

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

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August 29, 2021

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost; The Beheading of the Honorable & Glorious Prophet, Forerunner & Baptist John Tone 5

Schedule of Sunday & Weekday Services

8.29.21 – 14-ша Неділя після Зіслання Святого Духа 9:30 а.т. - Вервиця і сповідь 10:00 а.т. - Служба Божа 8.29.21 – 14th Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. – Rosary & Reconciliation 10:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

<u>9.5.21 – 15-ша Неділя після</u> <u>Зіслання Святого Духа</u> 9:30 а.т. - Вервиця і сповідь 10:00 а.т. - Служба Божа 10:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy <u>9.5.21 – 15th Sunday</u> <u>after Pentecost</u>

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Sunday Collections for August 15, 2021:

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Envelopes: \$320.00	Assumption: \$149.00	Diocesan Youth Fund: \$25.00
Candles: \$70.00	Loose cash: \$198.00	TOTAL: \$762.00
Sunday Collections for August 22, 2021:		
Envelopes: \$490.00 Diocesan Youth Fund: \$10.00		
Candles: \$57.00	Loose cash: \$170.00	TOTAL: \$727.00
Please mail your donations to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321. THANK YOU!		
WE NEED YOUR	Our church garage sale will	be Thursday September 16th.



Our church garage sale will be Thursday September 16th, Friday September 17th and Saturday September 18th. Please bring your good used items for our garage sale and put on or near the stage. No clothing please.

Парафіяльні Оголошення

- 1. Український Конґресовий Комітет Америки (відділення Іллінойс) та Генеральне Консульство України в Чикаго повідомляють що парад з нагоди 30-ї річниці з дня відновлення Незалежності України відбудеться 29-го серпня о 1 годині по обіді на Chicago Avenue.
- 2. Ласкаво запрошуємо всіх відвідувачів загостити до нас на каву і солодке у церковному залі після Святої Літургії.
- 3. Ми закликаємо всіх наших парафіян молитися за мир у світі, особливо про закінчення війни та мир в Україні, а також щоб США зібралися разом і намагалися зрозуміти один одного.

Parish Announcements

- 1. The Ukrainian Congress Committee of America-Illinois Division and Consulate General of Ukraine in Chicago want to invite and inform you that the 2021 parade to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Independence of Ukraine will take place on Chicago Avenue on Sun., August 29th beginning at 1 pm.
- 2. A warm welcome to all our visitors today. We invite you to join us for coffee & rolls following our Liturgy.
- 3. We call upon all our parishioners to pray for peace in the world, especially for the end of the war and peace in Ukraine, & that all people in USA come together and try to understand each other.



Lord, heal my friends from their sickness. There is no earthly disease, sickness, or disaster that is too big for You and Your healing, Lord. You are the Great Healer, and I have total faith that You can help relieve them of this. Thank You, Jesus, for Your mighty protection. Amen

Prayer list of the sick or aged parishioners & friends of the parish

Georgia Sosnowski, Stephanie Babij, Myroslava Iwachiw, Finbarr Jones, Olga Wasylowsky, Teodozia Shyika Lucyk, Natalie Shuya, Irene Karpinec, Nadia Kusznir, Oksana Nosyk, John and Natalie Lackhouse, Richard Case, and young Samuel Rocha. Remember also all those who have suffered due to Covid 19 – the ill & deceased, healthcare workers and those who lost jobs or income. If you know of someone who should be on this list, please let me know the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and aged is truly helpful and comforting.

Father Volodymyr would like to visit our sick and elderly parishioners, especially those who cannot be with us for liturgies. Please call him at 773-979-4737 to let him know who would like a visit.
О. Володимир бажає відвідати хворих та старших парафіян, які не можуть приходити до церкви. Просимо повідомити його за номером 773-979-4737.

It is with great sadness we must inform you that long-time parishioner **Rose Adamko**, mother of Stephania Vaughn, went to the Lord on July 30, 2021. Funeral was Aug. 9, 2021, burial at St. Nicholas Cemetery in Hammond. Please keep Rose in your prayers and pray that her family and friends may be consoled. Eternal Memory. Вічная пам'ять.

About the Beheading of Saint John the Baptist

The Evangelists Matthew (Mt.14:1-12) and Mark (Mark 6:14-29) write about the martyric end of John the Baptist in the year 32 after the Birth of Christ. After the Baptism of the Lord, St. John the Baptist was locked up in prison by Herod Antipas, the Tetrarch (ruler of one fourth of the Holy Land) and governor of Galilee. John was imprisoned because he had publicly denounced Herod for having left his lawful wife, the daughter of the Arabian king Aretas, and then cohabiting with Herodias, the wife of his brother Philip (Luke 3:19-20). On his birthday, Herod made a feast for dignitaries, the elders & a thousand chief citizens. Salome, the daughter of Herodias, danced before the guests & charmed Herod. In gratitude to the girl, he swore to give her whatever she would ask, up to half his kingdom. On the advice of her wicked mother Herodias, Salome asked for the head of John the Baptist on a platter. Herod was apprehensive, for he feared the wrath of God for the murder of a prophet and he feared the people, who loved the holy Forerunner. But because of the quests & his careless oath, he gave orders to cut off the head of St. John and to give it to Salome. According to Tradition, the mouth of the dead preacher of repentance once more opened & proclaimed: "Herod, you should not have the wife of your brother Philip." Salome took the platter with the head of St. John and gave it to her mother. The frenzied Herodias repeatedly stabbed the tongue of the prophet with a needle and buried his holy head in a unclean place. But the pious Joanna, wife of Herod's steward Chuza, buried the head of John the Baptist in an earthen vessel on the Mount of Olives, where Herod had a parcel of land. (The Uncovering of the Venerable Head is celebrated February 24). The holy body of John the Baptist was taken that night by his disciples and buried at Sebastia, there where the wicked deed had been done. After the murder of Saint John the Baptist, Herod continued to govern for a certain time. Pontius Pilate, governor of Judea, later sent Jesus Christ to him, Whom he mocked (Luke 23:7-12). The judgment of God came upon Herod, Herodias and Salome, even during their earthly life. Salome, crossing the River Sikoris in winter, fell through the ice. The ice gave way in such a way that her body was in the water, but her head was trapped above the ice. It was similar to how she once had danced with her feet upon the ground, but now she flailed helplessly in the icy water. Thus she was trapped until that time when the sharp ice cut through her neck. Her corpse was not found, but they brought the head to Herod and Herodias, as once they had brought them the head of Saint John the Baptist. The Arab king Aretas, in revenge for the disrespect shown his daughter, made war against Herod. The defeated Herod suffered the wrath of the Roman emperor Caius Caligua (37-41) and was exiled with Herodias first to Gaul, and then to Spain. The Beheading of Saint John the Baptist, a Feast day established by the Church, is also a strict fast day (although lessened on a Sunday) because of the grief of Christians at the violent death of the saint. It is an old custom that on this feast day, nothing round is eaten, and food must be taken from a bowl and not a plate, in memory of the martyrdom,

The Prophet and Forerunner

Now although the principle stands that "We all offend in many ways" (James 3:2), which of us dare to say that blessed John sinned in act or word or dress or food, when the gospel history praises the harshness of his clothing and the frugality of his meals; when everything he said either rendered testimony to the truth or refuted those who spoke against him; when even those who did not like him held in veneration his works of justice? What place could there have been in his inmost heart for sin, when the coming of the Holy Spirit consecrated him even before his birth, when not even in comparison with the ordinary way of human life could he be turned aside from the path of virtue, who from his boyhood on led an entirely solitary life?

And yet a man of this sort, one who

was so preeminent, reached the end of his earthly life by shedding his blood after a long period of affliction in chains. He who brought the good news of the freedom of heaven was thrust into chains by wicked people; he who "came to bear testimony to the light" (John 1:8), and who merited to be called "a burning and shining lamp" by the very light which is Christ (John 5:35), was shut up in the darkness of prison; he who was greater than all those born of women (Matt. 11:11; Luke 7:28) was punished by being beheaded at the request of the basest of women; and he to whom it was granted to baptize the world's Redeemer, to hear the Father's voice above him, and to see the grace of the Holy Spirit descending upon him, was baptized in his own blood.

Venerable Bede, Homily II.23

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST BEHEADING OF THE HOLY AND GLORIOUS PROPHET. FORERUNNER AND BAPTIST JOHN



Icon of the Beheading of John the Baptist