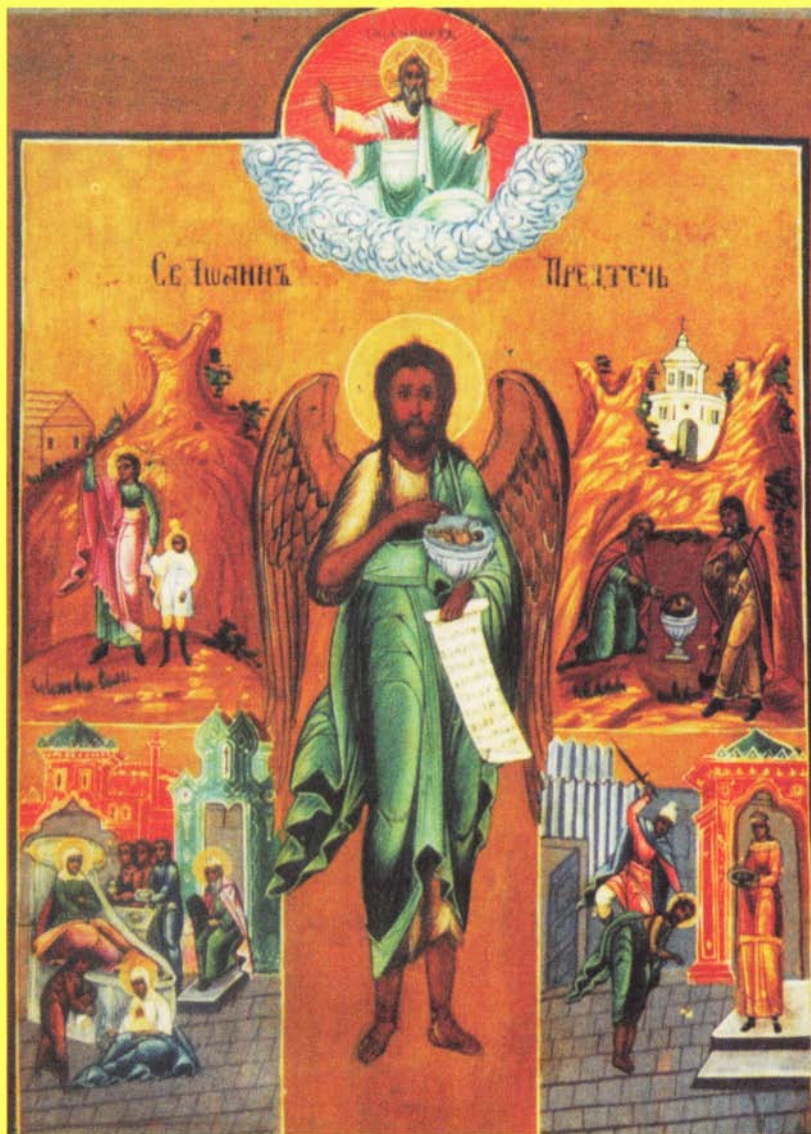


BEHEADING OF THE HOLY PROPHET,
FORERUNNER, AND BAPTIST JOHN



Icon of Saint John the Baptist -- August 29th

August 29, 2010
Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Beheading of St. John the Baptizer

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 30 – SEPTEMBER 5

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST – CHURCH NEW YEAR

9:30 AM AKATHIST OF THANKSGIVING

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5TH – FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS



Remember in your prayers



Please remember in your prayers those members of our parish, our family and friends who are ailing, are in hospitals, nursing homes and those who are not able to join actively in their community. Remember especially the

following: Katherine Andrus, Sr. Marie Arendes, Walter & Isabella Bachynsky, Susie Boyko, Sonya Cronin, Helen Davis, Lorene Lagrone, Maria Laszok, Natalie, Maria Leskiw, Lesya Loznycky, Sonia Shashkewych, Sophia Skop and Ariadna Wall. Please let Fr. James know if there is anyone else who should be remembered.

Remember Those In The Armed Forces



Let us especially remember in our prayers those family members and friends who are actively serving their countries in the Armed Forces: Luke and Slavamira Haywas, Elizabeth Heltsley, Oksanna Hirniak, Andrew Hrynkiw, Zenon and Susan Keske, Michael Lopes, Vasyl Lylak, Thomas Orr, Paul Richelmi and Brian Tuthill. Please give any names of those you would like remembered in the *Liturgies to Fr. James*.



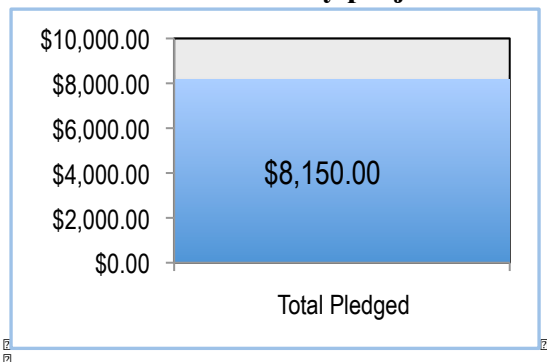
The Church New Year – September 1st

A time for new beginnings – let us recommit ourselves to the Lord. There will be an Akathist of Thanksgiving at 9:30 AM on September 1st in gratitude for God’s many blessings.

Welcome to Our Visitors

We warmly welcome all those who are visiting from near and far. Please consider staying for a bite to eat at our coffee hour following the service. But even if you have to run, we thank you for worshipping with us today, and we wish you a blessed remainder of your visit!

50th anniversary project



Strive as well as you can to enter deeply into the church reading and singing and to imprint these on the tablets of the heart.

– Abbot Nazarius

Catechism for Youth and Young Adults (5-18) will begin in October. Registration forms are available in the church hall. Please return them to Fr. James by September 19th so that the appropriate number of needed texts can be ordered. The schedule and cost of text books for the classes will be determined once the number of students has been finalized.

Prayers for Teachers and Students will be offered today for the new academic year. Teachers and students will be asked to come forward near the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

Generations of Faith

On Sunday September 19th after the Divine Liturgy we will continue our whole parish catechetical program called "Generations of Faith." There will be a Pot-Luck luncheon followed by the learning session.

FROM THE SAYINGS OF THE FATHERS

"What is a merciful heart? It is a heart on fire for the whole of creation, for humanity, for the birds, for the animals, for demons, and for all that exists. By the recollection of them the eyes of a merciful person pour forth tears in abundance. By the strong and vehement mercy that grips such a person's heart, and by such great compassion, the heart is humbled and one cannot bear to hear or to see any injury or slight sorrow in any in creation. For this reason, such a person offers up tearful prayer continually even for irrational beasts, for the enemies of the truth, and for those who harm her or him, that they be protected and receive mercy."

– St. Isaac the Syrian, 7th century

USING YOUR POTENTIAL

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The story is told of two men who were caught stealing sheep. Their punishment was to be branded on the forehead, "ST" (sheep thief). One of the branded men, unable to deal with his brand, immediately moved to another area to live.

The one who stayed in the locality decided that he would show his townsfolk that he could change. As the story is told, many years later a newcomer in town, seeing the branded man, asked another person, "What does ST mean?" "I don't know," he replied, "but knowing the man I think it stands for 'saint'."

We are called not to be afraid of small beginnings, but also not to fail to begin. What we have done, or what we have let ourselves become is of little concern to the Lord. What we decide to do with our God-given potential is the only concern. We have the potential, however small we may perceive it to be, to call to life the power of God's Holy Spirit within our lives, that His light and life may shine through our words and actions.



When you pray to God in time of temptation do not say, 'Take this or that away from me', but pray like this: 'O Jesus Christ, sovereign Master, help me and do not let me sin against Thee.'

– Abba Isaiah the Solitary

СВЯТКУЄМО 50-РОКІВ!

Celebrating 50 Years!

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The Tyrant's Weakness and The Beheaded's Power

Note well the weakness of the tyrant compared to the power of the one in prison. Herod was not strong enough to silence his own tongue. Having opened it, he opened up countless other mouths in its place and with its help.

As for John, he immediately inspired fear in Herod after his murder - for fear was disturbing Herod's conscience to such an extent that he believed John had been raised from the dead and was performing miracles!

In our own day and through all future time, throughout all the world, John continues to refute Herod, both through himself and through others. For each person repeatedly reading this Gospel says: "It is not lawful for you to have the wife of Philip your brother."

And even apart from reading the Gospel, in assemblies and meetings at home or in the market, in every place ... even to the very ends of the earth, you will hear this voice and see that righteous man even now still crying out, resounding loudly, reproving the evil of the tyrant. He will never be silenced ...

St. John Chrysostom