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**Sunday Divine Liturgies:** 9:00 am - English / 10:15 am - Ukrainian

**Weekday Divine Liturgies:** 8:00 am or 9:00 am or 7:00 pm

**Holy Days Liturgy:** 9:00 am or Previous Day at 7:00 pm

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**CHURCH BULLETIN – ЦЕРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК**

**September 9, 2018 / Вересень 9, 2018**

**DIVINE LITURGIES SCHEDULE:**

**Sunday before the Exaltation, September 9, 2018.** *Synaxis of Joachim and Anna.*

**Tone 7: Epistle:** Galatians 6:11 – 18. / **Gospel:** John 3:13 – 17.

**9:00 am – Pro Populo – English.**

**10:15 am – (Special Intention) God's Blessing upon all Members of the Rosary Society, req. Rosary Society) – Ukrainian.**

**12:00 Noon – Panakhyda in Memoriam † Ivan {20<sup>th</sup> Anniv.}, req. Nadiya Sorych**

**Monday, September 10, 2018.** *Post – feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God. The Holy Martyr Menodora, Metrodora and Nymphodora. (301).*

**9:00 a.m. – God's Blessing upon all (Special Intention), req. by Mother in Prayer**

**7:00 p.m. – (9<sup>th</sup> day) – Parastas in Memoriam † Yustyna Galevych, req. Galevych Family**

**Tuesday, September 11, 2018.** *Theodora Venerable.*

**9:00 am – Pro Populo – Ukrainian.**

**10:00 a.m. – Panakhyda in Memoriam victims of 9/11/01**

**6:00 p.m. – God's Blessing upon Yuriy & Khrystyna Rybiy**

**Wednesday, September 12, 2018.** *Autonomous Bishop Martyr.*

**9:00 a.m. – Good health for Slawomir Samilo, req. Nataliya P.**

**Thursday, September 13, 2018.** *Dedication of the Church of the Resurrection.*

**9:00 a.m. – † All Deceased Members (Special Intention), /Panakhyda/, req. by Mothers in Prayer**

**Friday, September 14, 2018.** *Exaltation of the Holy Cross.*

**Note:** It's a Solemn Holy Day.

**9:00 am – God's Blessing upon Maksym and Demitri Sisawang, req. Samilo Family**

**7:00 p.m. – Pro Populo – English.**

**Saturday after Cross, September 15, 2018.** *Nicetas Great Martyr*

**9:00 a.m. – Special Divine Liturgy in Thanksgiving to God for the New School Year for all children of Ukrainian Saturday Cultural School.**

**2:00 p.m. – The Holy Sacrament of Marriage for Yuriy Rybiy & Chrystyna Veres**

**6:00 p.m. – Rosary (Вервиця)**

**Sunday before the Exaltation, September 9, 2018.** *Euphemia Great Martyr.*

**9:00 am – Pro Populo – English.**

**10:15 am – (God's Blessing upon Ivan Jr. Zakharyuk & Family,**

req. Olena Yakubovska) – Ukrainian.

**5:00 p.m. – (Special Divine Liturgy) - God's Blessing upon All Pilgrims traveling to Italy – E. /U.**

**Confessions:** Can be heard by appointment daily and on Sundays before or after the Divine Liturgy.

**Baptism and Chrismation:** By appointment. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics.

**Marriage:** Please contact the Pastor at least six (6) months in advance.

*Attendance at pre - Cana is required.*

**Ukrainian Culture School** will be closed for the summer and will resume on September 8, 2018. For more information please call the Rectory or contact the Director, Mr. Roman Vaskiv at (631) 225 -1203 or visit our Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/HFUkrainianSchool>.

**Ukrainian Cultural Dances** for children ages 5 to 12 are provided by Mr. Gregory Momot and Khrystyna Momot of Paramus, NJ, every Saturday, by groups: ages (5 – 9) 1:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.; ages (8 – 11) 2:15 p.m. – 3:55p.m.; ages (10 – 14) 3:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

**Religious Education:** Classes for religious education will resume on September 17, 2018 and will be held every Monday from 5:00 p.m. until 5:55 p.m./6:00 p.m. – 6:55 p.m. Please contact the rectory for further information.

**Ministry to the Sick:** Father Popovici will make visits to the sick on the first Friday of the month. It is the responsibility of an immediate family member to kindly notify Rev. Popovici at the Rectory office about any sick or aged individual who is hospitalized or confined at home or in a nursing home, and he will gladly visit and administer the sacraments. In case of emergencies please call any time.

**Pray the Rosary:** The Apostleship of Prayer requests members and parishioners pray the Rosary on the **First Sunday** of each month, beginning 20 minutes before Divine Liturgy. The Rosary Society requests members and parishioners pray the Rosary on the **Third Sunday** of the Month beginning at 10:00 a.m. before Ukrainian Divine Liturgy.

**Mothers in Prayer:** Next prayer group will be held on **October 5, 2018 at 8:15 p.m.**

**St. Joseph's Men's Prayer:** group will be held every Thursday at 8:00 p.m.

**Rectory Office Hours:** **Tuesday - Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm; Saturday: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm;** Evenings by appointment. **Attention:** Monday is a free day for the priest. In case of an emergency, please call at any time.

**Divine Liturgy:** Dear Parishioners! Remember your faith; please come every Sunday and Holy Days to Church.

**Divine Liturgy for Children:** Special Divine Liturgy (English/Ukrainian language) for family/children will be on **Sunday, October 7, 2018 at 12:00 Noon.** All parents are requested to bring their children to church to celebrate the Holy Divine Liturgy.

**Sunday Bulletin Deadline:** Notices should be phoned in or brought to the Parish Office **NO LATER** than 12:00 noon on the Friday prior to the Sunday of publication.

**Bequests:** In making out your will, kindly remember your church. Holy Family Ukrainian Catholic Church of Lindenhurst, N.Y. is our legal title.

**New Parishioners:** Welcome to Holy Family Church! To all who are tired and need rest, to all who mourn and need comfort, to all who are friendless and need friendship, to all who are discouraged and need hope, to all who are hopeless and need sheltering love, to all who sin and need a Savior, this Church opens wide its doors in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Please stop by the Rectory to introduce yourselves and register. We look forward to meeting you.

**Change in address or telephone?** Parishioners, kindly provide the rectory with your new address and telephone numbers as soon as possible.

**Parishioners and guests: after each Divine Liturgy, coffee, rolls, & cakes are served in the Parish Center for a donation of \$3.00 per person.**

**Sunday Collection – September 2, 2018. Parish Picnic - \$70.00**

*"Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, for the Lord is one who always repays, and He will give back to you sevenfold." (Sir. 35: 9 – 10).*

Candles: \$210, Tetrapod: \$5, Coffee: \$165, Bishop's Appeal: \$20, Refund: \$15, Home Mission: \$5, Sower: \$20, Holy Days: \$40, Liability Ins.: \$360, Donation: \$25, **Pledge: \$955, Sunday Offering: \$1, 292.00, Total - \$3,207.00.**

**Dear Parishioners:** *Sincere thanks for the offerings made on Sunday', September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018. May God bless you all for your generosity.*

**Our Prayer:** *Please remember all those parishioners who are ill or elderly within your families. They are part of our parish and need to receive Jesus in the Holy Sacraments of Confession and Communion. To schedule a visit by the priest, please call the rectory for an appointment.*

**Attention: To all who celebrate their birthday during the month of September our best wishes and many happy healthy years! Mnohaya Lita and God's Blessing.**

#### **Our Church News:**

##### **1. Congratulations are extended to:**

**A. Sophia Galyluiko, daughter** of Vasyl Galyluiko & Nataliya Schebyvovk who received the sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation and First Holy Eucharist on Sunday September 2, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. **B. Anna Bordun, daughter** of Oleg Bordun & Nataliia Bordun who received the sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation and First Holy Eucharist on Sunday September 2, 2018 at 1:30 p.m.

**2. On Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018** at 6:30 p.m. we will be making pyrohy with potatoes and kapusta, meat and cheese for sale. Please make an extra effort to come to help us make Pyrohy.

**3. Dear Parishioners:** Those of you who wish to offer the lighting of the sanctuary light, please see Fr. Popovici after Liturgy or call the rectory for more information

**4. Upcoming events: A.** The Next Stewardship Council Meeting: Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 7:15 p.m. Please make plans to attend.

**B. September collections: Regular church cleaning:** The next voluntary second collection will be collected on Sunday, September 16, 2018.

##### **5. We wish to express our sincere thanks to:**

**a.** Mr. Sergey Shelestov and his cleaning services who voluntarily cleaned our parish center and prepared classrooms for the Ukrainian school on Friday, September 7, 2018 saving our parish extra expenses.

**b.** Mr. Volodymyr Hrynyuk who offered some of the items needed for our Parish Picnic raffles and for future raffle drawings.

**c. those ladies and gentlemen of our Parish who see the work that needs doing around our church and who volunteer their skill and time but wish to remain anonymous benefactors.**

**d.** Mr. Roman Kotyk, Mr. Volodymyr Anishchenko, and Mr. Serhiy Beleychuk, who came on Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup> to remove and put into storage, the stage which had been installed for the Ukrainian Dance Festival and was also used for our picnic celebration.

**e.** Mr. Mychailo Kubarich who voluntarily continues to maintain the rose bushes in front of our church. They look wonderful.

**f.** Mr. Taras Borykailo who recently made a special donation for the needs of our parish. *May God bless all those who volunteered or made donations and may He reward you with His choicest Blessings.*

**6. Dear Parishioners:** A friendly reminder to all those who have not yet used their Annual Parish Support envelope for 2018; the envelopes are part of your boxed envelopes. Family support is \$50 and individual support is \$25. This is a minimal support level as a parish member. Thank you for your assistance.

**7.** We extend our sympathy to: Mr. Bogdan Galeyvych and his family for his mother † Yustyna Galeyvych, a resident of Ukraine, who has recently fallen asleep in the Lord. May her soul rest in peace.

#### **8. News from our Diocese and other Parishes:**

**Diocese of Stamford will organize Eparchial Youth Event entitled: "Children United in Prayer" to be held on September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at Saint Basil Ukrainian Catholic Seminary, 195 Glenbrook Rd., Stamford, CT 06902. I encourage our parish youth to take part in this educational, spiritual and fun day.**

#### **Banns of Marriage (3<sup>rd</sup> Banns)**

*Yuriy Rybiy son of Yaroslav and Yaroslava Rybiy and Chrystyna Veres daughter of Vasyl and Nataliya Veres both of whom are parishioners of Holy Family Ukrainian Catholic Church. The Sacrament of Marriage will be officiated on September 15, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.*

**The 2018 Stamford Bishop's Appeal.** Each member of our Parish is also a member of the Eparchy (Diocese) and should participate by supporting the Stamford Eparchy. The following parishioners recently contributed:

**\$20.00 – M/M Andriy & Halyna Mir.**

**(Donated to date - \$3,090.00 toward the Parish Goal of \$3,000.00)**

**May God bless you for your generosity with choicest Blessings!**

**For Your Attention: Dear Parents:** Blessed are the children who hear God's word given to them and learn more about His commandments, love and care. If your child does not attend a Ukrainian Saturday Cultural School, I invite you to come and register your child for Religious classes which will begin on September 10, 2018. The Religious classes are for children ages 5 – 14 and will be held every Monday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m./6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Children will be grouped by age. Remember that your children are growing in this distracted and debauched modern era, which is distant from God and His truth. As Catholic parents, you have the duty to do all you can to convey Catholic Patrimony and Tradition to your children. **Please bring your children to Church so they can receive the knowledge of God.** Thank you. If you need more information please call our Parish Rectory at (631) 225 1168.

#### **I HAVE NO HANDS BUT YOURS**

*From Parish Publishing, LLC*

A soldier in World War II was given the task of gathering up the pieces and fragments of a statue of Christ that was destroyed when the cathedral that housed it was destroyed by bombs and mortar. He collected every piece and fragment he found and they were turned over to an artist whose labor of love it was to reconstruct the icon. Even though it took him months, he accomplished the work, and the statue was returned to its pedestal. One part of the Christ was missing, however. The soldier could not find the hands of Christ. Both the soldier and the artisan considered their work incomplete without the hands. However, one day as the craftsman was viewing the statue with the missing hands, he got a wonderful idea. Instead of Christ's hands being raised in blessing, as they originally were, the craftsman placed an ornate, but simple, sign at the base of the handless replica. These were the words of the sign: "I have no hands, but yours." Will you give your hands – your time and abilities – to your church?

#### **ON THE BENEFITS OF ATTENDING THE LITURGY**

*St. Maximos the Confessor*

*"It is necessary for every Christian to spend time in the holy church of God, and never to miss the celebration of the Divine Liturgy – for here, the holy angels have custody – they register the people going in each time and offer their angelic intercessions on their behalf. Each person who is found present at the Divine Liturgy, the grace of the Holy Spirit transforms, remolds, and truly remodels into a more divine image, conforming to Himself."*

**CANDLES – SMALL PIECES OF LIGHT** *By Natalie Ashanin*

**Lighting Candles: Light.** Bright, beautiful light was created by God before all other things. It was only after He created light that He looked at His creation and saw that it was good. Without light we cannot see and we cannot do very much. Light is God's first and greatest gift, for with it we can see all the other beautiful things He has given to us. A candle is a small piece of light. Long ago candles and oil lamps were the only ways people could have light at night. They would bring these bits of light to the first Christian gatherings in catacombs and other secret places so they could see what was taking place and to bring joy and warmth into the meeting. Soon the candles became a way of praying, of giving something back to God. Candles are used in all Catholic churches. When we enter the church, we stop to make an offering and light a candle. It's our sacrifice. In days gone by, people made their own candles. Some had a bees hive at home. Candles were made from pure wax, then, without any mixtures. Bees were thought of almost like saints, because of their purity. When we light the candle before an icon and say a prayer for someone; we tell God that we are praying for that person and as long as our candle burns our prayer will be there before God. We say to our friends who are sick or troubled that we will light a candle for them. We light candles for someone who has died. Sometimes we light a candle to say "thank you" to God. In some churches people kiss the candle before lighting it.

**Candlelight In The Home:** In many Ukrainian homes it is the custom to have a "beautiful corner" where the family icons are placed with a candle or an oil lamp burning before them. This light is a reminder that the family's prayers are going before God. It reminds them of Christ and the saints who watch over them. The Serbian people honor the family's patron saint with a special celebration called a Slava during which they burn a large candle called the "Slava Candle". It is said that as long as the candle burns the saint will be at the celebration. Candles are especially important during holidays for Carpathian, Russians, Bulgarians and Albanians. At Christmas time, it is the custom to light a special decorated candle or place it in a round loaf of bread for the feast day meal. Among the Romanians, groups of children go from house to house on Christmas Eve, singing carols and carrying a beautifully decorated lantern in the shape of a star, to recall the Bethlehem star that showed the Wise Men where the Christ Child was lying.

**Candle Light During Services:** Candles are an important part of many services. They are used during the service for a funeral, a baptism, wedding, and holy unction. When a bishop serves, he uses two candleholders to bless the faithful at the Divine Liturgy. Candles play an important part in the services of Holy Week and Pascha. During the midnight Paschal Matins, the priest calls to the people to "Come, take the light that is never overtaken by night and glorifies Christ Who is Risen from the dead." Altar servers carry candles during the Little Entrance and for the reading of the Holy Gospel, to represent the Light which shines upon the world.

**Light In Our Life:** Even today when we have electric lights we do not want to give up praying with those small bits of living light; God's first creation. Candles are pictures of our prayer to God. But they also stand for us. They remind us that our souls should burn with love for God and our neighbor, for we are called to be living candles. Christ says, "You are like a light to the world. You are like a candle in a dark room. Don't hide your light. Let your light shine for everyone to see!" When we see so many candles everywhere, we know that Christ is everywhere in the whole church, our homes, and He is in us, too.

**A word about Prayer** - *An Instruction of St. Theophan the Recluse (†1894)*

**The essence of evening prayer** is to thank God for the day and for everything that one has met in the course of it, both good and bad. For the wrong which has been done, one must repent and ask for forgiveness, promising to make amends the following day; then one prays to God for protection during sleep.

**The essence of Morning Prayer** is to thank God for sleep and revitalization, and to ask Him for help to do things throughout the day for His glory. Say your prayers with all your heart and mind. Make known to God your vital needs, both spiritual and material, speaking to God like a child: "See, Lord, my infirmities and weakness! Help me and heal me!" Never read a prayer hurriedly. Try to learn your prayers by heart. This greatly aids undistracted prayer. A prayer must be learned just like anything else.

**GOD, OUR TEACHER:** According to an old story, it was a cold December day in New York City. A little boy about 10 years old was standing before a shoe store on Broadway wearing exceptionally old, dirty shoes, peering through the window, shivering with cold. A lady approached the boy and said, "My little fellow, why are you looking so earnestly in that window?" "I was asking God to give me a pair of shoes," was the boy's reply. The lady took him by the hand and went into the store, and asked the clerk to get a half dozen pairs of socks for the boy. She then asked if he could give her a basin of water and a towel. He quickly brought them to her. She took the little fellow to the back part of the store and, removing her gloves, knelt down, washed his little feet, and dried them with a towel. By this time the clerk had returned with the socks. Placing a pair upon the boy's feet, she then purchased him a pair of shoes, and tying up the remaining pairs of socks, gave them to him. She patted him on the head and said, "No doubt, my little fellow, you feel more comfortable now?" As she turned to go, the astonished lad caught her by the hand, and looking up in her face, with tears in his eyes, answered the question with these words: "Are you God's wife?" Neither you nor I are "God's wife." But, we are in-deed His children. Matthew 25:40 tells us "And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." How do those around you see you today?

**TO CONQUER THE ENEMY IS TO CONQUER OURSELVES**

*By St. Leo the Great (†461)*

In the days of Saul and David, it was when the Israelites fell into sin that the Lord allowed the Philistines to oppress them. In order to regain their ascendancy over their enemies, the people were ordered to fast. The Israelites understood that there was no use for them to try to win their freedom by taking up arms; they first had to rid themselves of their sins. So they began to discipline themselves and to conquer the desire of the flesh to be able to conquer their opponents. When they fasted their oppressors gave way before them, when they indulged all their appetites the enemy held them in subjection. It is the same with us today. We have our own struggles and conflicts, and we can win by using the same tactics. The Israelites were attacked by human beings; we are attacked by spiritual enemies. We can conquer by bringing our lives into line with God's will for us; then our enemies will give way before us. It is not their power but our lack of self-discipline that makes a threat to us, and we shall weaken them by overcoming ourselves. We must ask God's help in this warfare, because our only means of conquering the enemy is to conquer ourselves.