

## FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

### *Hail Theotokos!*

We shall never cease to hymn to you as one should, O Theotokos, and say: Hail, O Bride and Maiden ever-pure!

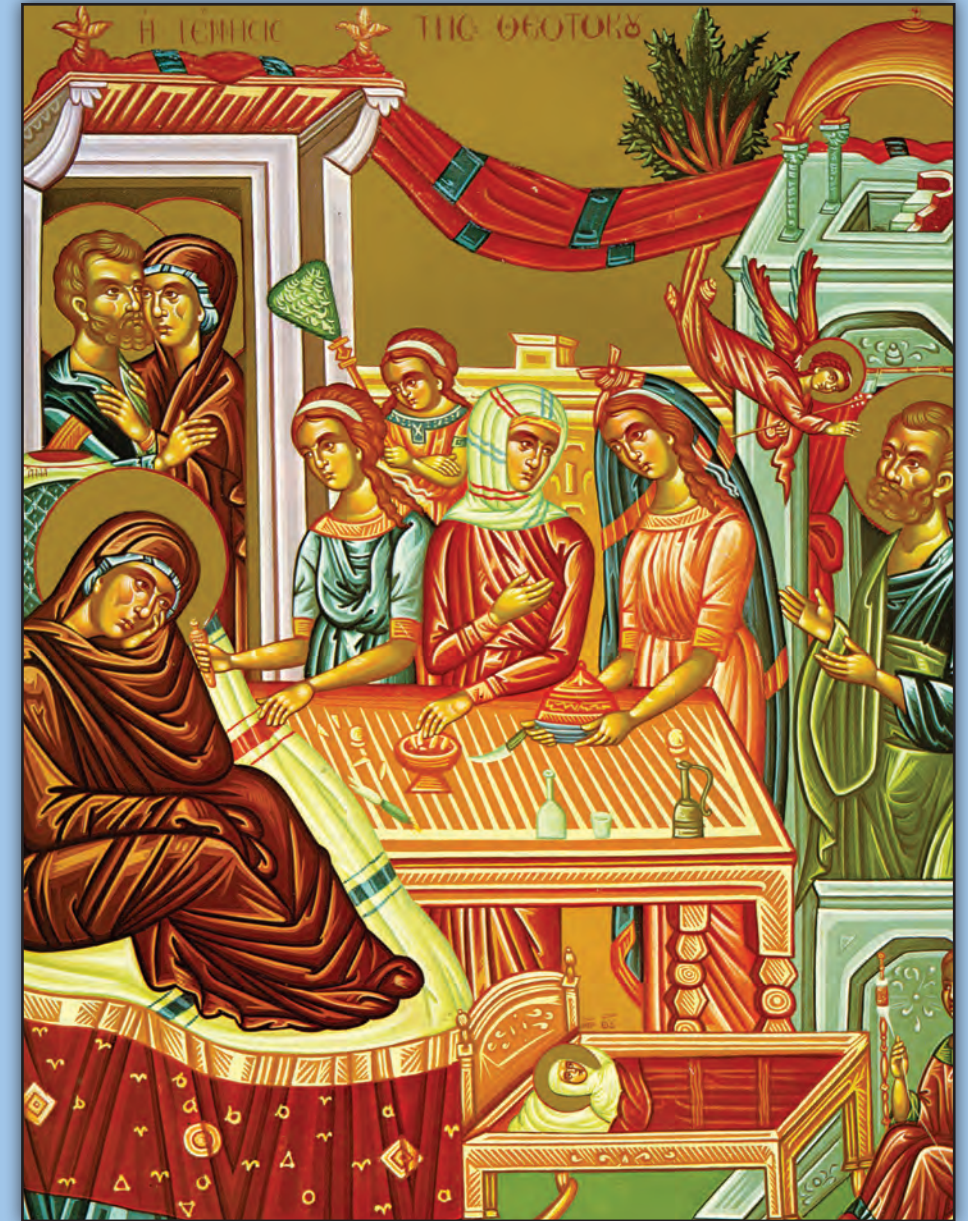
Hail, O you, through whom Joy will shine forth!  
Hail, O you, through whom the curse will disappear!

Hail, O Restoration of the Fallen Adam!  
Hail, O Redemption of the Tears of Eve!  
Hail, O Peak above the reach of human thought!  
Hail, O Depth even beyond the sight of angels!  
Hail, O you who have become a Kingly Throne!  
Hail, O you who carry Him Who Carries All!  
Hail, O Star who manifest the Sun!  
Hail, O Womb of the Divine Incarnation!  
Hail, O you through whom creation is renewed!  
Hail, O you through whom the Creator becomes a Babe!  
Hail, O Bride and Maiden ever-pure!

And why do we cry, "Alleluia?"

Hail, O hidden Sense of the Ineffable Plan!  
Hail, O Belief in Silence That Must Be!  
Hail, O Forecast of the Marvels of Christ!  
Hail, O Fountainhead of truths concerning Him!  
Hail, Celestial Ladder, by whom God came down!  
Hail, O Bridge leading earthly ones to heaven!  
Hail, O Wonder, ever-thrilling to the angels!  
Hail, O Wound, ever-hurting to the demons!  
Hail, O you who gave birth to Light ineffably!  
Hail, O you who told no one how it was done!  
Hail, O you who surpass the wisdom of the wise!  
Hail, O you who enlighten faithful minds!  
Hail, O Bride and Maiden ever-pure!

*From the Akathist to the Theotokos*



*Icon of the Nativity of the Theotokos -- September 8th*

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**Sunday – September 5, 2021**

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

**Our Church is open for Divine Liturgies. 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**

**Platform: <https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/>**

**OUR CHURCH IS OPEN FOR LITURGIES**

<b>Sunday September 5</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	(For the Parish) (+Irene Hnatiw from Family)
<b>Wednesday September 8</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Nativity of the Mother of God</b> (+Eugenia Osgood from Friend)
<b>Thursday September 9</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	(Deceased of the Nagurney-Medwid Family from Irene)
<b>Friday September 10</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b>	(+Leon Jurgill Sr. from Friend)
<b>Sunday September 12</b> <b>9:00 a.m.</b> <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	(Victims of September 11 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary) (For the Parish)

**CONCERNING FUTURE PARISH EVENTS**

**District of Columbia Mayor Bowser announced July 29 that the District is re-instituting a universal, indoor masking mandate for everyone, even those fully vaccinated. This new requirement takes effect on July 31 at 5 a.m. Persons attending Church in the District, even if they are fully vaccinated, must wear a mask. Fellowship with Cake and Coffee after the Sunday Divine Liturgies will also continue to be suspended.**

**Everyone is kindly asked to return to wearing a mask  
during the Divine Liturgies.**

**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, Robert Matthew C., Mary Connors, Jack Davis, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Lindsey Fedyk, 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**

**THE BIRTH OF THE MOTHER OF GOD**

For a long time, Saint Joachim and Saint Ann prayed to have a child. God answered their prayers and gave them a daughter, Mary. The troparion for the Feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God calls Mary “Mother of God” and announces that the birth of Mary heralds “joy to the universe.” We call Mary the Theotokos, which means the Mother of God. The birth of the Theotokos heralds salvation because through Mary we had received Jesus Christ, who saved us from the curse of death and “gave us everlasting life.” As we sing in the troparion, Jesus Christ is the “Sun of Justice.” When we sing the troparion for this feast, we praise the Theotokos; and we look to her son, Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**HAPPY LABOR DAY TO ALL OF OUR PARISHIONERS**

**On this Labor Day Weekend, we ask Almighty God to bless all of our faithful parishioners, who in their daily labors continue to support their families and our parish.**

**God bless you all and may you enjoy a restful Labor Day on Monday!**