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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

October 28, 2018 / Жовтень 28, 2018

DIVINE LITURGIES SCHEDULE:

23rd Sunday after Pentecost, October 28, 2018. *Paraskevia Martyr.*

Tone 6: Epistle: Ephesians 2:4 – 10. / Gospel: Luke 8:26 – 39.

9:00 am – (God's Blessing upon Rev. Olvian N. Popovici & Family;
Olesia Warywoda & Family; Kevin Fromel & Family;
Iryna Koretska & Family, req. Samilo Family) - **English**

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

12:30 p.m. The Holy Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism,
Chrismation and Holy Eucharist for **Adrian Jacob Sushchak**

Sanctuary Candle: This week Sanctuary Candle is lit in

✠ **Memory of the unborn baby victims of abortion**, req. Anonymous

Monday, October 29, 2018. *Anastasia Venerable Martyr.*

9:00 a.m. – Thanksgiving Liturgy to God (From Fr. Popovici & Family),
req. Nataliya Popovici

Tuesday, October 30, 2018. *Zenobius and Zenobia Martyrs.*

7:00 p.m. – ✠ Gloria Tolopka/Panakhyyda/, req. Nataliya Popovici

Wednesday, October 31, 2018. *The Holy Apostle Stachys; Blessed Theodora
Romza Martyr.*

9:00 a.m. – God's Blessing upon Slawomir & Helen Samilo,
req. Nataliya Popovici

Thursday, November 1, 2018. *Cosmas and Damian Unmercenarys.*

8:00 a.m. – Служба Божа за прославу слуги Божого
✠ Митрополита Андрея Шептицького

7:00 p.m. – God's Blessing upon Gereta Family, req. Nataliya Popovici

Friday, November 2, 2018. *Akindynos and Others Martyrs.*

7:00 p.m. – (Special Intention) God's Blessing upon all
Members of the Rosary Society, req. Rosary Society

8:15p.m. – Special Services – **Ukrainian.**

Saturday, November 3, 2018. *Acepsimas and Others Martyrs.*

6:15 p.m. – Vespers (Вечірня)

7:00 p.m. – ✠ Anna Blaban/Panakhyyda/ {4th Anniv.}, req. Maria Balaban

24th Sunday after Pentecost, November 4, 2018. *Joannicius Venerable.*

9:00 am – (God's Blessing upon Rev. Olvian N. Popovici & Family,
req. Oksana Vladychack) - **English**

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

12:00 Noon -Special Divine Liturgy for children and youth – **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 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 (6 – 9) 1:40 p.m. – 3:10 p.m.; ages (10 – 14) 3:10 p.m. –
4:40p.m.; ages (15 – 19) 3:10 p.m. – 6:10 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 **November 2, 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, November 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 – October 21, 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: \$190, Tetrapod: \$2, Coffee: \$146, Church Debt: \$35, Energy: \$45,
World Mission: \$192, **Donation: \$175, 2nd Collection: \$280,**
Pledge: \$525.00, Sunday Offering: \$1,044.00, Total - \$2,634.00

Dear Parishioners: *Sincere thanks for the offerings made on Sunday’, October 21st, 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 October/November our best wishes and many happy healthy years! Mnohaya Lita and God’s Blessing.

Our Church News:

1. Attention: Dear Parishioners! We appreciate any flowers parishioners wish to bring to beautify the church. However, we must ask you not to remove the existing flower arrangements. Also, please bring flowers only on Saturday. On Sunday’s you are disturbing the prayers of your fellow parishioners and disrupting the Divine Liturgy. Thank you.

2. Dear Parishioners: Daylight Savings Time begins this year on Sunday, November 4th. Don’t forget to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night, otherwise you may be early for the Divine Liturgy.

3. Reminder: October is the month of the Holy Rosary. Dear Parishioners: *Let us remember to pray more every day, and to pray the holy rosary during this month of October, which is the Month of the Rosary, in church at 8:00 pm for God’s guidance, forgiveness and mercy. On Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. we will offer a special prayer at the end of the month to Thank the Mother of God for all graces which we receive in our daily Christian life.*

4. Fresh Pyrohy for sale with potatoes, meat, cheese and kapusta (onions included). This is a church fund raiser.

5. We welcome M/M Yurii & Zhanna Dobak and theirs daughters: Diana and Daruna for becoming recently member of our Church.

6. October/November collections:

A. Sunday October 28, 2018 is World Mission Sunday. Specially marked envelopes for this collection are available in your boxed envelopes. All donations are greatly appreciated.

B. Regular church cleaning: The next voluntary second collection will be collected on Sunday, November 18, 2018.

7. Upcoming events:

A. Gifts for Orphanages: **The Christmas season is approaching and every year we prepare special packages to send to 2 orphanages in Ukraine.** We would like to prepare and ship the packages so they arrive in time for Christmas. *Also we implore any parishioners able to make an extra monetary donation to defray the shipping costs to please mark the envelope “Shipping Charges, Orphanage”.* Please remember all God’s children. **Dear Parishioners! We have received donations from the following parishioners:** Mr. Adrian Saluk (Phoenix, Arizona) - \$500; Anonymous - \$20. May God reward you with choicest blessings!

B. Outreach Program for the Thanksgiving Holiday. The Apostleship of Prayer/Rosary Society is again sponsoring this drive for the needy in our community. However, **we will only collect grocery store gift cards or cash donations.** Please put all donations in an envelope separate from your weekly parish donation. Mark the envelope as “Outreach Program” with your name. (You can also donate anonymously if you wish.) All cash donations will be used to

purchase grocery store gift cards. **We will accept donations through November 22, 2018.** M/M Ihor & Olesia Warywoda are in charge of this Program.

C. Chinese Auction: Our parish will be sponsoring a Chinese Auction on Saturday, November 10, 2018 from 6:30 pm until 10:30 pm. All parishioners are urged to attend this important fundraiser.

D. NEW YEAR’S EVE DANCE, “ZABAVA” – 2018/2019
Sponsored by Holy Family Church, Monday, December 31, 2018 beginning at 9:00 p.m. Live music provided by “My Ukraintsi”. **More information will be provided in our next bulletin.**

8. We wish to express our sincere thanks to:

a. Those parishioners who made donations last Sunday to the monthly free will collection for the cleaning and maintenance of our parish; a total of \$280.00 was donated.

b. the ladies and gentlemen (25 were present) of the parish who donated their time and energy this past Monday and Tuesday toward making an assortment of pyrohy for parish fundraising.

c. Mr. Adrian Saluk, who on many occasions has positively responded to our needs. Like in Holy Bible said” Ask and you will receive. This time Mr. Adrian who lives in Phoenix, Arizona, has generously presented us with a donation of **\$500.00** to cover some of the shipping and handling expense for the Christmast packages we will send to the orphanages in Ukraine.

d. Mr. Mykola Tupychak and Mr. Volodymyr Sydyaha, who came last Tuesday to put into storage the stage which had been installed for the Ukrainian Dance Festival and was also used for our picnic celebration. *May God bless all those who volunteered or made donations and may He reward you with His choicest Blessings.*

9. Dear Parishioners: A friendly reminder to all those who haven’t used their Annual Parish Support envelope for 2018; the envelopes are included in 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.

10. Updating Parish Email List: Those who wish to receive our Church Bulletin via e-mail, please email your current email address to the rectory or call the rectory.

Please Note: Our Venerable Martyr Anastasia – October 29th

Anastasia was born in Rome of noble parents and was left an orphan at the age of three. She was taken to a convent near Rome to be raised by the nuns. She became an ardent follower of Jesus Christ. The governor had her arrested and threatened her if she would not renounce her faith. Her answer was, “My heart is ready to suffer for Christ; my soul is ready to die for Jesus.” She was martyred for her witness for Christ, receiving the wreath of martyrdom in the Kingdom of God. Her body was buried lovingly and with great honor by the nuns.

Prayer to Saints Cosmas and Damian: Oh Saints Cosmas and Damian, we honor and venerate you with all the humility and interior affection of our hearts. We invoke you, glorious martyrs of Jesus Christ, who during life exercised the art of healing with admirable charity and sacrifice, curing the incurable and ministering to dangerous illnesses, not so much with the aid of medicine and skill, but by the invocation of the all powerful Name of Jesus Christ. Now that you are more powerful in heaven, graciously bestow your merciful glance upon us miserable and afflicted souls; and at the sight of the many ills which oppress us, the many spiritual and corporal diseases that surround us, hasten your help. Assist us, we pray, in every distress. We do not ask for ourselves only, but for all our relatives, families, friends, and enemies, so that, restored to health of soul and body, we can give glory to God, and honor to you, our saintly protectors. Amen.

The Icon of the Annunciation of the Most Holy Theotokos



The event of the Annunciation is described in Luke's Gospel, in which the Evangelist described numerous events that are linked to the Theotokos, and especially to the birth of Christ. The birth of Christ is also described by Mark the Evangelist, but the details that pertain to these events are described by Luke, who had met the Theotokos in person and had learnt of those events - for example of the Annunciation - directly from the Holy Mother. But what is important is the theological approach to the Icon. In the icon of the Annunciation we can see the Archangel Gabriel and the Holy Mother in that unique encounter! The best depiction of the Annunciation, is the icon of the Holy Mother of the Annunciation of Ohrid. The region of Ohrid lies just above the Prespes lakes - today's Skopje. This is an exquisite icon, by an unknown artist. Let us examine the icon for a moment. First of all, the Angel is announcing an event. Given that he is announcing an event and is in motion, his legs as we can see in the icon are wide apart. This denotes the presence of movement. In other instances, we shall see angels who are not likewise in motion, and whose legs are static. Whatever we know about angels, we owe it to the Holy Bible. According to Scriptural standards, they are "functional spirits, sent forth to minister". In other words, they have two things. Firstly, they are functional spirits, they minister to God, and secondly, they are sent forth to minister. They have a mission. God sends them forth, to do something in the world. That is their role. For the other heavenly hosts we do not have much information. Most of the things that we know are about angels and archangels. While we do know that the other hosts are called principalities, thrones, powers, virtues, etc., nevertheless, we do not know what their functional roles are. We know very little about the Cherubim and the Seraphim, which appeared in the space of the Old Testament. But we do have more - and more frequent - appearances by angels and especially archangels. You should remember, that Michael of the Archangels appears in the Old Testament and Gabriel of the Archangels appears in the New Testament. Thus, when you see an Archangel in the space of the New Testament - and even if you don't know his name - it is the Archangel Gabriel. The Archangel Michael usually - but not necessarily exclusively - appears in the Old Testament. Of course in events that mar our Church's history, we have a few variations. We have the miracle at Chonais, which we commemorate in September and was performed by the Archangel Michael. But anyway, this is a general view of things. That is why you should also know that from a liturgical point of view, the order in which icons are placed in the Sanctum, the Royal Gate has two doors. The one to the right - as we see it - and another to the left. You may have noticed that the door to the left is the only one that is used during the Divine Liturgy. Whereas in all the services, the deacon exits through the left door and re-enters the

Sanctum through the right door, when the Divine Liturgy begins, the right door ceases to be used altogether. Only the left door is used, through which the Priests pass, holding the Precious Gifts. This signifies that this door which is liturgical use during the moment of the New Testament, is the door of the New Testament. Whereas the other door - which is constantly in liturgical use and is abandoned, and no longer used during the Divine Liturgy - is, symbolically speaking, the door of the Old Testament. That is why the face of the Old Testament door - to the right, as we see it - is always adorned with an icon of the Archangel Michael, who is the Archangel of the Old Testament, and on the other door, the icon of the Archangel Gabriel is always depicted. Angels, therefore, are "functional spirits, sent forth to minister". If angels are ministering, as in the icon of Christ's Baptism where they are ministering to His Baptism, we will notice that they are depicted as motionless. Their legs are not apart. If their legs are depicted apart, striding, that will denote they have been "sent forth". This same movement of the legs can also be observed in depictions of the Apostles. The Apostles are also in motion and they are ministering to God. If they are on a mission, their legs will be depicted in a striding position. If they are depicted as ministering to the mystery of divine providence, their legs will not be apart. In the icon of the Ascension, or the icon of Thomas's touching Christ's scars, you will notice that the disciples are depicted to the left and the right. Thomas is at the centre of the icon touching Christ's scars, and the remaining disciples are on either side. You will notice that half of them are with their legs in motion and the other half with their legs motionless. They cannot depict an Apostle with legs in motion and simultaneously motionless; given that the Apostles are one body, half of them are depicted in motion, with their legs in a striding position, and the other half are motionless, with their legs together. In this way, they are stating that they are simultaneously in motion, but also motionless ministers. Which is what we also are, essentially. In the icon, the Archangel Gabriel is "sent forth" to the Holy Mother, which is why his legs are depicted apart, in motion. As you can see, he has one arm outstretched - he is announcing something to Her. If he were a functioning spirit and ministering to a mystery (as you can see in an icon of the Baptism), his arms would not have been outstretched. In fact, they would have been covered with a cloth. If the hand is exposed, it is indicating something. God is telling him to say something. The hand is not his; he is lending his hand, to God. That is what takes place in the Divine Liturgy. If you have noticed, we priests wear an external garment which is called a phelonion, and it covers our arms. Our arms remain covered. This signifies that we do not have arms of our own. And if we are to do something, we do it in the manner that the Church tells us, according to God's instructions. In other words, we do not use our arms the way we want, in order to make gestures of sorrow, joy, triumph, victory, etc.. The priest places his arm under the phelonion when blessing the people, or the precious gifts, or when saying "Peace to all". Nothing more. So you see that a priest participates in angel fashion, to the extent of his measures, as do all the people of God, during the offering of the Divine Liturgy. In motion, but also motionless. In the icon, therefore, the Angel has his arm outstretched, his legs set apart, given that he is presently "sent forth" to minister. You see how significant these things are! You cannot abolish them. Now let us observe the Angel's head. You will notice that the Angel has a headband holding back his head of hair. The headband in hagiography is (I could say) the carnal, material expression of the noetic prayer. The Angel is concentrating the wealth of his mind (I can't actually describe his intellect and mind) in the presence of God. That is why he is wearing the headband. What interests us is his concentration.to be continued.....