

SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS



Icon of All Saints

May 30, 2010
Sunday of All Saints

Tone 8

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 31 – JUNE 6

MONDAY, MAY 31 – HERMES, APOSTLE & HERMEAS, MARTYR – MEMORIAL DAY

9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY & PANAKHYDA

SUNDAY, JUNE 6 – 2ND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

8:30 AM MATINS

9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

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**Remember in your prayers**



Please remember in your prayers those members of our parish, our family and friends who are ailing, are in hospitals, nursing homes and those who are not able to join actively in their community.

Remember especially the following: Katherine Andrus, Walter & Isabella Bachynsky, Susie Boyko, Sonya Cronin, Helen Davis, Stephen Hricko, Lorene Lagrone, Maria Laszok, Maria Leskiw, Lesya Loznycky, Sophia Skop and Ariadna Wall. Please let Fr. James know if there is anyone else who should be remembered.

**Remember Those In The Armed Forces**

Let us especially remember in our prayers those family members and friends who are actively serving their countries in the Armed Forces: Luke and Slavamira Haywas, Elizabeth Heltsley, Oksanna Hirniak, Andrew Hrynkiw, Zenon and Susan Keske, Michael Lopes, Vasyl Lylak, Thomas Orr, Paul Richelmi and Brian Tuthill. Please give any names of those you would like remembered in the Liturgies to Fr. James.



**50th Anniversary**

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration will take place on the weekend of November 20 – 21. Bishop Richard has confirmed his attendance so planning is underway. Do you have any photos from the life of our parish? I ask you to loan them to the church in order to scan them and to make a slide-show that will chronicle the past 50 years. Please see Fr. James.

**Memorial Day**

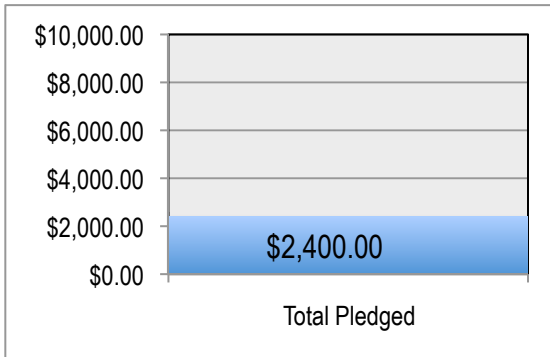
Tomorrow is Memorial Day. There will be a Divine Liturgy at 9:30 AM. Following the Divine Liturgy there will be a Panakhyda to remember all the departed veterans of our parish and families. Please write the names of any deceased members of the Armed Forces on the memorial list at the back of the church.

**Father's Day**

On Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate Father's Day with a special Luncheon following the Divine Liturgy. The men will not be allowed in the kitchen since the Luncheon will be prepared and served by the Ladies of the parish! Please join us as we celebrate that often forgotten yet critical role in the Christian Family – the Father. **"Early Birds" who buy their tickets between now and June 13<sup>th</sup> will be entered into a drawing to win two free nights at a cabin in Julian.** Tickets are available in the church hall after Divine Liturgy.

Tickets are – Adults (18+): \$15.00  
Young Adults (13-17): \$8.00  
Children (12 & under): FREE  
Families of 3 or more: \$35.00

## 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary project



As part of our 50th anniversary celebration we are commissioning icons for the iconostas.

From left to right:

- ❖ St. Nicholas the Wonderworker
- ❖ St. Michael the Archangel (who guards the door to heaven)
- ❖ The *Theotokos* with the Lord (Indicates the beginning and the end of time)
- ❖ The Four Evangelists: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John
- ❖ Our Lord the *Pantocrator* (All-Ruler) the just judge of all our works
- ❖ St. Gabriel the Archangel (who announced the incarnation – our entry into heaven)
- ❖ The John the Baptizer – Patron of this Holy House

We are looking for donors for these icons. May God bless the iconographer, Michael Kapeluck of Pittsburgh, for his devout service in beautifying the Lord's House! The projected cost of this project is \$10,000. If you would like to make a donation towards this project, please see Fr. James.

### *A Note on Kneeling*

Now that Pentecost has arrived, kneeling is no longer forbidden for weekday Liturgical Services. However, the ancient and venerable practice of **not kneeling** still applies to **ALL** Sundays of the year since the Sunday services are Resurrectional in their spirit and content.

Below is a sample of the work of Michael Kapeluck who will write our icons. You can see more of his work at [www.archangelicons.com](http://www.archangelicons.com)



### **PETER & PAUL FAST – “NO! Not another fast!”**

Yes, a fast the church designates as the "Apostles" but it is known simply as "Peter's" (*Petrivka* - *Петривка*). The fast of the Apostles begins on the Monday following All Saints Sunday, which is the first Sunday after Pentecost, and extends until the vigil of SS. Peter and Paul Day, which falls on 29 June.

Spiritually, this fast is linked to Pentecost as the witness of these Apostles is the immediate result of the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon them. It is observed in memory of the fast which the Apostles kept before they went forth to preach the Gospel.

Many of the designated days are not kept. Unfortunately, SS. Peter and Paul Fast is best described as the "forgotten" fast. During this fasting period we should avail ourselves of Holy Confession.

### **Contributions for May 23, 2010**

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| Sunday Collection     | \$524.85  |
| Rummage Sale Proceeds | \$2091.45 |



**Святкуємо 50-років!**

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***Why Saints?***

The veneration of saints is vital to the life of the Holy Church because the existence of saints affirms that it is truly possible to fulfill the Christian vocation – to become conformed to the image of Christ. Every Christian is called to be a saint. Christ commanded us to be perfect as our heavenly Father is perfect. The saints worked hard to achieve that spiritual perfection, and are the Church's Olympic champions – gold medal winners.

They cooperated with God in doing His will, and allowed the Holy Spirit to fill them and use them. They achieved this blessed condition through their great spiritual exercises: by prayer, fasting, abstinence, repentance, receiving the Holy Mysteries (sacraments); by living lives of simplicity, humility, love, patience, purity and obedience; by reading the Holy Scriptures, the Church Fathers, the lives of saints; and most especially, by allowing God's love to overflow through them to all creation.

The saints dedicated their lives to loving God above all else, serving Him according to the talents that they received. Their "job descriptions" varied, but they always served the world around them – as simple lay men and women and as princes and princesses; as monastics, priests and bishops; as writers, translators, artists and missionaries; as spiritual directors, healers of body and soul, wonder-workers; and, as "fools-for-Christ."