Christ is Risen! Χριστος Βοςκρεςς! Χριστός ἀνέστη!

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Indeed He is Risen! Βουςτυμy Βοςκρεςe! Άληθῶς ἀνέστη!

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## 25 May, 2014: Sunday of the Man Vorn Blind

The Third Finding of the Head of the holy Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John. The Passing of the Holy Bishop-Martyr Nicholas Cehelskyj in Moldavia.

#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat. May	24	<b>5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil</b> w/ Panachida for Memorial Day + Suffrages for William Lipko requested by Joan & Ed Boytim					
Sun. May	25	10:30 AM: Sunday of the Man Born Blind: pro populo w/ Panachida for Memorial Day					
Wed. May	28	7:00 PM: Ascension of Our Lord Vigil: Obligation: w/Mirovanije + Suffrages for Anthony Giacobbi requested by Joanne H. Krynicky					
Thurs. May	29	9:30 AM: Ascension of Our Lord: Obligation: w/Mirovanije + Suffrages for Robert Hulyk requested by the Marge Hulyk Family					
Sat. May	31	5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil + Suffrages for Joseph Christie Jr. requested by Joan & Ed Boytim					
Sun. June	01	10:00 AM: Sunday of the Fathers at the 1 <sup>st</sup> Nicean Council: pro populo					
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		<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>Readers</b>		<u>Ushers</u>		
Sat. May	24		M. Harhai	J. Kontir, J. Snitzer			
Sun. May	25	E. & R. Hess	B. Chirdon	R. Garber, J. Knouse			
Sat. May	31		D. Cholock	D. Mihalko, R. Garber			
Sun. June	01	D. Cianciotti	L. Cianciotti	C. Cianciotti, J. Overdorff			
5/18/14 Collection:		Adult \$811.00; Candles \$74.00;	Seminary Collection \$140.00 Students \$8.00; Total: \$1033.00				
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Word, You are the Light that enlightens all; O God, You are the eye of our body in this world. We acknowledge You as the Creator of sight. Today, from a mixture of spittle and dust, You re-create sight for the blind man. In times past, your fingers have created both clay and sight; today, he receives both from You. Until this time, the man born blind was unable to see the sun. Now he sees You, the gentle Sun and Creator of all, Who in your love has created and fashioned us.

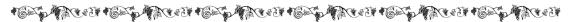
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The blind Scribes looked with suspicion upon the blind man who was given sight as if his eyes had not really been opened but that he only pretended to see because of the Lord. For they themselves preferred the darkness of the letter of the Law to the light of Christ, our radiant Sun. By this healing Christ renewed the Sabbath Feast and enlightened the darkness of the Law, lifting the veil to shed light upon those who had been blind, and who now announce to the world that they see the Lord Who is the Source of our light.

Enlighten the eyes of my soul blinded by the gloom of sin, O Lord. Anoint them with humility, O Compassionate One, and wash me with tears of repentance.

hen the blind man's eyes were opened, he gazed like others upon the light of the sun. He rejoiced in his newly found sight. Now he could walk the paths of life without stumbling. He recognized the Word, equal to the Father Who created all, the morning Star and Maker of the dawn, as the Son of God, all-radiant, who took flesh in His unspeakable compassion. He became human while remaining God, assuming what He never was before, in a union without confusion.

From the Pentecostarion



**Suffrages:** short intercessory prayer or petitions offered for the living and the dead. [Latin: **suffragium**, -i (n.) < **suffragari**: to be favorable, to favor, recommend, support]

### **Next Sunday's Readings:**

Acts of the Holy Apostles 20: 16 – 18 & 28 - 38

Paul Speaks to the Elders at Ephesus

John 17: 1 – 13 The Prayer of Jesus



#### ~ Announcements ~

• CONGRATULATIONS! to Caitlyn Fullman, Adam Hess, and Joshua Vacha who completed the Rites of Christian Initiation by receiving the Divine Eucharist last Sunday. Continue to keep these lambs of our parish in your prayers that they may always find joy, consolation, strength, and love in the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world. A sincere THANK YOU to Joanne H. Krynicky for the students' preparation and for the reception after the Divine Liturgy.



• Also kindly hold in prayer the following children of our parish who, having come from the Latin Church, will also complete the Rites of Christian Initiation on Pentecost Sunday by receiving the Mysteries of Chrismation and the Divine Eucharist: Mark Cecilia and Nicholas Syphan.

- CLERGY DAYS: The priests and deacons of the Archeparchy will be meeting with the Metropolitan for their annual clergy gathering the first half of this week. Remember this assembly in your prayers and pray for vocations! Remember as well the two new priests from Ukraine who, with their wives and children, are serving parishes in the Pittsburgh and Patton areas. There are pictures and an article from the BCW on the bulletin board in the Narthex.
- The Summer Schedule for Sundays starts June 1st. The Divine Liturgy will be served at 10:00 am instead of 10:30 am. The time of the Saturday Vigil Divine Liturgy will NOT change.
- 2013 Festival Chair people: Please place the bottom portion of your chairperson sheet in the specially marked envelope in the Narthex.
- The **Fifth All Souls' Liturgy is Saturday**, 7<sup>th</sup> **June at 9:30 am.** You may still turn in the names of your departed so that they may be remembered in the morning's Divine Liturgy.
- June 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> is Pentecost weekend. Wear something GREEN to honor the Holy Trinity and to celebrate the out-pouring of the life-creating Holy Spirit.
- **Spiritual bouquets** for Father's Day are available in the Narthex. Please turn in the names of your Fathers, Grandfathers, and Godfathers so that they may be remembered in the Divine Liturgies that week-end.