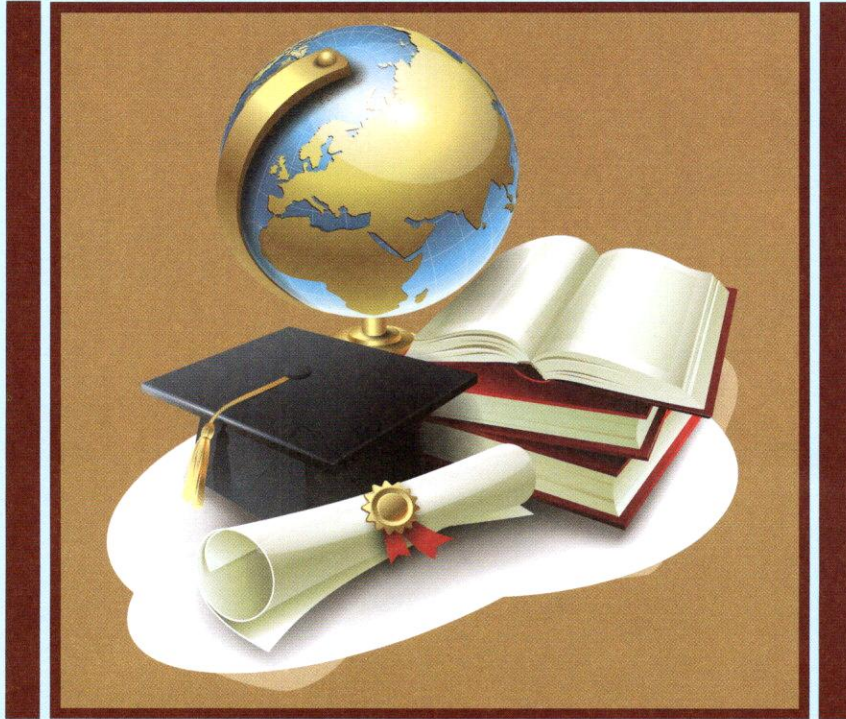


# GRADUATION



**T**he day that young people graduate from school is an important one. It brings to an end years of study in the classroom. After this, they enroll in the school of life, where, someone once said, the class colors are black and blue.

Now the graduates will no longer find books with ready-made answers to all the questions and problems of adult living. In life, answers to problems do not come as easily. Every few miles along the road of life the way splits in two, and at each fork they must make decisions. Isn't there someone or something that can help people as they seek answers to some of life's difficulties? Yes, there is help. Here are some questions graduates should ask themselves whenever they have doubts as to which course of action should be taken.

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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; 2<sup>nd</sup> Youth Ministry

**June 18, 2023**  
**Volume 59: Number 25**  
**Schedule of Services and Activities**  
**Week of June 18 - 25, 2023**  
**Celebrating our 96<sup>th</sup> year of Service to the Lord**

Sunday, June 18 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Father’s Day – Graduate Sunday - Tone 1

8:30 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Panakhya: +Melanie Ervin (7 Yrs.), +Thomas Ervin (36 Yrs.) – Patricia Kozak

Panakhya: +Kate Malinowski (9 Yrs.); +Ann Tyrawski (9 Yrs.); +Anna Krasnopera (39 Yrs.); +Philip Krasnopera (60 Yrs.); +Stephen Farrel (4 Yrs.); +Larry Dugan (1 Yr.); +Ann Kane (40 days) & +David Hnatow (40 days) – Michael Tilson and Linda Hnatow

Father’s Day Dinner

Monday, June 19

6:00 PM – WORK PARTY – Clearing the Hall

Tuesday, June 20

8:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

6:00 PM – Stripping and waxing the hall floor

Wednesday, June 21

7:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

6:00 PM – Stripping and waxing the hall floor – if needed – replacing tables and chairs

Sunday, June 25 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 2

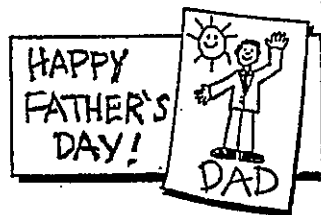
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Coffee Hour

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## SCRIPTURAL READINGS

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: Mark 16:1-8; Liturgy: Romans 2:10-16; Matthew 4:18-23

Monday – Romans 7:1-13; Matthew 9:36-10:8

Tuesday – Romans 7:14-8:2; Matthew 10:9-15

Wednesday – Romans 8:2-13; Matthew 10:16-22

Thursday – Romans 8:22-27; Matthew 10:23-31

Friday – Romans 9:6-19; Matthew 10:32-36-11:1

Saturday – Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas – Matins: John 21:15-25; Liturgy: Acts of the Apostles 11:19-26, 29-30; Luke 10:16-21; Day: Romans 3:28-4:3; Matthew 7:24-8:4

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: Mark 16:9-20; Liturgy: Romans 5:1-10; Matthew 6:22-33

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### COME FOLLOW ME.....EVANGELIZATION



Saint Matthew's Gospel tells us today that when Jesus issued His invitation to His disciples they "**immediately...** left their nets and followed Him" and also that they "**immediately...** left their boat and their father and followed Him." In both of the accounts listed, the response from those called was **immediate!**

We have been privileged to receive the gift of faith without any merit on our part. In gratitude for this great gift the least we can do is to show our appreciation and to share it with others. We all know what bad news is. We are overwhelmed by it day after day in the media. In fact, there is so much of it we look for something pleasant to get our minds and heads

clear.

What is Good News? What does it mean? The Good News is **CHRIST**. The news is that Jesus is the Father's gift to us; that Jesus loves us; that He is salvation and liberation from evil. The Good News is "God is with us", inspiring and helping us. In other words, the Good News is that God loves us, each of us. He loves all and invites all to live His life; that all join together in His love. The Good News is offering people a new and firm foundation for their lives. It is an invitation to build lives anew on God's love.

Isn't this Good News what the disciples wanted to hear? They were anxiously awaiting the Messiah - the One Who would liberate them, the One who would bring God's love and life among them. Perhaps that is why they were so quick to immediately leave all and

follow Him and spend the rest of their lives bringing this Good News to all who would listen.

To bring the Good News to others is to evangelize. It is to witness and share what we ourselves have experienced and learned from our relationship with Jesus. To be an evangelist is to love God and others as He loves us. Like Jesus, we must love first. Then we can bring others into a loving relationship with God through our own lives and example. This means we must love people as they are, even as Jesus loves them.

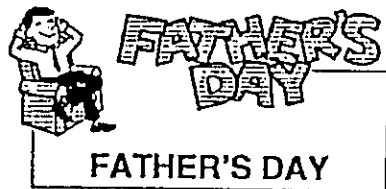
Evangelization is sharing - sharing something special - the Good News of Jesus. This is the responsibility of every baptized and chrismated person. "Go into the world and preach the Gospel to all creation" (Mark 16:15). Everyone is invited to "Come and see how sweet the Lord is". This proves we also care and share our faith. Thus, together with the Apostles in today's Gospel, we are also invited to be "Fishers of Men".

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## FATHER'S DAY

**It's those moments that make a dad rich**

What if you could show the value of a dad in dollars?



Studies show married men and women accumulate more assets over a lifetime than single people. But suppose you could put a dollar value on fathering. Would a hug be worth \$15? A game of catch worth \$35? Or \$100 for each time you teach a child right from wrong?

There is no way to measure what a trip to the zoo is worth, or just going for a walk around the neighborhood. In fact, trying to put a price tag on the things a daddy does probably shortchanges the real value to kids who know that there is a person who loves them and likes to spend time with them.

If you could actually total it, to put dollar signs on things like hugs, camping, or bike rides, the fathers who do those things with their kids could all quit their jobs. They'd be millionaires for sure.

Father's Day, it's history, and its meaning for today

As compared with other holidays, Father's Day is a relative newcomer on the calendar.

The first known celebration was initiated by Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Wash. Her father was a courageous, selfless, and loving man who raised five children after the death of his wife. Sonora's father was born in June, so she chose a June day, June 19, 1910, to celebrate the first Father's Day.

Apparently it was an idea whose time had come because other communities, then other states, picked up on the celebration and held their own Father's Days. In 1926, a National Father's Day Committee was formed in New York City. Father's Day was an unofficial observance held annually until Congress gave it national recognition in 1956. In 1972, President Richard Nixon established an annual national observance to be held the third Sunday of June each year.

Dr. George A. Parks, co-founder of the Seattle Men's Wisdom Council, says our fathers will forever live inside us as our first image of men and masculinity. Our inner relationship with our fathers will persist for the rest of our lives. It will influence our sense of identity, our intimate relationships, and all our relationships with men, especially those in positions of power and authority.

When we honor our fathers, says Dr. Parks, we can more deeply honor ourselves. So the act of honoring our fathers may be as important for us as it is for them.

Sometimes true bonding with one's father doesn't occur until very late in his life. That means a great deal of time and love goes unexperienced. Don't wait, honor your father and show your love this year on Father's Day.

This article was given to me by ZinaTwardus

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**Dad's Greatest Job**  
**-Author Unknown**

I may never be as clever as my neighbors down the street,  
I may never be as wealthy as some other men I meet;  
I may never have the glory that some other men have had,  
But I've got to be successful as a little child's dad.  
There are certain dreams I cherish that I'd like to see come true.  
There are things I would accomplish ere my working time is through;  
But the task my heart is set on is to guide and to be glad,  
And to make myself successful as that little child's dad.  
I may never get earth's glory; I may never gather gold;  
Men may count me as a failure when my business life is told;  
But if the child who follows after is a Christian, I'll be glad,  
For I'll know I've been successful as a little child's dad.



## A FATHER'S PRAYER - TO PUT GOD AND FAMILY FIRST



Lord, how easily I am tempted by false priorities, to put work and personal ambition, and even pleasant directions, ahead of You and my family. Free me, O Lord, from such foolishness and sin, fill me with Your

Spirit, help me to see and judge through Your eyes, to feel with Your heart. Grant that I may serve and cherish first of all, You, Who are worthy of all my love, and the wife and children whom You have entrusted to me, that I may live always in faithfulness to Your call. Amen.

### 10 Commnadments for Being Realistic Christians

#### IT IS UNREALISTIC TO BELIEVE THAT:

... everyone is going to agree with us, like us, or love us all the time. We should not expect it. Be grateful for those who do and not defeated by those who don't.

... we can be successful in every venture or be perfect in all we attempt to do, or be. No one ever has been; no one ever will. It is good to strive for improvement and to do our best. That's all we can do. If something we do goes wrong, It does not mean we are failures.

... there is any job or any task that doesn't have its frustrations, its discouragement, and its disappointments. Some do have more than others; some less. But they are always there. If fifty percent of our tasks are enjoyable, that's a pretty good percentage. Appreciate the good parts of every task. Accept the discouragements. Be grateful for the opportunities.

...there is any relationship that doesn't have some tension, some stress, or some differences. As long as we deal with people we will deal with some problems. People are not always going to act the way we want them to. We must make an honest effort to see the good in people and situations as well as the frustrations.

... there is any place, city, church, or neighborhood that is ideal or completely free from problems or does not need change or improvement. There is almost no place that does not have some advantages and some good points. Learn to see them, and be grateful for them.

... we will ever be completely free from feelings of guilt, doubt, Inadequacy, anxiety, or anger. They are part of being human. They need to be understood and accepted. Accept your own fallibility and your own humanity. Be as gracious and understanding with yourself as you would be to and with others.

... others should be blamed for all they say and do. All people have their own problems and tensions. Most people want to do better. If we understood the background we would probably understand the behavior.

... we can avoid life and refuse to face life realistically and honestly. Life is may not be easy, but it does have meaning. We can face it with dignity and courage.

... we can achieve anything significant quickly or that we can change in a hurry.

Achievement and change are possible, but they usually come slowly and in small steps. The past does not need to control the future. We do have choices we can make. ... there is only one solution to any given situation or problem or that things are catastrophic if we do not find our solution. Seek help when needed. Keep trying. Always maintain the faith. Life presents the exact challenges each of us needs to grow and become God's children.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY** - is expressed to Janilyn Pinkowicz, 6/18; Valeria Podoguts, 6/20; Lidiya Otamas, 6/21 & Sophia Nazarenko, 6/22. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy and blessed years!

**ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE** – On behalf our Parish Family I would like to express our sincerest appreciation to St. David Episcopal Church and Pastor, Father Brad, Deacon Bruce, Music Director Steve, Pastor Kathy of the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, Father Volodymyr of St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church. Special thanks to their hospitality group for the great reception. It was a great day and even better the time of praying together.

### **GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

June 18 - Sandy Cramer  
June 25 - Lorraine Neff, Sonya Patronik  
July 2 - David and Eve Lazaration  
July 9 - 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 ark Andreas or Lorraine Neff for details.

### **MEETINGS**

**PARISH BOARD** – Tuesday, July 11 @ 7:00 PM



## **GRADUATE SUNDAY**

### **I'M ALIVE AND LIVING IN A WORLD OF GREAT POSSIBILITIES**

None of us can say exactly what the future holds for us. But as we move forward with God as our guide, we can be certain that the future will be full of phenomenal experiences for all of us. And although the future is uncertain, perhaps we can begin to influence the possibilities that abound by establishing a permanent bond of harmony and love in the world around us. Like a seed planted in the ground, this unbridled sense of peace and harmony will soon grow and spread on its own, from person to person, from city to city, until the whole world is infused with good will. Yes, the future holds great things for us, and together we can look forward to it with an expectation of unlimited peace and harmony. "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible" (Mark 10:27)

### **COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY**

**Grace Duncan** – graduated from Delaware State University with a Master's Degree of Social-Work on May 15, 2023. She is presently working at Dover Behavioral Health Services as an intake counselor.

**Maria Kaliakin** – graduated from George Mason University in Fairfax, VA with a Master's Degree in Public Health in May. She is working at Cigna Insurance Company setting up health plans for companies who are seeking better health programs for their employees.

**Adam Leisure** – graduated from Delaware Law School in May with a Juris Doctorate Degree. He is now studying for the Bar Exam which he will take at the end of July. He is presently working at a Law Firm in Philadelphia.

## **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR GRADUATES!!!!**

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### **READER MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

June 18 - John Plachuta

June 25 – Pani Elizabeth Hutnick

July 2 – Thomas Sulpizi

July 9 - Linda Hnatow

July 16 - Jean Roeth

July 23 - Andrew Duncan

**FEEDING THE HUNGRY** – On Tuesday, July 4 beginning at 9:00 AM we will be making sandwiches to feed the hungry at Emmanuel Dining Hall. We could use all the help we can get! Please come and volunteer your time.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION – FEEDING THE HUNGRY** – Beginning Sunday, June 24, we will take a special collection for the next three weeks to fund the meals that we provide for the Emmanuel Dining Hall. 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**

Sunday, June 18 – Father's Day Dinner

Sunday, July 9 – Patronal Feast Day

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)

June 18 – Victor Kaliakin and Lorraine Neff

June 25 – Victor Kaliakin and Lorraine Neff

July 2 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow

July 9 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow

July 16 – Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin

July 23 - Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin

### **CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Week of June 19 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration

Week of June 26 - Mark & Laura Andreas

Week of July 3 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of July 10 - Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi

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

**REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL** – Metropolitan Antony, Archimandrite Raphael, Father Vasili Andrejuk, Father George Bazylevsky, father Constantine Christo, 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, Mary Eagleton, Rose Eldridge, Thomas Fagan, Archantula Fanjoy, James Garrett, Lisa Gee, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovniow, 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 Hnатов, Michael Hnатов, 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.

- WHAT DOES YOUR CONSCIENCE SAY? The Christian conscience is an important compass for living. But conscience can be misled or misinformed. It is here that Christian nurture and upbringing comes in. Through prayer, attendance at the Liturgy, listening to the Gospel and Epistle as well as sermons, and study of religious writings, the conscience is trained.

- DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING TO HIDE? It is important to keep clear of concealment. There's nothing one can really hide. After all, you can't hide a thing from yourself, let alone others. Keep in mind that everything you do leaves its mark upon you.

- IS THIS GOD'S WILL? Every question has a religious dimension. How often Jesus said, "not My will, but Thine be done." It is a petition in the Lord's Prayer. What all this means is that the graduate has responsibilities to fill. They have obligations to their Creator, parents, society and world. And the best way, in short, to fill these obligations is through FAITHFUL SERVICE. The Life of our Lord was one of service. Christ said He came into the world "not to be served, but to serve . . . "

Certainly the Church makes a contribution to the upbringing of each young person. We are living at a time when Churches are paying considerable attention to the religious training of youth. Schools, conferences, camps, fellowship organizations and discussion groups all help to shape the student and guide them along the best paths of life.

But there is an obligation of the graduate to the Church, too. It needs their loyalty, skills and help. Let us reflect on these things and dedicate our lives in faithful service to God and His Church, along with our family, society and community.