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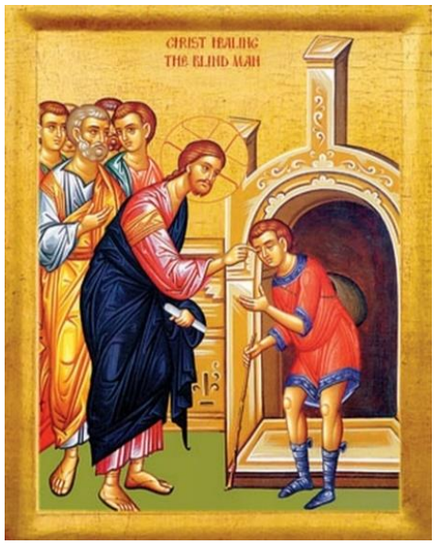
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Sunday, June 9th, 2024



Sixth Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Man Born Blind

Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

Panachida for ***+Ann Melanie Yurcisin*** (1st Year)
+***John J. Horner and Mary Ruth Horner*** offered by Rosalie Horner and family; ***+Helen and John Yuhas*** offered by Julia, Barry and Amanda Gilchrist;
+Larry Buksa offered by Joe and Pat Kmetz;
+***John Hobar*** offered by his family; +***Alex Kraynak***;
+***Forest & Nancy Spangler***; +***Julia Hamilla; and***
+John Yarina (40th Day) offered by Nick and Kay Timko

Resurrection Tone 5 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 193 & 206

Epistle: Acts 16:16-34 Gospel: John 9:1-38

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Services for the week of June 9th

Wed. 6/12 … **Leave-taking of Pascha:**
+ John and Veronica Shonda; +David, John, Agnes, Joseph, and Sarah Lipnick offered by Mary Lipnick; +All Orthodox Christians offered by Julia Hamilla
Resurrection Matins – 7:15 am/ Divine Liturgy - 8:00 am

Vespers for the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord - 6:00 pm

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Thursday, June 13th, 2024

Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord

Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

Tropar & Kondak: pages 208-211

Epistle: Acts1:1-12 Gospel: Luke 24:35-53

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Sat. 6/15 … Great Vespers……..……6:00 pm
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Sunday, June 16th, 2024

Seventh Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

Father's Day

Divine Liturgy - 9:00 am

Panachida for ***+Sister Nymphodora (Eleanor Dussling)***;
+Mary and John Kindya offered by Lucy Tomko and family; ***+John Yurosko*** (Birthday Remembrance) offered by family, relatives, and friends; ***+Michael Bock*** and ***All Departed Fathers***

Resurrection Tone 6 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 208 & 211-212

Epistle: Acts 20:16-18, 28-36 Gospel: John 17:1-13

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Services for the Week of June 16th

Thu. 6/20 … +Andrew and Theresa Kerestesy (Wedding Anniversary Remembrance) offered by their family; and +John, Michael and John Yech offered by Mary Yech (Perpetual)..……..8:00 am

Sat. 6/22 … + **5th All-Souls Saturday –** +Christine Mirilovich-Mansfield and +infant daughter Jennifer Lea, +Dolores Mirilovich and +Alex Mirilovich and +David Mirilovich offered by the family; Elizabeth and Joseph Mirilovich Sr. and Anna Mirilovich (Perpetual) .....**8:00 am**

Vespers for The Feast of Pentecost – 6:00 pm

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Sunday, June 23rd, 2024

The Feast of Pentecost

Descent of the Holy Spirit

Divine Liturgy/ Choir Sunday – 9:00 am

Tropar & Kondak: pages 213-216

Epistle: Acts 2: 1-11 Gospel: John 7:37-52; 8:12

The Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost – after Divine Liturgy

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BIRTHDAY PRAYERS – are offered for ***Xenia Kobal (6/9), David Humbert (6/10), and Jehan AlZreigat (6/14).*** You were remembered in Proskomedia!

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THE ETERNAL LAMP – is offered ***on June 9th in memory of Departed Timko Family.***

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CAMP NAZARETH SUMMER CAMP 2024

Week 2: Sunday, July 21 – Saturday, July 27, 2024

Please contact Fr. Buczak for the code if you are planning on going to camp.

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ALTAR BOY RETREAT

The Diocesan-wide Altar Boy retreat will take place from Sunday evening, June 30th (Registration is from 6 till 8 p.m.) until Wednesday, July 3rd. On-line Registration no later than Sunday, June 16th, 2024. For registration or more information call 330-402-0352 or acrod.abr@gmail.com.

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A.C.R.Y. BLUEBERRY SALE

We are selling 10-pound boxes of delicious New Jersey blueberries. Send check payable to ***A.C.R.Y. Chapter 20*** at $35.00 per box to Dee Tvarozna, 1504 Mary Drive, Johnstown, Pa. 15905. Deadline to order is Sunday, June 23rd, 2024; pick-up Tuesday, July 2nd 2024 at Christ the Saviour Cathedral – Butler Avenue side. Please call Dee at 814-341-9314 with any questions.

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ADDITIONAL DONATIONS IN MEMORY OF JOHN YARINA

Very Reverend Protopresbyter Frank and Pani Connie Miloro - $25.00 (Eternal Memory Fund)
Jenny Wilkinson - $50.00 (Cemetery Fund)

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WHY DID JESUS NEED TO ASCEND INTO THE HEAVENS?



It is rare, if one has lived through the joy of Easter time sincerely, that one does not experience a certain constriction of the heart when the day of the Ascension comes. We know perfectly well that it is one of the very great Christian feasts, and yet, despite ourselves, it seems like a parting, a separation, and that after it, our Lord is not with us in quite the same way any longer. The disciples did not react like this. They could have been overwhelmed with grief, but, on the contrary, they 'returned to Jerusalem with great joy'. We, too, can try and enter into this joy of the Ascension. Why does the Ascension bring joy to Christians?

First of all, the glory of our Lord must be very precious to us, and the Ascension is the crown of his earthly mission. He has accomplished on earth the whole mission which he had received from the Father. It is to the Father that his whole being reaches out. Now he will receive from the Father the welcome that his victory over sin and death—a victory gained so grievously—has merited for him. Now he will be glorified in heaven. The glory and the desire of our Lord are surely more important to us than the sort of 'perceptible consolations' that we might receive from his presence. Let us know how to love our Lord enough to rejoice in his own joy.

Then the Ascension marks God's acceptance of the Son's whole work of reparation. The Resurrection was the first dazzling sign of this acceptance, and Pentecost will be the last sign. The cloud which today envelopes Jesus and ascends with him to heaven represents the smoke of the sacrifice rising from the altar to God. The sacrifice is accepted, and the victim is admitted to God's presence where it will continue to be offered in an eternal and heavenly manner. The work of our salvation has been accomplished and is blessed.

The Ascension is a sign and symbol of the Second Coming. Christ will return to the earth in the same manner as He left it. When the risen Lord returns again in glory, God's will for mankind will be fulfilled. Jesus completed His earthly mission of bringing salvation to all people and physically was lifted up from this world into heaven. In ascending to the Father, He raises earth to heaven with Him! We are joyful because He goes to "prepare a place" for us and because He is forever present before the Father to intercede for us.

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QUOTES FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

A different pattern of behavior is exhibited by a small number of people who are pleasing to God. They have become masters of their own wealth. And they have used it as if it were their faithful slave, to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to free the debtors who are indigent and in prison. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Job, Joseph and David acted like this. Money was not the master of these people; they were masters of their money.

St. Philoxenus of Mabbug

Prayer in church is important. The best feelings and thoughts come while we are in church, and, yes, the enemy attacks more violently in church; however, with the sign of the Cross and the Jesus Prayer, you can drive him away. - ***St. Barsanuphius of Optina***

Always consider yourself as needing instruction so that you may be found wise throughout your life. - ***St. Isaac of Nineveh***

Prayer is good and most beneficial when it is done with diligence, vigilance, piety, faith, compunction, and attention. Because the devil fights, hates and envies those who pray, and wars on them in various ways; while those who don't pray are his friends, and he loves them. It is through prayer that man speaks to God. He speaks and seeks the good, beneficial and salutary things from Him. One who prays must have great humility and reckon with whom he is speaking, and must always seek humility. - ***Elder Philotheos Zervakos***

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Donna Martyak
Michaela Miller
Arianna Jade Miller
Taylor Miller
Jennifer Gardenhour
Valentina and Olga Yaremenko
Steve Prieber
Aberdeen Rudge
Pat Hanuska

Dwight Nugle
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