

May 17, 2015
Post-festive of Ascension
Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council
Epistle: Acts 20:16-18 & 28-38; Gospel: John 17:1-13



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SCHEDULE:

Sunday:

Rosary 8:30 am

Festal Matins 9:00 am

Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Monday, Divine Liturgy 9:00 am

Tuesday, Divine Liturgy 9:00 am

Wednesday

OLPH Devotions, 5:30 pm

Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

Friday, Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

Saturday: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday: 10:00 am – 4:00 pm

Thursday OFF

Parish Advisory Board Members:

Dorothy Curl, Dave Dark, Lubomyra Kmetyk,

Brian Fitzpatrick, Harry DeLap

Parish Finance Council Members:

Matthew Blain & Eva Schuler

Confession Schedule (Mystery of Reconciliation):

9:30-9:50 am on Sundays, before or after weekday

Liturgies, or by appointment with Father

Mysteries of Baptism/Chrismation/Eucharist:

Must be arranged three months in advance.

(Pre-Jordan requirement)

Mystery of Crowning:

Must be arranged six months in advance

(Pre-Cana requirement)

Sick and Shut-Ins: It is the family's responsibility to notify the parish office when a parishioner is in the hospital or confined to home because of sickness or old age. Father will bring the confined person the Holy Mysteries on a regular basis. It is recommended that one receive the Anointing of the Sick before any major surgery. Please don't let the priest be last to know that someone is ill!

Eastern Christian Formation Program:

All grades meet every Sunday after Liturgy for 45 min

Welcome to our Church! If you are looking for a spiritual home, contact Father Artur or the office staff for more information. God bless you.

Today	8:30 am	Rosary
	9:00 am	Festal Matins
	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy for Parish Family & Friends Fr. Chris: +Diane Sullivan by Gloria Macy Baptism of Emilia Sophia Wells
	Eternal Lamp:	Intention of Bishop Gerald by M/M Tom Plut
Monday May 18		<i>Post-festive of Ascension/Theodotus and Others Martyrs</i> <i>Epistle: Acts 21:8-14; Gospel: John 14:27-15:7</i>
	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy Blessing on Lowe Family by Pam Pettit
Tuesday May 19		<i>Post-festive of Ascension/Patrick Bishop-Martyr</i> <i>Epistle: Acts 21:26-32; Gospel: John 16:2-13</i>
	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy; +James Stackpole by Noel Stackpole Fr. Chris: Intention of Bishop Gerald by Ann Rajala
Wednesday May 20		<i>Post-festive of Ascension/Thalaleus and Others Martyrs</i> <i>Epistle: Acts 23:1-11; Gospel: John 16:15-23</i>
	5:30 pm	OLPH Devotions
	6:00 pm	Divine Liturgy +Butch Stackpole by Noel Stackpole
Thursday May 21		<i>Post-festive of Ascension/Constantine and Helen Equals to the Apostles</i> <i>Epistle: Acts 26:1-5 & 12-20; Gospel: John 10:1-9</i>
Friday May 22 Abstinence		<i>Leave-taking of Ascension/Basiliscus Martyr</i> <i>Epistle: Acts 27:1-44; Gospel: John 17:18-26</i>
	6:00 pm	Divine Liturgy Blessing on Deacon James Danovich and His Family
Saturday May 23		<i>All Souls Saturday</i> <i>Epistle: Acts 18:1-31; Gospel: John 21:15-25</i>
	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy & Panachida with reading from the diptychs (the official lists of the departed commemorated by the church)
	5:00 pm	Great Vespers with Litija
	6:00 pm	Divine Liturgy Jenny Ford by Ford Family
Sunday May 24		<i>Pentecost Sunday</i> <i>Epistle: Acts 2:1-11; Gospel: John 7:37-52 & 8:12</i>
	8:30 am	Rosary
	9:00 am	Festal Matins
	9:30 am	Confessions
	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy for Parish Family & Friends Fr. Chris: Lorcan MacMurchadha by wife Christy

***Physician and Help of those in sickness, Redeemer and Savior of the infirm;
O Master and Lord of all, grant healing to your servants. Be clement, show mercy to those
who have sinned much, and deliver them, O Christ, from their
Iniquities, that they may glorify Your might divine!***

Fr. Julian Gnall
Fr. Anthony Romero



Roy Smith
Sven & Barbara Svensson
Michele Koetter
Abraham Haddad
Lillian Murphy
Stephen Horner
Demetrius Yackanich
Jenny Ford
Marilyn Fore
Robert Hasaka
Frank & Martha Arden
Pricilla Hughes
Sharif Rabadi

Paola Terlaza
Henry Zugger
John & Margie Disque
Phillip Fall
Walter Jakymiw
Olga Bodnar
Frances Brannan
John Deflice
Kristoff Rajala
Jordan Smith
Marge Merrills
Maggie Batsel
Katrina Anderson

Laura Dominguez
Robert Zadel
William Frank
Joseph Koetter
Mary Nell Preisler
Jackie De Paolis
Donny Terry
Mary Murphy
Lorraine Hubbell
Quintin Santamaria & Family
Heather Mattax
Larry Bennett

*Prayers in honor of and to the Blessed Virgin are a powerful weapon
against sin, and for healing.*

**The Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary are now said every day through
All Saints' Sunday (June 3 this year).** As we sing in the Easter Irmos:
"Rejoice in the Resurrection of your Son!"

*If you recite the Rosary at home, please offer these intentions, and join us
on Sunday at 8:30 am. Those who recite the Akathist to the Mother of God
or the Rosary receive a partial indulgence when they do so in private,
plenary indulgence when they do so as a group*



Intentions of the Rosary

- 1st Decade:** Help for persecuted Catholics, especially in communist and Islamic states
- 2nd Decade:** Spiritual and physical growth of our parish and the Byzantine Catholic Church
- 3rd Decade:** Increase in vocations to priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life to serve the Byzantine Catholic Church
- 4th Decade:** Repose of the souls who have no one praying for them
- 5th Decade:** Healing of the sick in body, mind and soul

Holy Father's Intentions for May

Universal: Care for the suffering—That, rejecting the culture of indifference, we may care for our neighbors who suffer, especially the sick and the poor.

Evangelization: Persecuted Christians—That persecuted Christians may feel the consoling presence of the Risen Lord and the solidarity of all the Church

What I Still Posses!

I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all; but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess!



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*Thursday, May 28
6 pm--potluck dinner
7 pm--Bible Study*

VOCATION ICON

*Today: Gloetzner
Next Sunday: Riley*



Thanks to all who helped with the Carnation Donation Benefit for Birthright. We raised \$300, plus another \$500 from an anonymous donor!

Thanks to Sarah and Grace Brewer who are my new assistants for this benefit. They did a wonderful job of wrapping the carnations into beautiful bouquets for everyone. Special thanks to Mom Jana Brewer for bringing the girls in early to help me! See you next Mother's Day!

DATE	READER	TROJCA	GREETER	COUNTER	HOST
5/24	Dave Dark	Sarah Brewer	Irene Bradley Luba Kmetyk	Cindy Loescher Barbara DeLap	Open

Barbara's Hall Report:

We had a great Mother's Day Brunch. The guys did all the cooking and served up rice, tamales, posole, and tortillas! And they even did the dishes and did all the clean up.

There was a tasty (although I didn't get any) carrot cake for Father Chris to celebrate his 34th anniversary of ordination! May God grant you many more years, Father Chris, but with only with

**Myrrh-Bearers Retreat
Mark Your Calendars Now
And don't forget to Register!**

"Women, be heralds of the Good News!" is the call to all women of this parish to participate in this year's Myrrh-bearers Retreat at the Franciscan Renewal Center in Scottsdale, AZ from Friday, June 26th to Sunday, June 28th.

The theme is Myrrh-bearers—Women of Faith with a focus on Heart to Heart Evangelization! The retreat is for girls 7-11 years, teen girls from 12-17 and for women 18+ years. Costs range from \$75 to \$175 per person based on track and room accommodations.

Registration forms are available on the table at the entrance to the church or in the office.

**Alive in Christ Retreat Camp
for Boys and their Fathers**

What could be better than a long weekend of prayer, sports, spiritual talks, games and skits in the beautiful Palomar mountain Range The "Alive in Christ ascetical boot camp for Byzantine Catholic boys and their fathers will be held this year July 30 – August 2nd, at "Palomar Christian Conference Center" Northeast of San Diego, CA.

Boys and young men 7-17 will join Bishop Gerald in this decade long tradition, and return enlivened and enlightened. (Boys 7-10 are required to have a male guardian with them.)

Application deadline is June 29th.

For registration forms and more information, please see Fr. Artur.

Thank you for the many surprises on my 34th anniversary of ordination: beautiful cake and flowers, cards, gifts, and the iPad - the biggest surprise on a day of surprises. Thank you for everything, above all for your continued prayers both for my health and my ongoing journey of faith as a priest. Thank you and God bless you. ---- Father Chris

State Fair 2015 - The advisory board decided to go forward with this, with Dave Dark as chair of a new committee to manage the booths. Knights of Columbus have offered to set up and take down the displays. We need volunteers to staff the booths in four hour shifts. If you can't do so, then please consider making a donation to help us cover the expenses (booth rental, passes).

Dave will be contacting people to put together the committee and start lining up workers and suggestions for items to sell and evangelization materials to distribute.

Join us on Friday mornings outside the Planned Parenthood clinic on San Mateo NE at 9 am for an hour of witnessing to the sanctity of life. We take the large life-sized icon of Our Lady Helper of Mothers, and pray in front of the clinic. There have been women who decided not to have abortions because of our presence.

The Center for International Studies (<http://www.abqinternational.org>) will host a lecture on Ukraine:

Linking the Past to the Present, featuring Mark Von Hagen, Arizona State University, on Sunday, May 31, 3-5 p.m. at the UNM Continuing Education Center. Von Hagen will explain Ukrainian history and its impact on the current crisis in Ukraine and its relations with Russia and the EU countries.

Christ Is Risen!

Bishop Milan Sasik, CM praying with the names sent for the Easter Card project, at Holy Cross Cathedral, Uzhgorod Ukraine. The project raised \$2,705 with Byzantine Catholics from coast to coast participating by donating money & purchasing our beautiful & unique cards.

Thank You from the Mission Society



Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help at St. George Church Olympia, Washington

Father Vasyl Mutka and the community of St. George cordially invite our parish family to join them for the Pilgrimage in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. It will take place on the weekend of August 7-9, 2015. The Pilgrimage will include Liturgies, Anointing of the Sick, confessions, the Rosary, and much more to be announced later on in the brochure.

The next meeting of the OLPH Women's Book Group will be Saturday, June 13th from 10 am to Noon. We will share a potluck brunch and group discussion at Cindy Loescher's house. The book we will be discussing is "The Reed of God" by Caryll Houselander (Catholic author) on the subject of the Virgin Mary [Holy Theotokos].

Reed of God overview:

Through beautiful prose and inspiring meditations, Caryll Houselander depicts the intimately human side of Mary, Mother of God, as an empty reed waiting for God's music to be played through her.

Lovingly bringing Our Lady down off her time-honored, ancient pedestal, Houselander shares her insightful and beautiful vision of Mary on earth, Mary among us, Mary as a confused but trusting teenager whose holiness is flowered with her eternal "Yes." With profound theological teachings and appealing imagery, The Reed of God is a spiritual classic.

Sunday of the First Council

Today we commemorate the First Ecumenical Council, held in the city of Nicaea, just across the Bosphorus from Constantinople, in Asia, in 325 AD. Convened under the chairmanship of Emperor Constantine the Great, the council was summoned to deal with the heresy of Arianism. The priest Arius taught that Jesus was a creature - that there was a time when the Word did not exist.

The Church Fathers had to decide which was true - a time when the Word was not? or was the Word eternal? If the former, then Jesus was not fully God, and the Blood which was shed on the cross was not divine and human blood, but only semi-divine. Then we would not be saved. If the former, then Jesus was like a demigod, such as Hercules, from Greek legends: a child fathered by God, but not true God, truly divine.

The Council declared that the Son was true God, co-eternal with the Father and begotten from His same substance, arguing that such a doctrine best codified the Scriptural presentation of the Son as well as traditional Christian belief about him handed down from the Apostles.

This is shown in the first part of the Nicene Creed, which carefully declares that the Son is "light of light, true God of true God, through Whom all things were made." **Arianism did not die:** some emperors kept to it, and it remained alive in North Africa, Spain and even Italy. Worse, many barbarian tribes adopted it, and carried it into the empire during the invasions in later centuries. Thus, the **Catholic Church was weakened in the face of the Muslim invasions** that swept North Africa and Spain shortly after Arianism was finally suppressed in the 7th century.

Bl. Ivan was born in a peasant family in 1899. In 1923 he was ordained as a celibate priest for the eparchy of Przemysl, Poland. He served as rector of the seminary and an instructor there and in the girls' high school. Known as a priest who was kind and deeply spiritual he felt called to monastic life, and in 1935 he joined the Redemptorist Order.

In 1937 he was sent to L'viv, where he was the economos of the monastery, an instructor in the seminary, and later superior of two monasteries. In 1945 western Ukraine was annexed to the USSR, and the Ukrainian Greek Catholic bishops were imprisoned. Metropolitan Josef Slipyj named the Redemptorist superior Joseph De Vocht as his successor, hoping that his Belgian citizenship would save him. But he was expelled in 1948, and so Father Ziatyk became the new leader.

Subjected to torture, he was put on a show trial in 1950, where he was found guilty of promoting "...the ideas of the Roman Pope, of spreading the Catholic Faith among the nations of the whole world and of making all Catholics." and "cooperating with anti-Soviet nationalistic organizations and anti-Soviet propaganda." and sentenced to ten years hard labor.

Saint of the Week
Blessed Ivan Ziatyk
May 17

