up stuff if needed.

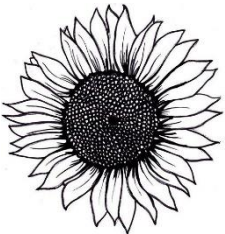
**LUC MEETING:** Members of the North Anthracite Council of the League of Ukrainian Catholics will meet on **Wednesday, May 25th at 6:00 pm** at Grotto Pizza, 36 Gateway Center, Edwardsville. \*2022 Membership renewal being collected \$15/person. It has been a while since we met, we are looking forward to see everyone. Any questions contact our council president: Dorothy Jamula 570-822-5354.

Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand. Behold, all who are incensed against you shall be put to shame and confounded; those who strive against you shall be as nothing and shall perish. You shall seek those who contend with you, but you shall not find them; those who war against you shall be as nothing at all. For I, the Lord your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, “Fear not, I am the one who helps you.” - **Isaiah 41:10-13**

**CHURCH NEWS .... Christ is Risen! Indeed, He Is Risen! ХРИСТОС БОЖПЕЦЕ!**

**FATHER WALTER'S EMAIL ADDRESS:** Father Walter's personal email [wpasicznyk@ukrcap.org](mailto:wpasicznyk@ukrcap.org) is currently **MAY OR MAY NOT BE WORKING** because the Archeparchy has changed email hosts. Please contact Father Walter via (if you need to use email) the church email, [TransfigurationUCC@comcast.net](mailto:TransfigurationUCC@comcast.net) or call him directly. To be sure, send any emails to both personal and church email addresses.

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



**UKRAINE FUND-RAISER:** Transfiguration Of Our Lord Church will hold a fund-raiser to support Ukrainian Humanitarian Aid. There will be a Basket Raffle in conjunction with our Regular Church Fund-Raiser/Flea Market on the anticipated dates of June 11, 18, & 25. The Basket Raffle will run the duration of the Flea Market. All monies from the basket raffle will support Humanitarian Aid in Ukraine. We are asking for donations of wares or completed baskets to support this fund-raiser. Additionally, many parishioners are donating plants, baked goods, signs, Ukrainian Items, birdhouses, etc. to sell with the Basket Raffle to support Ukraine, in addition, to monetary donations. Ideas and Help are welcome, please call Lisa 570-574-1016 or Johanna 570-256-7883.

**HISTORICAL SECTION TO OUR WEB PAGE:** Our webmaster, Brian, has added a NEW Historical Section to our Webpage which is Awesome! If you have any submissions for this page you may contact Lisa at 570-574-1016 or the rectory.

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**SOROKOUSTY:** The Fifth (and last) All Soul's Saturday is June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**PYROHY FOR SALE: WHAT A DELICIOUS EASY WEEK NITE MEAL!** We have Potato Pyrohy for sale at \$9.00 each. If you are interested, please call the rectory. Pyrohy are in the church basement freezer.

**CEMETERY WATER:** The Cemetery Water has been turned on.

**CEMTERY VOLUNTEER:** Barbara Hydock expresses her appreciation for the help that has been given her with her family cemetery plot.



**ASK FATHER A QUESTION?** Father, we pray to the saints. Can we also pray to the angels e.g., to Michael the Archangel or Gabriel? Prayer is a conversation with God, Martyrs, Saints or Angels. Generally, when people pray they will ask for help in time of need and we can pray not only to the Angels, whose names we know, but also to the angels whose names we don't know, like our guardian angels. This is a tradition that dates back from before the time of Christ, and it is not new with the Apostles. For example, the Saint Michael Prayer which we know today dates back to 1886. Pope Leo XIII after saying mass at St. Peter's Chapel had a vision of the devil petitioning God for a greater authority in the world, claiming that if he were granted this authority, he could destroy the church. This vision included demonic spirits gathering and surrounding Rome with the goal of destroying the Vatican State and the church. Pope Leo XIII penned a prayer to Saint Michael to assist the church in this onslaught and he asked the worldwide church to recite the prayer following mass. Because Pope Leo XIII recognized that our battle in this world is always against Lucifer and the demons in the hell, who are all fallen angels, so who better to ask for help in our battle with the demons than the Prince of Angels, Saint Michael the Archangel, who defeated Lucifer and the fallen angels with the other faithful angels and cast them into hell. (See Revelation 12:7-9).



### **Prayer For Peace in Ukraine**

Heavenly Father, You 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. God, Our 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.



### 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.

### PSALM 127

The Happy Home of the Just  
Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in his ways.  
You shall eat of your hand's labor:  
Blessed are you, and it shall be well with you.  
Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine  
In the recesses of your house.  
Your sons, like olive shoots around your table.  
Behold, in this way shall be blessed the man who fears the Lord.  
May the Lord bless you out of Sion;  
And may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life.  
May you see your children's children. Peace be upon Israel.



### MAY CANDLES

**The Eternal Light** is given by Placek-Lipowski Families  
For God's Blessings & Good Health for Helen Lipowski.

The **Proscomedie Table** is given by  
MaryAnn & Donna Kelley in loving memory of Brian Kelley.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by MaryAnn Jarolen  
For the Deceased Members of the Hvozda and Frankowski Families.

The **Icon Table Candle before the Theotokos** is  
Given by Andy & Phyllis Kulmatiski  
in loving memory of Margret Yanoshak.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Lisa Placek  
For God's Blessings on Benjamin Placek.