

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE
FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL



Icon of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

May 24, 2020 – Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

Tropar, Kontakion, Prokimenon, Alleluia Festal Tone Acts 20:16-18 & 28-38 John 17:1-13

Sat. May 23 Our venerable father and confessor, Michael, Bishop of Synnada (+820)

8:00 am Slavonic Divine Liturgy for +Betty Jane Kormos by Marie Mills (Livestream)
4:00 pm Great Vespers (Livestream)
5:00 pm Divine Liturgy +Fred Brunarsky by Donor (from May 2) (Livestream)

Sun. May 24 SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE 1ST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

8:00 am Matins (Livestream)
9:30 am Divine Liturgy
11:00 am Divine Liturgy for * Our Parish Family (Livestream)
3:00 pm Vespers (Livestream)

Mon. May 25 Our venerable father, Simeon of the Wonderful Mountain – Memorial Day

9:00 am (HS) Ceremony at the Flagpole with the American Legion (weather permitting) (Livestream)
9:30 am (HS) Liturgy for * Our Parish Family in the Cemetery (weather permitting) (Livestream)
10:45 am (HS) Panachida in the Cemetery (weather permitting) (Livestream)

Tues. May 26 St. Carpus, Apostle

8:00 am Liturgy Special intention for Kiera Sarka by Friends (Livestream)
3:00 pm Great Vespers (Livestream)

Wed. May 27 St. Therapont, Priest-Martyr (+259)

8:00 am Liturgy +Rudy Girman by Steve and Ann Sichko (Livestream)
3:00 pm Great Vespers (Livestream)

Thur. May 28 Our venerable father, Nicetas, Bishop of Chalcedon (+836)

8:00 am Liturgy for +Bill Bremner, Jr. by Family (Livestream)
3:00 pm Great Vespers (Livestream)

Fri. May 29 St. Theodosia, venerable-Virgin-Martyr of Tyre

8:00 am Liturgy for +Dorothy Pordash by husband, Art (Livestream)
3:00 pm Vespers (Livestream)

Sat. May 30 5th All Souls Saturday – Our venerable father, Isaac, Monk in Dalmatia (+374)

8:00 am Slovani Divine Liturgy for +All Souls and Panachida (English) with Hramoty will follow (Livestream)
4:00 pm Great Vespers (Livestream)
5:00 pm Divine Liturgy for +William Basalla by Byron & Lisa Olexa (from May 24) (Livestream)

Sun. May 31 PENTECOST SUNDAY

8:00 am Matins (Livestream)
9:30 am Divine Liturgy (Livestream)
11:00 am Divine Liturgy for * Our Parish Family (Livestream)
3:00 pm Vespers with kneeling prayers (Livestream)

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

PRAY DAILY - have a keep able rule of prayer that you do by discipline. Say the Lord's Prayer several times a day. Any time you have an opportunity to say a prayer, take advantage of it. The devil tries to eliminate your prayer since the prayer eliminates the devil.

- For courage to repent (to go to confession) - **St. John Forerunner, pray for us!** (40x)
- For Peace in the World – **Lord, have mercy!** (40 times)
- For Our Children – **Holy Father Nicholas, pray for us!** (40 times)
- For the Sick and Those in Need – **O Most Holy Trinity, save us!** (40 times)
- For Our Parish – **O Most Holy Theotokos, pray for us!** (40 times)
- For the courage to sing in church – **Holy Father Roman, pray for us!** (40 times)
- For the departed – **Psalm 51, 91, 119 (50, 90, 118 in LXX)**
- Jesus Prayer – **"Lord Jesus Christ,* Son of God,* have mercy on me* a sinner!"**



Every evening before you go to bed, simply go through the whole day and think what you have done right or wrong, do the examination of conscience, and ask the good Lord for forgiveness. Make a sign of the cross over the place where you sleep and say: **"Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my soul and body. Do You Yourself bless me, have mercy on me, and grant me life eternal. Amen."**

A MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH OFFICE (ALL):

Parishioners of all 4 parishes (Cathedral, Holy Spirit, St. Mary, St. Nicholas Croatian) may continue to mail their donation envelopes to the Parish Office, 5500 West 54th Street, Parma, OH 44129 or simply drop them in the black locked mail box outside the office door. They will then be deposited into the proper church account. ***Please also continue to use your church envelopes when turning in your donations and print your full name on the outside of the envelope, on the line provided. This will help with the recording of your donations in the computer.*** Thank you.

-OR-

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE (ALL): Giving made easy! We now offer electronic giving for all with Churches-GivePlus. You can contribute anywhere, anytime right from your computer, smartphone or tablet. Give online by visiting the website <http://stmarybyz.com/> and clicking on the **Give OnLine Link**. Or download the free GivePlus mobile app from the App Store or Google Play.

Giving online is fast, easy and secure. You can set up single donations, recurring donations and how frequently you wish to give. Online giving can be done either by credit card or a bank account. The first time going to the GivePlus application, create your profile; then login, follow the easy to read screens and make your donation.

Watch the livestream at www.parma.org or www.logos.tv or YouTube LOGOS TV - PARMA
 If you know of someone that does not have access to the internet, reach out to them by phone to keep them informed with updates and encourage them to continue their daily prayer at home.

OUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS RECEIVED BY MAIL
May 17, 2020

	-	Total	Livestreamed
Cathedral Parish	-	<u>\$1,600.00</u>	<u>\$ 80.00</u> Online Giving
Holy Spirit Parish	-	<u>\$1,309.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u> Online Giving
St. Mary's Parish	-	<u>\$3,260.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u> Online Giving
St. Mary 250 Club - #37 James Banheidy; Rosemary Trompak, Captain			
St. Nicholas Parish	-	<u>\$ 00.00</u>	

Have you remembered Your Church in your Will and/or Trust?
 Thank you and may God reward your generosity!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND CONFINED: St. Mary's – John Krenisky, Kathleen Miller, Mary Ann



Ridilla; Ray Yasenchak; Jean Asmondy; Esther Morganosky; John Anitas; Pat Asmondy; Goldie Barvinchak; Pearl Beningo; Mildred Bobick; JoAnn Chaky; Eva Cook; Seleema Corrigan; Sally Csejpes; Lois Deighton; Dolores Furda; Mary Grauel; Ruthann Hodar, Margaret Huges, Rosemary Kennick; Catherine Kopko; Larry Lantz; Barbara Miterko; Eleen Monoc; Carl Panko; Sue Peterchalk; Joseph Popik; Art Pordash; Eleen Reese; Dorothy Shevchuck; David Starling; Isabelle Sweeney; Bob & Mary Zelenka.

Cathedral – Martha Loya; Helen Long; Phil Nechvatal; Joe Kaltner; Helen Fredericks; Frank and Rose Lizanich; Carol Morin.

Holy Spirit – Samuel Basalla, Jim Neitzel, Elizabeth Loya; George Hapker; Ken Kalas; Ann Yorko; Janice Misch; Richard Onderak; Elizabeth Sheppard; Helen Sawchak; Carol Vasil; Helen Alpine; Blanche Gubanich; Andrea Seman; Carol and Richard Bub.

St. Nicholas Croatian – Helen Jeris; Marge Kordic; Walter Badovinac; Mary Ann Zubovich.

Please call Fr. Nathan Adams at (216) 678-0870 (NEW NUMBER) for someone ill or in need of prayer.

CONGRATULATIONS NEWLYWEDS (CTH): Congratulations to ***Ben Koehler and Andrea Trompak*** (from the Cathedral) who are being united in Holy Matrimony on May 23 in Seattle. We pray for them and extend our best wishes for many blessed years!



MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION (ALL at HS): Monday, May 25, 2020, is Memorial Day. A celebration will be held at Holy Spirit Cemetery (weather permitting). The hope is to have all services outside, (observing proper social distancing). The day will begin at 9 AM with the American Legion Memorial Service at the flag pole in the Cemetery. Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30 AM with a Panachida following, also in the Cemetery (weather permitting). Please plan on joining together as we honor our service men and women and all those buried in Holy Spirit Cemetery. If the weather does not permit us to hold services outside, they will be held inside the church. The number of people permitted inside the building will be limited.

CEMETERY SPRING CLEAN-UP (ALL at HS): When you place new decorations at your family member's grave, please dispose of all old decorations IN THE DUMPSTER PROVIDED IN THE CEMETERY. Please DO NOT LEAVE YOUR OLD DECORATIONS OR ANY TRASH AT THE END OF THE ROWS. Thank you.

LIFE LINE SCREENING (CTH): Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, is pleased to offer a preventive health event at Cathedral of St John the Baptist on 6/24/2020. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. **There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call toll-free 1-888-653-6441 or visit <http://lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle> or text the word circle to 797979.**

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St. John's Cathedral, 1900 Carlton Rd, Parma (CATH) Phone: 216.661.8658

Holy Spirit Church, 5500 West 54th St., Parma (HS) Phone: 440.884.8452

St. Nicholas Croatian Church, 3431 Superior Ave, Cleveland (SNC) Phone: 440.884.8452

Most Rev. Milan Lach, SJ, Bishop of Parma

Very Rev. Archpriest Marek Visnovsky, Pastor

Rev. Nathan Adams, Assistant Priest

Deacon Joseph Hnat (St. Mary's Parish), Deacon Gregory Loya (Cathedral Parish),

Deacon Robert Cripps (Holy Spirit Parish & St. Nicholas Croatian Parish)

WEEKEND LITURGY SERVICES:

Saturday: 4 pm Great Vespers (SM) and 5 pm Divine Liturgy (SM)

Sunday: 9 am Matins (SM) and 10 am Divine Liturgy (SM)

9:30 am Divine Liturgy (HS) - 11 am Divine Liturgy (CATH) - 12 pm Divine Liturgy (SNC)

HOLY DAY SERVICES: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy (SM) and 7 pm Divine Liturgy (HS)

DAILY SERVICES: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy (SM)

Shining the Light

One Sunday morning, the parish priest talked about being the “light of the world” in his sermon. He explained that a person filled with the light of Christ means that a person is filled with goodness and knowledge and justice and truth. He ended his sermon by asking the congregation, “How do you intend to be a light of the world?” Unexpectedly, a little girl shouted out, “By being a pretty window!” Her parents were embarrassed by her outburst and told her to be quiet.

Afterwards, however, the parish priest asked her what she meant. It turns out that the little girl had been staring at the church’s stained glass windows during the sermon. She said that the sun shining through the windows caused pretty colors to shine on people all through the

church. “If Jesus wants us to let our ‘light shine on others,’ then the best way to do that is by being a pretty window,” she said.

There is much truth in the simplicity of the little girl’s observations. Light is truth and it dispels the darkness of error and deceit. Christ our Lord said that we are to be the lights of that world and that our light must shine on others. (Matthew 5:16) Today, we keep the memory of the Fathers of the First Nicene Council. These enlightened and inspired men were filled with the light of truth and corrected some grave misunderstandings about the humanity and divinity of Christ. The light of the truths they taught in the fourth century still shines upon us today and is contained within the words of the Nicene Creed.