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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 14, 2018 / Жовтень 14, 2018

### DIVINE LITURGIES SCHEDULE:

#### Sunday of the Fathers of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council, October

14, 2018. *The Holy Martyrs Nazarius, Gervasius, Protasius and Celsus.*

Tone 4: Epistle: Galatians 2:16 – 20. / Gospel: Luke 8:5 – 15.

9:00 am – Pro Populo - English

10:15 am – (God's Blessing upon Volodymyr Moskalyuk & Family,  
req. Moskalyuk Family) – Ukrainian.

11:45 a.m. The Holy Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism,  
Chrismation and Holy Eucharist for Milana Mariya Stefanyuk

7:00 p.m. – Parastas for † Osypa {Anniv}, req. Larisa Atamanov

Monday, October 15, 2018. *Euthemius Venerable.*

6:00 p.m. – God's Blessing upon Julia Popovych & Family,  
req. Iryna Popovych

8:15 p.m. – Parastas for † Viktor {40<sup>th</sup> day}, req. Olha Kostyuk

Tuesday, October 16, 2018. *Longinus Martyr.*

7:00 p.m. – God's Blessing upon Svitlana, Roman, Tanya, Viktoriya,  
Mariya, Mychailo, req. Svitlana Hlukha

Wednesday, October 17, 2018. *Hosea Prophet.*

7:00 p.m. – God's Blessing upon Balaban Family, req. Mariya Balaban

Thursday, October 18, 2018. *Luke Apostle - Evangelist.*

7:00 p.m. – God's Blessing upon Eva, Inna, Vitaliy, req. Nadiya

Friday, October 19, 2018. *Joel Prophet.*

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

Saturday, October 20, 2018. *Artemis Great Martyr.*

6:15 p.m. – Vespers (Вечірня)

7:00 p.m. – † Yuriy Hudziy, req. Nataliya Popovici

22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, October 21, 2018. *Hilary the Great Venerable.*

9:00 am – Pro Populo - English

10:15 am – (God's Blessing upon Olha Shafranski & 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 (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 7, 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: \$5, Special Luncheon: \$355, Church Debt: \$20, Sower: \$50, Exaltation: \$5, Pyrohy: \$42, Sundry: \$15, Donation: \$340,  
**Pledge: \$875.00, Sunday Offering: \$1,216.00, Total - \$3,128.00**

**Dear Parishioners:** *Sincere thanks for the offerings made on Sunday', October 7<sup>th</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 October 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, even if they appear old or dry. Also, please bring flowers on Saturday, not on Sunday when you run the risk of disturbing the Divine Liturgy and the prayers of your fellow parishioners. Thank you.

**2. Reminder: October is the month of the Holy Rosary.** *We will pray the rosary each evening at 8:00 pm during October, to enrich and sustain our spiritual life and to obey the Blessed Virgin Mary's request given at Fatima that Catholics pray the Rosary each day. Please make every effort to come to church.*

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

**4. October collections:**

**A. Regular church cleaning:** The next voluntary second collection will be collected on Sunday, October 21, 2018.

**B. 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

**5. 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.

**B. 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.**

**6. We wish to express our sincere thanks to:**

**a. the ladies from: Apostleship of Prayer; Rosary Society and Mothers in Prayer who has been donated \$1,020.00 (each \$340.00) to defray the cost of the flowers to decorate our Tetrapod and the side Altars for our Sunday liturgies for the next 25 weeks.**

**b. an anonymous parishioner who donated \$300 to defray part of the cost recent renovations to our coffee room.**

**c. Mrs. Maria Gotra, Mrs. Helen Samilo and Mrs. Oksana Grynyk who prepared/cooked the food, set up, and served the food after both Divine Liturgies last Sunday on the occasion of Mr. Slawomir Samilo's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday. We wish to extend our thanks to Mr. Samilo for his dedication to Holy Family Church for nearly 40 years!** (The free will donations collected amounted to \$355.00 which covered all the expenses.)

**d. those parishioners who've ordered flowers to adorn our altar for the past few Sundays.**

**e. Mrs. Katherine Serdyuk who donated \$40 to defray a portion of the cost of the Altar Server liturgy/pray books which were recently edited by the Stamford Seminary. May God bless all those who volunteered or made donations and may He reward you with His choicest Blessings.**

**7. 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.

**8. 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: Why Pray the Rosary in October?**

The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. According to an account by fifteenth-century Dominican, Alan de la Roch, Mary appeared to St. Dominic in 1206 A.D., after he had been praying and doing severe penances because of his lack of success in combating the Albigensian heresy. Mary praised him for his valiant fight against the heretics and then gave him the rosary as a mighty weapon, explained its uses and efficacy, and told him to preach it to others. Since the prayers of the rosary come from such excellent sources — from Our Lord Himself, from inspired Scripture, and from the Church — it is not surprising that the rosary is so dear to our Blessed Mother and so powerful with heaven. If we consider the power of the rosary as seen in its effects, we find a great abundance of proofs of its wonderful value. Many are the favors granted to private individuals through its devout recitation. There are few devoted users of the rosary who cannot testify to experiencing its power in their own lives. If we turn to history, we see many great triumphs of the rosary. Early tradition attributes the defeat of the Albigensians at the Battle of Muret in 1213 A.D. to the rosary. But even those who do not accept this tradition will admit that St. Pius V attributed the great defeat of the Turkish fleet on the first Sunday of October, 1571, to the fact that at the same time the rosary confraternities at Rome and elsewhere were holding their processions. Accordingly, he ordered a commemoration of the rosary to be made on that day. Two years later, Gregory XIII allowed the celebration of a feast of the rosary in churches having an altar dedicated to it. In 1671 A.D., Clement X extended the feast to all Spain. A second great victory over the Turks, who threatened the ruin of Christian civilization, occurred on August 5, 1716, when Prince Eugene defeated them at Peterwardein in Hungary. Thereupon Clement XI extended the feast of the rosary to the whole Church. October 7<sup>th</sup> is the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary and the month of October is traditionally the month of the rosary. Why did the Blessed Mother ask us to pray the rosary at many of her approved apparitions such as at Fatima? Why should we pray at all? We know that God is perfect and perfectly happy, so he doesn't need our prayers or affections... but he loves us and wants us to be happy. And he wants to have a loving relationship with us both now and for eternity. God is potentially the greatest source of happiness we can possibly have, as God is the greatest, the most beautiful, most loving, all-powerful and all-knowledgeable being in existence... much greater than we can even imagine. We can get glimpses of what God is like through the good things he has created, hopefully without letting them sidetrack us from loving and putting God first as we should. Prayer is a way to help us get in touch with God and to develop a relationship with him. In prayer we not only talk with God, but God communicates with us. As we continue to pray, our relationship with God grows, and we are transformed more into the people we are meant to be.

### Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council – Commemorated on October 14

Today the Church remembers the 350 holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council under the holy Patriarch Tarasius (February 25).

The Synod of 787, the second to meet at Nicea, refuted the Iconoclast heresy during the reign of Empress Irene and her son Constantine VI. The Council decreed that the veneration of icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint, but passes to the prototype (the person depicted). It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because “no man has seen God at any time” (John 1:18). In Greek practice, the holy God-bearing Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council are commemorated on October 11 (if it is a Sunday), or on the Sunday which follows October 11. According to the Slavic Menaion, however, if the eleventh falls on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday, the service is moved to the preceding Sunday.

### Apostle and Evangelist Luke of the Seventy - Commemorated on October 18

The Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke, was a native of Syrian Antioch, a companion of the holy Apostle Paul (Phil. 1:24, 2 Tim. 4:10-11), and a physician enlightened in the Greek medical arts. Hearing about Christ, Luke arrived in Palestine and fervently accepted the preaching of salvation from the Lord Himself. As one of the Seventy Apostles, Saint Luke was sent by the Lord with the others to preach the Kingdom of Heaven during the Savior's earthly life (Luke 10:1-3). After the Resurrection, the Lord Jesus Christ appeared to Saints Luke and Cleopas on the road to Emmaus. Luke accompanied Saint Paul on his second missionary journey, and from that time they were inseparable. When Paul's coworkers had forsaken him, only Luke remained to assist him in his ministry (2 Tim. 4:10-11). After the martyric death of the First-Ranked Apostles Peter and Paul, Saint Luke left Rome to preach in Achaia, Libya, Egypt and the Thebaid. He ended his life by suffering martyrdom in the city of Thebes. Tradition credits Saint Luke with painting the first icons of the Mother of God. “Let the grace of Him Who was born of Me and My mercy be with these Icons,” said the All-Pure Virgin after seeing the icons. Saint Luke also painted icons of the First-Ranked Apostles Peter and Paul. Saint Luke's Gospel was written in the years 62-63 at Rome, under the guidance of the Apostle Paul. In the preliminary verses (1:1-3), Saint Luke precisely sets forth the purpose of his work. He proposes to record, in chronological order, everything known by Christians about Jesus Christ and His teachings. By doing this, he provided a firmer historical basis for Christian teaching (1:4). He carefully investigated the facts, and made generous use of the oral tradition of the Church and of what the All-Pure Virgin Mary Herself had told him (2:19, 51). In Saint Luke's Gospel, the message of the salvation made possible by the Lord Jesus Christ, and the preaching of the Gospel, are of primary importance. Saint Luke also wrote the Acts of the Holy Apostles at Rome around 62-63 A.D. The Book of Acts, which is a continuation of the four Gospels, speaks about the works and the fruits of the holy Apostles after the Ascension of the Savior. At the center of the

narrative is the Council of the holy Apostles at Jerusalem in the year 51 A.D, a Church event of great significance, which resulted in the separation of Christianity from Judaism and its independent dissemination into the world (Acts 15:6-29). The theological focus of the Book of Acts is the coming of the Holy Spirit, Who will guide the Church “into all truth” John 16:13) until the Second Coming of Christ.

### Prophet Joel - Commemorated on October 19

The Prophet Joel (800 B.C.) predicted the desolation of Jerusalem. He also prophesied that the Holy Spirit would be poured out upon all people, through the Savior of the world (Joel 2:28-32).

The hymnographer Anatolius links Joel's prophecy to the Nativity of the Lord. In the Praises at Matins on the Sunday following the Nativity, he refers to Joel 2:30, saying that the blood refers to the Incarnation, the fire to the Divinity, and the pillars of smoke to the Holy Spirit.

### What are sins against the Holy Spirit?” by Fr. Edward McIlmail, LC

The offense against the Holy Spirit that stands out is the one Our Lord calls an unforgivable sin. The Catechism in No. 1864 says, “Therefore I tell you, every sin and blasphemy will be forgiven men, but the blasphemy against the Spirit will not be forgiven” [Matthew 12:31; cf. Mark 3:29; Luke 12:10]. There are no limits to the mercy of God, but anyone who deliberately refuses to accept his mercy by repenting, rejects the forgiveness of his sins and the salvation offered by the Holy Spirit. Such hardness of heart can lead to final impenitence and eternal loss.” Pope John Paul II explains that that unforgivable blasphemy consists “in the refusal to accept the salvation which God offers to man through the Holy Spirit” (Dominum et Vivificantem, No. 46). It is a sin of stubbornness that rejects God's mercy. Other sins against the Holy Spirit are commonly said to be: despair, presumption, obstinacy, resisting truth, and envy of another's spiritual welfare. “By despair,” explains the Catechism, No. 2091, “man ceases to hope for his personal salvation from God, for help in attaining it or for the forgiveness of his sins. Despair is contrary to God's goodness, to his justice — for the Lord is faithful to his promises — and to his mercy.” No. 2092 of the Catechism explains, “There are two kinds of presumption. Either man presumes upon his own capacities, (hoping to be able to save himself without help from on high), or he presumes upon God's almighty power or his mercy (hoping to obtain his forgiveness without conversion and glory without merit).” Obstinacy is resisting the Holy Spirit, being stubborn and persisting in sin. Resisting the truth can take various forms: attacking it by word or argument; contradicting it; challenging it as false. Envy of another's spiritual welfare in effect involves questioning God's judgment about the gifts he distributes.

### GIVE FIRST, MANAGE THE REST SECOND

If God comes first in our lives, then giving to God should also come first. The person who says, “After I pay my bills I can't afford to give,” may be telling the truth. But these people have made a grave error. They have put the cart before the horse! None of us could afford to give with what's left. We must put God first and then manage the rest of our income in a way by which we will still pay all our bills. This is easier than we think because by doing so, we will have God's blessing!