



Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Bulletin

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HOLY MYSTERIES

Patricia Kozak, orissa Serth, 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

July 16, 2023
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Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of July 16 - 23, 2023
Celebrating our 96th year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, July 16 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 5

8:30 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Coffee Hour

Tuesday, July 18 – Father Constantine will make the announcement.

Tentative Visit of Archbishop Daniel at the Claymont Fire Company (about 6PM)

Thursday, July 20

7:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

Saturday, July 22

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy (Holy Trinity - Whaleyville, MD)

Sunday, July 23 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 6

8:30 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Panakhya: +Michael Lahuta (12 Yrs.) – Sonya Patronik

Panakhya: +Departed of the Krauthauser Family – Carl Krauthauser

Coffee Hour

SCRIPTURAL READINGS

6th Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: Luke 24:36-53; Liturgy: Romans 12:6-14; Matthew 9:1-8

Monday – 1 Corinthians 5:9-6:11; Matthew 13:54-58

Tuesday – 1 Corinthians 6:20-7:12; Matthew 14:1-13

Wednesday – 1 Corinthians 7:12-24; Matthew 14:35-15:11

Thursday - 1 Corinthians 7:24-35; Matthew 15:12-21

Friday - 1 Corinthians 7:35-8:7; Matthew 15:29-31

Saturday – Romans 12:1-3; Matthew 10:37-11:1

7th Sunday after Pentecost: Matins: John 20:1-10; Liturgy: Romans 15:1-7; Matthew 9:27-35
St. Anthony Kyiv Caves: Galatians 5:22-6:2; Matthew 4:25-5:12

THE ORTHODOX FAITH: DOCTRINE

By Father Thomas Hopko

LITURGY

When the Church, which means literally the gathering or assembly of people who are called together to perform a specific task, assembles as God's People to worship, this gathering is called the **liturgy** of the Church. As a word *liturgy* means the common work or action of a particular group of people for the sake of all. Thus the divine liturgy of the Christian Church means the common work of God done by the people of God.

The liturgy of the Old Testament people was the official worship in the temple of Jerusalem according to the Mosaic Law, as well as the annual feasts and fasts and the private prayers and services held by the Israelites at home or in the synagogues. **Synagogues** by definition are houses of gathering; they are not temples since according to the Law there was just the one **temple** in Jerusalem where the priestly worship was conducted. In the synagogues the Israelites gathered for prayer and scriptural study, preaching, and contemplation of the Word of God.

In the New Testament Church the liturgy is centered in the person of Christ and is primarily a "christening" of the Old Testament liturgical life. The Christian Church retains the liturgical life of the Old Testament in a new and eternal perspective. Thus, the prayers of the Old Testament, the scriptures and the psalms, are read and sung in the light of Christ. The sacrifice of the Body and Blood of Christ replaces the Old Testament sacrifices in the temple. And the Lord's Day, Sunday, replaces the old Jewish sabbath which is Saturday.

The Jewish feasts also take on new meaning in the Christian Church with the central feast of Passover, for example, becoming the celebration of Christ's death and resurrection; and the feast of Pentecost becoming the celebration of the coming of the Holy Spirit which fulfills the Old Testamental Law. The Christian liturgical year is also patterned after the Old Testamental prototype.

From the basic foundation of the Old Testament liturgy the Church developed its own sacramental life with baptism in the name of the Holy Trinity, chrismation, holy communion, marriage, repentance, healing and the Churchly ministry and priesthood taking on specifically Christian forms and meaning. In addition, a great wealth of specifically Christian prayers, hymns and blessings were developed, together with specifically Christian feasts and celebrations in remembrance of New Testamental events and saints.

The living experience of the Christian sacramental and liturgical life is a primary source of Christian doctrine. In the liturgy of the Church, the Bible and the Holy Tradition come alive and are given to the living experience of the Christian people. Thus, through prayer and sacramental worship men are "taught by God" as it was predicted for the messianic age (Jn 6:45).

In addition to the living experience of the liturgy, the texts of the services and sacraments provide a written source of doctrine in that they may be studied and contemplated by one who desires an understanding of Christian teachings. According to the common opinion of the Orthodox Church, the sacramental and liturgical texts -- the hymns, blessings, prayers, symbols, and rituals -- contain no formal errors or deformations of the Christian faith and can be trusted absolutely to reveal the genuine doctrine of the Orthodox Church. It may well be that some of the historical information contained in church feasts is inaccurate or merely symbolical, but there is no question in the Church that the doctrinal and spiritual meaning of all of the feasts is genuine and authentic and provides true experience and knowledge of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to Victor Fomin, 7/16; Pani Elizabeth Hutnick, 7/21 & Olga Nazarenko, 7/21. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy and blessed years!

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 16 - Sandy Cramer

July 23 - Lorraine Neff, Sonya Patronik

July 30 - David and Eve Lazaration

August 6 - Zina Twardus and Nancy Tur

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.

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

July 16 - Jean Roeth; July 23 - Andrew Duncan; July 30 - John Plachuta; August 6 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick; August 13 - Thomas Sulpizi; August 20 - Linda Hnatow

MEETINGS

PARISH BOARD – Tuesday, August 15 @ 6:30 PM

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.

TENTATIVE CALENDER OF EVENTS

Saturday, August 5 – UOL Flea Market

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)

July 16 – Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin

July 23 - Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin

July 30 - Lorraine Neff and John Plachuta

August 6 - Lorraine Neff and John Plachuta

August 13 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas

August 20 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas

UOL FLEA MARKET

Our UOL is sponsoring their annual Flea Market on Saturday, August 5 from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. All donations of your treasures will be graciously accepted. **Please note that all donations of clothing must be clean and only gently worn.** All donations will be accepted on the following days: **Sunday**, July 30 - after the Divine Liturgy; **Tuesday**, August 1 - Drop off 6:00 -8:00 PM; **Wednesday**, August 2 - Drop off 6:00 - 8:00 PM; **Thursday**, August 3 - Drop off 6:00 -8:00 PM Also, any finger snacks like cupcakes, brownies, etc. will be graciously accepted. Please support this event!!!

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week of July 17 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus

Week of July 24 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of July 31 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly

Week of August 7 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration

Week of August 14 - Mark & Laura Andreas

Week of August 21 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of August 28 - Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi

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 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, 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.

PRIDE IS A DEADLY ENEMY

In Proverbs 16:18, we hear these powerful words: **"PRIDE GOES BEFORE DESTRUCTION, A HAUGHTY SPIRIT BEFORE A FALL."** Countless times, pride has proven to be a person's downfall. Because of his prideful desire to be like God, Satan, once an angel, was driven from heaven -- banished for all eternity. Adam and Even, pridefully believing that they could possess the knowledge and wisdom of their Creator, ate the fruit from the one tree they were forbidden to touch, causing them to be cast out of Paradise. Yes, the consequences can be of epic proportions.

Sadly, pride continues to claim its victims. We are driven by a multitude of goals and aspirations. When we achieve success in our endeavors, we are often reluctant to give credit where credit is due. We quickly forget that without God's help, we can accomplish nothing. To be proud of our own works is nothing more than a failure on our part to recognize our place on the "Ladder of Creation." The Lord is our Master; we are His servants. In the words of the Blessed Augustine: "God created us for Himself, and our soul is lonely without Him."

We must remember the words spoken by Moses to the Israelites after receiving the Ten Commandments. While reassuring them that God will lead them into a land of plenty, he issues this warning to them as well: "Beware that you do not forget the Lord your God, that when you have eaten and are full, and have built goodly houses, you do not say in your heart: MY power and the might of MY hands have gotten me this." Indeed, may we, as well, never forget what God does for His faithful children.