

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

May 29, 2022
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Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of May 29 – June 3, 2022
Celebrating our 95th year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, May 29 – Sunday of the Man Born Blind – Memorial Day - Tone 5

8:30 AM - Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM - Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Remembering Those Who Gave Their Lives for Our Freedom

Panakhya: +Volodymyr Bohdan – Sonya Patronik

Coffee Hour

Wednesday, June 1 – Leave-taking of Pascha

8:00 AM – Resurrection Matins – Divine Liturgy

10:00 AM – Butter and Onions

6:00 PM – Vespersal Liturgy for Ascension (St. Nicholas – Dover, DE)

Thursday, June 2 – Feast of the Ascension

8:00 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Friday, June 3

7:00 AM – Peeling potatoes

10:00 AM – Making potato and sauerkraut balls

Saturday, June 4

8:00 AM – Making pyrohy

Sunday, June 5 – Sunday of the 1st Ecumenical Council - Tone 6

8:30 AM - Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM - Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Sermons by Our St. Sophia Students of Homiletics

Coffee Hour

HOMILETICS CLASS VISITING US – On Sunday, June 5th Father Andrii, Pavlo and Roman will be visiting with us and taking their final exam in Homiletics. Please come and support our Seminary!!

SCRIPTURAL READINGS

Sunday of the Man Born Blind – Matins: John 20:11-18; Liturgy - Acts of the Apostles 16:16-34; John 9:1-38

Monday – Acts of the Apostles 17:1 – 15; John 11:47-57

Tuesday – Acts of the Apostles 17:19-28; John 12:19-36

Wednesday – Acts of the Apostles 18:22-28; John 12:36-47; Vespers: Isaiah 2:2-3; Isaiah 62:10-12; 63:1-3, 7-9; Zachariah 14:4, 8-11.

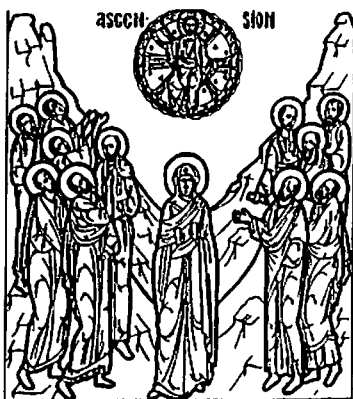
Ascension Thursday – Matins: Mark 16:9-20; Liturgy – Acts of the Apostles 1:1-12; Luke 24:36-53

Friday – Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8; John 14:10-21

Saturday – Acts of the Apostles 20:7-12; John 14:10-21

Seventh Sunday of Pascha – Matins: John 21:1-14; Liturgy – Acts of the Apostles 20:16-18, 28-36; John 17:1-13

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION



Ascension is a feast which should raise us up above the smallness and the narrowness of earthly cares. Christ has made our Ascension possible, too. We will one day, please God, be lifted up away from all the troubles and the annoyances that seem so overpowering and so numerous now.

Imagine for a moment the thoughts of our divine Lord as He rose slowly from the Mount of Olives: He could see Bethlehem where no one had welcomed Him when He was born, Nazareth where He had lived a life of poverty and hardships for thirty years, Jerusalem where He had been reviled and tortured and crucified.

Having triumphed, and won the day, how did these scenes of His sufferings appear to Him now? Our day will come, too, when we can look down with joy on the battlefields of life where we were sore-tryed and wounded, but persevered through God's grace, and won. How small will our effort seem then, compared with the greatness of the reward! How short-lived our battles, compared with the eternity of the heavenly peace we have won!

The Apostles returned from the Mount of Olives not with heavy hearts, but with souls full of confidence and trust. There was work to be done for the Master and for souls. That work would take them they knew not where, that apostate would bring on them they cared

not what, their lives were now in their Master's hands. How well-placed their confidence was subsequent history proves; their names are inscribed forever in the Book of Life.

YOU AND I can also return from the Mount of Olives today with a greater confidence and a surer trust in our loving Savior. He has gone, as He Himself said, to prepare a place for us. He has asked us to carry on, for a short while more, with the task He has given us to do here.

He will be back, sooner than we realize, and if He finds us struggling on, doing nothing world-shaking, but putting our heart and soul into the trivial daily tasks, we will hear not the voice of the stern Judge, but the welcome call of the beloved Shepherd: "Come ye blessed of my Father, take possession of the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world."

MEMORIAL DAY

Memorial Day! What thoughts come to your mind? What does the day mean to us and what do we remember? Just another "holiday"? Just a chance to take a day off from work and take the family for a ride, a picnic, with an all-day outing? Or is it an opportunity to spend the day on the golf course? What will we remember? Will we spend a few moments in silent thought and thanks for those who gave themselves that we might continue in the ways of democracy (which by the way, means a system of government that considers the individual, regardless of color, race or creed, important in the total scheme of things)? Or will we continue to thank God for our own position in life and forget that there is no such thing as a "privileged class"?

The story is told about an incident which occurred when the first Memorial Day was celebrated. A group of Washington D.C. women had asked the War Department for permission to put flowers on the soldier's graves in Arlington Cemetery. After much persuasion, permission was granted and on May 30th, the day designated, this was to be done. But a stern order was attached to the permission: No flowers were to be placed on the three hundred graves of the Confederate soldiers who were buried in a segregated section of the cemetery. The ladies who had made the request obediently decorated all the other graves, omitting the Confederate graves. Then General James A. Garfield made the speech at Arlington. When the crowd had left, a high wind rose. The wind blew almost all the flowers from the Union soldiers' graves into the Confederate area. After that day the separation was never again repeated.

PLEASE REMEMBER WHAT THIS HOLIDAY IS ALL ABOUT !

Today, we remember the following Parishioners who served in the Armed Forces: **Very Rev. Paul Hrynyshyn - Army * Leroy Aiken - National Guard * Morris Bijan - Navy * Michael Bilinski - Navy * John Bolinski - Army * Thomas Bringle * David Duncan - Army * David Gibas - Army * John Goodley - Army * Serge Grisevich * Stephen Gula * Anne Hambiski (Johnson) * Michael Hambiski * Stanley Hambiski * Michael Hatz * Nicholas Hatz * Charles Heluck - Navy * Thomas Hlywak - Army * Basil Hlywiak - Army * John Hnatowski - Army * Tim Hnatowski - Navy * John Hrynyshyn - Army * Walter Hrynyshyn - Army * Stephen Hrynyshyn - Army * Joseph Justison * Andrew Kapelus - Army Air Corps * Harry Kosowsky, Jr. - Air Force * Norman Kristic - Air Force * John Litchko - Army * John Macey - Army * John Macey, Jr. - Marines * Max Macey - Navy * Michael Macey - Navy * Nicholas Macey - Navy * William Maciey * Joseph Maier - Air Force * Albert Malinowski - Army * Michael Moroz - Army * Oscar Orr - Army Air Force * Michael Ostafy * William Pastuzek * John Procak * Archangelo Sacco * John Sass - Army * Charles Scully - Army * Anthony Serednicki * Philip Shweda * Charles Synczyszyn * William Sukach - Army * William Sukach, Jr. - Air Force * Nels Thomas * Charles Tyrawsky - Marines * John Tyrawski - Army * Michael Tyrawski - Army * Steven Tyrawski - Navy * William Uranko * Julia Yarusso * Vito Yarusso and Jacob Zonick**

PLEASE REMEMBER WHAT THIS HOLIDAY IS ALL ABOUT – It is OK to have the Family Picnic and celebrate the holiday with your friends and loved ones. But please remember what this holiday is really about. As we listen to Taps across America, take the time at 3:00 PM to say a prayer for the repose of the souls of those brave men and women who gave their lives so that you and I might live in freedom. Many God grant rest to their souls and may their memory be eternal!

BLINDNESS TAKES MANY FORMS

Helen Keller, who became a famous author and lecturer despite being born deaf and blind, was once asked if she thought that there was anything worse than not having her sight. "Only one thing is worse than blindness," she replied, "and that is to have eyes and not see!" The truth of Helen Keller's words are painfully obvious in this morning's Gospel lesson. Christ encounters a man who has been blind from birth. Because of his handicap, the blind man is somewhat of an outcast. Even the Apostles question their Master, "Who sinned that this man should have been born blind?"

What is the reaction to Christ's miracle of giving sight to the blind man? Some of his neighbors express doubt that he is really the same person they knew as sightless. The Pharisees question him as they would a common criminal. The man's own parents distance themselves from him, refusing to get involved in the controversy. The eyes of everyone were blinded to the fact that the Lord had chosen the unfortunate man to be a means of showing His power.

Sadly, many of us who proclaim ourselves to be "Christians" do not see Jesus as being the **LIGHT OF THE WORLD**, stubbornly remaining mired in the darkness of our sins. May the words of the Kondakion for this Sunday remind us of our need to be illumined by our Savior: "I come to You, O Christ, like the man born blind from birth, and I cry to You with repentance: You are a radiant and glorious light to those who stumble in darkness."

ASCENSION is Christ's "Moving Day" HEAVEN our eternal home

When our Lord ascended into heaven, He took no worldly thing with Him. This is another instance in which He was as we are: we shall, when we die and leave the world, take not a single worldly thing with us. If we haven't sent our "riches" on ahead of time, we shall have nothing.

The Bible tells us that we are born into the world naked, and so shall we leave it. We may accumulate worldly things during our short stay here, but we shall shed them all when we leave have often thought of Ascension Thursday as "moving day". Our Lord moved out of the hut (as it were) of the world into His palace in heaven. He moved easily and joyfully because He was unencumbered by worldly obstacles.

We too will have to move from the world into eternity. We don't know when, but we are positive the day will come. It may be soon or it may be a little later. But,

we are more certain of the fact of our eventual moving than we are of anything else in our life.

The day of our moving will be a most important one. Our eternal home depends upon it. We must daily prepare to make our moving day one of joy and ease following the example of our Savior and Model, the Ascending Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to the following: Mila Beaudean, 6/1; Daniel Nazarenko, 6/1; Alexander Smith, 6/1 & Timothy Feleshchuk, 6/2. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy and blessed years!

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES – are expressed to Michael Tilson and Linda Hnaatow on the falling asleep in the Lord of their cousin, +Larry Dugan, this past week. Let us pray, asking God to place the soul of His newly departed servant, +Larry, in the abode of the Saints, where there is no pain, sighing nor mourning but only life everlasting. Let us also pray for the family that God may give them His strength in this, their hour of need.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES – are expressed to Frank Toroney and the Toroney Family on the falling asleep in the Lord of his mother, +Helen Toroney, this past week. Let us pray, asking God to place the soul of His newly departed servant, +Helen, in the abode of the Saints, where there is no pain, sighing nor mourning but only life everlasting. Let us also pray for the family that God may give them H is strength in this, their hour of need.

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week of May 30 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly

Week of June 6 - Mark & Laura Andreas

Week of June 13 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration

Week of June 20 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of June 27 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus

Week of July 4 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

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

READER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 29 - Andrew Duncan
June 5 - Linda Hnatow
June 12 – Pani Elizabeth Hutnick
June 19 – Jean Roeth
June 26 - John Plachuta

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 may not occur.

DO YOU SHOP ON AMAZON? – Did you know that if you would get on Smile Amazon and choose our Parish as your beneficiary that Amazon would donate a percentage of your purchase to us? Search on Orthodox Wilmington and choose SS Peter & Paul Ukrainian (yes it is misspelled and we've tried to correct it). Try it and help our Parish Family benefit from your shopping experience!

WE NEED YOUR HELP – We have 4 dates in which we would like to make pyrohy – Saturdays June 4th & June 25th, July 23 and August 13. We will have one sale in September where we will take orders on Monday and Tuesday, September 12 & 13. and we will make pyrohy on Saturday September 17 and pickup will be Friday, September 23.

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 29 - Lorraine Neff, Sonya Patronik
June 5 - David and Eve Lazaration
June 12 - Zina Twardus
June 19 - John and Sandy Cramer

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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

May 29 – Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin
June 5 – Lorraine Neff and Ann Duncan
June 12 – Lorraine Neff and Ann Duncan
June 19 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas
June 26 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas
July 3 – Victor Kaliakin and Lorraine Neff
July 10 – Victor Kaliakin and Lorraine Neff

RULES FOR ATENDING SERVICES BY OUR SYNOD OF BISHOPS: Those who have **not been vaccinated** must voluntarily wear masks at liturgy or other parish family events. Those who **have been vaccinated** but have been part of any gathering of people – indoors or outdoors – which includes individuals whose vaccination status is unknown to them should voluntarily wear masks during liturgy or other parish family events.

TENTATIVE CALENDER OF EVENTS

Sunday, June 19 – Father’s Day Dinner

Sunday, June 19 – Graduate Sunday

Saturday, July 9 – Eagle Scout Program - Hall

Sunday, July 17 – Patronal Dinner

Saturday, August 6 – UOL Flea Market

Sunday, August 14 – Dormition Fast Begins

Saturday, September 24 – 50th Anniversary of Troop #70 (Tentative)

October 12 – 15 – UOC Sobor

Saturday, November 5 – Fall Bazaar

Tuesday, November 22 – Community Thanksgiving Service (Sts. Peter & Paul)

Sunday, December 18 – UOL Cookie Sale

UOL FLEA MARKET – is scheduled for Saturday, August 6 from 9AM – 1PM. Please start gathering up your treasures to be donated. Please do not bring them to the Church before Sunday, July 31st. The following dates and times will be the drop off schedule: Sunday, July 31st after Divine Liturgy; Tuesday, August 2 from 6-8PM; Wednesday, August 3rd from 6-8PM; and Thursday, August 4 from 6-8PM. If you are donating clothing, they must be gently worn and washed. We would also need donations of finger desserts (cookies, brownies, etc.). Thank you for your support.

MEETINGS

PARISH BOARD – Wednesday, June 22 @ 6:30 PM

UOL – Sunday, July 10 after Liturgy

PLEASE 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 Volodymyr Wronskyj, Matushka Andrejuk, 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, Maria Borowenski Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, Thomas Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Betty Charney, Mildred (Myrophora) Christo, Erik Colazo, Patricia Crystal, Alex Czernik, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, Peter DiVirgilio, James Dudrick, Kathleen Dugan, Margaret Durell, Mary Eagleton, Rose Eldridge, Thomas Fagan, James Garrett, Lisa Gee, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovniov, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Richard Haslam, Rick Hastings, Celeste Heiser, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Alicia Hlywak, John Hlywak, Michael Hnatow, Daniel Holoviak, Jennifer Huertes, Caroline Humphrey, Richard Humphrey, Sally Hutnick, Joette Jago, Stephen Johnson, Linda Josepinson, Elizabeth Kaliakin, Rosalie Ann Kane, Michael Kapelus, Sandra Kasch, Charles Kaszytski, Julia Kaszytski, Diane Keyser, Wendy Klinedinst, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Ludmyla Krawchenko, Mykola Krawchenko, Volodymyr Krasnopera, Sue Kreisa-Christian, Marlene Kuhar, Karen Livick, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Jeremy Madea, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Paul Markow, Frederick McCarthy, Victor Melnychenko, Ronald Michel, Michelle Michalcewiz, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Linda Muldoon, Karen Needham, Julie Neff, Lorraine Neff, Ann Nester, Laurie Newman, Ivan Otamas, Betty Painter, Anastasios Pantelopulos, Anthony Pantelopulos, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry Pinkowicz, Bernice Pinkowicz, Janylyn Pinkowicz, Ryan Pinkowicz, Valentina Plachuta, Daphne Pantelopulos, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, John Ruczhak, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, Isaac Schmidt, Joella Seale, Clay Seman, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Kimberly Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Natalia Stanford, Rich Steinman, Joseph Stevens, Noel Strobino, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Lydia Thomas, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, Mark Tomei, Violet Tomei, Aria Tonner, Mariel Trimble, Richard Twardus, Martha Vignali, Jack Vognetz, Margaret Vognetz, Marilyn Wagner, Olena Wasylevska, James Watts, Chris Way, Leah Way, Barbara Weeks, Peter Weremedic, Stephen Wienkowitz, Laura Worley & James Zook.

❖ ❖ ❖ SANCTIFY ME, O LORD ❖ ❖ ❖

Mankind is fortunate to have received a precious gift from God. This gift is represented by our 5 senses: SIGHT, HEARING, TASTE, SMELL and TOUCH. Our Master bestowed them upon us so we are able to fully experience the bounty of His Creation.

Our EYES allow us to view the beauty that surrounds us. With EARS, we can hear the inspirational Word of God. We are able to savor the experience of good food and drink with our TONGUE. Our NOSE helps us enjoy the fragrance of flowers and incense. With our HANDS, we can explore and help shape things. How wonderful it is that our 5 senses help us interact with the natural world around us.

Our senses are a blessing from above. Hopefully they are governed by a pure mind, free of evil and passions. But if the mind is not clean, the senses can become servants of corruption and possibly catastrophe. We can choose to surround ourselves with things that are false, shameful and even criminal. But know that God did not give you eyes, ears, nose, tongue and hands for immoral behavior. These simple body parts are not to blame. Man is at fault. At fault is his corrupt nature.

Ultimately, the responsibility is YOURS. With the help of divine grace, let your sight, hearing, taste, smell and touch be pure of every sin. May the Lord enlighten the simplicity of our 5 senses.