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Бюлетень – Bulletin

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October 3, 2021

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost; The Holy Priest-Martyr Dionysius the Areopagite Tone 2

Schedule of Sunday & Weekday Services

10.3.21 – 19-ша Неділя після Зіслання Святого Духа

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

10.10.21 – 20-ша Неділя після Зіслання Святого Духа

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

10.3.21 – 19th Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – Rosary & Reconciliation 10:00 a.m. – Divine Liturgy

10.10.21 – 20th Sunday after Pentecost

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Sunday Collections for September 26, 2021:

Envelopes: \$365.00 Candles: \$104.00

Loose Cash and Checks: \$350.00 TOTAL: \$819.00

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

It is with great sadness we must announce our long-time parishioner Oksana "Susie" Nosyk, age 70, of Munster, passed away on Tues., September, 14, 2021. Funeral Service was on Tues., September 21, 2021 with burial at St. Michael the Archangel Polish National Cemetery in Hammond, IN. Please pray for Oksana's soul. *Eternal memory - Vichnaya pamyat!*

Fall into the ways taught by Christ!

Парафіяльні Оголошення

- 1. Запрошуємо долучатись усіх бажаючих для приготування вареників. Просимо приходити у четвер вранці для підготовки продуктів і у п'ятницю для ліплення.
- 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. We need additional volunteers for our pyrohy ministry, especially in the food preparation area (Thursday morning) and in the cooking area (Friday).
- 2. A warm welcome to all our visitors today. We invite you to join us for coffee and 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.

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

Joseph Sosnowski, Georgia Sosnowski, Olga Wasylowsky, Stephanie Babij, Myroslava Iwachiw, Finbarr Jones, Teodozia Shyika Lucyk, Natalie Shuya, Irene Karpinec, Nadia Kusznir, John Lackhouse, and young Samuel Rocha. Remember also all those who have suffered due to Covid 19 – the ill and 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.

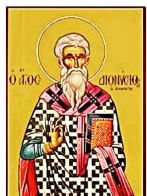
О. Володимир бажає відвідати хворих та старших парафіян, які не можуть приходити до церкви. Просимо повідомити його за номером 773-979-4737.



Protection of the Mother of God

All the leaders of the heavenly armies form a spiritual choir and rejoice with all of us* when they see the Lady and Queen of all praised by the faithful.* The spirits of the just also rejoice* as they witness the vision of the Queen praying with outstretched arms.* She asks for peace in the world,* power and strength for our Church,* and salvation for our souls.

Who is Holy Priest-Martyr Dionysius the Areopagite?



The holy, glorious and right-victorious Hieromartyr Dionysius the Areopagite (also Dionysios or Denys) Areopagite was baptized by Saint Paul in Athens and is numbered among the Seventy Apostles. His feast day is celebrated on October 3. Prior to his baptism, Dionysius grew up in a notable family in Athens, attended philosophical school at home and abroad, was married and had several children, and was a member of the highest court in Greece, the Areopagus. After his conversion to the True Faith, St. Paul made him Bishop of Athens. Eventually he left his wife and children for Christ and went with St. Paul in missionary travel. He travelled to Jerusalem specifically to see the Most Holy Theotokos and writes of his encounter in one of his books. He was also present at her Dormition. Seeing St. Paul martyred in Rome, St. Dionysius desired to be a martyr as well. He went to Gaul, along with his presbyter Rusticus and the deacon Eleutherius, to preach the Gospel to the barbarians. There his suffering was equalled only by his success in

converting many pagans to Christianity. In the year 96, St. Dionysius was seized and tortured for Christ, along with Rusticus and Eleutherius, and all three were beheaded under the reign of the Emperor Domitian. St. Dionysius' head rolled a rather long way until it came to the feet of Catula, a Christian. She honorably buried it along with his body.

Having learned goodness and maintaining continence in all things, you were arrayed with a good conscience as befits a priest. From the chosen Vessel you drew ineffable mysteries; you kept the faith, and finished a course equal to His. Bishop martyr Dionysius, entreat Christ God that our souls may be saved.

Life's Choices

Native Americans have a legend about the two paths one can take in life. One path is broad and easy and slopes down rolling hills. At the bottom of the hill, however, is a barren dessert where nothing lives. The other path is narrow and rocky. It winds around dangerous curves and is filled with unexpected difficulties. However, at the end of this path is the lush greenness of life and happiness.

The Native Americans told this story to their children in order to teach them that the easy way is not always the best way. Strong character is built by facing obstacles, not by avoiding them. In the same way, Christians grow in virtue and grace often through facing trials and struggles.

The life of the holy martyr Charitina

is witness to this lesson. She was a young orphan girl – of great beauty – who was raised by devout Christian parents. At an early age she made the decision to dedicate her life to Christ in perpetual virginity. Through her example, many others were converted to Christ. This infuriated the pagan emperor who ordered that the hair of this beautiful servant of God be cut off and that hot coals be placed upon her head. She endured this and other inhumane and degrading tortures until the Lord took her soul to abide with Him in Paradise.

Her path in life was not an easy one, but it was the right one. Upon which path do the decisions that we make in life place us? Do we choose merely the easy path or the path that leads to Life?

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of Saints Charitina and Methodia -- October 5th