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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

February 18, 2018 / Лютий 18, 2018

DIVINE LITURGIES SCHEDULE:

February 18, 2018, 1st Sunday of the Great Fast (Orthodoxy). *The Holy Father Leo, Pope of Rome.*

Tone 4: Epistle: Hebrew 11:24–26, 32-12:2. / **Gospel:** John 1:43 – 51.

Note: *Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.*

9:00 am – († Gerardo Pozzaglia {Anniv.}; † John Donalds {Anniv.}, req. Smith and Donalds Families) - **English.**

10:15 am – Pro Populo - **Ukrainian.**

1:00 p.m. – **Forgiveness Vespers – Ukrainian**

Note: **This week Sanctuary Candle Light will be in Memory of**
† Paul Popovici, req. Popovici Family

Monday, February 19, 2018 – *Archippus Apostle.*

- No Liturgical Services

Tuesday, February 20, 2018 – *Leo of Catania Bishop.*

- No Liturgical Services

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 – *Timothy Venerable.*

9:00 a.m. – Panakhyda in Memoriam † Stella Tomeo {Anniv.},
req. Peter Tomeo

6:00 p.m. - Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts – E/U.

7:00 p.m. - Holy Cross of the Way / Хресна Дорога – Ukr.

8:15 p.m. – 9th day Parastas in Memoriam † Mychailo Fostakovsky

9:00 p.m. - Bible Study (Reading, Explanation, etc) – Ukr.

Thursday, February 22, 2018 – *Finding of the Relics of the Martyrs of Eugenia.*

9:00 a.m. – 40th day for † Stephanie Kwasnicki; † Irena Warywoda
{Anniv.}/Panakhyda/, req. Ihor Warywoda & Family

Friday, February 23, 2018 – *Polycarp Bishop Martyr.*

9:00 a.m. - Holy Cross of the Way – English

7:00 p.m. – Holy Cross of the Way / Хресна Дорога – Ukr.

All Souls Saturday, February 24, 2018. *First and Second Findings of the Head of John the Baptist.*

5:15 p.m. – † Divine Liturgy for all the deceased followed by
Panakhyda (Sorokousty) {2} – E/U.

6:00 p.m. – Vespers (Вечірня)

7:00 p.m. – (*Bination Liturgy*) - † Ivan {Anniv.}/Panakhyda/,
req. Mir Family

February 25, 2018, 2nd Sunday of the Great Fast. *Our Holy Father Tarasius.*

9:00 am – Pro Populo - English.

10:15 am – (God's Blessing upon Mychailo & Pokaliuk Family,
req. Maria Shafranski) - **Ukrainian.**

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 held Every Saturday from 9:15 am until 1:35 p.m. 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) 1:40 p.m. – 2:25 p.m.; ages (10 – 14) 2:25 p.m. – 3:55p.m.; ages (15 – 19) 3:55 p.m. – 5:25 p.m.

Religious Education: Classes for religious education will resume on September 18, 2017 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 **March 2, 2018 at 8:00 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 held today **Sunday, March 4, 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 – February 11, 2018.

"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: \$205, Tetrapod: \$6, Coffee: \$280, Rice Bowl: \$5, Pyrohy: \$12, Poor: \$8, Annual Support: \$125, Sower: \$60, Donation: \$250, **Memorial Donation: \$175, Pledge: \$375.00, Sunday Offering: \$1,065.00, Total - \$2,566.00.**

Dear Parishioners: *Sincere thanks for the offerings made on Sunday, February 11, 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 **February 2018**, our best wishes and many happy healthy years! Mnohaya Lita and God's Blessing.

Our Church News:

1. A Message from Fr. Olvian Popovici: *I wish to express my sincere thanks to those parishioners who have honored tradition and invited me to bless their homes with the customary Epiphany prayers which are meant to bring God's grace and blessing upon them and all who dwell in them. It gives me priestly consolation to provide for the spiritual needs of my parishioners, to give guidance, to renew friendships and to meet new families of the parish. May the Divine Child Jesus give you His love and blessing, now and for all eternity, and may you always praise Him, and the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

2. We extend our sincere sympathy to the Fostakovskyy brothers; Andriy Fostakovskyy and his family; Ihor Fostakovskyy and his family for the loss of their father † Mychailo Fostakovskyy, a resident of Ukraine, who has recently fallen asleep in the Lord. May his soul rest in peace and everlasting be his memory.

3. The Apostleship of Prayer and Rosary Society cordially invite all their members and any parishioners to join them in their Annual Meetings which, will be held on Sunday, February 25, 2018 after the English Divine Liturgy (Apostleship of Prayer) and after the Ukrainian Divine Liturgy (Rosary Society).

4. Holy Family Church is happy to offer a warm welcome to: M/M Artur Bator & Oksana Predko; M/M Vasyl & Nadiia Prystupa; Mr. Bogdan Trukhym who recently registered as new parish members. Please join me in welcoming them to our family in Christ Jesus.

5. Memorial Donations: In honor of † **Gloria Tolopka's** request, memorial donations are to be used toward Construction/

Installation of a Bell Tower for Holy Family Church: the following parishioners/friends have donated: M/M George Wasylciow and Nadia Pawluk - \$250; M/M Petro & Mariya Dankov - \$150; M/M Martin & Silvia Smith - \$100; Mr. Walter Kozicky - \$100; M/M Roman Kozicky - \$100; M/M Andriy & Mariya Tanchak - \$100; M/M Ivan & Ruslana Rybak - \$50; M/M James & Barbara Fromel - \$50; Ms. Marta Koerner - \$50; Mrs. Ellen Sperling - \$25. To date, \$975.00 has been donated.

6. Upcoming events:

A. February 2018 collections: The next free will donations will be collected on Sunday, February 18, 2018 after both Divine Liturgies.

B. February is Catholic Press month, a time when we renew our annual subscription and support for The Sower. Please help the Stamford Eparchy to continue to provide this valuable source of information by placing your donation of \$20 dollars in the envelope contained in your boxed envelopes.

C. On February 25, 2018, there will be a benevolent collection for the "Andrew's Hrish (Pence) to support our Resurrection Cathedral Church in Kiev (Patriarchal Sobor). Envelopes for this collection are available in our

boxed envelopes with the inscription "St. Andrew's Pence." Your donations and support for this collection will be greatly appreciated.

7. We wish to express our sincere thanks to:

A. Ms. Marta Skrypoczka, Mr. Igor Prystupa, M/M Vasyl & Nadiia Prystupa who recently removed and stored in the basement for use next year the Christmas trees and all Christmas decorations from our parish hall.

B. those ladies from the Rosary Society, especially: Mrs. Ganna Maksymova, Mrs. Svitlana Klym and also Mr. Sergey Shelestov who helped prepare a delicious luncheon on the occasion of St. Valentine's Day/Zapusty last Sunday after both Divine Liturgies. The net profit from this fund raiser was \$180.

C. M/M Slawomir & Helen Samilo, who last Tuesday exchanged altar cloths and prepared and cleaned our Church for Lent in accordance with both the Gregorian and Julian calendars.

D. the following families from our Parish who made an extra donation for the needs of our Church: M/M Artur & Oksana Bator - \$200.00; M/M Ihor & Olha Fert - \$50.00. **May God bless all those who volunteered or made donations and may He reward you with His choicest Blessings.**

8. Dear Parishioners: If you have any unopened and unused merchandise (**with tags and in new condition**) that you don't need, consider donating it for our "Chinese Auction" scheduled for November.

9. We have a variety of **pyrohy** for sale (separate container of onions included) – the cost for one dozen is \$6.00. All proceeds go to our parish. This is a Fund Raiser.

10. Dear Parishioners: in your box of Weekly Envelopes there is an envelope marked "**Annual Parish Support**". *Please remember to make this donation which is a minimum donation for registered parishioners.*

Collected funds will be used to keep our Church in good standing.

11. SPECIAL LENTEN COLLECTION: Rice Bowl and Poor Collection. Containers may be found in our vestibule and beside the Tetrapod.

12. Dear Parishioners! Join us for our next Pilgrimage: "Steps of the Saints" – Italy (Rome, Padua, Asisi, etc). Save the dates: September 16 – 28, 2018. More information is attached to our Church Bulletin.

Dear Parishioners: In light of world events, let us pray more every day for God's forgiveness and mercy and for His guidance.

Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts: ...continued from Previous Bulletin...

This blessing was originally directed primarily to the catechumens—those preparing to be baptized on Easter—who attended the Liturgy up until the time of the consecration. After the readings, the evening Psalm 141 is solemnly sung once again with the offering of incense. Then, after the litanies of intercession and those at which the catechumens were dismissed in former days, the presanctified Eucharistic gifts are brought to the altar in a solemn, silent procession. The song of the entrance calls the faithful to communion. After the litany and prayers, the Our Father is sung and the faithful receive Holy Communion to the chanting of the verse from Psalm 34: "O taste and see how good is the Lord. Alleluia." The post-communion hymns are sung and the faithful depart with a prayer to God who "has brought us to these all-holy days for the cleansing of carnal passions," that he will bless us "to fight the good fight, to accomplish the course of the fast, and to attain unto and to adore the holy resurrection" of Christ. The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is traditionally considered to be the work of the sixth-century Pope, Saint Gregory the Great. The current Liturgy, however, is obviously the inspired liturgical creation of Christian Byzantium.

Divine Liturgy – Explanation

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Liturgy of the Catechumens: A Sermon usually follows the reading of the Gospel. The custom of interpreting the gospel during the sermon comes from apostolic times. The Divine Liturgy proceeds with the Impetrative Litany, which receives its name from the fact that the response “Lord have mercy!” to each petition is made three times. This litany included petitions for those in spiritual authority, for the clergy, state, all those who are serving or have served in the particular church, and for all Christians who possess the true faith. The words “orthodox Christians” does not refer to those Christians who have separated from the Church, such as Protestants and Schismatics, but refers to those faithful who hold the true faith of the Church of Christ. Orthodox Christians, then, is the term applied to all followers of the Church founded by Christ and headed by the Pope of Rome. It is a term, which is common in the liturgical services of all the various rites in the Catholic Church. The Litany of the Catechumens concluded the Liturgy of the Catechumens. This litany is a prayer for those who are not baptized and who have not become members of the Christian Church. Many such catechumens can be found in the world today, but what a pity it is to find unbaptized members within Christian families. *Even amongst the baptized there are many who live like pagans.* It is for these that the Church prays for especially in the Litany of the Catechumens. At the end of the litany the catechumens are asked to leave the church, “Catechumens depart!... Let none of the catechumens remain!” Although in early Christian times the catechumens were forced to leave the church, this practice is not observed today. Christians should cleanse the temple of their souls from sin, for indeed every soul is a temple of God. In Masses for the dead there is a Litany for the Dead, which is sung immediately before the Litany of the Catechumens. The Litany for the Dead asks God to be merciful upon the sins of the dead and to grant them heavenly happiness.

The Liturgy of the Faithful: The Liturgy of the Faithful is the last and the most important portion of the Mass. It is sometimes called the Liturgy of Sacrifice because it contains the Eucharistic consecration. It is the element of sacrifice, which distinguishes the Liturgy of the Faithful from the Liturgy of the Catechumens, which is the Liturgy of the word, that is, the preaching of God’s word through the reading of the Holy Scriptures (Epistle and Gospel).

The Liturgy of the Faithful begins immediately after the exclusion of the catechumens with the Litany of the Faithful; “All we faithful, again and again in peace let us pray to the Lord.” The Litany of the Faithful has two secret prayers said by the priest in whom he asks God to accept the prayers, petitions, and Eucharistic sacrifice from himself and all the faithful. At the beginning of the Litany of Faithful the priest unfolds the corporal upon the altar to indicate that the Eucharistic sacrifice has begun. The Holy Gifts are to be placed on the white linen corporal. The moment has now arrived for one of the most solemn rites of the Divine Liturgy called the Great Entrance. This is the procession during which the Holy Gifts are transferred from the prothesis (little side altar). The priest prepares for this by reading a longer prayer with hands extended. In this prayer the priest asks Christ, the Archpriest, to grant him the grace of offering the Eucharistic sacrifice with a pure heart and without sin. At the end of

this sublime prayer the priest makes three deep bows before the altar. During this prayer the choir sings the Cherubic Hymn. It is called so because in it the Christians assisting at Mass are compared to the Angels (Cherubim). The Cherubim stand before the throne of God and sing to Him an eternal paean of praise. All Christians when present at the Eucharistic sacrifice should follow the example of the Cherubim. At this moment the faithful should throw off all worldly care. The incensing of the altar, iconostas, faithful, and the prothesis precedes the procession with the Holy Gifts from the prothesis to the altar. The priest is assisted in the procession by the co-celebrants, deacons, acolytes, and servers who proceed before him. The priest, taking the Holy Gifts from the prothesis, goes through the deacon’s door and pauses momentarily before the royal doors of the iconostas. During the procession he mentions the names of the Pope, metropolitan, bishop and also remembers the clergy, authorities of state, the founders and benefactors of the church, and all the faithful present in the church. The words “orthodox Christians” again appears in this part of the liturgy and have only that significance which is prescribed to them by the true (Catholic) Church. After the incensing of the Holy Gifts on the altar the faithful conclude the singing of the Cherubic Hymn, “... that we may receive the King of the universe, borne aloft by armies of unseen angels. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!” The Litany of Supplication follows the entrance. The response to the petitions of this litany is, “Grant this, O Lord!” The petitions are for peace during the day and during our lives, for sinless lives in the spirit of penance for former sins, for a holy death and the desire to fearlessly approach God’s judgment after our bodily death. As an aid, God is asked to give us Guardian Angels on the road of life and all the graces necessary for the salvation of our souls. During the Litany of Supplication the priest prays secretly, asking God to accept the sacrifice of the Holy Gifts and to send His Holy Spirit upon them. At the conclusion of the Litany of Supplication the priest blesses the people and calls for mutual love amongst them, “Let us love one another...” The priest then kisses the Holy Gifts and the altar. This rite is known as the kiss of peace. This signifies the true Christian charity, which is to be found amongst all Christians and originates in the love of Christ Whose symbols, the Holy Gifts, is now on the altar. When there are other priests present who are concelebrating or assisting at the altar, they give each other the kiss of peace by touching one another’s shoulders with their lips. The rite of the kiss of peace arose from the custom of the early Christians who greeted each other this way at this point of the Mass in mutual apology for any faults or affronts, which may have been committed. The kiss of peace is immediately connected with the Profession of Faith (The Creed). This is a short collection of the most important tenets or beliefs of the Christian faith, “I believe in one God, the Father Almighty...” While the Creed is being recited the priest uncovers the Holy Gifts and raises the aer or veil. The veil is held aloft during the whole of the Creed to denote that the truths of the Christian faith are deep and sublime, and that the mysteries of our faith are beyond the understanding of our finite minds. This is why the virtue of Christian faith is so important and necessary. Above all, this theological virtue of faith is most necessary during the Divine Liturgy for the mystery of the Eucharistic sacrifice is unfathomable to human understanding. *...to be continued...*