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

**September 5, 2021**  
**Volume 57: Number 36**  
**Schedule of Services and Activities**  
**Week of September 5 - 12, 2021**  
**Celebrating our 94<sup>th</sup> year of Service to the Lord**

**Sunday, September 5 – 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 2**

**8:30 AM – Confessions**

**9:15 AM – Hours**

**9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful**

**Coffee Hour**

**Tuesday, September 7**

**8:30 AM – Butter and Onions**

**Thursday, September 9**

**7:00 AM – Peeling potatoes**

**2:00 PM – Making Sauerkraut Pyrohy**

**6:00 PM – Making potato balls**

**7:00 PM – Boy Scouts (Church Hall)**

**Friday, September 10**

**7:00 AM – Pinching potato and cheese pyrohy**

**6:00 PM – Great Vespers**

**Saturday, September 11 – Beheading of St. John the Baptist – Strict Fast Day**

**9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy**

**7:00 PM – Holy Rosary Catholic Church - 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of 9/11**

**Sunday, September 12 – 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 3**

**8:30 AM – Confessions**

**9:15 AM – Hours**

**9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful**

**Coffee Hour**

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## SCRIPTURE READINGS

11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: John 21:15-25; Liturgy: 1 Corinthians 9:2-12; Matthew 18:23-35, Leave-taking Dormition: Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28

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

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

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

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

Friday – 2 Corinthians 7:10-16; Mark 2:18-22, Vespers: 1) Isaiah 40: 1-3, 9; 41:17-18; 45:8; 48:20-21; 54:1. 2) Malachi 3:1-3; 5-7;12; 18; 4:4-6. 3) Wisdom 4:7, 16-17, 19-20, 5:1-7

Saturday - Beheading of St. John the Baptist: Matins: Mathew 14:1-13; Liturgy: Acts of the Apostles 13:25-32; Mark 6:14-30; Day: 1 Corinthians 1:26-29; Matthew 20:29-34

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: Matthew 28:16-20; Liturgy: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Matthew 19:16-26

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### Where was MY God?

How many of us have heard that question "Where was your GOD when the World Trade Center and the Pentagon was attacked?"

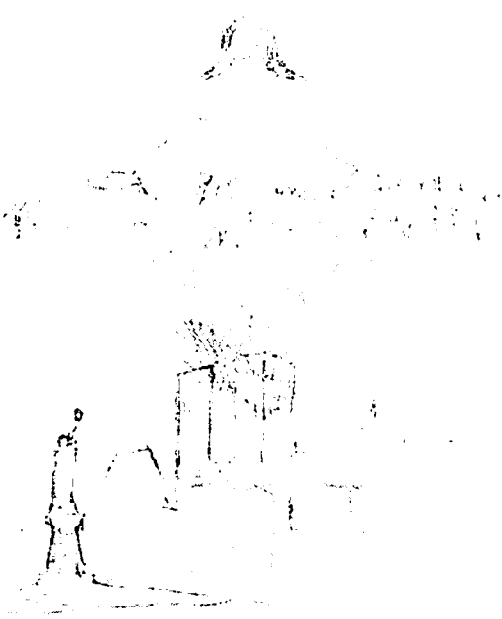
Well I know where my GOD was the morning of September 11, 2001, and He was very busy!

He was trying to discourage anyone from taking these flights. Those four flights together held over 1000 passengers and there were only 266 aboard.

He was on 4 commercial flights giving terrified passengers the ability to stay calm. Not one of the family members who were called by a loved one on one of the highjacked planes said that passengers were screaming in the background. On one of the flights he was giving strength to passengers to try to overtake the hijackers.

He was busy trying to create obstacles for employees at the World Trade Center. After all, only around 20,000 were at the towers when the

first jet hit. Since the buildings held over 50,000



workers, this was a Miracle in itself. How many of the people who were employed at the World Trade Center told the media that they were late for work or they had traffic delays.

He was holding up 2-110 story buildings so that 2/3 of the workers could get out. I was so amazed that the top of the towers didn't topple when the jets impacted. And when they did fall, they fell inward. GOD didn't allow them to topple over, as many more lives would have been lost.

And when the buildings went down, my GOD picked up almost 6,000 of his children and carried them home with him. Reassuring his frighten children that the worst was over and the best was yet to come.

He sat down and cried that 19 of his children could have some much hate in their hearts. That they didn't choose him, but another god that doesn't exist, and now they are lost forever.

He sent his children that are best trained for this disaster and had them save the few that were still alive, but unable to help themselves. And then sent many others to help in anyway they were needed.

He still isn't finished though, he held the loved ones that were left behind in his arms. He comforts them daily. His other children are given the strength to reach out to them and help them in any way they can.

And I believe he will continue to help us in what is to come. He will give the people in charge of this great nation the strength and the wisdom to do the right thing. He would never leave us in our time of need.

So when anyone asks, "Where was your GOD on September 11", you can say "everywhere"! And yes, although this is without a doubt the worst thing I have seen in my life, I see God's miracles in every bit of it. I keep praying for those who don't believe in GOD, every chance I have. I can't imagine going through such a difficult time and not believing in GOD. Life would be hopeless.

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## Beheading of St. John - Human Respect



The chief lesson we should learn from the Beheading of St. John the Baptist is the importance of avoiding what is called “human respect”. This expression does not mean the respect that all men and women ought to have for one another: every human being is created by God and loved by God and deserves respect; if we wish others to respect ourselves, we in turn must respect others.

However, the term “human respect” means the fault of being more concerned about our standing in the eyes of other people than we are concerned about our standing in the eyes of God. This was the basic sin of King Herod, which led him to murder St. John the Baptist. King Herod knew very well

that St John was an upright and holy man; King Herod even loved to listen to St. John, and often followed St. John’s advice.

Even though most of us do not go around murdering other people (though there are a great many killings in modern times with motives similar to that of Herod), we are often tempted by the same sin of “human respect” - to do something which we know to be morally wrong, only because we fear that others may mock or ridicule us, or even discriminate against us if they think that we are adhering to a Christian moral standard. “Human respect” is a very powerful temptation; we must pray that God will give us the strength and the moral courage to ignore “human respect” and to do what we know is right.

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### GOD WON'T ASK

Written by: Jill E. Penley

God won't ask what kind of car you drove, but will ask how many people you drove who didn't have transportation.

God won't ask the square footage of your house, but will ask how many people you welcomed into your home.

God won't ask about the fancy clothes you had in your closet, but will ask how many of those clothes helped the needy.

God won't ask about your social status, but will ask what kind of class you displayed.

God won't ask how many material possessions you had, but will ask if they dictated your life.

God won't ask what your highest salary was, but will ask if you compromised your character to obtain that salary.

God won't ask how much overtime you worked, but will ask if you worked overtime for your family and loved ones.

God won't ask how many promotions you received, but will ask how you promoted others.

God won't ask what your job title was, but will ask if you performed your job to the best of your ability.

God won't ask what you did to help yourself, but will ask what you did to help others.

God won't ask what you did to protect your rights, but will ask what you did to protect the rights of others.

God won't ask in what neighborhood you lived, but will ask how you treated your neighbors.

God won't ask about the color of your skin, but will ask about the content of your character.

God won't ask how many times your deeds matched your words, but will ask how many times they didn't.

God won't ask how many friends you had, but will ask how many people to whom you were a true friend.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY** - is expressed to the following: Kristina Iwaskiw, 9/6. May God grant her a very happy birthday and keep her for many, happy and blessed years!

**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.

**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.

**OUTDOOR WALK IN FREEZER** – is being ordered for the Parish. It will reside in the back of the Church outside the back doors of the hall. Our problem in preparing for any of our bigger sales is the space in which to store our food. The cost of the freezer complete will be about \$15K dollars. We need your help. This will be the last **SPECIAL COLLECTION**. Thank you for your support!

### **MEETINGS**

**PARISH BOARD MEETING** – Monday, September 13 @ 6:00 PM (Supper)

**UOL MEETING** – Sunday, September 19 during coffee hour

## **MESSAGE FROM OUR TREASURER**

As many of you know, summer is a time for relaxation and vacation. Hopefully, many of you had the opportunity to have some time for some fun in the sun. Unfortunately, the vacation time has reflected in the attendance at Sunday services and in our collections. The past three weeks we have collected about \$2,500. Unfortunately, we need \$2,700 a week in order to our utilities, our mortgage, Father's salary, property insurance, maintenance, trash and other bills. On behalf of our Parish Board, I am asking that you be generous in the next weeks collections so that we may overcome this financial deficit. May God reward your kindness. Michael Tilson, Treasurer

**SERVICE FOR SEPTEMBER 11** – will be held at Holy Rosary Catholic Church beginning at 7:00 PM. It will be outside at the Shrine. It is the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of this tragedy, please plan to attend.

**KARAOKE NIGHT** – Saturday, September 18 from 6 – 9 PM. Hot dogs and snacks to be provided. Donations accepted. Please bring your voice or just come out to hear others sing. It is always an entertaining evening.

**DANCING UNDER THE STARS** – Saturday, September 25 from 6 – 10 PM. This year's themes will be **Music Through the Decades: 20's, 30's 40's and 50's**. The Donation is \$20 per person which includes appetizers, a meal, wine, beer, soda and dessert. It is always a great time. Please plan to attend.

## **SCHEDULE CHANGES:**

Parish Board Meeting will be on Monday, September 13 beginning with supper at 6PM

Bible Study will be moved to Monday, September 20 at 7PM

Priest Retreat three days has been cancelled because of covid and travel, it will be a Zoom conference on October 9

UOL Retreat has been canceled because of the Priest's Retreat – may be rescheduled later

**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!



## **MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

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

September 5 – Thomas Bringle and Linda Hnatow

September 12 – Ann Duncan and Victor Kaliakin

September 19 – Ann Duncan and Victor Kaliakin

September 26 – Lorraine Neff and Thomas Bringle

October 3 – Lorraine Neff and Thomas Bringle

October 10 – Linda Hnatow and Ann Duncan

**FALL PYROHY SCHEDULE** – Although a decision will not be made until the end of September, with the spread of the delta virus it is looking like our Fall Bazaar will be take out only. Due to the vast ordering for our “Take Out Bazaars” and the lack of personnel to help prepare all the foods, it was decided that we shall not sell to the public in the months of September and October so that we may fill the freezer with enough food to support the event. Each session will be less than usual to prepare. The schedule is as follows:

Tuesday, September 7 – Butter and Onions

Thursday, September 8 – Peeling potatoes, making balls, pinching sauerkraut pyrohy

Friday, September 10 – Pinching potato and cheese pyrohy

Monday, September 20 - Butter and Onions

Thursday, September 23 – Peeling potatoes, making balls, pinching sauerkraut pyrohy

Friday, September 24 – Pinching potato and cheese pyrohy

Monday & Tuesday, October 4 & 5 – Taking orders for the Bazaar

Monday & Tuesday, October 11 & 12 – Taking orders for the Bazaar

Friday, October 15 – Peeling potatoes, making balls, pinching sauerkraut pyrohy

Saturday, October 16 – Pinching potato and cheese pyrohy

Monday, October 25 – 250 lbs of Butter and Onions

Saturday, October 30 – Making holubtsi

Tuesday, November 2 – Peeling potatoes

Wednesday, November 3 – Pinching potato pyrohy

(More will be added to the schedule)

**METROPOLITAN ANTONY** – Will be visiting Holy Trinity Parish (7927 Circle Road, Whaleyville, MD 21872) on Sunday, September 12 with a 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy. A breakfast buffet will be served at Doyle’s Restaurant on Rt. 113. The donation for the breakfast buffet is \$20/person. If anyone is interested in attending, please see Father Stephen.

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

Week of September 6 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of September 13 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus

Week of September 20 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of September 27 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly

Week of October 4 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration

Week of October 11 - Mark & Laura Andreas

## **GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

September 5 - Nancy Tur, Zina Twardus

September 12 - John and Sandy Cramer

September 19 - Lorraine Neff, Sonya Patronik & Alexander Smith

September 26 - David and Eve Lazaration

## **TENTATIVE CALENDER OF EVENTS**

Saturday, September 18 – Karaoke Night (6:00 PM)

Sunday, September 19 – Religious Education Begins

Monday, September 20 – Bible Study Resumes (7PM)

Friday, September 24 – 6:00 PM – Coptic Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, September 25 – 1:00 – 4:00 PM – Wedding from the Coptic Church

Saturday, September 25 – Dancing Under the Stars

Saturday, October 9 – UOL Retreat - CANCELLED

Saturday, October 9 - Clergy Retreat – ZOOM

Saturday, October 23 – UOL Book Sale

Saturday, November 6 – Fall Bazaar

Tuesday, November 23 – Community Thanksgiving Service (Holy Rosary)

Sunday, November 28 – St. Philip's Fast Begins

Sunday, December 12 – UOL Cookie Sale

## **READER MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

September 5 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick

September 12 - Jean Roeth

September 19 – John Plachuta

September 26 - Andrew Duncan

October 3 - Linda Hnatow

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL – Metropolitan Antony, Archimandrite Raphael, Father Vasili Andrejuk, Father George Bazylevsky, Father John Bohush, Father Vasyl Dovhan, Father George Hnatko, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Andrew Molewski, Father John Nakonechney, Father James Norton, Father Victor Wronskyj, Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Matushka Andrejuk, Pani Dobrodyka Lillian Hnatko, Pani Dobrodyka Lisa Weremedic, Alicia, Nerry, Mykola, Brennan, Deborah, Galina, Dolores, Julian, Madison, Matt, Michele, Mykola, Rita, Ryan, Randy Allen, Carolyn Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Stephania Bacha, Joyce Belles, Neil Belles, Ethel Bernhard, Yaroslav Bilinsky, Maria Borowski 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, John Dmytryk, James Dudrick, Kathleen Dugan, Larry Dugan, Margaret Durell, Mary Eagleton, Rose Eldridge, Thomas Fagan, James Garrett, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovnirov, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Rick Hastings, Celeste Heiser, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Anthony Hnatow, Michael Hnatow, Daniel Holoviak, Jennifer Huertes, Caroline Humphrey, Richard Humphrey, Sally Hutnick, Joette Jago, Stephen Johnson, Linda Josepinson, Elizabeth Kaliakin, Rosalie Ann Kane, Sandra Kasch, Charles Kaszytski, Julia Kaszytski, Diane Keyser, Wendy Klinedinst, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Ludmyla Krawchenko, Mykola Krawchenko, Emma Krasnopera, Volodymyr Krasnopera, Sue Kreisa-Christian, Marlene Kuhar, Karen Livick, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Paul Markow, Frederick McCarthy, Victor Melnychenko, Ronald Michel, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Michael Moroz, Linda Muldoon, Karen Needham, Julie 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, 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, Doris Scully, Joella Seale, Clay Seman, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Kimberly Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, 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, Anna Tur, 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, Sophia Zomcahk & James Zook.**

## TOGETHER FOREVER IN ETERNITY

**E**very husband and wife enter their married lives with great expectations. Sometimes, however, hopes and dreams for a long and prosperous life together are dashed by some unforeseen tragedy. Such was the case for the **HOLY MARTYR ADRIAN** and **NATALIA**, his beloved wife.

The saintly couple were both born into wealthy families. Their marriage was to last for only a little over a year. Tradition has it that the wicked Emperor Maximian visited their home town of Nicomedia, determined to seek out every Christian in the village and put them to death. 23 Christians were found hiding in a cave and were taken before the local magistrate.

Adrian, who was not yet a Christian (Natalia secretly was), questioned these faithful followers about their motivation for their willingness to suffer for Christ. He was so impressed with their sincerity that he boldly proclaimed before the Emperor: "I AM A CHRISTIAN AS WELL." Natalia then ministered to her husband and fellow Christians while they were in prison. Adrian finally succumbed to the severe tortures inflicted upon him. His grieving wife was permitted to take his remains to Constantinople for burial.

While in Constantinople, Natalia had a vision of her husband Adrian, who appeared to her bathed in light. He assured her that God would soon be calling her home as well and that they would then be together in the Kingdom of Heaven. A few days later, Natalia peacefully fell asleep in the Lord, commending her soul into His Divine Hands.