



**Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Ukrainian Catholic Church
(St. Mary's)**

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Sunday Divine Liturgies: 8:30 a.m.

Holy Days as scheduled in the Bulletin

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

October 03, 2021

Sunday, October 03, 2021 19th Sunday after Pentecost

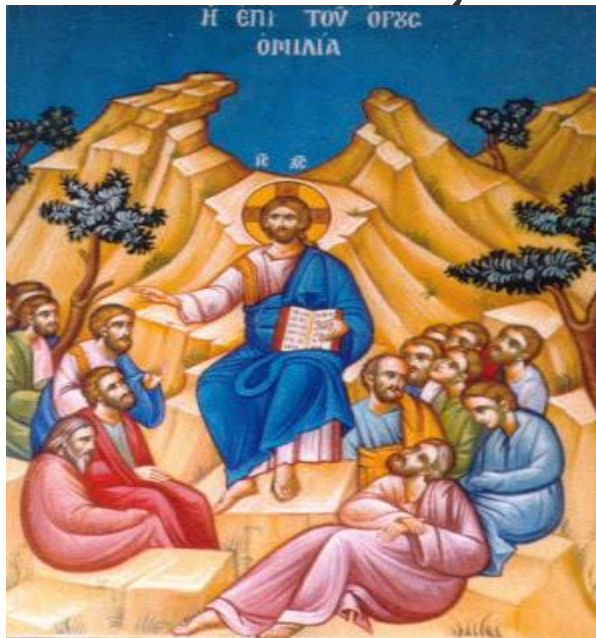
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The gospel reading of this Sunday starts with what is generally known as "the golden rule of Christianity:" And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. Our Lord Jesus Christ came into the world not only "to fulfill the Law" of the Old Testament but also to take it to a new level, based not on revenge but on sacrificial love, which became the "new Law" the Law of the New Testament. In the Sermon on the Mount, which this gospel reading is a part of, Christ explains how the New Law is different from the Old Law (see Matthew 5:21-48). He explains how "an eye for an eye" from the old Law becomes "turn the other cheek" and "love your enemies" in the new Law. Those who embrace the New Law become part of a

new people, a new nation, a new Israel, guided not by the Law of Moses but by the new Law proclaimed by Jesus Christ, the Son of God. Just as the Law of the New Testament is different from (better than) the old Law, so are all those who constitute the new people, the new nation: "But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. By coming into the world, our Lord Jesus Christ reopened the gates of paradise, of the Kingdom of God, which is now the promised reward for those who follow in the footsteps of our Savior: But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. *Fr. George Bazgan*

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Troparion (2): When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out: O Giver of life, Christ our

God, glory be to You! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Kontakion (2): You rose from the tomb, O Almighty Savior, and Hades, seeing this wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead arose. Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults. And the world, my Savior, sings Your praises for ever.

Now and for ever and ever: Amen. Theotokion (2): The tomb and death could not hold the Mother of God, unceasing in her intercessions and an unfailing hope of patronage, for as the Mother of Life she was transferred to life by Him Who had dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.

Prokimenon (2): The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become my salvation. **Verse:** The Lord has indeed chastised me, but He has not delivered me to death.

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Epistle: Reading of the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (2Cor 11,31-33;12,1-9) Brethren: The God and Father of the Lord Jesus knows, he who is blessed forever, that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus, in order to seize me, but I was lowered in a basket through a window in the wall and escaped his hands. I must boast; not that it is profitable, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know someone in Christ who, fourteen years ago (whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows), was caught up to the third heaven. And I know that this person (whether in the body or out of the body, I do not know, God knows) was caught up into Paradise

and heard ineffable things, which no one may utter. About this person I will boast, but about myself I will not boast, except about my weaknesses. Although if I should wish to boast, I would not be foolish, for I would be telling the truth. But I refrain, so that no one may think more of me than what he sees in me or hears from me because of the abundance of the revelations. Therefore, that I might not become too elated, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, an angel of Satan, to beat me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I begged the Lord about this, that it might leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." I will rather boast most gladly of my weaknesses, in order that the power of Christ may dwell with me.

Alleluia Verses: Verse (2): The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the God of Jacob will shield you. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Verse (2): Lord, grant victory to the king, and hear us in the day that we shall call upon You. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel: (Lk 6,31-36) The Lord said: "Do to others as you would have them do to you. For if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do the same. If you lend money to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit [is] that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, and get back the same amount. But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as also your Father is merciful."

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! Our warmest greetings are extended once again to all visitors and guests who are participating in Divine Liturgy. It is always a joy to have you praying with us. After the service please do not hesitate to introduce yourself to Fr. Alexander and our parishioners and find out more about our faith and our parish.

2021-2022 Religious classes Please register your children for the 2021-2022 First Confession and Solemn Holy Communion classes using the following form and email to alexanderd715@aol.com no later than by October 3, 2021. The Catechetical classes will be starting NEXT SUNDAY, October 10, 2021 for our parish children (8-9 years old).

Divine Liturgy Intentions. It is a holy act to remember individuals in Divine Liturgies. We remember our living loved ones on birthdays, baptism and wedding anniversaries, health needs and any intention. We should remember our deceased family and friends on the anniversaries of their death or any other time we wish. Offertory stipends are traditionally given to the priest for these services, but no one is ever denied a Divine Liturgy intention based on a stipend. To pray for one another is directly from Our Lord and His holy church. "Pray for those who love us and pray for those who hate us". See Fr. Alexander to schedule Divine Liturgy intentions. May God bless you!

Altar Servers needed! There is a need for more young men to assist during the liturgical celebrations. If you are interested, please talk to Fr. Alexander. Parents are asked to encourage their children to serve by the Altar. Thank You!

Sick Calls Fr. Alexander is distributing the Eucharist and administers the Sacraments of Healing Penance and Anointing of the Sick to the Homebound. If you are sick and unable to make it to the Liturgy and want to be put on the list for a priest's visit, please call the rectory.

Marriage Banns – Oleg Grynyk and Olga Grynyk (Pasichnyk) plan to be united in the bond of Holy Marriage Saturday, October 16, 2021. If anyone knows of any reason this marriage should not take place, please contact the parish office.

2022 Donation Envelopes It is that time of year when we prepare a list for next year's church donation envelopes. If there are any changes or corrections to your name or address, or if you do not have envelopes and wish to be considered an active registered parishioner please contact Fr. Alexander or Helen Troy.

Sunday Coffee Hour! We invite everyone to come to the church hall for refreshment after the service, and we encourage you to participate by bringing pastries/sandwiches for coffee hour on Sunday. May God bless us all!

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