

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



Icon of Christ Teaching on the Mount

Prove Your Faith by Your Trust

‘Look at the birds of the air,’ says Jesus. What a splendid example for our faith to follow! If God’s providence bestows an unfailing supply of food on the birds of the air who neither sow nor reap, we ought to realize that the reason for people’s supply running short is human greed. The fruits of the earth were given to feed all without distinction and nobody can claim any particular rights. Instead, we have lost the sense of the communion of goods, rushing to turn these goods into private property. The birds do not know famine because they do not claim anything specially for themselves and neither do they have any envy of others. ‘Consider the lilies of the field: not even Solomon in all his glory was

arrayed like one of these. If God so clothes the grass which is alive today and tomorrow is cast into the oven, how much more will he clothe one of you!’ Listen to these stupendous and uplifting words. With this parable of flowers and grass the Lord urges us to hope that God will also be merciful to us. Nothing is more persuasive than a glance at unthinking creatures who have received such beautiful dress from Providence. Surely we should be all the more ready to believe that human beings, if they entrust themselves completely to God and free themselves of all their worries, will not lack anything.

St. Ambrose of Milan

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Sunday – June 13, 2021

Слава Ісусу Христу – Слава на віки Glory to Jesus Christ – Glory to Him Forever

Our Church is open for Divine Liturgies. But, some may not feel ready to return, so we will continue to Livestream our 9:00 a.m. English Divine Liturgy and our 11:30 a.m. Ukrainian Divine Liturgy. The dispensation from attending Sunday Divine Liturgy and Holy Days of Obligation throughout the Archeparchy is still in effect until further notice.

All Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM

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OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR LITURGIES

Sunday June 13 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	(For the Parish) (+Julia Hetmansky from Concetta Schmitz)
Wednesday June 16 9:00 a.m.	(+Fr. Stephan Shawel CSSR from Friends)
Thursday June 17 9:00 a.m.	(+Fr. David Clooney from Friend)
Friday June 18 9:00 a.m.	(Blessings for John Michael Fedack from Family)
Sunday June 20 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Father's Day (For the Parish) (Living and Deceased Fathers)

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST PARISHIONER, MIGUEL JOSEPH JOUBIN

We welcome our newest parishioner, Miguel Joseph Joubin, infant son of John and Evgeniya. Miguel was baptized, chrismated, and received the Holy Eucharist on Saturday, June 12. May God grant Miguel and his family many happy years – Mnohaya Lita!

WELCOME AMBASSADOR OKSANA MARKAROVA

POSTPONED FOR UNEXPECTED STATE MATTERS

Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Fr. Frank Avant, Susan Avant, Chuck Basile, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Taisia Bullard, Michele Burns, Mary Connors, Jack Davis, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Daniel Horeczko, Nila Iwaskiw, Kateryna Jurach, Oksana K, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Fr. Mykhailo Kuzma, Michael Joseph Little, Mark Pidlusky, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, James Salandro, Maria Sawkiw, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta, Andrew, Timothy Stock, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Helen Lefcheck Torre, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Jennifer Wilson.** If you know of someone who should be on this list, please email or call with the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and the aged is truly helpful and comforting. In your Christian Charity, kindly remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and perhaps a card or note.

God With Us Catechism

Today's Scripture readings speak of faith, which is "the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen" (Hebrews 11:1). The Epistle tells us, "now that we have been justified through faith, let us have peace with God." In today's world we desperately need peace: All over the world, and especially in our country, we see civil unrest, riots, disease, injustice, and death. Yet Saint Paul says that we Christians "exult in tribulations." That's not to say that we are glad these terrible things are happening, but we rejoice because through them God works good: "tribulation produces endurance, and endurance challenge, and challenge hope, and hope does not deceive, for God's love is poured forth in our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us." By suffering, God makes us stronger, better people. Though the gift of faith, we have hope, we can be *sure* of God's love for us, and that He has a plan. God is taking care of us, and St Paul explains why we can be sure of this, saying that, though we would be hesitant to give our lives even for righteous men, Jesus gave His life for us, even though we are sinners!

The Gospel reading continues this theme, comparing us to birds and the flowers. Jesus says "But if God so clothes the wild flower of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more you, O you of little faith! Therefore do not be anxious." Jesus is telling us to trust Him completely, not worrying about tomorrow. But this doesn't mean that we should do nothing. We should give ourselves over to God completely. In the last verse of today's gospel, Jesus says, "seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you." In other words, if we seek God in all things and at all times, and we strive to do His will and follow His commandments, then He will take care of us and make sure that we have what we need. Jesus tells us that, to do this, we must make sure our spiritual eyes are healthy. We need to pray often, and look at God, and not at the chaos and evil in the world around us, lest we forget Him. If we do this, as Saint Paul tells us, we will have peace.