

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection
Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory Forever!
Слава на вики!

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25 JUNE 2023 / 7531 – FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*Postfestive Day of the Feast of the Nativity of John the Baptist.
The Holy Venerable Martyr Febronia.*



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. June 24 17:00 VIGIL: **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Suffrages for +Mary Lezo – The Uhall Family

Sun. June 25 10:30 **FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Suffrages pro populo

Wed. June 28 18:30 **STS PETER & PAUL – PREEMINENT APOSTLES**

Suffrages for +Mary Lezo – Richard & Anita Kozusko

Thur. June 29 10:00 **STS PETER & PAUL – PREEMINENT APOSTLES**

Suffrages for +Mary Lezo – Helen Homulka

Sat. July 01 17:00 VIGIL: **FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Suffrages for +Mary Lezo – Agnes Uhall & Family

Sun. July 02 10:30 **FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Suffrages pro populo

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COLLECTION

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Adults: \$984
Candles: \$116

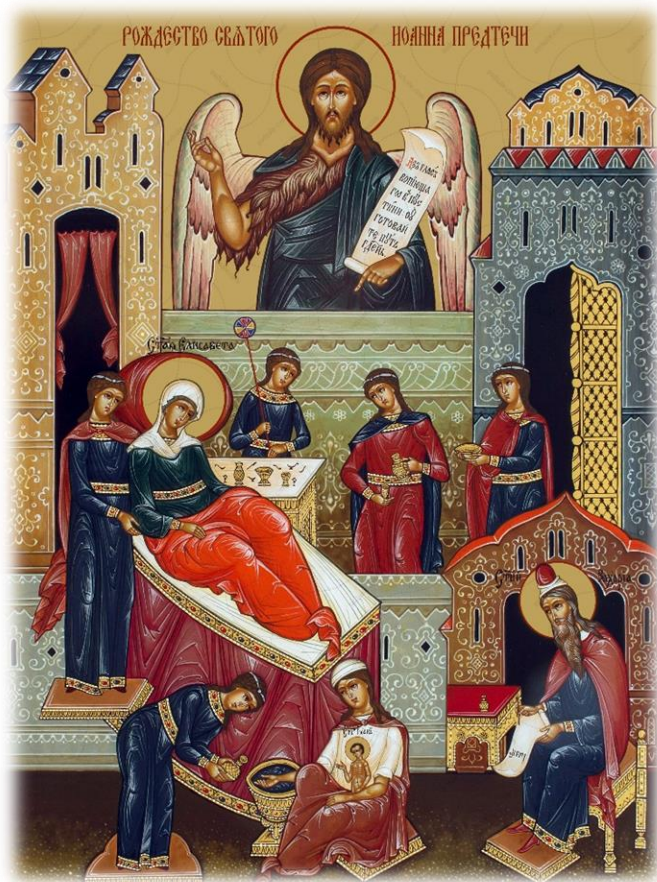
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Special Donation: \$200
TOTAL: \$1445

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Peter's Pence: \$145



AMBON PRAYER FOR THE NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

O Forerunner, Prophet and Baptist, while still in your mother's womb you recognized the Master and leapt in worship. You were born from a womb that had been barren and from infancy yearned for the height of virtue and to live in the pathless desert. You became the herald of repentance, the baptizer of our Lord, and, by grace, a witness of the Holy Trinity. Rightly did the Lord call you greater than anyone born of woman. O Christ our God, You were baptized by him and enlightened the whole world, send us now Your heavenly assistance and have mercy on all of us. For to You is due all glory, together with Your eternal Father and Your all-holy, good and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.



*Before I formed you in the womb I knew you;
before you were born I consecrated you.*

*I have appointed you a prophet
to the nations.*

*I am putting my words into your mouth:
I am setting you over nations and
kingdoms. I have appointed you a prophet
to the nations.*

«To keep his promise, God has raised up for Israel one of David's descendants, Jesus, as Savior, Whose coming was heralded by John when he proclaimed a baptism of repentance for the whole people of Israel. Before John ended his career he said, 'I am not the one you imagine me to be; that one is coming after me and I am not fit to undo his sandal.'»

Acts 13:23-25

John the Baptist has three feasts to himself. The first, his conception, is in September at the start of the liturgical year; the one in June celebrates his birth; the one in August celebrates his death. And this is as it should be, for as Christ Himself said, John was the greatest of the sons of men. The greatest,

but also the most tragic. A prophet from before his birth, leaping in the womb to announce the coming of the incarnate God, his task was to proclaim the fulfilment of all prophecies – and thus his own obsolescence. And he did it: with unequalled courage he spread the news that he, the greatest of all men, was the least in the kingdom of heaven. His disciples, and the devil, would have preferred him to fight, to build his sect, to defeat this upstart whom he himself had baptized, to seize his place in history. But he did not – and so, rightly, he has his place, and he has glory in heaven.



~ Announcements ~

- ✠ The parish is most grateful to Dolores and John for the very generous donation that they have made to the church in memory of their mother, Mary. *«May God grant to His servants Dolores and John peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years!»*
- ✠ Please remember in your prayers the following parishioners who are dealing with various health issues: Dolores, Patricia, John and Norma, James, Gregory. *«May God grant to these His servants peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years!»*
- ✠ Belated **CONGRATULATIONS** to James and Julie who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on May 26th. *«May God grant to His servants Julie and James peace, health, and happiness for many blessed years!»*