

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
THIRD SUNDAY OF MATTHEW



Icon of Christ Teaching the Apostles on the Mount

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 14 – JUNE 20

✚ MARIA; REO: ALEXANDRA MARTYNYSHYN

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

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Remember Those In The Armed Forces



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

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 Hrynskiw, 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*.



Father's Day

The 50th 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.

Next Sunday, June 20th, we will celebrate Father's Day with a special Luncheon following the Divine Liturgy. Please join us as we celebrate that often forgotten yet critical role in the Christian Family – the Father.

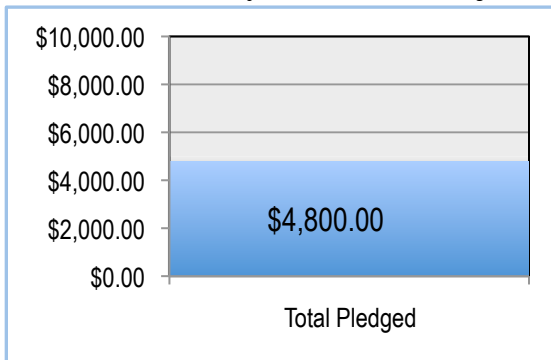
Today is your last chance to be an “Early Bird.” If you buy your tickets today you will be entered into a drawing to win two free nights at a cabin in Julian. (Those who have already purchased tickets are also entered in the drawing.) Tickets are available in the church hall after Divine Liturgy.

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



Flowers From The Garden are often brought by pious people to the Church as a prayerful offering, either for the health or repose of someone dear to them or simply in thanksgiving to God and as a way to add beauty and fragrance at the divine services. If you would like to bring flowers, the church has vases available for use.

50th Anniversary Iconostasis Project



Welcome to all who are visiting! Please stay after the Liturgy and join us for coffee hour!



On Worship

No one may whisper, nor slumber, nor laugh, nor nod; for, in church, all ought to stand wisely, soberly, and attentively, having their attention fixed upon the Word of the Lord.

– *Teaching of the Twelve Apostles*

Summer Schedule

Matins and Vespers will not be celebrated in the summer months. They will resume in October. Please enjoy your vacation from worldly cares but please don't take a vacation from God.

Please Note: If you are going on vacation, don't forget that the church still relies on your contributions even if you are not present. The summer months are most difficult due to the decrease in attendance and the increase in the Air Conditioning bill. Your obligation to support your parish (one of the commandments of the church) does not cease in your absence.

A LESSON: PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER

From a Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania

One day a Church School teacher brought a large poster into her classroom. But the picture on the poster was covered with paper so the children couldn't see it. She then took scissors and cut the poster into 20 pieces (one for each child), distributed them in sealed envelopes, and instructed the students not to open the envelopes but to bring them back to class the following Sunday.

The next week, the children gathered around a table, opened their envelopes, and began to assemble the pieces into a puzzle, excitedly twisting and organizing the pieces in anticipation of discovering the complete picture. When all the children present had used their respective pieces, they began to see a colorful icon of Our Lord develop. But there were six gaping holes in the puzzle because three students forgot to bring their pieces back to class and three other students were absent.

The teacher seized the opportunity for a valuable lesson. "When we are baptized, we each become a part of the church to help do Jesus' work. When any piece is missing, someone's not doing their job. But when all the pieces fit together, what a beautiful icon of Our Lord it is!"

Without the mutual faith, commitment, presence, active involvement, prayers and contributions of each and every Church member, there remain gaping holes in the work of Christ and His Church; the picture is incomplete. **How many pieces of the puzzle are missing in our parish? Is YOURS among them?** ☒

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Святкуємо 50-років!

Celebrating 50 Years!

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A Message of Care

When Jesus spoke, ears began to tingle! On a hillside in Galilee, Jesus gave his famous Sermon on the Mount, of which this Sunday's Gospel is part. The world still marvels at it. It was an astounding speech, introducing a radically different outlook on life and turning earthly values completely upside down. His words, however, jolted the world into hope.

Jesus taught that we should put our confidence in God rather than in material possessions. Jesus said not to worry too much about the future, for the Lord, who takes care of the birds of the air and lilies of the field, will surely not neglect His children. Our heavenly Father knows what we need.

Jesus' message is very relevant in our materialistic culture where too much emphasis is placed on acquiring possessions and status, so we can look good in the eyes of others. Also, the more we have, the more anxious we can become about losing it in the future. Therefore, our success in the world's eyes quickly becomes an anxious burden, instead of bringing true freedom and happiness.

Divine Providence can always be counted on. We must trust in God who always has us in His care and in His heart. We work and hope, not forgetting God – a God who loves us!