

Glory to Jesus Christ!
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Glory Forever!
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17 May, 2015: The Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

Postfestive Day of the Ascension; The Holy Apostle Andronicus and Companions
The Passing of the Martyr and Priest Ivan Ziatyik (1952)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

Sat. May 16 **17:00 Vigil of the Fathers of 1st Ecumenical Council** + Suffrages for **John Osif** – Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Stolitca; for **Cody Fullman** – Larry & Linda Niezgodna; for **Joseph Christie** – Ron & Diane Gaydos

Sun. May 17 **10:30 Sunday of the Fathers of 1st Ecumenical Council** Suffrages for the **parish** and for **Joshua Vacha and his parents** – Father

Sat. May 23 **9:30 5th All Souls Saturday**

Sat. May 23 **17:00 Vigil of Pentecost Sunday** + Suffrages for **Cody Fullman** – Youth Group; for **Joseph Christie** – James & Diane Uschock; for **Peter Shultz** – Thomas & Helen Kissell.

Sun. May 24 **10:30 Pentecost Sunday** + Suffrages for the **parish**, for **Mary Miscik** – Theresa Stas; for **Rosemarie Macchiaroli** – McLaughlin Family; for **Irene Strosko** – Father.

Mon. May 25 **10:00 Memorial Service for parish veterans at cemetery**



Acolytes

Readers

Ushers

Sat. May 16	-----	J. Kontir	D. Mihalko, J. Snitzer
Sun. May 17	E.R.A. Hess	P. Krynicky	G. Krynicky, D. Hess
Sat. May 23 AM	-----	L. Knouse	R. Garber
Sat. May 23 PM	-----	L. Knouse	J. Snitzer, J Kontir
Sun. May 24	Ruggieri, Spyhans	O. Syphan	R. Garber, J Knouse

5/10/15 Collection: Adult: \$652.00 Student: \$3.00 Candles: \$60.00 Total: \$715.00.

Attendance: Saturday 28 + 1 Sunday: 51 + 3



Jesus Faces the Hour of Tribulation with Prayer HE TEACHES HOW TO RELY ON THE FATHER IN TRIALS. **CHRYSOSTOM**: Christ not only speaks about the endurance of evil but puts Himself forward as an example. After His admonition that «in the world you will have tribulation.» He Himself turns to prayer in order to teach us that in our testing we are to leave everything behind and flee to God. He had shaken their souls in His admonition but raised them up again by this prayer. HOMILIES ON THE GOSPEL OF JOHN 80.1.

HOW WE SHOULD PRAY. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA: When an occasion calls us to prayer, it is fitting for us to pray for that which increases God's glory before we pray for that which concerns ourselves.... The Savior indeed spoke these words to show how very necessary His own glory was to the Father so that He might be known to be consubstantial with Him ... for the Father is glorified in the glory of His offspring. COMMENTARY ON THE GOSPEL OF JOHN 11.3.

THE BOND OF CHRISTIAN UNITY IN LOVE. CYRIL OF ALEXANDRIA: Christ wishes the disciples to be kept in a state of unity by maintaining a like-mindedness and an identity of will, being mingled together as it were in soul and spirit and in the law of peace and love for one another. He wishes them to be bound together tightly with an unbreakable bond of love, that they may advance to such a degree of unity that their freely chosen association might even become an image of the natural unity that is conceived to exist between the Father and the Son. That is to say, He wishes them to enjoy a unity that is inseparable and indestructible, which may not be enticed away into a dissimilarity of wills by anything at all that exists in the world or any pursuit of pleasure, but rather reserves the power of love in the unity of devotion and holiness. And this is what happened. For as we read in the Acts of the Apostles, "the company of those who believed were of one heart and soul", that is, in the unity of the Spirit. This is also what Paul himself meant when he said "one body and one Spirit." "We who are many are one body in Christ for we all partake of the one bread." and we have all been anointed in the one Spirit, the Spirit of Christ. COMMENTARY ON THE GOSPEL OF JOHN 11.9.



Next Sunday's Readings: Pentecost Sunday

Acts of the Holy Apostles 2: 1 – 11: The Coming of the Holy Spirit

John 7: 37 – 52 & 8: 12: Rivers of Living Water; Division and Unbelief



~ Announcements ~

- Kindly remember in your prayers our parishioner **Frederick Garber** as he continues to convalesce after his discharge from the hospital. *May Christ the divine Physician of our souls and bodies grant to His servant Frederick and to all the sick and shut in of our parish peace, improved health, and many blessed years.*
- Today – Joshua Vacha** – celebrated for the first time the **Mystery of Holy Confession** before the Icon of Christ. We congratulate him on this important milestone as he journeys to the Kingdom of Heaven.
- The **Annual Saints Cyril and Methodius Byzantine Catholic Seminary Collection** is this weekend **16 – 17 May**. There is a special yellow envelope for this in your box. Please give generously for the formation of the future priests of our church and remember to **PRAY FOR VOCATIONS!** If you have forgotten your donation, please turn in your envelope by the end of the month.

- **The Handicap Committee** is selling tickets in the Narthex after the Divine Liturgy. The winning number will be taken from the «Pick 3 Daily Number 1st Evening Drawing» on **Saturday, 20 June 2015**. N.B. Tickets are **VOID** after 30 days.
- **A MEMORIAL DAY PANACHIDA** will be served at **10:00 Monday, 25 May**, in the Church's cemetery for all military veterans of our parish. In the event of rain, the *Panachida* will be served in our church.
- **PENTECOST WEEK, 25 – 30 May**, is FREE from all fasting and abstinence!
- **SUMMER SUNDAY SCHEDULE CHANGE**: Starting on **Sunday, 31 May**, the morning Divine Liturgy begins at **10:00**.
- **Festival Committee Chairs**: Just about all chairs have returned their acceptance forms. On **Sunday, 31 May, after the 10:00 Divine Liturgy** we will meet in the church basement.
- Contrary to popular opinion, most priests are not able to **bless bingo cards** to make them winners (I flunked that course 3 times in the seminary; I am forbidden to take it ever again!) nor are they **clairvoyant**: knowing when a parishioner is homebound, sick, in the hospital, *etc.* If you are unable to attend the Divine Liturgy due to any of the above, please contact me so that you may receive the sacred Mysteries. If you are unable to call, ask a friend or relative to do so for you. All illness has a spiritual component that must be addressed; only Christ the Divine Physician can do that.