

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS

- Sat, Sep 30th:** **The Hierarch and Martyr Gregory the Illuminator of Armenia**
6:30 pm: Great Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom.
- Sun, Oct 1st:** **The 18th Sunday After Pentecost; the Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God**
9:00 am—4:15pm: *Pokrova Pilgrimage, Sisters of St. Basil the Great, Fox Chase, PA*
9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Eng.); Intention for God's Blessings on Our Living and Deceased Parishioners.
- Mon, Oct 2nd:** **The Hieromartyr Cyprian of Carthage**
No Divine Services (9:00 am Matins/3rd Hour at Holy Ghost, West Easton).
7:00 pm: *St. Josaphat Tryzub Association Meeting (Church Hall).*
- Tue, Oct 3rd:** **The Hieromartyr Dionysius the Areopagite**
9:00 am: Matins/3rd Hour.
6:30 pm: *Moleben for Ukraine; Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, West Easton, PA.*
- Wed, Oct 4th:** **The Hieromartyr Hierotheus of Athens**
No Divine Services (9:00 am Matins/3rd Hour at Holy Ghost, West Easton).
- Thu, Oct 5th:** **The Martyr Charitina**
No Divine Services
7:00 pm: *St. Josaphat Pastoral Council Meeting (Ad Hoc Meeting, St. Josaphat Rectory Classroom, Members Only).*
- Fri, Oct 6th:** **The Apostle Thomas**
9:00 am: Matins/3rd Hour.
- Sat, Oct 7th:** **The Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus**
6:30 pm: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom. Intention for God's Blessings on Our Living and Deceased Parishioners.
- Sun, Oct 8th:** **The 19th Sunday After Pentecost; of the Venerable Mother Pelagia**
9:00 am—4:15pm: *Pokrova Pilgrimage, Sisters of St. Basil the Great, Fox Chase, PA*
9:00 am: Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (Eng.); Intention for +Diane Sawruk, 1 Year Anniversary.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. There will be an ad-hoc St. Josaphat Pastoral Council Meeting for all Pastoral Council members only at 7:00 pm on Thursday, October 5th, 2023, in the Rectory Classroom. This meeting is open only to St. Josaphat Pastoral Council members
2. Barry Bennington Associates of Scranton, PA, has erected scaffolding in the sanctuary of the church and has begun restoration of the damaged plaster and artwork from last year's vandalism. These repairs are estimated to be ongoing over the next several weeks.
3. There is a scheduled meeting of the St. Josaphat Tryzub Association on Monday, October 2nd, 2023. Plans will be finalized for the upcoming fall holubtsi and St. Josaphat's Dinner for November,

as well as our December/January events. All are welcome to come and join our Tryzub Association.

4. Our sister parish, Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, will be hosting their Annual Tricky Tray fundraiser on the weekend of October 14th and 15th, 2023. Flyers are provided in the back of the church with more information. All are invited to come, bid on prizes, purchase good food for take out and have fun. Bidders need not be present to win. For more information, please contact Father Paul at St. Josaphat Rectory.
5. The St. Josaphat Tryzub Association have started selling tickets for their annual St. Josaphat Dinner, tentatively scheduled for Sunday, November 12th. For information, please see David Kadingo, or any Tryzub Member.
6. Don't forget, we have a coffee and cake social downstairs in the Church hall after every Sunday Divine Liturgy. Many thanks to the St. Josaphat Tryzub Association for making this social possible. We encourage all of our parishioners to come downstairs after Sunday Liturgy for coffee, sweets, and fellowship.
7. The Sisters of St. Basil the Great of Fox Chase, PA, are hosting their 92nd Annual Pilgrimage for the Feast of the Protection of the Mother of God today, Sunday, October 1st, 2023. All are welcome to attend
8. The Ukrainian Catholic/Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood of the Lehigh Valley will have their next weekly Moleben for Peace in Ukraine on Tuesday, October 3rd, 2023, at Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church, West Easton, PA. All are encouraged to come and pray with us.
9. We thank everyone who could come out to our recent Theology on Tap event at Weyerbacher's Brewery. We now have a regular crowd from St. Josaphat's as well as our various sister parishes from Northampton and West Easton. The Next Theology on Tap event will be on Sunday, October 29th, at Weyerbacher's Brewery with the theme "Where Does The Bible Fit Into The Ukrainian Catholic Church?" All are invited to attend.
10. Don't forget to bring your Redner's receipts! The receipts box is located in the church vestibule.

St. Josaphat Calendar of Events – Mark Your Planners!

October 11th:	<i>Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church Noodle Sale</i>
October 14th/15th:	<i>Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church Tricky Tray</i>
October 14th:	<i>UNWLA Branch 91 (Soyuz Ukrainok) Meeting (Church Hall)</i>
October 19th:	<i>St. Josaphat Church Cleaning</i>
October 22nd:	<i>Catechetical Sunday/Begin Eastern Catholic Catechism (ECC) Classes</i>
October 29th:	<i>Theology on Tap (Weyerbacher Brewery).</i>
November 5th:	Daylight Savings Time Ends.

Please remember to pray for the sick, for those who are shut-in, and for all those who have requested, or are in need of, our prayers:

Anna Kapustiak	Amelia Balandovich	Ethel Bednarchek	Bob Silvert
Slava Harasymovych	Oleh Balaziuk	Mike Wetherill	Rev. John Ciurpita
Rev. Paul Wolensky	Very Rev. Mitred Archpriest Roman Mirchuk		
All Our Archeparchial Seminarians	The Missionary Sisters of the Mother of God		

If anyone knows of someone in need of our prayers, or who is sick or shut in and cannot make it to church, please contact Father Paul via email or telephone as listed on the cover of this bulletin if you wish to have their name added to our prayer list. Thank you and God bless you!

Sunday Propers:
**The 18th Sunday After Pentecost; the Feast
of the Protection of the Mother of God**

Troparion (1): Though the stone was sealed by the Jews and soldiers guarded Your immaculate body, You arose, O Savior, on the third day, and gave life to the world. And so the heavenly powers cried out to You, O Giver of life: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your kingdom! Glory to Your saving plan, O only Lover of Mankind!

Troparion (4): Protected by your coming, O Mother of God, the faithful people solemnly celebrate today; and gazing upon your immaculate image, they humbly say: Watch over us with your noble protection, and deliver us from all evil by asking your Son, Christ our God, to save our souls.

Kontakion (1): *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.* You arose in glory from the tomb and with Yourself You raised the world. All humanity acclaims You as God, and death has vanished. Adam exults, O Master; and Eve, redeemed now from bondage, cries out for joy: You are the One, O Christ, Who offer resurrection to all.

Kontakion (3): *Now and for ever and ever: Amen.* Today the Virgin is present in the Church and with the armies of Saints invisibly prays to God for us. The angels worship with the archangels and the apostles rejoice with the prophets; because, in our behalf, the Mother of God prays to the eternal God.

Prokimenon (1): Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we have hoped in You.

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous.

Prokimenon (3): My soul extols the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

Verse: Because He has looked upon His lowly servant; from this day forward all generations shall call me blessed.

Epistle (2 Cor 9:6-11): Brethren: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each must do as already determined, without sadness or compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Тропарі і Кондаки:
**18-а Неділя по Зісланні Св. Духа;
Покрова Превсятої Богородиці**

Тропар (1): Хоч запечатали камінь юдеї і воїни стерегли пречисте тіло Твоє, воскрес Ти, Спасе, на третій день, даруючи життя світові. Тому сили небесні взивали до Тебе, Життєдавче: Слава воскресінню Твоєму, Христе, слава царству Твоєму, слава провидінню Твоєму, єдиний Чоловіколюбче!

Тропар (4): Сьогодні ми, благовірні люди, радісно святкуємо, осяяні Твоїм, Божа Мати, явлінням і, дивлячись на Твій пречистий образ, щиро просимо: Покрий нас святим Твоїм покровом і визволь нас від усякого зла, благаючи Сина Твого, Христа Бога нашого, щоб спас душі наші.

Кондак (1): *Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові.* Воскрес Ти у славі як Бог із гробу і світ з Собою воскресив; людське ество Тебе, як Бога, оспівує і смерть щезла. Адам же ликує, Владико, і Єва нині, з узів визволившись, радіє, зважаючи: Ти, Христе, той, Хто всім подає воскресіння.

Кондак (3): *І нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Аминь.* Діва сьогодні стоїть перед нами у храмі та з хорами святих невидимо за нас молиться Богу. Ангели з архиереями поклоняються, апостоли ж з пророками радуються, бо за нас благає Богородиця споконвічного Бога.

Прокімен (1): Милість Твоя, Господи, хай буде над нами, бо ми надіялись на Тебе.

Стих: Радуйтеся, праведні, в Господі, правим належить похвала.

Прокімен (3): Величає душа моя Господа, і дух мій радіє в Бозі, Спасі моїм.

Стих: Бо Він зглянувся на покору слугині Своєї, ось бо віднині ублажатимуть мене всі роди.

Апостоль (2 Кор 9:6-11): Браття, хто скупко сіє, скупко буде жати; хто ж щедро сіє, той щедро жатиме. Нехай дає кожний, як дозволяє серце, не з жалю чи примусу: Бог любить того, хто дає радо. А Бог спроможний

Moreover, God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you need, you may have an abundance for every good work. As it is written: "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever." The one who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You are being enriched in every way for all generosity, which through us produces thanksgiving to God.

Alleluia Verse (1): God gives me vindication, and has subdued peoples under me.

Verse (1): Making great the salvation of the king, and showing mercy to His anointed, to David, and to his posterity for ever.

Verse (3): Listen, O Daughter, give ear to my words.

Verse (3): The richest of people shall seek your favor.

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. I will take the chalice of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. Alleluia (3x).

обсипати вас усякою благодаттю, щоб ви у всьому мали завжди те, що вам потрібне, та щоб вам ще й зосталось на всяке добре діло, як написано: "Розсипав, дав убогим; праведність його перебуває вічно." Той, хто доставляє насіння сіячеві, додасть і хліб на поживу, і примножить ваше насіння та зростить плоди вашої справедливості, щоб ви у всьому збагатилися всякою щедротою, яка через нас складає Богові подяку.

Апостольські Стих (1): Бог, що дає відплату мені, і покорив народи мені.

Стих (1): Ти, що звеличуєш спасіння царя, і даєш милість помазаннику Своїму Давидові і родові його повіки.

Стих (3): Слухай, дочко, і споглянь, і прихили вухо твоє.

Стих (3): Перед лицем Твоїм помоляться заможні між людьми.

Євангелія: (Лк 6:31-36): Сказав Господь: як бажаєте, щоб вам чинили люди, чиніть і ви їм так само. Коли ви любите тих, що вас люблять, яка вам заслуга? Та й грішники те саме чинять. Таж бо грішники люблять тих, що їх люблять. І коли чините добро тим, що вам чинять, яка вам заслуга? І коли позичаєте тим, від кого маєте надію назад узяти, яка вам заслуга? Адже і грішники грішникам позичають, щоб відібрати від них рівне. Ви ж любіть ворогів ваших, добро чиніть їм, і позичайте, не чекаючи назад нічого, а велика буде ваша нагорода, й будете Всевишнього синами, бо він благий для злих і невдячних. Будьте милосердні, як Отець ваш милосердний.

Причасний Стих: Хваліте Господа з небес, хваліте Його на висотах. Чашу спасіння прийму, і ім'я Господнє призову. Алилуя (3р).

Please don't leave this bulletin in the pew or in the trash when you are finished. We kindly ask you share this bulletin with your loved ones. Let your family & friends know of the spiritual treasure that God has for all people here at St. Josaphat Church, Bethlehem PA!

The Precepts of the Church [Part 4]

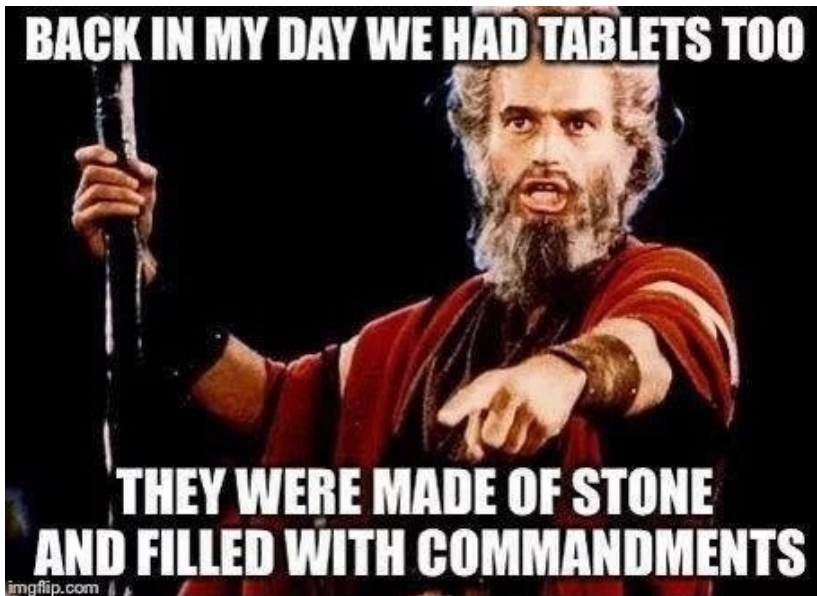
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The Precepts of the Church are rules that all faithful who are Baptized and Chrismated are bound to follow in addition to the Ten Commandments as well as believing with full faith and assent of will to the articles of the Nicæan/Constantinopolitan Creed. The power for making these rules comes from Our Lord, Jesus Christ, and includes everything necessary for the government of the Church and the direction of the faithful in order that they may attain eternal salvation

Precept #4: *To Receive Holy Communion During the Easter Season*

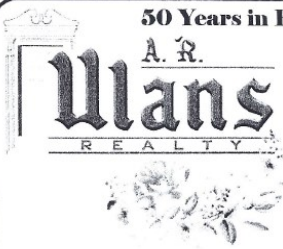
In the Roman Catholic Church, the Easter Season begins on the First Sunday of Lent and ends on Trinity Sunday. However, in the Ukrainian Greco-Catholic Church, Lent is a separate season that begins with a five week preparation for the Great Fast starting with the Sunday of Zacchaeus and ending on Forgiveness Sunday; Lent begins on Forgiveness Sunday and ends on Lazarus Saturday (this is also known as the Lenten Triodion). The Easter Season in the Ukrainian Catholic Church (also known as the Floral Triodion), begins on Palm Sunday, is broken up to Holy Week, Pascha/Easter, Bright Week, the six weeks through Ascension Thursday, Pentecost Sunday, and ends on the Sunday of All-Saints. During these respective Easter seasons, the faithful are obliged to receive Holy Communion with a clear conscience free from mortal sin. Most will go to Confession during Lent or Holy Week and receive on Easter Sunday.

However, the faithful are strongly encouraged to receive this great Mystery as frequently as possible during our lifetime (Pope St. Pius X recommends every day if possible). However, the injunction remains that we can only participate in the reception of the Holy Eucharist only when our souls are free from the deleterious effect of mortal sin, thus precipitating the need for frequent Confession. This does not imply one needs Confession every day, but rather to refrain from receiving Holy Communion when the stain of mortal sin lies on your soul. An excellent practice for most faithful to help avoid the near occasion of sin is to go to Confession monthly or every two months in order to keep your consciences clear with the Grace of God. It is unfortunate, however, when the faithful receive Holy Communion every Sunday without participating in the Mystery of Confession on a routine basis. Confession works in hand with Holy Communion for the fortification of our souls.



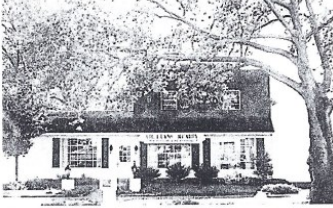
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Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Ісусу Христу!

We welcome you to our parish family and invite you to worship with us in a most ancient Church of the Christian East. We are happy to have you with us, and we are honored to share our Ukrainian Catholic tradition of prayer and spirituality with you, your family, and your friends. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to bring them to Father Paul or one of our parishioners. Our doors and our hearts are open to you. May God's blessings be with you always!

Be Merciful, Just as Your Father is Merciful

Perhaps no other attribute of God, besides His love, attracts us to Him as does His mercy. This quality distinguishes Him from all false gods. From the beginning to the end of the Bible, the endless procession of saints extols His mercy, repeating the refrain: “His mercy endures forever!”

His mercy caused Him to devise a plan of redemption that would reach every human being, moved Him to give His only Son as a ransom for all sinners, established His kingdom and His Church, inspired the Scriptures, provided the sacraments, forgives all our transgressions and heals our diseases, and gives us peace, joy, and hope and time for repentance. Great is His mercy!

That indescribable, overflowing, and undeserved mercy melts away all our pride and arrogance, fills us with gratitude, and gives us a new birth, a new life, a new will, and a new viewpoint. Now we look at our fellow inhabitants of the earth with the eyes of our merciful Father.

And so the chain reaction goes on from God to us to others. As His mercy endures forever, so may our mercifulness – as that of His children – be likewise enduring.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for His mercy endures forever. Amen.

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