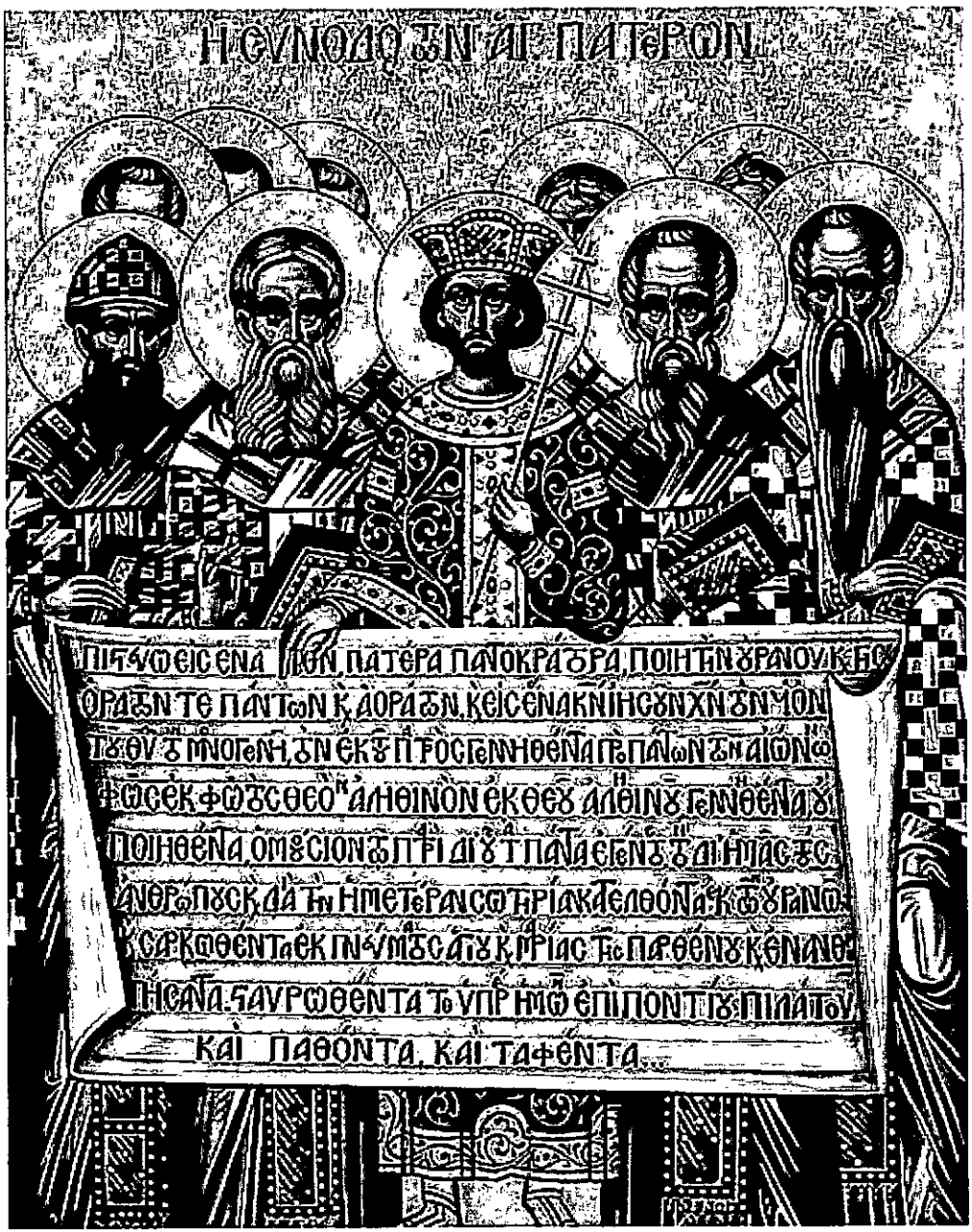

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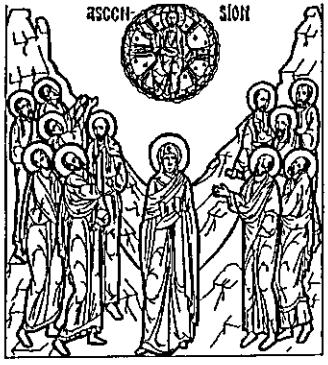

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HOLY MYSTERIES

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 24, 2026
Volume 61: Number 21
Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of May 24 - 31, 2026
Celebrating our 98th year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, May 24 - Sunday of the 1st Ecumenical Council– Memorial Day - Tone 6
8:30 AM – Confessions
9:15 AM – Prayers before Communion
9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful
Pankahyda: Pani Ann Hrynyshyn (8 yrs.) – Family
Panakhyda: Deceased of the Veterans of the Parish
Coffee Hour – UOL Meeting

Saturday, May 30 – Memorial Saturday
9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy – Remembering the Deceased of Those Present

Sunday, May 31 – Pentecost Sunday – Tone 7
8:30 AM – Confessions
9:15 AM – Prayers before Communion
9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful
Baptism: Frank Lewis Gunsallus V
Coffee Hour

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council – Matins: John 21:1-14; Liturgy: Acts of the Apostles 20:16-18, 28-36; John 17:1-13
Monday – Acts of the Apostles 21:8-14; John 14:27-15:7
Tuesday – Acts of the Apostles 21:26-32; John 16:2-13
Wednesday – Acts of the Apostles 23:1-11; John 16:15-23
Thursday – Acts of the Apostles 25:13-19; John 16:23-33
Friday – Acts of the Apostles 27:1-44; John 17:18-26
Memorial Saturday – acts of the Apostles 28:1-31; John 21:15-25
Pentecost – Matins: John 20:19-23; Liturgy: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11; John 7:37-52, 8:12

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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 – 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!

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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** * **John Cramer – Army** * **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**

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to Stephen Bockrath, 5/20; Dee Dee Allan, 5/24; Halyna Feleshchuk, 5/25 & George Pantelopulos, 5/28. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy & blessed years!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

(Please find a substitute if you cannot make a given week)
May 24 – Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin
May 31 – Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin
June 7 – Sonya Patronik and John Plachuta
June 14 – Sonya Patronik and John Plachuta
June 21 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas
June 28 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas
July 5 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week of May 25 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson
Week of June 1 - Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi
Week of June 8 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus
Week of June 15 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration
Week of June 22 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson
Week of June 29 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly
Week of July 6 - Mark & Laura Andreas

MEETINGS

UOL Meeting – Sunday, May 24th after Coffee Hour.
Parish Board – Wednesday, June 10 @ 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.

100th ANNIVRSARY – will be held on Saturday, July 17th, 2027 with a 10:00 AM – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with a Banquet at the Claymont Ballroom. Mark your calendars! Our first fund Raiser for the event is the sale of T-shirts ($10) polo shirts ($15) and sweat shirts ($20) with the Anniversary Logo on them thanks to the art and stitching work of Michael Kapelus.

READERS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 24 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick
May 31 - Thomas Sulpizi
June 7 - John Plachuta
June 14 - Linda Hnatow
June 21 - Jean Roeth
June 28 - Andrew Duncan
July 5 - Thomas Scholz

CALENDER OF EVENTS - 2026

Sunday, May 31 – Pentecost
Saturday, June 6 – Scout Car Wash at the Church
Monday, June 8 – Apostle' Fast
Sunday, June 21 – Father's Day Dinner – Graduate Sunday
Sunday. July 12 – Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul – Patronal Dinner
Saturday, August 1 – UOL Flea Market
Saturday, September 26 – Hall Rented
Saturday, November 7 – Fall Bazaar
Saturday, November 28 – St. Philip Fast
Sunday, December 20 – UOL Cookie Sale

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

May 24 - Sandy Cramer
May 31 - Sonya Patronik
June 7 - Zina Twardus and Nancy Tur
June 14 - David and Eve Lazaration

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL – Metropolitan Antony, Archbishop Daniel, Archimandrite Raphael, Father George Bazylevky, Father Vasyl Dovhan, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Andrew Molewski, Father Anthony Ugolnik, Father James Weremedic, Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Matushka Andrejuk, Matushka Laura Odell, Matushka Lisa Weremedic, Pani Matka Oksanna Bazylevsky, Pani Matka Maryann Ozlanski, Jonathan Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Joyce Belles, Joyce Bendoakas, Ethel Bernhard, Irene Billon, James Bolton, Maria Borowenski, Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Erik Colazo, Alex Czernik, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, George Daniels, Taylor Davis, Peter DiVirgilio, James Dudrick, Kathleen Dugan, Mary Eagleton, Maria Economou, Rose Eldridge, Archantula Fanjoy, Mary Farell, Kandi Fullerton, James Garrett, Lisa Gee, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovniov, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Richard Haslam, Rick Hastings, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Alicia Hlywak, John Hlywak, Nancy Hlywiak, Daniel Holoviak, Jennifer Huertes, Serhii Ivashyna, Violet Jaskolka, Stephen Johnson, Bill Jones, Linda Josepinson, Michael Kapelus, Walter Katolik, Diane Keyser, Wendy Klinedinst, Tommy Knight, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Francis Lano, Ed Lavender, Ron Lazaration, Joan Libera, Karen Livick, Sara Long, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Jeremy Madea, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Frederick McCarthy, Fred McKirachan, Stephen McNulty, Ronald Michel, Mary Ann Michalcewicz, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Karen Needham, Julie Neff, Ann Nester, Rick Orner, Sienna Ozboya, Betty Painter, Anastasios Pantelopulos, Anthony Pantelopulos, Daphne Pantelopulos, George Pantelopulos, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry Pinkowicz, Janilyn Pinkowicz, Bernice Pinkowicz, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Chuck Redden, Patricia Redden, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Sandy Roeder, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, Jeff Rozwadowski, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, Richard Scharba, Isaac Schmidt, Clay Seman, John Serth, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Alexandra Sparco, Natalia Stanford, Rich Steinman, Cynthia Stepovij, Nicholas Stepovij, Joseph Stevens, Noel Strobino, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Michael Synczyszyn, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, John 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, Laura Worley, Jack Ziegler & James Zook

318 Fathers of Nicea

The 318 fathers of the First Ecumenical Council have a special place in the heart of the Christian Church. These great bishops and theologians of the Orthodox East were called by the great emperor, Constantine, to gather in the city of Nicea to settle certain problems that faced the growing Christian Church.

Because of certain false teachings, there was a critical need to define and set down in precise language the Faith of the Orthodox Church. After months of discussion and debate, this matter was indeed resolved in a remarkable way. The venerable Nicene Creed was the result of this council and to this day, unchanged, it stands as the sole great statement of Faith for Orthodoxy. (Its articles were completed at the Second Ecumenical Council at Constantinople).

There was also a need to set down in good form a number of matters that dealt with the practice of the Orthodox Church. There was, for instance, the date for the celebration of Pascha, the Resurrection of the Lord. And the Fathers did set down definite guidelines and principles for the computation of this date – canons still adhered to by the Orthodox Catholic Church but largely disregarded by the rest of Christendom. Some twenty canons were passed dealing with disciplinary matters within the Church.

But the great victory of the 318 Fathers was over the Arian heresy which infected the Church. The dispute involved the Person of Jesus Christ. Finally, the Creed itself reflected the Orthodox victory: "I believe …in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the only-begotten of the Father, begotten not made, being one (consubstantial, or of one essence) with the Father through Whom all things were made…"

The great and the small took part in the deliberations of this historical council. There was the majestic figure of the Emperor himself, St. Constantine, so instrumental in the success of this meeting. There was Hosius of Cordova; Marcellus, Bishop of Ancyra; and most important of all, Archdeacon Athanasius of Alexandria, attending with his bishop, Alexander. When all was said and done, it was Athanasius who stood as the majestic theological figure of Nicea, and it is no wonder that in three months time, at the death of Alexander, it was Athanasius the Great who assumed the Episcopal throne. For nearly fifty years he held the see and fought against the tides of heresy in the Orthodox Church.