

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of the Protection of the Mother of God -- October 1st

SEPTEMBER 27, 2009
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TONE 8

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 28 – OCTOBER 4, 2009

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3 9:00 AM LITURGY – ✝ YAROSLAVA, MYKOLA, IVAN, ANASTASIA, EMILIA,
ANATOLY, LYDIA, & VALENTINOVYCH FAMILY –
REQ: LARYSA

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4 10:00 AM LITURGY – **18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**
FEAST OF THE PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS –
ПОКРОБ (OBSERVED)
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, Walter & Isabella Bachynsky, Susie Boyko, Sonya Cronin, Helen Davis, Bohdanchik James, Maria Laszok, Lesya Loznycky, Luke Shmorhay, and Sophia Skop. Please let Fr. James know if there is anyone else who should be remembered.



Prayers For Those Serving 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 Hrynkiv, Zenon and Susan Keske, Michael Lopes, Vasyl and Volodymyr Lylak, Paul Richelmi and Brian Tuthill. *Please give any names of those you would like remembered in the Liturgies to Fr. James.*

Ukrainian Parish Festival!

Our Parish Festival will be on Saturday, November 7th. We still need many volunteers. See Luke Miller who is the coordinator for this event.

FR. JAMES WILL BE AWAY...

Fr. James will be in Chicago this Wednesday - Friday for the priestly ordinations of Fr. Deacon Pavlo Popov and Fr. Deacon Volodymyr Kushnir. In case of an emergency please contact either Fr. Robert Pipta of Holy Angels Byzantine Catholic Church at (858) 277-2511, Fr. Sabba Shofany of St. Jacob Melkite Catholic Mission at (619) 410-7868, or Fr. Myron Mykyta at (323) 663-6307. **Please pray for the servants of God, Pavlo and Volodymyr!**

Divine Liturgy Schedule

1. After prayerful consideration of the Pastoral Council's recommendation, as of October 11th we will continue with a single unified Divine Liturgy but the time of the Liturgy will be changed to 9:30 AM.
2. Great Vespers for Sundays and Feast days will resume on Saturday, October 10th at 6:00PM.
3. On Sunday November 1st, we will begin to celebrate a parochial form of Sunday Matins (Утренняя.) Initially, Matins will begin at 8:30 AM on the first Sunday of each month before the Divine Liturgy.

Tentative Parish Meeting

I hope to have a parish meeting on *Sunday, November 22nd*. On the agenda will be items such as: Parish Financial Report; Future of the Parish; Response to Patriarch Lubomyr's call for evangelization.

Consecration of St. Michael's Ukrainian Catholic Church – Tucson

Sunday, November 15, 2009

We are organizing a group of parishioners to attend this very important event in the life of our brothers and sisters in Tucson. Fr. Andriy Chirovsky has invited us to come and celebrate with his community. If you are interested in attending this event as a group, please talk to Fr. James.

“Virsky” Ukrainian National Dance Company: “A Winter Pops Special Presentation”

Virsky Ukrainian National Dance Company will be performing at Copley Symphony Hall in downtown San Diego today, September 27th. Call the box office at 619-235-0804, or visit their web site at www.sandiegosymphony.com.

Parish work day

On Saturday, October 3rd, following the Divine Liturgy, there will be a parish work day to clean the church and the hall in preparation for the Praznyk Celebration. Work will begin at approximately 10:30 AM. Please come and help. Many hands make light work.

Парафіяльний Празник – Parish Patronal Feast

Next Sunday, October 4, we will celebrate our patronal feast of *Покров* – The Holy Protection of the Mother of God. Tickets will be available in the church hall after Divine Liturgy. Ticket prices: Adults - \$15.00; school-aged children (13-17) - \$8.00; children 12 and under – Free. We need help to set up for the Praznyk Celebration in the Church Hall. We also need help with serving and with clean up following the festivities.

A Matter of Perspective

Three clergymen were deep in a discussion of the best positions for praying while a telephone repairman worked nearby.

“Kneeling is definitely best,” claimed one.

“No,” another contended. “I get the best results standing with my arms outstretched to heaven.”

“You're both wrong,” the third argued. “The most effective prayer position is lying on the floor facedown.”

The telephone repairman could contain himself no longer. “Hey, guys,” he interrupted, “the best prayin' I ever did was hangin' upside down from a telephone pole.”

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Церква Святого Пророка й Предтечі Йоана Хрестителя
Святиня Святого Миколая, Архієпископа Мирлікійського, Чудотворця

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Praise to Mary the Theotokos

We greet you, Mary, Theotokos, the venerable treasure of the whole world, inextinguishable lamp, crown of virginity, scepter of orthodoxy, indestructible temple, vessel of Him who cannot be contained, mother and virgin. Because of you, He is called in the holy gospel, "Blessed, who comes in the name of the Lord" (Mt. 21:9).

We greet you, who held in your holy, virginal womb the One who cannot be contained. Because of you, the Trinity is worshipped and adored. Because of you the cross is venerated and adored through the whole world. Because of you heaven rejoices, the angels and archangels delight and demons are put to flight. Because of you, the devil, the temptor, has fallen from heaven, and fallen creation is taken up to heaven. Because of you, every creature possessed by the madness of idolatry has come to the knowledge of the truth, holy baptism has been imparted to believers and the oil of gladness is poured out. Because of you, churches have been established through the whole world and nations are brought to repentance.

What more needs to be said? Because of you, the Only-Begotten Son of God has shone as a light on those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, prophets prophesied and the Apostles preached salvation to the nations. Because of you the dead are raised and kings rule through the grace of the Holy Trinity.

From a Homily at the Council of Ephesus