

### + УКРАЇНСЬКА ГРЕКО- КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА СВ. ЙОСАФАТА ST. JOSAPHAT UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH Бюлетень – Bulletin

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5.24.2020

### 7th Sunday after Pascha; Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First **Ecumenical Council of Nicaea**; Venerable Father Simeon

### Schedule of Sunday & Weekday Services

9:30 а.т. - Вервиця і сповідь 10:00 а.т. - Служба Божа

5.31.20 - Неділя Зіслання Святого Духа

9:30 а.т. - Вервиця і сповідь 10:00 а.т. - Служба Божа

5.24.20 – Неділя Св. Отців I Вселенського Собору 5.24.20 – Sunday of the 1st Ecumenical Council

9:30 a.m. – Rosary and Reconciliation

10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy

5.31.20 - Pentecost

9:30 a.m. - Rosary and Reconciliation

10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy

Blessed pussy willows are available at the front of the church to take home.

# Sunday Collection for May 17, 2020:

**Envelopes: \$860.00** Ascension of our Lord: \$5.00

TOTAL: \$916.00 Loose Cash: \$2.00 **Candles: \$49.00** 

If due to Covid 19, you are unable to attend church due to health or other concerns, please remember your church still needs your financial support.

Please mail your donations to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321. THANK YOU!

Staying home? No computer? Listen to church on the radio! The services from St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church are available on WJOB locally at AM 1230/104.7 FM. St. Nicholas' Divine Liturgy is on the radio on WJOB at 8:30 am Sunday.

#### CHURCHES THAT HAVE LIVE STEAMING OF SERVICES & OTHER AIDS:

St. Nicholas Cathedral, Chicago Go to https://www.facebook.com/StNicholasCathedralChicago/ for links to YouTube when Live Steaming is on the schedule, not just for Sunday Liturgy but also Morning and Evening Prayers, and other Liturgical Services.

Sts. Volodymyr & Olha, Chicago Go to http://www.stsvo.org/ Or https://www.facebook.com/StsVO/ has links to services and other information. Live streaming of Sunday Liturgy and other services.

Sts. Vladimir & Olga Church, Windsor, Ontario, Canada A lot of resources at www.stsvladimirandolgachurch.com and also live streaming at https://www.facebook.com/stsvowindsor

St. Joseph the Betrothed Church, Chicago

Go to <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stjosephugcc/">https://www.facebook.com/stjosephugcc/</a> Or livestreaming at <a href="http://stjosephukr.com/live-broadcast/">http://stjosephukr.com/live-broadcast/</a>

Edmonton Eparchy, Edmonton, Alberta Canada

A lot of resources and also live streaming <a href="https://eeparchy.com/">https://eeparchy.com/</a>

## ---- Specific Guidelines for Our Church ----

- When entering or exiting the church building, USE HAND SANITIZER OR WASH HANDS WITH SOAP AND WARM WATER FOR AT LEAST 20 SECONDS – dispose of tissues/paper towels in garbage
- DO NOT CLOSE DOORS TO CHURCH this helps so others do not have to touch those surfaces
- In the church proper, INDIVIDUALS SHOULD SIT SEPARATED BY AT LEAST 6 FEET in alternating rows (pews have been blocked to help). FAMILIES should sit together to allow more space for others.
- If you wish, you may also sit upstairs in the choir loft, but keep social distancing to the cantor
- DO NOT TOUCH ICONS OR CROSSES simply bow in reverence
- WHEN LIGHTING CANDLES, use the center candle to light your offertory candle do not use wooden stick or lighter
- Be respectful of SOCIAL DISTANCING if approaching the front of the church for communion, and when entering or exiting the church, wait until others have moved so you maintain social distancing (note 6-foot markings on center aisle)
- If you are elderly, have health issues or are feeling ill, please do not attend services. If you feel your health is good, YOU NEED TO USE GOOD JUDGEMENT whether church attendance is right for you no matter what age you are. All bishops have given dispensation for those who must stay away due to health concerns.
- If approaching for communion, there are MARKS ON THE CENTER AISLE TO AID SOCIAL DISTANCING. Families who live together can stay closer.
- FOR COMMUNION, make sure you open your mouth wide so the priest may more easily avoid touching your mouth, tongue or lips. Communion spoons will be sanitized by placing in 85% alcohol for at least 30 seconds (which is recommendation by scientists to inactivate any virus or bacteria).
- If you have approached the front of the church for any reason, please circle back to your pew or to exit away from the direction you came to maintain social distancing.
- PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE BULLETINS IN THE PEWS OR PLACE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH please take any printing home where you can read and then you can dispose at your home.

# PRAYER OF CONSECRATION TO MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH

Most Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, in this time of pandemic, we turn our gaze to you, and in Christ consecrate to you the faithful of our Eparchy (or parish, or members of our family, or myself), together with all the people of the United States. At the Annunciation, fear gave way to trust as you embraced the mysterious and loving plan of God, who through his providence, care and concern brought about newness of life in you and through you. Intercede, we pray, on our behalf as your children, Virgin most faithful. Grant us faith, hope and perseverance, as we strive to serve and bear witness to all persons, responding to the needs of those affected by this virus. Standing at the foot of the Cross at Calvary, you united yourself with the sufferings of Christ and so uniquely contributed to the mystery of our redemption. We beseech you as Health of the sick, draw to yourself in maternal compassion the brothers and sisters of your Son Jesus and all those who are grieved by this pandemic. Strengthen the dying and comfort those who weep so that all may experience the healing grace of Christ our Divine Physician. At the Cenacle, after the Resurrection, you accompanied the Apostles with prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In your maternal care as Consoler of the afflicted, accompany healthcare professionals, all who minister to the sick and those who seek a cure to end this pandemic, that the Holy Spirit may renew the face of the earth. To all of us, dearest Mary, Mother of all the living, be present and show forth your tenderness, as we raise our eyes to you who shines forth before the entire community as a merciful and compassionate companion on our journey. Time and time again, with burdens weighing heavily on their hearts and in their many necessities, the Christian faithful have sought refuge under your mantle of protection. Come quickly to our aid at this time, Mother of Mercy, and deliver us from the dangers that surround us in our hour of need; watch over especially the elderly, the weak and the infirm, our children and the unity of our families, and all those who give of themselves selflessly in pastoral care to those in need until in your arms and in your gentle embrace we all find safety and solace. Amen.

### Shining the Light

One Sunday morning, the parish priest talked about being the "light of the world" in his sermon. He explained that a person filled with the light of Christ means that a person is filled with goodness and knowledge and justice and truth. He ended his sermon by asking the congregation, "How do you intend to be a light of the world?" Unexpectedly, a little girl shouted out, "By being a pretty window!" Her parents were embarrassed by her outburst and told her to be quiet.

Afterwards, however, the parish priest asked her what she meant. It turns out that the little girl had been staring at the church's stained glass windows during the sermon. She said that the sun shining through the windows caused pretty colors to shine on people all through the church. "If Jesus wants us to let our 'light shine on others,' then the best way to do that is by being a pretty window," she said.

There is much truth in the simplicity of the little girl's observations. Light is truth and it dispels the darkness of error and deceit. Christ our Lord said that we are to be the lights of that world and that our light must shine on others. (Matthew 5:16) Today, we keep the memory of the Fathers of the First Nicene Council. These enlightened and inspired men were filled with the light of truth and corrected some grave misunderstandings about the humanity and divinity of Christ. The light of the truths they taught in the fourth century still shines upon us today and iis contained within the words of the Nicene Creed.

#### SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL



Icon of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council