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

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CHURCH BULLETIN – ЦЕРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК

May 14, 2017 / Травень 14, 2017

DIVINE LITURGIES SCHEDULE:

May 14, 2017 – Sunday of the Samaritan Women. - *The Holy Martyr Isidore.*

Civil Holiday: Mother's Day.

Tone 4: Epistle: Acts 11:19 – 26; 29 - 30. / Gospel: John 4: 5 – 42.

9:00 am – Pro Populo – English.

**10:15 am – (God's Blessing upon all Living Mothers –
Special Intention) – Ukrainian.**

Note: This week's Sanctuary Candle Light for God's Blessing upon All the Mothers of our Parish, req. Popovici Family

8:00 p.m. – Akatistos to the Mother of God

Monday, May 15, 2017 - *Our Venerable Father Pachomius the Great.*

9:00 a.m. – God's Blessing upon Olha, req. Mariya Snyder (1)

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 – *Our Venerable Father Theodore the Sanctified.*

9:00 a.m. – ☩ All Deceased (Special Intention), req. Mothers in Prayer

8:15 p.m. – English Bible Study (Reading, Explanation, etc.)

Wednesday, May 17, 2017 – *The Holy Apostle Andronicus and others with him.*

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

8:15 p.m. – Ukrainian Bible Study (Reading, Explanation, etc.)

Thursday, May 18, 2017 – *The Holy Martyr Theodotus of Anchyra.*

9:00 a.m. – God's Blessing upon Yuriy, Olha, req. Galina Gnip (1)

Friday, May 19, 2017 – *The Holy Priest – Martyr Patrick, Bishop of Prusia.*

**9:00 a.m. – God's Blessing upon Bishop Paul Chmnycky,
req. by recently Marian Pilgrims**

Saturday, May 20, 2017 – *The Holy Martyr Thaleus.*

6:00 p.m. – Vespers (Вечірня)

7:00 p.m. – ☩ John and Mary Kilyk, req. Steszyn Family

May 21, 2017 – Sunday of the Man Born Blind. - *The Holy Great Rulers Constantine and Helen, Equal to the Apostles.*

9:00 am – Pro Populo – English.

10:15 am – (☩ Joseph {Anniv}, req. Marta Skrypczka & Family)–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 9:00 am until 1:30 p.m.** For more information please call the Rectory or contact the Director, Mrs. Izolda Maksym at (631) 225 -1203 or visit our web page:

ukrainskaschkola.com.

Ukrainian Cultural Dances for children ages 5 to 12 are provided by Mr. Gregory Momot of Paramus, NJ, every Saturday, by groups: ages (5 – 9) 1:35 p.m. – 3:05 p.m.; ages (9 – 12) 3:05 p.m. – 4:35p.m.; ages (13 – 18) 4:35 p.m. – 6:10p.m.

Religious Education: Classes for religious education will be held every Monday from 5:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Please contact the rectory for further information.

Ministry to the Sick: Rev. 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 **June 2, 2017 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: Monday - Friday: 9:00 am to 5:00 pm; Saturday: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm; Evenings by appointment. **Attention: Tuesday** 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 on **Sunday June 4, 2017 at 12:00 Noon. (Also children from our Parish will receive Holy Solemn Communion during this Liturgy).** 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 – May 7, 2017. Mothers' Day - \$165.00

"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, Terapod: \$5, Pyrohy: \$6, Coffee: \$175, Liability: \$170, Easter: \$45,
Pledge: \$490.00, Sunday Offering: \$919.00, Total - \$2,265.00.

Dear Parishioners: *Sincere thanks for the offerings made on Sunday, May 7, 2017. 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 **May**, our best wishes and many happy healthy years! Mnohaya Lita and God's Blessing.

Our Church News:

1. To all Mothers of our parish we wish to express a "Happy Mother's Day!!" **May God Bless you all!**

2. **Congratulations were extended to Emma Sofia Fajardo**, daughter of Allan Fajardo & Nataliya Yanyshyn, who received the Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation and First Holy Eucharist on Sunday, May 7, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

3. **Dear Parishioners**, if anyone desires to have Fr. Popovici *visit the grave sites of your loved ones for Panakhyda*, please call the Rectory for an appointment. This may be done until June 4th, 2017.

4. We have for sale fresh pyrohy with potatoes, cheese or kapusta - \$6.00 per dozen. All proceeds go to our Church. This is a fund raiser.

5. **Reminder: The Apostleship of Prayer continues their annual Mother's Day plant and flower sale fundraiser today until 1pm.**

Please consider purchasing plants/flowers for your mother, grandmother, aunts, etc.

6. Upcoming events:

A. May collections:

A. Regular church cleaning: The next free will donation will be collected on Sunday, May 21, 2017.

B. *Please note that you will soon receive information by mail, about the annual Bishop's Appeal campaign, which will begin on May 15th, 2017.*

C. Stewardship Council and Pastoral Council will have a monthly meeting on Monday, May 22nd, 2017 at 7:15 p.m. This is a request and invitation for all of you who would like to take part in the life of the Church and also take part in preparations for our Ukrainian Festival on June 11, 2017.

7. We wish to express our sincere thanks to:

a. thirty-one parishioners who donated their time and energy to make an assortment of pyrohy on Thursday, May 11th in preparation for our Festival as well as for sale.

b. M/M Slawomir and Helen Samilo who on various occasions for the past four weeks came and volunteered to perform necessary work in church and in our parish center.

c. M/M Martin & Silvia Smith who came to help on various occasions. God bless all those who volunteered or made donations and may He reward you with His choicest Blessings.

8. Upcoming Parish Events:

A. June 11, 2017 – our Parish will hold our first Ukrainian Cultural Dance Festival.

B. Ukrainian Saturday Cultural School is planning to have their annual

trip to Mystic, CT (aquarium, entertainments, and nautical museum) on Saturday and Sunday, June 24/25, 2017. More information is attached to our Church Bulletin.

Dear Parishioners: There have been a number of occasions when we have difficulty comprehending how the life of the Church is structured. Here are a few items excerpted from the Pastoral Guide of the Ukrainian Catholic Church which will provide answers to questions and concerns recently presented:

PASTORAL GUIDE of the UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH in the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA; THE EPARCHY OF STAMFORD; THE EPARCHY OF ST. NICHOLAS IN CHICAGO; THE EPARCHY OF ST. JOSAPHAT IN PARMA, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 1999

To the Reverend Priests and Deacons, the Venerable Sisters, and the Dearly Beloved Faithful!

Our Divine Savior has bequeathed to His Church the commission to explain and teach all men and women the everlasting truths contained in His Gospel, and to guide them to God and eternity with Him in heaven. Led by the Holy Apostles, the Church has, since the first days of Christianity, exercised her task in her magisterial teaching and in establishing rules of conduct for all the people of God- the bishops, clergy, members of institutes of consecrated life, and the laity. These rules or norms have been collected as the law of the Church. The Catholic Communion of Churches under the primacy of the Roman Pontiff, with the cooperation of all the Eastern Catholic churches, represented by the heads and bishops of each one, has promulgated the CODE OF CANONS OF THE EASTERN CHURCHES, having the force of law October 1, 1991, ordering that each individual Church and her constitutive units enact and codify their own particular law. The bishops of the Ukrainian Church, officially known as the Major Archiepiscopate of Lviv-Halich, who are in charge of the eparchies or dioceses of this Church in the United States of America, after consultation with their clergy, have decided to promulgate this PASTORAL GUIDE to Particular Law. It is a revision of the ARCHIEPARCHIAL STATUTES OF THE METROPOLITAN PROVINCE (1959), promulgated by Metropolitan Constantine Bohachevsky for the Archeparchy of Philadelphia, and subsequently extended in its legal force to her suffragan sees in the United States. The purpose of this Pastoral Guide is the orderly direction of the apostolic work of all the members of the Church. It contains the laws, which oblige all the people both clerical and lay of this Church ("sui iuris") in accordance with the specific definition of the individual laws. The obligation extends to all relations between a member and the various levels of the Church, as well as to all people outside the Ukrainian Church, in accordance with church law. This Pastoral Guide is not a definitive and exhaustive codification of norms, rules and laws, but one subject to ongoing evaluation and revision. Because of the urgency to adopt rules and procedures for the timely application of the decisions of the Second Vatican Council, the People of God of our Church could not be engaged at this time in the formulation of these rules. However, it is the determination of the bishops that a program of continuing; adaptation, in accordance with church need for the People of God of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in this country, will be studied, discussed and then adopted at the level of the parish and then of the eparchy. With our future in mind, we promulgate hereby this Pastoral Guide, receiving the force of law on the feast of St Michael the Archangel, the eighth day of November in the Year of Our Lord 1999.

Most Reverend Stephen M. Sulyk Archeparch of Philadelphia for Ukrainians Metropolitan for Ukrainians in the United States

Most Reverend Basil H. Losten Eparch of Stamford

Most Reverend Michael Wiwchar, C.Ss.R. Eparch of St. Nicholas Eparchy in Chicago

Most Reverend Robert M. Moskal Eparch of St. Josaphat Eparchy in Parma

****For Example:**

Art. 3 - All the faithful of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the United States are obliged to observe these norms:

1. The laws contained in the Code of Canons of the Eastern Churches (Codex Canon Ecclesiarum Orientalium), promulgated by Pope John Paul II on October 18, 1990, receiving legal force on October 1, 1991.
2. The laws or legal norms of any kind enacted by the Bishop of Rome for the Universal Catholic Church, or for all the Eastern Churches of the "sui iuris," or for the Ukrainian Church alone.
3. The particular law of the Ukrainian Catholic Church as enacted or recognized by the Major Archbishop and the Synod of Bishops.
4. The particular law of the Ukrainian eparchies of the United States, foremost defined in this Pastoral Guide.

***Art. 576 - The pastor has the exclusive authority under the Eparchial Bishop for hiring, appointing, directing, and discharging all lay employees of the parish. Trustees, officers, councilors, and other lay persons may not alter, interfere with, or negate the decisions of the pastor.**

***Art. 587 - The pastor/administrator alone is responsible for the management of all the acquired moneys of his parish; he is ex officio the treasurer of the parish**

***Art. 589 - The following ought to be the procedure by which money in all the parishes of the eparchy should be handled:**

1. The money collected in the church or parish is to be counted by at least three people, recorded in a book provided for this purpose and then delivered to the pastor by the lay trustees or other duly appointed officers.
2. As soon as possible the pastor deposits the money in the parish checking account at the bank.
3. Withdrawals may be made only by checks to which are affixed the signature of the pastor. Trustees signature are advisable but not mandatory in issuing checks.
6. All expenses must be paid solely by check.
8. The pastor is obliged to render an account of the expenditures only to the Eparchial Bishop or his delegates, certified by auditors.
9. The pastor shall inform the parishioners of the condition of the parish finances in annual or periodical statements.

***Art. 596 - The permission of the Eparchial Bishop is required in writing before engaging the services of a professional fund raising organization for any purpose on behalf of the parish.**

***Art. 600 - Written permission of the Eparchial Bishop is required:**

1. for expenditures exceeding the amount stipulated by the Eparchial Bishop;
2. for borrowing or lending of parish funds;
3. for investing parish funds in the form of loans, bonds, stocks, etc., other than United States Government bonds or in banks covered by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or in Credit Unions;
4. for any change in the existing investments or the banking of parish funds.

Quiet in Church: The Church is a place for prayer and Christian Life. Also note that before or after Divine Liturgy we need to keep our silence in the church. The Church is a place where we worship God and we need to pray and ask God for forgiveness and not to disturb other parishioners in their prayers by talking. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Mother's Day

Today we celebrate Mother's Day, a day on which we honor our mothers, living and deceased for their care, concern and unconditional love for us throughout the years of our lives. It is one of those special days we cherish and look forward to each year.

Few people really know, however that Mother's Day was originally conceived by a mother and social activist Julia Ward Howe during the Civil War with a call for Peace, and to unite women against war. She wrote the Mother's Day Proclamation in 1870, after the War, as a call for peace and disarmament. Here is an excerpt from the Proclamation:

From the voice of a devastated Earth a voice goes up with our own. It says: "Disarm! Disarm!

The sword of murder is not the balance of justice." Blood does not wipe our dishonor,

As men have often forsaken the plough and the anvil at the summons of war,

Let women now leave all that may be left of home for a great and earnest day of counsel.

Let them meet first, as women, to bewail and commemorate the dead. Let them solemnly take counsel with each other as to the means whereby the great human family can live in peace...

Howe failed in her attempt to get formal recognition of a Mother's Day for Peace.

Her idea was influenced by Anna Jarvis, a young homemaker from West Virginia, who, starting in 1858, had attempted to improve sanitation through what she called Mothers' Work Days. She organized women throughout the Civil War to work for better sanitary conditions for both sides, and in 1868 she began work to reconcile Union and Confederate neighbors.

Jarvis' daughter, also named Anna Jarvis, much later, when her mother died, started her own crusade to found a memorial day for women.

The first such Mother's Day was celebrated in Grafton, West Virginia, on May 10, 1908, in the church where the elder Anna Jarvis had taught Sunday School. Grafton is the home to the International Mother's Day Shrine. From there, the custom caught on — spreading eventually to 45 states. The holiday was declared officially by some states beginning in 1912. In 1914 President Woodrow Wilson declared the first national Mother's Day.

Nine years after the first official Mother's Day holiday, commercialization of the U.S. holiday became so rampant that Anna Jarvis herself became a major opponent of what the holiday had become. She was arrested for disturbing the peace at a war mother's convention where white carnations, the flower that was popularly associated with the holiday, were being sold for profit. Mother's Day continues to this day to be one of the most

commercially successful days of the year, while its origins in mothers' opposition to war, has been lost.

So, in your remembrances of this Mother's Day, remember these brave women who, as mother's, called upon the whole nation not to forget the ravages of war. Make a promise to become a proponent of peace in the name of all our mothers, who never lose sight of the needs for protecting their own and all children everywhere.

Happy Mothers' Day!

May is a beautiful month. The flowers have blossomed and the trees have regained their leaves. Most days are sunny and the weather is still temperate. It's a time for First Penance then Solemn First Holy Communion, and graduations. For many, the more relaxed summer routine is just around the corner.

This month is beautiful for another reason. It's the month when we honor our mothers, both living and dead. Mothers' Day is not a religious observance but it fits well with our faith. After all, it is through our mothers that we received the gift of life. And it is often the case that our mothers are most influential in helping us to know and love God and to practice our faith. More often than we remember, they are the ones who helped us learn life skills, who guided us with our lessons, and who took care of us when we were sick. And while taking such good care of their families, many wives and mothers also pursued careers and held down full-time or part-time jobs.

Motherhood is more than a job. It is a vocation to love and nurture the gift of life, both divine and human. It entails a nearly unlimited time commitment and an ever-changing set of responsibilities as their children grow toward adulthood. And it is a job that never finishes. My 68 year old mother is still anxious when I travel, take on too many responsibilities, or get sick. She can still tell when something is bothering me. No one knows and loves us in quite the same way as a good and loving mother.

Mothers' Day gives us an opportunity to say thanks in the best possible way. Not flowers, candy, or breakfast in bed but by remembering them at Divine Liturgy by asking the Lord to bless them. This is something we can do for our mothers whether they are living or dead. And it's the best gift of all. And so on this day we give special thanks to each and every mother, to our own mothers on the natural order who brought us into this world and who taught us the most important lessons of life. We are grateful to our Mother, the Church, where we were born at the baptismal font. We are grateful to all of those astounding women who exercise their spiritual maternity in union with Our Lady in prayer, in sacrifice and suffering, to bring many more children to Christ. And we are grateful to our heavenly Mother who leads us to Jesus, who teaches us about Our Lord, who protects us, who guides us, who nourishes us, who prays for us, the one who will bring us to eternal life and teaches us the only name given to us by which we are to be saved, the Holy Name of her Son, Jesus Christ. Thanks be to God for mothers, and thanks to every mother who has cooperated with God in the work of creation and created the most incredible thing: a human person with a soul which is eternal to give glory to God. And while we're at it – May is beautiful because it is Mary's month – Mary, the Mother of God. Wouldn't it be a wonderful thing if we took just 15 minutes to say a Rosary or read an Akatidstos to the Mother of God for our mothers – asking the Mother of God to bless them and keep them in her love? To all our mothers throughout our parish of Holy Family in Lindenhurst – happy

Mothers' Day!

Yours truly, Fr. Olvian Popovici

ON THE SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

In today's Gospel, we see clearly how Our Lord combines within His Person two natures, the human and the divine. On the one hand, we see that as a human-being, like all of us, He is wearied, thirsty and hungry. The Gospel tells us, for example, that when midday, the sixth hour, had come, His disciples left him to obtain food in the city and that Christ, Who was thirsty, asked the Samaritan woman for drink. On the other hand, we see that He is also divine. Living as God in eternity, He knows the present, past and future of all. Thus as God He knows that the Samaritan woman has already been married five times and that at present she is living in sin with yet another man. Also He tells her that He can give her 'living water' from an Eternal Well, and He tells the disciples that His 'food is to do the will of Him that sent Me'. As a man, Christ was a Galilean, and His disciples are therefore astonished to find Him conversing not only with a woman, but with a Samaritan woman since the Jews had no dealings with Samaritans. As God, however, Christ does not hesitate to talk to one who is able to accept Him as the Messiah, for the vocation of Christ is universal. Salvation is only for those who accept Christ and few were the Jews who did accept Him. From the Jewish viewpoint, the Samaritans were Jews who had intermarried with pagans, and who were therefore heretics; they had rejected the importance of Jerusalem, and much of the Old Testament, including the Prophets. They equated pagan idolatry with the Old Testament. On the other hand, the Jews had rejected Christ. The Jews had turned the truths and revelations of the Old Testament into legalism and territorial racism, an arrogant, nationalistic and racist ideology; they had denied that Christ, as a man, a Jew, could, as God, come for the salvation of all peoples. It is that ideology which still to this day insists on the ownership of Jerusalem and has brought even the contemporary world to the brink of war on several occasions. For the Jews had kept the letter of the Law but had rejected the spirit of the Law. And without the Spirit they were unable to recognise Christ. The Samaritans had rejected the letter of the Law, but some of them, at least, did not stubbornly insist on their errors but were open to its spirit, for they were open to Christ, the Word of God, the Inspirer of the Law. Whereas the Jews had rejected Christ, the Samaritans kept Him with them for two days and many believed in Him. As Our Lord said on His return from Samaria to Judea, 'a prophet has no honour in his own country'.

Why does the Church commemorate the Samaritan Woman?

Because this is the first Sunday after Mid-Pentecost, the feast that stands half-way between Easter and Pentecost. At Easter the great truths of the Church are revealed- that Christ is both God and man, that He is crucified and risen from the dead. However, these truths may remain rather abstract until at Pentecost we understand their inner meaning, their implications for our daily life. By the Coming of the Holy Spirit, these truths become living, and we worship Christ in spirit and in truth. Thus the Church reads to us the words that, 'the hour is coming when the true worshippers shall worship the Father **in spirit and in truth**'. And this is why this world still continues today, why the world has not yet ended. Until the Gospel of Christ has been preached in spirit and in truth, that is, in Orthodox manner, in all lands, throughout the world, the world cannot end. For as long as there are new Samaritans, new peoples, new tribes to hear the Truth, as long as there are people who can still potentially become Orthodox, the world must continue, for there is harvest still to be reaped. Let us this day pray that we too like the Samaritan woman may bring others to the Church, testifying like her to the Divinity of Christ, becoming reapers of that which we have not sown!