



TRANSFIGURATION

Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Bulletin

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HOLY MYSTERIES

VISITATIONS OF THE SICK AND INFIRM – If you are going into the hospital for any reason, please inform Father Stephen at the Rectory. Our hospitalization code for Christiana and Wilmington Hospitals is **UKR**.

EMERGENCY CALLS – Please call the Rectory anytime (day or night) in an Emergency!

BAPTISMS – Celebrated by appointment.

CROWNING IN MARRIAGE – Please discuss timing with Father prior to setting a date. At least six months notice is needed. There are three 2-hour courses that must be attended prior to the Wedding.

BULLETIN DEADLINE – The deadline for getting information printed in the Weekly Bulletin is Wednesday.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS – For the Needs of the Parish; 2nd Youth Ministry

August 20, 2023
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Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of August 20 - 27, 2023
Celebrating our 96th year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, August 20 – 11th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 2

8:30 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Coffee Hour

Sunday, August 27 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 3

8:30 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Coffee Hour

4:00 PM – All Night Vigil – Vespers and Matins with the Procession of the Shroud

Blessing of Flowers

SCRIPTURAL READINGS

11th Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: John 21:15-25; Liturgy: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12;

Matthew 18:23-35

Monday – 2 Corinthians 5:10-15; Mark 1:9-15

Tuesday – 2 Corinthians 5:15-21; Mark 1:16-22

Wednesday – 2 Corinthians 6:11-16; Mark 1:23-28

Thursday – 2 Corinthians 7:1-10; Mark 1:29-35

Friday – 2 Corinthians 10-16; Mark 2:18-22

Saturday – 1 Corinthians 1:26-29; Matthew 20:29-34

12th Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: Matthew 28:16-20; Liturgy: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11;

Matthew 19:16-26

FATHER STEPHEN – will be away from Monday, August 21 – 26. In case of an emergency, please call Father Constantine (Gus) (302) 479-5672 or Father Jerry (302) 798-7935. Thank you!

- APPROACH WITH THE FEAR OF GOD, IN FAITH AND IN LOVE"

At every Divine Liturgy, this wonderful invitation to receive the Body and Blood of Christ is extended to all of us. The Mystery of Holy Communion is more than a mere aspect of our liturgical ritual in the Orthodox Church, and it goes far beyond simply commemorating the Mystical Supper, when the Eucharist was instituted by our Lord. When we approach the chalice "with faith and love", we truly **RECEIVE CHRIST!!!**

What does it mean to "receive Christ?" By virtue of our reception of Holy Communion, Christ dwells within us! We are united with Him in a mysterious manner in the Holy Eucharist, being filled with His grace and His love. Christ is truly, "the Living Bread that has come down from heaven", and when we partake of His Body and His Blood, we are strengthened for the spiritual struggles that we are constantly asked to endure.

How often should we receive Holy Communion? The early Christians did so every time they gathered for Holy Liturgy. We are called upon by the Church to follow the same discipline in our own lives. Lest we forget, our Lord Himself placed these words before His followers: "Unless you eat the Flesh of the Son of Man and drink His Blood, you have no life in you. He who eats My Flesh and drinks My Blood has eternal life..." (John 6:53-54). the Gospel according to St. John also tells us that these words of Jesus caused many of His disciples to have second thoughts about following Him for they didn't understand them. Their meaning, however, should be very clear to us: there is no salvation without a sacramental life! Let us feast regularly at the Lord's Table! Remember the words of the Communion Prayer of the Divine Liturgy: "O Lord, I also believe and profess that this which I am about to receive is truly Your most precious Body and truly Your life-giving Blood, which I pray I may worthily receive for the remission of all my sins and for life everlasting."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to (from last week) Eugene Feleshchuk, 8/14; Nancy Gibas 8/16; Victor Fomin, 8/17; Patricia Koczak, 8/18 & from this week, Mark Andreas, 8/24. May God grant him a very happy birthday and keep him for many, happy and blessed years!

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

August 20 - Lorraine Neff, Sonya Patronik

August 27 - David and Eve Lazaration

September 3 - Zina Twardus and Nancy Tur

September 10 - Sandy Cramer

TENTATIVE CALENDER OF EVENTS

Saturday, September 30 – Wine Tasting 6PM

Saturday, October 7 – UOL Sponsored Retreat – Archbishop Daniel

Saturday, November 4 – Fall Bazaar

Tuesday, November 21 – Community Thanksgiving Service – Holly Oak Calvary
Methodist Church 7PM

Sunday, December 10 – UOL Cookie Sale

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

(Please find a substitute if you cannot make a given week)

August 13 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas

August 20 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas

August 27 – Victor Kaliakin and Lorraine Neff

September 3 – Victor Kaliakin and Lorraine Neff

September 10 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow

September 17 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow

September 24 – Matthew Andreas Victor Kaliakin

UOL FLEA MARKET – What a great turnout!! Special thanks to all whop donated their treasures. Special thanks also to the workers and those who donated the snacks. A profit of almost \$1,700 was realized. May God reward your kindness a hundred-fold! More in the next Bulletin.

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week of August 21 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of August 28 - Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi

Week of September 4 - Nancy Hlwiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus

Week of September 11 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of September 18 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly

Week of September 25 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration

Week of October 2 - Mark & Laura Andreas

MEETINGS

PARISH BOARD – Tuesday, September 12th @ 6:30 PM

SCHEDULING FOR THE PARISH – Please remember that all events, work parties, use of the hall must be cleared through the calendar kept by Father Stephen so that dueling events can be avoided.

MAKING PYROHY - We will be preparing for our Fall Bazaar with our first Pyrohy session of the fall on Saturday, September 23. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

DONATIONS (CREDIT CARDS) ACCEPTED – for those who are interested, we can accept donations to the Church through credit cards. See Mark Andreas or Lorraine Neff for details.

READER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

August 20 - Linda Hnatow

August 27 - Jean Roeth

September 3 - Andrew Duncan

September 10 - John Plachuta

September 17 - Thomas Sulpizi

September 24 – Pani Elizabeth Hutnick

SPECIAL COLLECTION – FEEDING THE HUNGRY –These funds will **ONLY** be used for this or other Philanthropic endeavors of the Parish. The basket will be on the tetrapod. We ask that you be generous in this endeavor. Thank you.

FEEDING THE HUNGRY – we will be making sandwiches again on Monday, September 4 beginning at 9:00 AM. The turnouts have been fabulous. Please volunteer to help.

HAM LUNCH – We will have a ham lunch on Sunday, September 3. Donation: \$5. The proceeds are a Parish Fundraiser. Please attend and support the Parish!

WINE TASTING – Our Parish is sponsoring a wine tasting and pairing on Saturday, September 30 beginning at 6:00 PM. The wine will be paired with four courses of food: appetizers, a chicken, beef and pork, and seafood dishes, desserts. The donation will be \$35 per person, \$60 per couple. Please see Linda Hnatow or Father Stephen for advanced reservations.

UOL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE – It is time to renew your membership or start a membership. Our UOL is always willing to work for the Church. One of their many charitable works is to take care of our Parish Library. Dues are \$20 per member (please see Treasurer Nancy Hlywiak. Please join and help support our UOL.

REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL – Metropolitan Antony, Archimandrite Raphael, Father Vasili Andrejuk, Father George Bazylevsky, Father Vasyl Dovhan, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Andrew Molewski, Father John Nakonechney, Father James Norton, Father Gerald Ozlanski, Father Stanley Russell; Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Matushka Andrejuk, Matushka Laura Odell, Matushka Lisa Weremedic, Alicia, Nerry, Mykola, Brennan, Deborah, Galina, Dolores, Julian, Madison, Maria, Matt, Michele, Mykola, Penelope, Rita, Ryan, Randy Allen, Carolyn Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Stephania Bacha, Joyce Belles, Neil Belles, Ethel Bernhard, Yaroslav Bilinsky, Irene Billon, Maria Borowenski Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, Thomas Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Kathy Chalfont, Mildred (Myrophora) Christo, Erik Colazo, Alex Czernik, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, Peter DiVirgilio, James Dudrick, Kathleen Dugan, Margaret Durell, Maria Economou, Mary Eagleton, Rose Eldridge, Thomas Fagan, Archantula Fanjoy, James Garrett, Lisa Gee, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovnirov, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Richard Haslam, Rick Hastings, Celeste Heiser, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Alicia Hlywak, John Hlywak, John Hnatow, Michael Hnatow, Daniel Holoviak, Jennifer Huertes, Sally Hutnick, Joette Jago, Stephen Johnson, Linda Josepinson, Michael Kapelus, Charles Kaszytski, Walter Katolik, Diane Keyser, Wendy Klinedinst, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Ludmyla Krawchenko, Mykola Krawchenko, Volodymyr Krasnopera, Sue Kreisa-Christian, Marlene Kuhar, Ron Lazaration, Karen Livick, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Jeremy Madea, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Frederick McCarthy, Beth McKirachan, Fred McKirachan, Stephen McNulty, Ronald Michel, Mary Ann Michalcewicz, Michelle Michalcewiz, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Karen Needham, Julie Neff, Lorraine Neff, Ann Nester, Laurie Newman, Betty Painter, Anastasios Pantelopulos, Anthony Pantelopulos, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry Pinkowicz, Bernice Pinkowicz, Ryan Pinkowicz, Daphne Pantelopulos, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, Jeff Rozwadowski, John Ruczhak, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, Isaac Schmidt, Joella Seale, Clay Seman, John Serth, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Kimberly Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Alexandra Sparco, Natalia Stanford, Rich Steinman, Joseph Stevens, Noel Strobino, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Michael Synczyszyn, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Lydia Thomas, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, Mark Tomei, Violet Tomei, Aria Tonner, Mariel Trimble, Martha Vignali, Jack Vognetz, Margaret Vognetz, Marilyn Wagner, Olena Wasylevska, James Watts, Chris Way, Leah Way, Barbara Weeks, Peter Weremedic, Laura Worley, Jack Ziegler & James Zook.

✠ ✠ OUR LORD'S TRANSFIGURATION ✠ ✠

Although not specifically mentioned in any of the 3 Gospels that describe this event, MT. TABOR has long been revered as the site of our Lord's Transfiguration. The first church was built upon it in the 4th century and today, both the Orthodox and Roman Catholic Churches have a presence there. Located in the region of Lower Galilee, the mountain rises to an elevation of nearly 2,000 feet. Although this is not considered to be terribly high, its size dominates the level landscape around the Jezreel Valley, which it overlooks. The view from the top of Mt. Tabor is breathtaking, but reaching it is a grueling task - even today. Tour buses are permitted to only go so far; then pilgrims proceed by foot, or catch a ride with local drivers. With its winding trails and rugged terrain, one can only imagine how difficult it was for our Lord - accompanied by Peter, James and John - to make that challenging climb.

What occurred on Mt. Tabor is shrouded in mystery. While praying there, Jesus was suddenly joined by Moses and Elijah. The symbolism here should be quite clear to us: our Lord was the fulfillment of the Law - represented by Moses and the words of the Prophets - represented by Elijah. The Apostles present were privileged to catch a glimpse of Christ's glory, as ". . . *His Face shone as the sun and His garments became white as snow.*" (Matt 17:2) Adding to the drama of the Transfiguration was the Voice of the Father, Who proclaimed: "*This is My Beloved Son, in Whom I am well pleased.*" (Matt 17:5) This heavenly happening was all too brief; in an instant it was over, and Christ would come down from the mountain and embark upon an even more grueling walk to Golgotha.