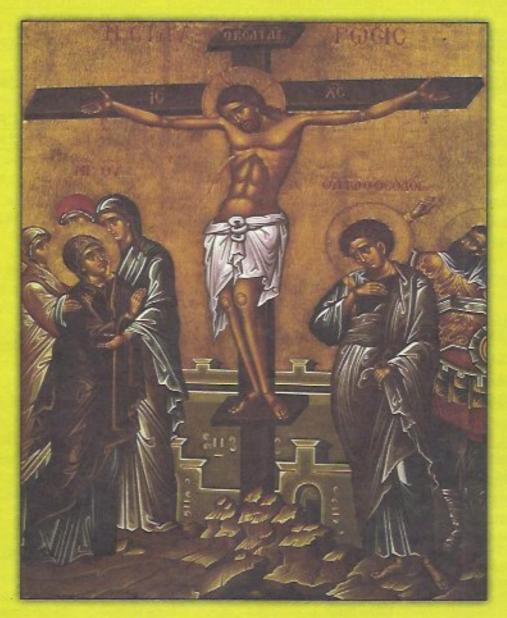
SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS



Icon of the Holy Cross and Crucifixion

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September 18-25, 2016 Sunday after the Exaltation of the Cross

Epistle: Galatians 2: 16-20 Gospel: Mark 8: 34-9:1

SATURDAY (English) +Tony & Justyna Stojkiewicz- Daughters Audrey and Jane

SUNDAY AFTER THE FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

9:00AM (Ukrainian) For the People

11:00AM(English) +John Terleski- Helen and Elizabeth Terleski

Fr. Dan will be away for the Annual Priests retreat this week. Please remember to pray for our priests and deacons as they share this week of prayer and conference. Thank you

MONDAY to FRIDAY No Divine Liturgy

SATURDAY September 24

6:00PM (English) For The Parishioners

19th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:00AM (Ukrainian) +Yevgen Shevtziv - Yuriy Shevtziv

11:00AM(English) Health & birthday intention: Olga Trusz - Trusz Family

COLLECTION - \$1319.00 Thank you for your generosity and support

Pyrohy Sale: \$1524.00

\$5000.00 In memory of +Walter and Lillian Kiniuk

Eternal Light & Altar Candles In memory of +Dedovich Family - Dan &

Loretta Bodnar

Kim Lightcap

Please remember to pray for the sick and all those who have requested our prayers
Helen Terleski Teodozia Sroka Catherine Kutzler Olga Turczyn

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Mae Kulcyzcki Sophie Troyan
Archbishop Stefan Peg Hutnik
Olga Bryksa Julian Trusz
Joseph Bodnar Lillian Opp

Lillian Opp Gregory Neff

Frank & Betty Maitski Stephen Terleski Anna Drozd

Martha Charon Walter Kiniuk ski Sarah Shanks

Sarah Shanks Bob Bassler Olga Trusz

Michael Trusz

Margaret Dashe Helen Potak Mary Heverling Frieda Lubosky

Mary Heverling

Jean Lakomski

Richard Suter

Michael Sidlar

Estelle Troyan

The Divine Liturgy

. The central theme of the Divine Liturgy is **thanksgiving** - in Greek, **Eucharist**. We acknowledge all that God has done for us in gratitude. And in order to give thanks, we must first **remember**. (The Greek word for remembering is "anamnesis.")

In the Old Testament, the act of remembering is continually emphasized. We are urged to remember all that God has done for us, as a people and as individuals; it is when we forget God and his goodness to us that the we violate the covenant, and fall into sin. At the same time, God is asked to remember those same works, and do them once more in our day; and that He remember each and every one of us, for should He forget, we would return to the nothing from which we were made.

In the New Testament, too, the disciples were told to offer the Eucharistic sacrifice "in remembrance of" our Lord Jesus Christ - and it was in the breaking of bread that the disciples at Emmaus recognized the Lord.

So in the Divine Liturgy, we remember all that God has done for us, recalling it solemnly through the words of the priest in the great Eucharistic prayer called the **Anaphora**, anoffer him all that we have. Together with this sacrifice, we offer the one true, worth sacrifice: the Lamb of God, our Lord Jesus Christ. It is the life, death, and resurrection of Christ - that is, the <u>Paschal Mystery</u> of God's love for us - that we remember and offer

In the Byzantine Rite, the Divine Liturgy is essentially festive - that is, it is an occasion for joy. For this reason, it is not celebrated on days of fasting and penance (the so-called "a-liturgical days").

The Divine Liturgy is normally celebrated on Sundays and feast days, as well as on Saturdays (according to tradition, we do not fast on either Saturday or Sunday). The Divine Liturgy may be celebrated on ordinary weekdays, Monday through Friday, except on the aliturgical days.

In the Divine Liturgy, the local church is most clearly seen as gathered together in an orderly fashion, led by a priest who is empowered by ordination to offer sacrifice and prayers on behalf of the faithful. Word and actions emphasize the unity of the faithful. For this reason, it is traditional in the Byzantine Churches that there should only be one celebration of the Divine Liturgy in a particular church on a given day - "one altar, one liturgy."

The bishop is the original celebrant of the Divine Liturgy, and it is still the case that a priest celebrates the service only by his permission. When the bishop participates in the service, wearing his episcopal vestments, certain hymns are added to the service or performed in a more solemn fashion; this is referred to as a hierarchical liturgy ("hierarch" means "high priest", and is another word for "bishop"). The liturgical books set various times for the Divine Liturgy to be celebrated, but it is almost always held at mid-morning. The morning is the time of hope, and the recognition in the light of day of all that God has done for us and given to us. Other important moments in the life of the local church - baptisms, weddings, ordinations, and the installation of a bishop - normally take place during the Divine Liturgy (although customs for baptisms and weddings have varied over time). In the public character of these services, celebrated in the midst of a gathering of all the faithful, we see the Church gathered together in unity - the "kingdom of God" present in the world.

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Troparion (1):

Though the stone was sealed by the Jews and soldiers guarded Your immaculate body, You arose, O Savior, on the third day, and gave life to the world. And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of life: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your kingdom! Glory to Your saving plan, O only Lover of Mankind! Troparion (1):

Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance; grant victory to Your Church over her enemies and protect Your people by Your cross.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion (1):You arose in glory from the tomb and with Yourself You raised the world. All humanity acclaims You as God, and death has vanished. Adam exults, O Master; and Eve, redeemed now from bondage, cries out for joy: You are the One, O Christ, Who offer resurrection to all.

Now and for ever and ever: Amen.

Kontakion (4):

Willingly raised upon the cross, O Christ our God, You bestowed Your mercies upon a new people bearing Your name. With Your power grant joy to Your church giving her victory over her enemies, with the invincible standard, Your weapon of peace, as an ally.

Prokimenon (7):

Extol the Lord, our God, and worship at His footstool; holy is He! Verse:The Lord is King; let the peoples tremble. Epistle:Reading of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galations.(Gal 2,16-20)

Brethren: We know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law, no one will be justified. But if, in seeking to be justified in Christ, we ourselves are found to be sinners, is Christ then a minister of sin? Of course not! But if I am building up again those things that I tore down, then I show myself to be a transgressor. For through the law I died to the law, that I might live for God. I have been crucified with Christ; yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me; insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me.

Alleluia Verses:

Verse:Remember Your flock whom You have built long ago.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Verse:God is our King from time past, the giver of help through all the land.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel:(Mk 8,34-38;9,1)

At that time, Jesus summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them,
"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow
me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his
life for my sake and that of the gospel will save it. What profit is there for one to
gain the whole world and forfeit his life? What could one give in exchange for his
life? Whoever is ashamed of me and of my words in this faithless and sinful
generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of when he comes in his Father's glory
with the holy angels." He also said to them, "Amen, I say to you, there are some
standing here who will not taste death until they see that the kingdom of God has
come in power."

It is truly right... (Or theHirmos of the Feast):

O my soul, extol the most precious Cross of the Lord.

Hirmos: You are a mystical garden, O Mother of God: without tilling you have brought forth Christ by Whom the life-giving tree of the cross was planted on earth. Therefore, when we now adore Him raised upon the cross, we extol you.

Communion Verse:

O Lord, let the light of Your countenance shine upon us. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Happy Birthday greetings go out to Stefania Trusz on her 85th birthday, Happy 18th birthday to Olga Wovchuk! Happy 87th birthday to Richard Suter! Happy 50th birthday to David Wright! May God grant them many healthy happy years! MNOHAYA LITA!

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE

Tuesday September 20 has been designated by Pope Francis as a day for prayer for world peace. The priests of our Archeparchy will be celebrating a Moleben to the Mother of God on Tuesday evening at retreat at 7:00PM to join in the call from Pope Francis and Patriarch Sviatoslav for peace in our countries and in our world. Please join with us in prayer.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BANQUET

On Friday October 7 at the Palace Restaurant, the Knights of Columbus Council 345 will be honoring their Knight of the Year with a banquet celebration. For tickets please call Greg De Salva 610-814-6292. All brother Knights along with their spouse/guests are encouraged to attend to honor this year's recipient.

UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL WHIPPANY NEW JERSEY

The pastor and parishioners of St John's Church invite you to their annual Ukrainian Festival at the Ukrainian American Cultural Center of NJ at 60 N Jefferson Road in Whippany New Jersey. Free admission and entertainment! Ukrainian foods, Pig Roast, Bakery Café, Live Music, Vendors and children's games and activities. All are welcome! Evening Zabava (Dance) 8:00PM-1:30AM Music by Serhiy "Foma" Fomenko

Dance tickets \$35.00 for more info call 973-887-3616

IN BLESSED MEMORY

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the family and friends of +Walter Kiniuk who died this past week. Walter was a long time member of our parish with his wife +Lillian, and was buried from Holy Ghost on Wednesday. May our Lord comfort his family and may his memory be eternal! VICHNAYA PAMYAT!

PRIEST'S RETREAT

The priests and deacons of our Archeparchy will be on a spiritual retreat at St ALphonsus retreat house in Long Branch NJ. In the event of an emergency please contact Ted Veresink at 610-573-3055. Please remember to pray for our Bishop, priests and deacons this week, that the Holy Spirit inspire and guide them.

TRICKY TRAY DONATIONS

We will be holding our Annual Tricky Tray Fundraiser on October 16, 2016. We have sent a letter out to all of our parishioners asking for your support of \$50.00 for each family to help us prepare the prizes. The Tricky Tray is one of our major fundraisers and helps us to meet our goal of maintaining our church here in West Easton. Fliers will be available soon to distribute. If anyone is willing to help us solicit prizes from the local businesses please see Fr. Dan or John Drozd after the Liturgies. Thank you.

\$50.00 : Theodore Wujkiw, Dave & Leah Wright, Oleh Balaziuk, Olga Dunigan, Noel & Vitalia Martinez, Jack Hutnik

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We have begun our religious education classes for the children of our parish.

We have moved the classes to 12:00 noon on Sunday. They will be held from 12-1PM.

This year we are covering the stories of the Bible from the Book of Genesis through the New Testament.

PYROHY SALE

Special thanks to all those who came to help at our pyrohy sale this past week:profit it from the sale was \$1524.00

Special thanks to Dan Bodnar for his help as well, who was accidentally omitted from the list last week. Our Next sale is October 4-5.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Our Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy invites you to it's **Wedding Anniversary Celebration** on Sunday October 16, 2016. Metropolitan Archbishop Stefan Soroka invites you to celebrate your wedding anniversary at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception at a Divine Liturgy at 11:00AM in your honor followed by a banquet for all couples and guests. Registration forms are in the vestibule of the church. Cost is \$50.00 per couple \$30.00 for guests. Deadline for registration is October 1, 2016

OCTOBER 2nd BASILIAN PILGRIMAGE

The Sisters of St Basil the Great in Fox Chase PA invite you to their annual Pilgrimage on Sunday October 2, 2016. The Theme for this year's Pilgrimage is "Mary, Mother of Mercy" The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 11:00AM and Moleben to the Blessed Mother at 4:00PM. For more information and directions please visit their website at www.stbasils.com.

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If you wish to join Holy Ghost Church and become a member of our parish family, please contact Fr. Dan at the parish rectory to register with us.

Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion. Classes are required for parents and godparents prior to sacrament. Please contact the parish office

Marriages: Couples wishing to be married must be registered in the parish and attending Pre-Cana classes. One year notification is required.

Anointing of the Sick/Visitation of the Sick: Anyone wishing to be visited with Holy Communion and/or anointed for healing, please contact Fr. Dan at the parish office.

Confession: Regular confession helps us in our journey of faith.

Confessions will be held

Saturday's from 5:15PM-5:45PM Sunday from 10:15AM-10:45AM

We Hope For What We Do Not See

Patience is a precept for salvation given us by our Lord, our teacher: Whoever endures to the end will be saved. And again: If you persevere in my word, you will truly be my disciples; you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.

Dear brothers and sisters, we must endure and persevere if we are to attain the truth and freedom we have been allowed to hope for; faith and hope are the very meaning of our being Christians, but if faith and hope are to bear their fruit, patience is necessary.

We do not seek glory now, in the present, but we look for future glory, as Saint Paul instructs us when he says: By hope we were saved. Now hope which is seen is not hope; how can a man hope for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it in patience. Patient waiting is necessary if we are to be perfected in what we have begun to be, and if we are to receive from God what we hope for and believe.

In another place the same Apostle instructs and teaches the just, and those active in good works, and those who store up for themselves treasures in heaven through the reward God gives them. They are to be patient also, for he says: Therefore while we have time, let us do good to all, but especially to those who are of the household of the faith. But let us not grow weary in doing good, for we shall reap our reward in due season.

St. Cyprian of Carthage

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