GRADUATION

The 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; 2nd Youth Ministry

June 21, 2026
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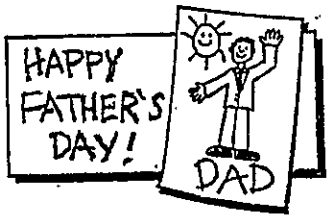
Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of June 21 - 28, 2026
Celebrating our 98th year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, June 21– 3rd Sunday after Pentecost – Father's Day – Graduate Sunday - Tone 2
8:30 AM – Confessions
9:15 AM – Prayers before Communion
9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful
Father's Day Luncheon



Sunday, June 28 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 3
8:30 AM – Confessions
9:15 AM – Prayers before Communion
9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful
Panakhyda: +Volodymyr (2 Yrs.); +Konstanty (65 yrs.); +Betty (7 yrs); +Ann (3 yrs.); +Larry (4 yrs.); +Rostoslav (43 yrs.); +Kate (12 yrs.); +Ann (12 yrs.); Sam (28 yrs); +Mary (98 yrs.); +Anna (42 yrs.); Philip (63 yrs.); +Xenia (78 yrs.)
Coffee Hour

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SCRIPTURE READINGS

3rd Sunday – Matins: Mark 16:9-20; Liturgy: Romans 5:1-10; Matthew 6:22-33
Monday – Romans 9:18-33; Matthew 11:2-15
Tuesday – Romans 10:11-11:2; Matthew 11:16-20
Wednesday – 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 11:2-12; Matthew 11:20-26
Thursday – Romans 11:13-24; Matthew 11:27-30
Friday – Romans 11:25-36; Matthew 12:1-8
Saturday – Romans 6:11-17; Matthew 8:14-23
4th Sunday –Matins: Luke 24:1-12; Liturgy: Romans 6:18-23; Matthew 8:5-13

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A NOTE OF THANKS

MY SINCEREST GRATITUDE – is expressed to our Faithful Parishioners for your prayers and cards as I recuperate. I ask for your continued prayers as I continue my recovery. May G od reward your kindness a hundredfold!

Third Sunday after Pentecost
"Do not worry about tomorrow"

Commentary: Attributed to St. Macarius of Egypt

Wishing to lead his disciples to perfect faith, the Lord said in the gospel: Whoever is unbelieving in a small matter will be unbelieving also when it comes to something important; and whoever believes in a small matter will believe also when it comes to something important. What are the small matters, and what the important ones?

The small matters are things offered by this world, which the Lord has promised to provide for those who believe in him-things such as food, clothing, and whatever else is necessary for the body's well-being, health, and the like. About these he commanded us not to have the slightest anxiety but confidently to trust him, for he will supply all the needs of those who make him their refuge. On the other hand, the important matters are the gifts pertaining to the eternal and incorruptible world, which he has promised to provide for those who believe in him, and who are ceaselessly concerned about these things and ask him for them as he commanded.

The Lord said: Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be yours as well. Thus each person is to be tested by these trivial and transitory things to see whether he or she believes that God will supply them. We are to have no anxiety about such things, but are to be concerned solely with the eternal blessings to come. It will then be obvious that one believes in the incorruptible things and really does seek the eternal blessings, if one preserves a strong faith concerning the things we have spoken of.

All who submit to the word of truth should test and examine themselves, or else be tested and examined by spiritual counselors, as to the way they live out their belief and surrender themselves to God. Are they really living by God's word, or only by an imaginary belief based on a false notion of righteousness and faith?

It is regarding his faith in small matters, that is today, in temporal matters, that each person is examined and tested. Hear how this is done. Do you say you believe that you have been deemed worthy of the kingdom of heaven, that you have been born from above as a child of God, that you are a co-heir with Christ, and that you will reign with him forever, rejoicing like God in light brilliant beyond description throughout the untold ages of eternity? No doubt you will answer, "Yes, that is the very reason why I left the world and gave myself to the Lord."

Examine yourself, then, to see whether worldly cares may still have a hold on your; whether you are very preoccupied with feeding clothing your body, and with your other pursuits and your recreation, as though your own power kept you alive, and you were obliged to make provision for yourself, when you have been commanded to have no anxiety whatever concerning yourself. If you believe that you will receive everlasting, eternal, abiding, and bounteous blessings, how much more should you not believe that God will provide you with these transitory, earthly benefits, which he has given even to impious people and to beasts and birds?

You who have become a stranger to the world ought to possess a faith, an outlook, and a manner of life which has about it something unusual, something different from that of all worldly people. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
(Homily 48, 1-6: PG 34, 807-811)

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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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FATHER'S DAY

Some years back Bill Cosby wrote a book simply entitled **FATHERHOOD.** If you ever get a chance to read it I suggest you do. It is thoroughly humorous. You will also learn a few things along the way. I would like to share with you two observations that Cosby makes about Fathers. He writes:

Now that my father is a grandfather, he just can't wait to give money to my kids. But when I was his kid and I asked him for fifty cents, he would tell me the story of his life. How he got up at 4 A.M. when he was seven years old and walked twenty-three miles to milk ninety cows. And the farmer for whom he worked had no bucket, so he had to squirt the milk into his little hand and then walk eight miles to the nearest can. All for 5 cents a month. The result was that I never got my 50 cents.

But now he tells my children every time he comes int o th.e house: Well, lets see how much money old Granddad has got for his wonderful kids." And the minute they take

money out of his hands I call them over to me and I snatch it away from them. Because that is MY money.

The other story that Cosby tells that I like is the difference between Mother's Day and Fathers Day. He insists that Mother's Day is a much bigger deal because Mothers are more organized. Mothers say to their children: Now here is a list of what I want. Go get the money from your father and you surprise me on Mothers Day. You do that for me.

For Father's Day I give each of my five kids $20 so that they can go out and by me a present--a total of $100. They go to the store and buy two packages of underwear, each of which costs $5 and contains three shorts. They tear them open and each kid wraps up one pair, the sixth pair of underwear going to the Salvation Army. Therefore, on Father's Day I am walking around with new underwear and my kid's are walking around with $90 worth of my change in their pockets.

Well, of course, Father's Day is technically not a religious holiday, it is a secular day. But, it is not, for that reason, less appropriate for us to recognize it. We also don't simply want to give equal billing to fathers this morning because we gave homage to mothers a month ago. We want to recognize dads for another very important reason. The message that is going out to so much of society today is that fathers are simply not needed. While the number may numerically be small, there are some women who actually chose to be single parent mothers. But there are far too many men in America today who father children that they have no intention of raising. The church, therefore, needs to send out the message loud and clear that fathers play a critical role in the life of the family. Father's will have a powerful impact upon their families if they connect in three crucial areas.

1. First, the role of the father is to connect with his God
2. Second, the role of a father is to connect with his family
3. Third, the role of the father is to connect with his church

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.

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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.

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3rd Sunday After Pentecost

Our family of five voted - and the vote was four to one. I lost. The issue was whether or not we would get a pet. Since I had grown up an apartment boy, the only pet I ever had was some cockroaches. But I went along with the vote, and we started down Pet Avenue with the purchase of a gerbil. And I really took a liking to him. But there's something a little strange about those furry little guys. If you could interview a gerbil about, like, what he was anticipating for today's activities, he might say, "The same as yesterday and the day before that." If you asked, "Well, what's that?" he would answer, "The wheel." And so Gerbil climbs on his wheel and starts running. Come back later, he's still running on the wheel. I guess they don't realize what's happening: lots and lots of activity - and absolutely no progress.

Well, I want to have A Word With You today about "A Gerbil On A Wheel."

My friend Mark has a successful business, a great family, and he's actively involved in a good church. But the other day, in a heart-to-heart conversation we were having, Mark summed up this deep restlessness in his heart. He said, "I'm sick and tired of the status quo." He's not alone.

I know more and more people who are tired of the "gerbil wheel" of status quo living. It's not that the wheel is bad - it just isn't satisfying. It feels too much like a life that is full of activity, but in terms of doing something really eternal, not really going anywhere. This feeling of restlessness about the wheel you're spinning on may be leading you to the same

conclusion my friend has reached. Even though there's nothing really wrong in my life, I really want more from it than just more of the same.

Okay, the reason for the restlessness may be traceable to the reality that God shows us in Ecclesiastes 3:11. He says, "He has set eternity in their hearts." You've got this "hankering," as they say down South, for something that will give your life some eternal significance. You want more than a "gerbil wheel" of doing your job, making some money, maintaining your Christian activities, meeting your responsibilities. It's all good stuff, but again not enough to satisfy a heart that's restless for something more eternal.

The first step off the "gerbil wheel" of status quo living may be in our word for today from the Word of God - Matthew 6:32-33. Speaking of the pursuit of earth-stuff, Jesus says, "The pagans run after such things, and your Heavenly Father knows that you need them. But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given you as well."

As followers of the Lord Jesus Christ, we were not created to just spend our life building and maintaining an earth-kingdom. We are eternal beings created to make an eternal difference. The restlessness of our heart is ultimately to make a greater difference with the rest of our lives than we've ever made before.

If the status quo isn't enough for you anymore, ask God for a mission that will affect people's eternity, for a life that's committed to building His Kingdom; carrying out His agenda. Nothing matters more to Jesus than the mission for which He came to earth. In His words, "to seek and to save that which was lost." (Luke 19:10)

My friend Mark, who told me of his discontentment with the status quo, said he wants the rest of his life to really be about sharing Christ, getting out the life-saving Gospel of Jesus, and taking people to heaven. He told me he wants his business profits to be about that, his relationships with the people in his world, his influence, the use of more and more of his time. See, that kind of passion to make the maximum possible difference with everything you've got with the rest of the time you have is the beginning of the great adventure your heart has been hungry for.

More of the same running on the same old gerbil wheel will never be enough for a heart that's made for the eternal. Be all about Jesus' Kingdom, and your life will count more than you could have ever dreamed.

Statement Concerning the Russian Attack on the Holy Dormition Cathedral of the Kyiv Caves Monastery - A Sacred Shrine of Orthodox Christianity

With profound sorrow in our hearts and tears of prayer, we have learned of yet another crime of Russian aggression - the attack upon the Dormition Cathedral of the Holy Dormition Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra, one of the greatest sacred treasures not only of the Ukrainian people but of the entire Orthodox Christian world.

It is especially painful to realize that this crime occurred on the Feast of All Saints of the Land of Ukraine, when the Church offers prayers in remembrance of those who sanctified our land through their holy lives and bore witness to their faithfulness to Christ. On this sacred day, Russian aggression deliberately reached towards the heart of Ukraine's spiritual heritage - a holy place that for centuries has served as a beacon of prayer, repentance, spiritual enlightenment, and encounter with God.

As the roof of the Dormition Cathedral burns, it is not only the heart of Ukraine that suffers. The heart of every Christian who understands the value of holiness, memory, and spiritual heritage suffers as well. An attack on a sacred shrine is not merely the destruction of stone and architecture. It is an attempt to destroy the memory of a people, their soul, and their right to pray, to live, and to pass on their faith to future generations.

Again and again, we affirm that human life is a sacred gift from God. Every life lost, every child deprived of parents, every family torn apart by war is a wound upon the body of humanity. Yet together with human life, sacred are also those holy places where generations have encountered God and learned the virtues of love, mercy, truth, and compassion. Therefore, the attack on the Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra is not merely a crime against Ukraine - it is a crime against Christian civilization, against the historical memory of humanity, and against the very spiritual roots of the Orthodox world.

Today, the Orthodox world has no moral right to remain a silent observer. We cannot stand by in silence while the cradle of Christianity in the lands of ancient Kyivan Rus' - from which the light of the Gospel spread to many nations - is subjected to relentless attack. Silence in the face of evil becomes complicity in evil. Christ calls us to be witnesses to the truth, not passive spectators of injustice.

We unequivocally condemn Russian aggression and all criminal acts directed against the people of Ukraine, its holy shrines, its culture, and its spiritual heritage. We also affirm that those who support the crimes of the Russian regime or seek to justify violence cannot escape moral responsibility before God and history.

Today we are called not only to offer a political or military response to evil, but above all to provide a spiritual resistance to it. We must pray more fervently, stand more firmly in the faith, and bear witness more courageously to the truth of Christ. Evil cannot be overcome by hatred; it is conquered through truth, love, sacrifice, and unwavering faith in God. Yet love never means indifference toward injustice, and mercy never means silent acceptance of evil.

We offer our fervent prayers and unwavering support to His Beatitude Metropolitan Epifaniy of Kyiv and All Ukraine, the brother hierarchs, clergy, monastics, and faithful of the Orthodox Church of Ukraine, especially the brethren of the Holy Dormition Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra. As this ancient cradle of Orthodox Christianity endures the pain of aggression and violence, we stand united in prayer before the Lord, asking that He protect His holy sanctuaries, strengthen His faithful servants, and preserve the sacred legacy entrusted to the people of Ukraine through the centuries. The caves of the Lavra, sanctified by the prayers, ascetic struggles, and holy relics of countless saints, bear witness to the living presence of God among His people. No act of destruction can extinguish the light of Christ that shines forth from these holy places.

In this time of sorrow, we call upon the clergy and faithful of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, all people of goodwill, and Christians throughout the world to raise their prayers for Ukraine, for the protection of the Kyiv-Pechersk Lavra, for the preservation of innocent lives, and for the swift end of this terrible war.

May the Lord strengthen the suffering people of Ukraine. May the Venerable Fathers of the Kyiv Caves intercede for their land. May all the Saints of the Land of Ukraine become heavenly protectors of those who today endure the horrors of war.

And may the Protecting Veil of the Most Holy Theotokos shelter Ukraine, her people, and her sacred shrines from every evil and every destruction.

With prayerful sorrow and steadfast hope in Christ,

Metropolitan Antony **Archbishop Daniel**

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)

KINDERGARTEN

Leda Otamas - graduated from Blossom and Bloom Learning Center and she will go to Linden Hill Elementary School this fall. Her hobbies are going to the beach, spending time with her family. She enjoys fashion, art, concerts and dancing. She loves spending time with Deda and working in the garden.

HIGH SCHOOL

Stephen Bockrath - graduated from Brandywine High School in May. He will be attending the University of Delaware in the Fall.

Amanda Pappas – graduated from Sun Valley High School in Aston. PA. During her time there she played volley ball, was part of the Science National Honor Society and a member of the Family Career and Community Leaders of America Club. In the Fall, she will be attending the University of Valley Forge where she will be majoring in Psychology and playing vol ley ball.

Kennedy Pingatore – graduated on May 31 from Concord High School. In the Fall she will be attending the University of Delaware majoring in psychology.

Olivia Pingatore - graduated on May 31 from Concord High School. In the Fall she will be attending the University of Delaware majoring in elementary and middle school education.

Juliet Pingatore - graduated on May 31 from Concord High School. In the Fall she will be attending the University of Delaware majoring in special education.

Alexander Zhou - graduated from Brandywine High School in May. He will be attending the University of Delaware in the Fall.

COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY

Ksenia Kaliakin – graduated in May from the University of Delaware with a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Science, concentrating in Marine Science and minoring in Forensics Science. She is presently continuing her work as a Meteorological Technician for the Center for Environmental Monitoring and Analysis (CEMA). This summer she is also working as a horseshoe crab ecology technician. In the Spring of 2027, she will be attending Graduate School in the Midwest.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to Lidiya Otamas, 6/21; Sophia Nazarenko 6/22; Roman Otamas, 6/24; Marina Otamas, 6/25; Alexander Novikov, 6/26. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy & blessed years!

IT"S SUMMER TIME – a time to relax in the sun, take some down time, enjoy our vacations. Please don't forget about your Parish as we cannot get a vacation from our bills. Treasurer, Mark Andreas

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

(Please find a substitute if you cannot make a given week)
June 21 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas
June 28 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas
July 5 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik
July 12 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik
July 19 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow
July 26 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow
August 2 – Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin

MEETINGS

Parish Board – Wednesday, July 8 @ 6:30 PM

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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
Week of July 13 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson
Week of July 20 - Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi
Week of July 27 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus
Week of August 3 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration

Pyrohy Schedule: Saturday, July 11; Saturday, August 22; Saturday, September 19 & Saturday, October 3

READERS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 21 - Jean Roeth
June 28.- Andrew Duncan
July 5 - Thomas Scholz
July 12 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick
July 19 – Thomas Sulpizi
July 26 - John Plachuta
August 2 – Linda Hnatow

CALENDER OF EVENTS - 2026

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
Sunday, September 20 – Pot Luck Dinner
Saturday, September 26 – Hall Rented
Monday, October 12 – 15 – Clergy Rertreat
Saturday, October 17 – UOL Retreat
Saturday, November 7 – Fall Bazaar
Saturday, November 14 – Wine Tasting
Saturday, November 28 – St. Philip Fast
Sunday, December 20 – UOL Cookie Sale

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.

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.

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

June 21 – Sandy Cramer
June 28 - Sonya Patronik
July 5 - Zina Twardus and Nancy Tur
July 12 - 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

– WHAT DOES YOUR CONSCIENCE SAY? The Christian conscience is an important compass for living. But conscience can be mislead 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.

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