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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 30, 2018 / Вересень 30, 2018

DIVINE LITURGIES SCHEDULE:

19th Sunday after Pentecost, September 30, 2018. *Gregory Illuminator*

Bishop Martyr.

Tone 2: Epistle: 2 Cor. 11:31 – 12:9. / Gospel: Luke 6:31 – 36.

9:00 am – Pro Populo – English.

10:15 am – (Thanksgiving to God for All the Benefactors present at Paul Tanchak Christening, req. Tanchak Family) – Ukrainian.

Sanctuary Candle: This week Sanctuary Candle is lit in Memory of
✠ Paul Popovici, req. by Popovici Family

Monday, October 1, 2018. Protection of the Theotokos.

– God's Blessing upon Paul & Mark Popovici, req. Nataliya Popovici

Tuesday, October 2, 2018. *Cyprian Bishop Martyr.*

- Clergy Days – Soyuzivka, NY

Wednesday, October 3, 2018. *Denis the Areopagite Bishop Martyr.*

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

Thursday, October 4, 2018. *Hierotheus Bishop Martyr.*

9:00 a.m. – ✠ Volodymyr Fedun, req. Bohdan Fedun

Friday, October 5, 2018. *Charitina Martyr.*

9:00 a.m. – God's Blessing upon 75th birthday for Slawomir Samilo,
req. Samilo Family

8:15 p.m. – Special Devotion - Ukrainian

Saturday, October 6, 2018. *Thomas Apostle.*

8:00 a.m. – ✠ Irene Steszyn, req. Steszyn Family

8:00 p.m. – Rosary (Вервиця)

20th Sunday after Pentecost, October 7, 2018. *Sergius and Bacchus*
Martyrs.

9:00 am – Pro Populo - English

10:00 – Special Blessing for M/M William & Elaine Eluk on the
occasion of their 50th wedding Anniversary.

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

12:00 Non - 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 **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 23, 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: \$145, Tetrapod: \$5, Coffee: \$80, Church Debt: \$15,

Pledge: \$550, Sunday Offering: \$766.00, Total - \$1,561.00.

Dear Parishioners: Sincere thanks for the offerings made on Sunday', September 23rd, 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 and October our best wishes and many happy healthy years! *Mnohaya Lita and God's Blessing.*

Our Church News:

1. Clergy Days – This week from Monday through Wednesday, Fr. Olvian Nicolae will be away for Clergy Days in Soyuzivka, NY. In the event of an emergency, please call the rectory to leave a message and you will be contacted shortly.

2. 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. On nights when you cannot attend please pray the rosary at home at 8:00 pm or at some time during the day. A special rosary intention will be for peace in Ukraine.

3. Pyrohy for sale with potatoes and kapusta (onions included); price for one dozen is \$6.00. This is a church fund raiser.

4. 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

5. Upcoming events: September collections: Regular church cleaning: The next voluntary second collection will be collected on Sunday, October 21, 2018.

6. We welcome Mr. Petro Shulyatytsky for becoming recently member of our Church.

7. We wish to express our sincere thanks to:

a. Mr. Martin Smith who preformed needed work in our parish center rectory this past week.

b. Mr. Andriy Fostakovskyy who recently volunteered and performed needed work in our parish center.

c. those parishioners who made donations on Sunday September 16th to the monthly free will second collection to clean our church; \$245.00 was donated.

d. Mr. Thomas Laraia who recently preformed needed work in our parish office.

e. M/M Slawomir & Helen Samilo who volunteer on weekdays to order flowers to adorn the altar for liturgy last few Sunday's; purchasing lighters for our candle stands, and tidying up our parish center.

May God bless all those who volunteered or made donations and may He reward you with His choicest Blessings.

8. 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.

9. 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 DO WE WEAR A CROSS?**

In pre-Christian times, the Cross was the instrument of a shameful and horrible death. The Romans used it in order to intimidate the peoples whom they had subjugated. Everyone looked on this instrument of execution - the shameful Cross - with horror. But a remarkable change took place with respect to the Cross after Our Lord Jesus Christ was crucified on it. The Lord suffered and died on the Cross. He took horrible sufferings upon Himself in order to redeem us. The Cross received great glory, such as no other object made by the hands of man has possessed. The Cross became the sign of our salvation, through which we receive the grace of God. The Cross is the first and greatest Christian sacred object. When the priest sanctifies water, he immerses the Cross in it, and the water becomes holy. When we wear the Cross on our breast, our body constantly touches it, and from this touch it, too, is sanctified. The Cross that we wear protects us from all kinds of danger. In Communist Russia, Christians wore a Cross at great risk, since there could be much to suffer from those people who did not worship God but another being; those we call Godless. Those who wore the Cross wore it perhaps with at least some fear & trepidation but they did so nonetheless; perhaps as an act of defiance, perhaps out of love, etc. One ought not to look upon the Cross as some kind of jewelry like a bracelet or brooch. The Cross must adorn our soul and not our clothing, and must constantly remind us that we are Catholic Christians, called to live according to our faith, which is founded on the Savior's sufferings on the Cross.

Scripture Provides Guidelines:

• Whatever we give, we should never boast about it, as we see in Mat. 6: 1 - 4.

• We should give regularly and consistently. St. Paul tells the faithful of Corinth to "put something aside... on the first day of every week" for the Church [1 Corinthians. 16:2]

• We should give cheerfully. St. Paul keenly illustrates this point when he writes, "The point is this: he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver" [2 Corinthians. 9: 6 - 7].

Kindness Naomi Shihab Nye, 1952

Before you know what kindness really is you must lose things, feel the future dissolve in a moment like salt in a weakened broth. What you held in your hand, what you counted and carefully saved, all this must go so you know how desolate the landscape can be between the regions of kindness. How you ride and ride thinking the bus will never stop, the passengers eating maize and chicken will stare out the window forever. Before you learn the tender gravity of kindness you must travel where the Indian in a white poncho lies dead by the side of the road. You must see how this could be you, how he too was someone who journeyed through the night with plans and the simple breath that kept him alive.

Before you know kindness as the deepest thing inside, you must know sorrow as the other deepest thing. You must wake up with sorrow. You must speak to it till your voice catches the thread of all sorrows and you see the size of the cloth.

Then it is only kindness that makes sense anymore, only kindness that ties your shoes and sends you out into the day to gaze at bread, only kindness that raises its head from the crowd of the world to say It is I you have been looking for, and then goes with you everywhere like a shadow or a friend. "Be merciful as your Father in heaven is merciful." We are not here for ourselves. We are here for the sake of others.

The Number Seven in the Bible

The word 'seven' is mentioned 410 times in the Bible. The number seven represents spiritual perfection, fullness and completion - especially perfection through the work of the Holy Spirit.

In Revelation 19:16 there are two titles for Christ which St. John reveals to us form one "name." Is he telling us to add the words together to determine the gematria of the titles? The gematria of "King of kings, Lord of lords" in Aramaic (leaving out the "and") equals 777 - a trinity of perfection in contrast to the Beast's number 666 which will never achieve perfection. There are multiple sevens in the Book of Revelation: There are 55 sevens and 5 sevenths, 5x7 (35) phrases of sevens in the Book of Revelation.

It is also attributed to Satan who tries to copy God being the monkey of God. Also the infernal beast of the Revelation (Rv 13,1) has seven heads. The seven symbolizes the cross with its six directions plus the center - indefinite extents moving toward the top, the bottom, the right, the left, forwards and backwards.

The seven demons that came out of Mary Magdalene. (Lk 8,2)

The seven indictments to the scribes and to Pharisees announced by Jesus. (Mt 23,13-31)

The seven requests in the prayer of the Our-Father.

The seven last words of Jesus pronounced on the cross:

"Father, forgive them for they know not what they do." (Lk 23:34)

"Amen, I say to thee: this day thou shalt be with me in paradise." (Lk 23:43)

"Woman, behold thy son." To the disciple, "Behold your mother." (Lk 19:26-27)

"My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?" (Mk 15:34)

"I thirst" (Jn 19:28)

"It is consummated." (Jn 19:30)

"Father, into Thy hands, I commend my spirit." (Lk 23:46)

The hunted demon brings back with him seven others stronger than him.

The seven deacons of the early Church: Stephen, Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicolaus. (Act 6,5)

The number seven is often used in Revelation: the seven golden lampstands (Rv 1,12-20), the mystery of the seven stars (Rv 1,16-20), the seven seals (Rv 7 and 8), the seven letters addressed to the seven churches (Rv 2 and 3), the seven trumpets (Rv 8,6 and 11,15), the seven thunders (Rv 10,3-4), the seven kings (Rv 17,9), the seven heads of the Beast (Rv 13,1), the seven plagues (Rv 15,5), etc.

The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit: Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety, and Fear of God. (Is 11,2-3)

The light of the seven days. (Is 30,26) Ecclesiasticus 17:5, enumerates 7 senses in the human being that are, in addition to the five known senses, the intelligence and the word (Si 17,5).

This verse does not appear in the Bible of Jerusalem. We find it however in some Greek manuscripts.

In Mt 25,35-36, Jesus enumerates six charitable actions that will be considered in the last Judgement for man's salvation: to visit invalids, to quench the thirsty, to feed the hungry, to repurchase the captives or to visit prisoners, to dress those who are naked and to welcome foreigners.

In the 13th century, it was discovered in the documents of Lactance, a seventh act of mercy: to bury the deads. This one was ratified in 1220 by the canonical collection of Raymond of Penafort.

Solomon's wedding lasted seven days.

In psalms it is written: "Seven times a day I praise you for your upright judgements" (Ps 119,164) and again "which comes from the earth seven times refined" (Ps 12,7). The psalmist also talks about the seven clamours of God that appear in the celestial phenomena.

The seven psalms of penitence: 6, 31, 37, 50, 101, 129, 142. Leviticus prescribes a penitence of seven years for each sin. Number of times that a leper is sprinkled with the blood of a sparrow.

The mourning for the people of Israel lasted seven days. (Gn 50,10; Jdt 16,24; Si 22,12)

They immolate generally seven animals of the same kinds. (Lv 23,18; Nb 23,1 and 28,11; Job 42,8)

The sprinklings are repeated seven times. (Lv 4,6; Nb 19,4)

The seven lamps and the seven nozzles on the golden standard lamp, in the vision of Zechariah. (Zc 4,2)

Zechariah speaks about the seven eyes of God which supervise all the peoples of the earth. (Zc 4,10)

The seven steps of the staircase of the southern porch of the temple of Ezekiel. (Ez 40,26)

The candlestick of Hebrews has seven branches.

Balaam erected seven altars. (Nb 23,4)

There are seven patriarchs: Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, Aaron, Joseph and David.

The seven nations that had been promised the earth were exterminated before Israel. (Dt 7,1)

There are seven weeks between Easter and Pentecost. (Lv 23,15)

There are seven feast days of Tabernacles. (Lv 23,34)

The seven priests carrying seven trumpets, during the catch of Jericho, have to walk, the seventh day, seven times around the city. (Jos 6,11-16)

The seven husbands that had Sarah, girl of Raguel, before marrying Tobias. Those previous husbands had been killed on their first wedding night by a demon. Tobias, thanks to an incense, escaped from it. (Tb 7,10-11)

The reign of David in Hebron lasted seven years. (1 K 2,11)

The friends of Job remained near him during seven days and seven nights to comfort him.

The construction of the Temple built by Solomon lasted seven years - 4th year to 11th year of his reign. It contained three squares and seven enclosures. (1 K 6,38)

Seven times, Elisha laid down on the child, and brought him back to life. (2 K 4,35)

The leprous Naaman dives seven times in the Jordan and then was cured. (2 K 5,14)

For though the upright falls seven times, he gets up again. (Pr 24,16)

The Lord prescribed to eat during seven days the unleavened breads. (Ex 12,15)

It takes seven days for the consecration of Aaron and his sons, and the altar. (Ex 29,35-37)

If you buy a Hebrew slave, he will serve six years; but on the seventh he will be free without anything to pay. The slaves were released the seventh year which corresponded to the Year of the Sabbath named also Year of Exemption. (Ex 21,2)

During six years, you will sow the earth, and you will collect the product of it. But the seventh, you will let it to rest in fallow. (Ex 23,10-11)

The seven thin and fat cows, as well as the seven full and empty corns, seen in dream by the Pharaoh and interpreted by Joseph as being seven abundance years and seven years of famine. (Gn 41,17)

Jacob served seven years for Rachel. (Gn 29,20)

Cain would be revenged seven times if someone killed him. (Gn 4,15)

Joseph remained in prison seven years when he was falsely accused to have slept with the woman of his master.

The seven ewes given in present to Abimelech by Abraham. (Gn 21,28)

The seven couples of each kinds of cattle which entered in the ark of Noah and were saved from the flood. (Gn 7,2)

On the seventh day, the Sabbath, God rested. (Gn 2,2).....