

SUNDAY BEFORE
THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS



Icon of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 13, 2020 – 14th SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS

Tropar, Kontakion, Prokimenon, Alleluia Tone 6 - Galatians 6:11-18; Jn 3:13-17

Sat. Sept. 12 St. Autonomous, Priest-Martyr (+300)

7:30 am Matins (Livestream)
8:00 am Slavonic Divine Liturgy for +Eugene F. Kusnerik by Judith Carol and Family (Livestream)
4:00 pm Great Vespers (Livestream)
5:00 pm Divine Liturgy for +Ronald J. Sterby by Virginia Kochilla (Livestream)

Sun. Sept. 13 SUNDAY BEFORE THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS

8:00 am Matins (Livestream)
9:30 am Divine Liturgy +Patricia, +John, +Mary Kurpyl, +Johnathan Gregg by Mary Kurpyl-Facella (Livestream)
11:00 am Divine Liturgy for * Our Parish Family (Livestream)
6:00 pm Great Vespers with Litija (Livestream)

Mon. Sept. 14 EXALTATION OF THE HOLY AND LIFE-GIVING CROSS

7:00 am Festal Matins (Livestream)
8:00 am Divine Liturgy (Livestream)
7:00 pm Divine Liturgy for +Barb and +John Pashel by Georgianne Harris (Livestream)

Tues. Sept. 15 St. Nicetas, Great-Martyr (+78)

7:30 am Matins (Livestream)
8:00 am Divine Liturgy for +Jean Asmondy by Family and Friends (Livestream)
5:00 pm Vespers (Livestream)

Wed. Sept. 16 St. Euphemia, the Great Virgin-Martyr (+107)

7:30 am Matins (Livestream)
8:00 am Divine Liturgy for +Blanche Gubanich by Family (Livestream)
5:00 pm Vespers (Livestream)

Thur. Sept. 17 St. Sophia and her Three Daughters, Faith, Hope, and Charity

7:30 am Matins (Livestream)
8:00 am Divine Liturgy for +Patricia Tapocsi by Mark Papke and Family on the 40th day of her passing (Livestream)
5:00 pm Vespers (Livestream)

Fri. Sept. 18 Our venerable father, Eumenius, Wonderworker, Bishop of Gortyna

7:30 am Matins (Livestream)
8:00 am Divine Liturgy for +Robert G. Dubensky by Family (Livestream)
5:00 pm Vespers (Livestream)

Sat. Sept. 19 St. Trophimus, St. Sabbatius, and St. Dorymedont, Martyrs (+277)

7:30 am Matins (Livestream)
8:00 am Slavonic Divine Liturgy (Livestream)
4:00 pm Great Vespers (Livestream)
5:00 pm Divine Liturgy for +Alex Jacubenta by Steve and Ann Sichko (Livestream)

Sun. Sept. 20 SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS

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

MASK REQUIRED IN CHURCH BUILDINGS: Bishop Milan has joined with Governor DeWine in making masks mandatory for anyone attending Divine Liturgies. (Exceptions are those with health issues that prohibit wearing a mask and children ten and under.) We ask that you cooperate with this request. The goal is to stop the spread of the Covid-19 virus which is on an increase in the State of Ohio. If you are uncomfortable wearing a mask or simply “uncomfortable” being inside the church we continue to provide the services on livestream for you to watch from home (www.parma.org or www.logos.tv or YouTube LOGOS TV – PARMA).

For those entering the Cathedral church building, masks are required and social distancing will be observed. The building is sanitized properly, according to the current guidelines in place. Please bring your own mask to liturgy.

All weekly services held at the Cathedral are livestreamed, please see the liturgy schedule in the bulletin for times. The weekly bulletins are emailed, mailed, or available for viewing by all parishioners at www.stmarybyz.com.

Once again, let's be FAITH DRIVEN and EUCHARISTIC CENTERED!

DEEPEST SYMPATHY (SM): We wish to express our heart-felt sympathy to the Asmondy, Kostyk, and Stibora families on the recent passing of their loved ones, *+Jean Asmondy, +Mary Kostyk, and +Claudia Stibora*. May God grant to His handmaidens, *+Jean, +Mary, and +Claudia*, Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory. *Vicnaja jim pamjat!*



We will take a special collection to aid Franciscan Friars that are working in the Holy Land this weekend (September 12th and 13th). Please mark your envelope with “Special Collection” and it will get forwarded to the Eparchy to be put towards the Holy Land Collection. Thank you.

HOLY SPIRIT CEMETERY CLEAN UP (ALL): It is time to start the Fall-Clean Up in the Cemetery. We are asking for all decorations at the graves in the cemetery to be removed and disposed of by October 1st. This will allow the landscaper to weed properly around the headstones before the winter months set in. Please help out by removing ALL decorations from your own family graves. Throw any trash in the dumpster, DO NOT LEAVE IT AT THE END OF THE ROWS. Thank you for your cooperation. *Any decorations left on graves after October 1st will be removed by the cemetery maintenance crew.*

On Monday, September 7, 2020

Bishop Milan Lach, SJ celebrated 25 years
of entering religious life.

We thank Bishop Milan for his devout service and example prayer.

God grant His servant, Bishop Milan, many blessed years!

NA MNOHAJA I BLAHAJA LITA VLADYKO!

ECF In-home (ALL): The Cathedral ECF is opting for the 'in-home' format. Recently developed by the Eparchial Directors of Religious Education (ECED), the 'in-home' format is parent led with support from the catechists and support for ECED via weekly emails with the lessons. The students will be able to learn at their own pace and their availability. The parents determine what book level best supports their child's learning level. *There will be short Zoom meetings at 10:00 AM every Saturday with the catechist for brief presentations and camaraderie.*

After determining which book level, K - 8, that best fits your student's learning level, please email your child's name and book level to John Trompak <jdtro@aol.com> or telephone 216-398-6433.

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GOD WITH US

The Art of Catechesis in the Orthodox Tradition

Rev. David Anderson

Wednesdays, October 7, 14, 21 and 28 @ 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. ET

As an old saying goes, the law of prayer is the law of belief. The foundation and authority of Orthodox Catholic catechesis is and always has been the Divine Liturgy of the Church. Rooted in prayer and looking to the Lord, we discover the Orthodox Faith in the face of Christ.



CROWNED WITH GLORY

Understanding the Marriage Covenant

Rev. Stephen Freeman

Wednesday, November 11 @ 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. ET

"The love of husband and wife is the force that welds society together... Because when harmony prevails, the children are raised well, the household is kept in order, and neighbors, friends, and relatives praise the result. Great benefits, both of families and states, are produced. When it is otherwise, however, everything is thrown into confusion and turned upside-down." - St. John Chrysostom



SEVEN AGES OF THE KINGDOM

A Study of Salvation History

Rev. Daniel Dozier

Mondays, November 30, December 7 & 14 @ 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. ET

The Church as God's Holy People is at the heart of His unfolding plan of salvation that is ultimately fulfilled in Christ. Join us as we explore how this plan for a universal covenant kingdom unfolds in Scripture through particular stages in the history of God's People.



PARTAKERS OF THE DIVINE NATURE

A Patristic Study of Deification

Rev. Nathan Symeon Adams

Wednesdays, January 13, 20, & 27 @ 8:00 - 9:00 p.m. ET

God has called his people to become partakers of His Divine Nature (2 Peter 1:4). Join us for this three-part series as we explore this process of participating in the Sacramental and moral life of Christ by which each individual and the whole Church are transformed into the mystical body of Christ.

All courses are offered as live webinars, free of charge. Live participation is highly encouraged for a full experience, including opportunities for discussion with fellow students and instructors.

For those unable to participate live, lectures are recorded and available on-demand, free of charge, in our event library, currently offering many hours of adult faith formation in the Eastern Christian tradition.

Register at EasternCatholic.org/Events

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
September 6, 2020

	-	Total	Livestreamed
Cathedral Parish	-	<u>\$ 695.00</u>	<u>\$ 20.00</u> Online Giving
Holy Spirit Parish	-	<u>\$1,457.00</u>	<u>\$195.00</u> Online Giving
St. Mary's Parish	-	<u>\$1,261.00</u>	<u>\$480.00</u> Online Giving

St. Mary 250 Club Winner - #11 Robert Boyle – Captain, Mary Beth Pancake

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; Esther Morganosky; John Anitas; Pat Asmond; 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 – 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 Yorke; Janice Misch; Richard Onderak; Elizabeth Sheppard; Helen Sawchak; Carol Vasil; Helen Alpine; Andrea Seman; Carol and Richard Bub.

Helen Jeris; Marge Kordic; Walter Badovinac; Mary Ann Zubovich; Michelle Zubovich-Simon.

Call Fr. Marek Visnovsky at (440) 783-2051 for **Emergency Sick Call Visits**

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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

Most Rev. Milan Lach, SJ, Bishop of Parma

Very Rev. Mitred Archpriest Marek Visnovsky, Pastor

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

Deacon Robert Cripps (Holy Spirit Parish)

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES held at the Cathedral and Livestream at parma.org:

Saturday: 7:30 am Matins; 8 am and 5 pm Divine Liturgy; 4 pm Great Vespers

Sunday: 8 am Matins; 9:30 am and 11 am Divine Liturgy; 3 pm Vespers

HOLY DAY SERVICES: 7 am Festal Matins; 8 am and 7 pm Divine Liturgy (6 pm Great Vespers with Litija the evening before the holy day)

DAILY SERVICES: 7:30 am Matins; 8 am Divine Liturgy; 5 pm Vespers

The Cross Raised for All the World to See

The cross is raised and appears above the earth, which until recently malice had kept hidden. It is raised, not to receive glory (for with Christ nailed to it what greater glory could it have?) but to give glory to God who is worshiped on it and proclaimed by it.

It is not surprising that the church rejoices in the cross of Christ and robes herself in festal clothes, revealing her bridal beauty as she honors this day. Nor is it surprising that this great throng of people has gathered together today to see the cross exposed aloft and to worship Christ whom they see raised upon it. For the cross is

exposed in order to be raised and is raised to be exposed.

What cross? The cross, which a little while ago was hidden in a place called "The Skull" but now is everywhere adored. This is what we rejoice over today; this is what we celebrate; this is the point of the present feast; this is the manifestation of the mystery.

For this hidden and life-giving cross had to be exposed, set on high like a city on a hill or a lamp on a stand, for all the world to see.

Saint Andrew of Crete