

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

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Glory Forever!
Слава на вики!

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02 December, 2012: Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost
*The Holy Prophet Habakkuk, The Passing of the Blessed Confessor Ivan Slezyuk,
Bishop of Ivano-Frankivsk (1973)*

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

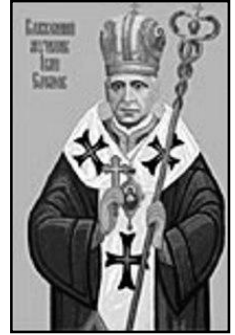
Sat.	Dec.	01	5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil <i>+Michael & Anna Brehun requested by Mary Lezo</i>					
Sun.	Dec.	02	10:30 AM: 27th Sunday after Pentecost: pro populo					
Wed.	Dec.	05	7:00 PM: Vesperal Divine Liturgy <i>+Joseph & Elizabeth Rady requested by Karen Janos</i>					
Thurs.	Dec.	06	9:30 AM: Nicholas of Myra Archbishop: Solemn <i>+Anthony Giacobbi requested by Friends from St. Mary Parish</i>					
Sat.	Dec.	08	5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil: w/ Mirovanije <i>+Joseph & Josephine Krynicky requested by Joanne H. Krynicky</i>					
Sun.	Dec.	09	10:30 AM: 28th Sunday after Pentecost: pro populo w/ Mirovanije					
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			<u>Acolytes</u>		<u>Readers</u>		<u>Ushers</u>	
Sat.	Dec.	01	M. Mihalko		M. Hulyk		J. Kontir, R. Garber	
Sun.	Dec.	02	E. & R. Hess		J. Hess		D. Hess, G. Krynicky	
Wed.	Dec.	05	Any Present		S. Vacha, J. Kontir		-----Any 2 Present----	
Thurs.	Dec.	06	Any Present		M. Hulyk		-----Any 2 Present----	
Sat.	Dec.	08	M. Mihalko		L. Knouse		J. Snitzer, D. Mihalko	
Sun.	Dec.	09	D. Cianciotti		L. Cianciotti		C. & D. Cianciotti	

Collection: 11/25/12: Adult \$ 810; Candles \$ 47; Student \$ 6; Holy Day \$ 90; Fuel \$ 350;
Total: \$ 1303.00



At Ivano-Frankivsk in Ukraine, **blessed John Slezyuk, bishop and martyr**, to whom the Lord gave the palm of eternal life for having played tirelessly in hiding under an atheistic regime, his ministry among the faithful of the Byzantine Rite and maintaining bravely before his persecutors firm faith in Christ. Ivan Slezyuk was born on January 14, 1896 at the village of Zhyvachiv, in the Ukrainian region of Stanislaviv, now called Ivano-Frankivsk. In 1923 he received the Order of Priests in the Byzantine rite and in 1945 his bishop, Blessed Hryhorij Khomysyn, gave the episcopal consecration as coadjutor with

right of succession in the Eparchy of Stanislaviv in which case he was arrested by the Bolsheviks. This order was providential, as the Khomysyn died on Dec. 28 of that year in hospitals of the Lukianivska prison in Kiev. His young assistant could not succeed immediately, he had been jailed since even before the bishop died, June 2, and deported in the work camps of Vorkuta in Russia and then, in 1950, he was relocated to the work camps of Mordovia, in Russia. On November 15, 1954 was finally freed and was able to return and take possession of his episcopal see. He was then arrested again, in 1962, and sentenced to five years of hard time in prison. He was released again on November 30, 1968, but continued to be regularly convened by the KGB for “conversations”, the most recent of which took place two weeks before his death. Despite this condition of secrecy in which the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church was forced to live, with a despotic regime hostile to God, Ivan Slezyuk continued unabated to exercise his ministry to the faithful of the Byzantine Rite, witnessing Christ firmly and without fear before the persecutors of faith. He finally died at Stanislaviv December 2, 1973 and was beatified by Pope John Paul II on June 27, 2001, together with another 24 Ukrainian nationals who were all victims of the Soviet regime. Author: Fabio Arduino



CHRIST HIMSELF AS THE ARMOR OF GOD. SAINT JEROME: From what we read of the Lord our Savior throughout the Scriptures, it is manifestly clear that the whole armor of Christ is the Savior Himself. It is He Whom we are asked to “put on.” It is one and the same thing to say “Put on the whole armor of God” and “Put on the Lord Jesus Christ.” Our belt is truth and our breastplate is righteousness. The Savior is also called both “truth” and “righteousness.” So no one can doubt that He Himself is that very belt and breastplate. On this principle He is also to be understood as the “preparation of the gospel of peace.” He Himself is the “shield of faith” and the “helmet of salvation.” He is the “sword of the Spirit,” because He is the Word of God, living and efficacious, the utterance of which is stronger than any helmet and sharp on both sides. **EPISTLE TO THE EPHESIANS 3.6.11.**



~ Announcements ~

- Special Thanks to **Ron Garber & Dolores Harhai** for donating baked goods to our Friday Bingo.
- **The Christmas Memory Poinsettias will be published once again this year in honor of the dearly departed.** Using the special envelope marked Christmas Trees & Altar Flowers, write your name and the name of your departed loved one on it and place it in the collection basket. The cost is **\$15** for each flower that you wish to purchase.
- **Saint John Chrysostom Parish in Greenfield will host a wonderful Christmas Concert by the renowned artist Cathasaigh on Saturday, December 8th at 7 pm.** Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 5:30 for the Feast of the Conception of Saint Anne. All are welcome to attend. Those not able to attend may watch it LIVE on line at **www.sjcbcc.com** at 7pm the same day.

