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September 15, 2024

The Universal Exaltation of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross (moved from Saturday).

Schedule of Sunday Services

9.15.2024 – Всемірне Воздвиження чесного і животворного Хреста.

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

9.22.2024 — 18-та Неділя після Зіслання Святого Духа.

9:30 а.т. - Вервиця і сповідь 10:00 а.т. - Служба Божа 9.15.2024 –Sunday of the Universal Exaltation of the Precious and Life-Giving Holy Cross

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

9.22.2024 –18th Sunday After Pentecost

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

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



Olga Wasylowsky, Teodozia Shyika Lucyk, Stephanie Babij, Charlotte Scheuer, Georgia Sosnowski, Myroslava Iwachiw, Irene Karpinec, and young Samuel Rocha. Remember those who have suffered or died due to Covid 19. Please pray for those who have been killed, injured or displaced due to war in Ukraine.

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.

TOTAL: \$692.00

Парафіяльні Оголошення

- 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, канапки 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.

Parish Announcements

- 1. We are in need of 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, sandwiches and sweets following our Liturgy.
- 3. Please pray to God for peace in the world, especially for the end of the war and peace in Ukraine.

Sunday Collections for Sunday, September 8, 2024:

Envelopes: \$290.00 Loose Cash & Checks: \$207.00 Candles: \$80.00 Nativity of the BVM: \$115.00

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

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

The symbol of Christian faith has ever been and always will be the Cross, as it is the sign of our redemption by our Lord Jesus Christ, who came to earth to suffer for us and was crucified upon the Cross. When we wish to show that something is dedicated to Christ, we mark it with a Cross. When we join the three fingers of our right hand together, we are saying: "I believe in God, One in the Trinity; in God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit; not in one person, but Three Persons; not in three gods, but One God." When we bend the other two fingers of our right hand down to the palm we are saying: "I believe that our Savior Jesus

Christ, who is at the same time Real God and Real man - the God-man - came down to earth for our salvation. As we make the sign of the Cross, we say the following prayer: "In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen". This indicates that we belong to God and serve Him alone. God is always near us, because He is everywhere. He always sees us, just as He sees everything. But during prayer, we are especially close to God: we stand before Him, speak to Him and He listens to us. Because of this, while praying, we sign ourselves with the Cross more often, especially before and after each prayer. We also make the Cross upon ourselves when we enter church, approach a sacred object or kiss an icon, and many times during church services. We should make the sign of the Cross in the morning to obtain God's blessing on the day; in the evening to ask for His protection during the night; at all the important moments of our life: when in danger, in sorrow, in joy; before all important undertakings that they may turn out well; at mealtime to invoke God's blessing and to give Him thanks. We must never make the sign of the Cross hurriedly and carelessly. To those who cross themselves in a hurry, without due deliberation, or who simply wave their hand fanning their breast, St John Chrysostom says: "the demons rejoice in this frantic waving." On the other hand, the Cross traced correctly, with faith and reverence, dispels demons, calms sinful passions, attracts Divine Grace and gives us the strength to do good. We must never be ashamed of the sign of the Cross lest Christ be ashamed of us. We are assured by Christians of all ages, but especially by those of the first centuries, that we have at our command a very powerful weapon: the sign of the Cross. Therefore, it is much to be regretted that we do not make better use of it in our times. Never did the world array before the children of God enemies so numerous or so insidious as at the present time. They assail us on every side, not only with sword and fire, but with false philosophies, with pride of intellect, with religious indifference, with materialism, with commodity. It is more difficult for us to combat these enemies for a lifetime, than it was for early Christians to gain a martyr's glory in a momentary struggle in the amphitheater. If, for the first Christians, trained in the school of apostles and their immediate successors, the frequent use of the sign of the Cross was so necessary, is it not also indispensable to us? Let us then follow the pious custom of our fathers in the Faith and make the sign of the Cross more frequently. Taken from St Luke's Mission website www.sv-luka.org

We Hope For What We Do Not See

Patience is a precept for salvation given us by our Lord, our teacher: Whoever endures to the end will be saved. And again: If you persevere in my word, you will truly be my disciples; you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.

Dear brothers and sisters, we must endure and persevere if we are to attain the truth and freedom we have been allowed to hope for; faith and hope are the very meaning of our being Christians, but if faith and hope are to bear their fruit, patience is necessary.

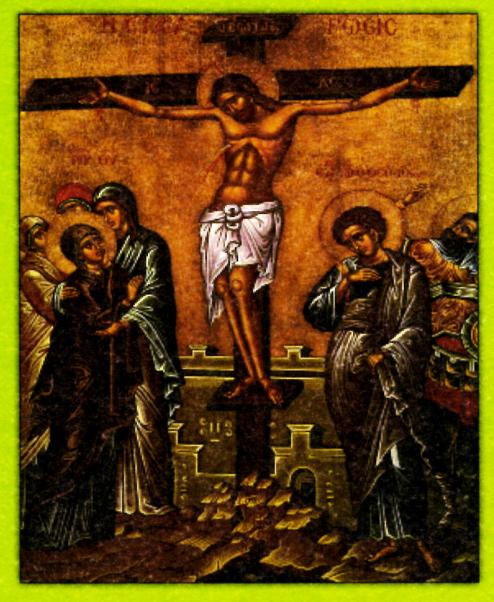
We do not seek glory now, in the present, but we look for future glory, as Saint Paul instructs us when he says: By hope we were saved. Now hope which is seen is not hope; how can a man hope for

what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it in patience. Patient waiting is necessary if we are to be perfected in what we have begun to be, and if we are to receive from God what we hope for and believe.

In another place the same Apostle instructs and teaches the just, and those active in good works, and those who store up for themselves treasures in heaven through the reward God gives them. They are to be patient also, for he says: Therefore while we have time, let us do good to all, but especially to those who are of the household of the faith. But let us not grow weary in doing good, for we shall reap our reward in due season.

St. Cyprian of Carthage

SUNDAY AFTER THE **EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS**



Icon of the Holy Cross and Crucifixion