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Sunday & Holy Days Divine Liturgies:
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DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

JULY 26, 2020

Saturday July 25 8th Sunday after Pentecost

4:30PM – Confession. 5:00PM – Divine Liturgy For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners
 & in particular for Dorothy Dowling from Lydia Bargiuk

Sunday August 02 9th Sunday after Pentecost

8:00AM – Confession. 8:30AM – Divine Liturgy For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners
 & in particular for Liz and Craig Miller from Ann Woroniak

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8th Sunday after Pentecost

In the Gospel reading today, we hear of Our Lord's miracle of feeding 5,000 people. Scripture tells us that Our Lord was deeply saddened upon hearing of the death of John the Baptist and He wanted to be alone. In spite of this, great crowds soon found Him. Laying aside His own sorrows, Jesus was "moved with pity" at the sight of the crowd and cured the sick and fed 5,000 using only five loaves of bread and a couple of fish. This story stands out as a marvelous example of the concern that our Lord has for us – not just in soul, but in body as well! Yet, we sometimes still find it difficult to trust in Him for all our needs.

Consider the following story: Once a maintenance crew was instructed to chop down a tree in order to widen a road. The foreman of the crew saw that there was a bird's nest atop the tree with several chirping baby birds in it, so he decided to come back another day. He checked again and again and each time he saw the baby birds along with their mother. Finally, he returned and discovered that the birds had finally abandoned their nest. When he looked into the nest, however, he saw – among the sticks and grass – a small piece of paper used for bedding in the nest. On the paper were written the words, "In God we trust."

Elsewhere in Scripture Our Lord tells us, "If God can take such care of the birds of the sky, how much more will He do for you!"

8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Troparion and Kontakion:

Troparion (7): By Your cross You destroyed death; You opened Paradise to the thief; You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy, and charged the apostles to proclaim that You are risen, O Christ our God, offering great mercy to the world.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Kontakion (7): No longer shall the dominion of death be able to hold humanity, for Christ went down shattering and destroying its powers. Hades is bound. The prophets exult with one voice: The Savior has come for those with faith, saying: Come forth, O faithful, to the resurrection!

Now and for ever and ever: Amen. Theotokion (7): O All-praised Treasury of our resurrection, we hope in you, bring us up from the pit and depth of sins, for you have saved those subject to sin by giving birth to our Salvation, O Virgin before childbirth, and virgin in childbirth, and still a virgin after childbirth.

Prokimenon (7): The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace. **Verse:** Bring to the Lord, O you sons of God; bring to the Lord young rams.

Epistle: Reading of the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (1Cor 1,10-18)

Brethren: I urge you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree in what you say, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and in the same purpose. For it has been reported to me about you, my brothers, by Chloe's people, that there are rivalries among you. I mean that each of you in saying, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Kephas," or "I belong to Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I give thanks to God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say you were baptized in my name. (I baptized the household of Stephanas also; beyond that I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with the wisdom of human eloquence, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its meaning. The message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Alleluia Verses: Verse (7): It is good to give praise to the Lord; and to sing in Your name, O Most High. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Verse (7): To announce Your mercy in the morning and Your truth every night. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel: (Mt 14,14-22) At that time, Jesus saw a vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples approached him and said, "This is a deserted place and it is already late; dismiss the crowds so that they can go to the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "There is no need for them to go away; give them some food yourselves." But they said to him, "Five loaves and two fish are all we have here." Then he said, "Bring them here to me," and he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, he said the blessing, broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, who in turn gave them to the crowds. They all ate and were satisfied, and they picked up the fragments left over - twelve wicker baskets full. Those who ate were about five thousand men, not counting women and children. Then he made the disciples get into the boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Food for Thought:

- ❖ *Try to watch the words you say and keep them soft and sweet for we don't know from day to day which ones you'll have to eat.*
- ❖ *If one can live in the world and yet not mix with it – just as oil and water do not mix– then he can live in God. He is in this world but not of this world.*
- ❖ *We are all vessels, sometimes of Light and sometimes of darkness.*



Announcements

Dear Parishioners & Friends! Each week, more of us are attending Divine Liturgies. Please remember to follow all procedures and regulations given to us by the Archdiocese, for the safety of ourselves and those around us. As the summer sun gets warmer and temperatures continue to climb, please remember to take care of yourselves and your loved ones. Spending time with family is so important as is making memories that will last. Make sure you take the time God has given you and use it in the best way possible. Be extra careful during these extremely hot days. Check up on your elderly relatives and neighbors. It is what we as Catholics are all about: doing the work of Jesus. Remember also to connect with God and gain spiritual strength for the rest of 2020.

• Announcement from the Archeparchy regarding the Flood Victims Assistance

Dear Archbishops, Bishops, Clergy, Venerable Sisters, dear faithful, all Brothers and Sisters in Christ! As of this moment, you raised \$103,186!!! CONGRATULATIONS! FACEBOOK donations - \$43,718; parish collections in the Archeparchy of Philadelphia - \$32,225; private and organization donations - \$27,243! We would like to continue providing financial assistance to the three Caritas eparchial organizations in Ivano-Frankivsk, Kolomyia and Chernivtsi! There are still many people that need our help! May God bless you for your kindness and generosity!

Most Rev. Andriy Rabiw / Владика Андрій Рабій Auxiliary Bishop for the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia єпископ-помічник для Філадельфійської Архиепархії

•Church Donations We sincerely thank our parishioners who mail their donations when they're unable to come to Divine Liturgy. If you are financially able, please continue to support our church. You may mail your donations to: PO Box 2735, Manassas, VA 20108. THANK YOU!

Collection: July 18 - \$515.

Sincere thanks for your kindness and generosity to our Holy Church!