

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha. Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 1<sup>st</sup> Ecumenical Council of Nicea

# Post-feast of Ascension 7-а Неділя Пасхи. Неділя Святих Отців 1-го

# вселенського собору в Нікеї.

Venerable Father Nicetas, Bishop of Chalcedon.

# Sunday, May 28th, 2017



# Daily Divine Liturgies

**Monday, May 29** \*\*\* 6:30 p.m. *Moleben to the Mother of God* – 4<sup>th</sup> day of Mission Days

**Tuesday, May 30** \*\*\* 9:00 a.m. *Div. Lit:* God's blessings & good health for Alex R. - 5<sup>th</sup> day of Mission Days

**Thursday, June 1** \*\*\* 9:00 a.m. *Div. Lit:* God's blessings for Mathew, Michael & David - 7<sup>th</sup> day of *Mission Days* 

Friday, June 2 \*\*\* 9:00 a.m. *Div. Lit*: +All our beloved deceased ones  $-8^{th}$  day of Mission Days

#### First Antiphon

Clap your hands, all you nations; \* shout to God with the voice of joy. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us.

For the Lord most high is awesome, \* a great king of all the earth. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us.

He has subdued peoples to us, \* and nations under our feet. Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us.

God ascended amid shouts of joy; \* the Lord at the sound of the trumpet.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save, us.

+Glory... Now... Only-Begotten Son...

### Third Antiphon

We sing the usual Third Antiphon, but with the festal refrain: Son of God, who ascended in glory, \* save us who sing to You: Alleluia.

**Troparion, Tone 6**: Angelic powers were upon Your tomb \* and the guards became like dead men; \* Mary stood before Your tomb \* seeking Your most pure body. \* You captured Hades without being overcome by it.\* You met the Virgin and granted life.\* O Lord, risen from the dead,\* glory be to You!

*Troparion, Tone 4:* You ascended in glory, O Christ our God,\* giving joy to Your disciples by the promise of the Holy Spirit,\* and assuring them through your blessing\* that You are the Son of God,\* the Redeemer of the world.

**Troparion, Tone 8**: Christ our God, You are glorified above all,\* You established our fathers as beacons on earth\* and through them guided all of us to the true faith.\* Glory to You, most compassionate Lord.

+Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

**Kontakion, Tone 8:** The apostles' preaching and the Fathers' doctrine\* confirmed the Church's one faith,\* and wearing the garment of truth\* woven from theology that descends from on high,\* she rightly imparts\* the mystery of godliness\* and sings its glory.

 $Now\ and\ for ever\ and\ ever.\ Amen.$ 

Kontakion, Tone 6: When you had fulfilled Your plan for us\* and united things on earth with those in heaven,\* You ascended in glory, O Christ our God,\* in no way

distant, but remaining inseparable,\* You cried to those who love You:\* I am with You and there is none against you.

**Prokeimenon, Tone 4:** Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name forever.

verse: For You are righteous in everything that You have done to us.

**Prokeimenon, Tone 8:** Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world. (Psalm 18:5)

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 20:16-18, 28-36)



In those days, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; he was eager to be in Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. From Miletus he sent a message to Ephesus, asking the elders of the church to meet him. When they came to him, he said to them: "Keep watch over yourselves and over

all the flock, of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God that He obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after I have gone, savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Some even from your own group will come distorting the truth in order to entice the disciples to follow them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to warn everyone with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the message of His grace, a message that is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or clothing. You know for yourselves that I worked with my own hands to support myself and my companions. In all this I have given you an example that by such work we must support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" When he had finished speaking, he knelt down with them all and prayed.

*Alleluia, Tone 1:* The God of gods, the Lord, spoke and summoned the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

*verse:* Gather to Him His devout ones, who with sacrifice make covenant with Him. (Psalm 49:1,5)

Gospel: John 17:1-13

At that time Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify You, since You have given Him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all

whom you have given Him. And this is eternal life, that they may know You, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom You have sent. I glorified You on earth by finishing the work that You gave Me to do. So now, Father, glorify Me in your own presence with the glory that I had in Your presence before the world existed. "I have made Your name known to those whom You gave me from the world. They were Yours, and You gave them to me, and they have kept Your word. Now they know that everything You have given Me is from you; for the words that You gave to Me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from You; and they have believed that You sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom You gave me, because they are Yours. All Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine; and I have been glorified in them." And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to You. Holy Father, protect them in Your name that You have given Me, so that they may be one, as We are one. While I was with them, I protected them in Your name that You have given Me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to You, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have My joy made complete in themselves.

*Hymn to the Mother of God:* O my soul, magnify the Lord who in glory ascended bodily into the heavens.

*Irmos Tone 5*: O Mother of God,\* you transcended both mind and word,\* and in time, ineffably bore the Timeless One:\* it is you who, with one accord,\* we, the faithful, magnify.

**Communion Hymn:** Praise the Lord from the heavens;\* praise Him in the highest. **Verse:** Rejoice in the Lord, O you just;\* praise befits the righteous. Alleluia (x3).

Instead of "We have seen the true light..." & "Let our mouths be filled..." we sing: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, above all the earth be Your glory.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

"The spiritual life flows from God's action in us and for us: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life" (John 3:16). This action of God is also called a service, a "liturgy" of God for us:

"The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many" (Mathew 20:28). Therefore the Christian's entire spiritual life is a service to God and neighbor – "a liturgy of life." Thus, we join ourselves to God's service with our own service; the Divine Liturgy becomes our personal liturgy, our service. To live this liturgical life means to show love for God and neighbor through thought, word and deed." Catechism – "Christ our Pascha" # 723

Please Pray for health of ... Please Pray for health of ... Alex R., Dzvinka M., Fr. Jeffery S., Hedi M., Sofia B., Volodymyr P., Ivan L., Fr. Edward E., Lily-Ann S., Kathleen B., Mary D., Pauline P., Ray S., Cameron V., Rose O., Ric B., Shirley C., Peter D., Sandra Sh., Patricia U., Yvette U., and all other parishioners and family members who need God's healing at the present time.

Please let Fr. Andrzej know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

**A warm welcome** - to all parishioners, your families, visitors and guests. Thank you for joining us in this Divine Liturgy. Have a blessed week!

**Mnohaya Lita!** — very special God's blessings to anyone among our parishioners and their families who celebrated their birthday, name-day, wedding anniversary and any other special anniversary during **the month of May.** 

**Children's Catechism** — will take place today, Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup> after the Div. Lit. at 9:00 a.m.

**Dormition Parish Council Meeting** – will take place tomorrow, Monday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**Faithful Giving** — beloved in Christ, please always remember that we never take a day off or a vacation from God, or from our obligation to attend Divine Liturgy on Sundays. When traveling, working or studying, make sure you check out the service schedule for the area churches at our eparchial website: www.nweparchy.ca and attend the Divine Liturgy. Please



remember as well, that while parishioners may be away and on vacation, the parish is not. Expenses continue as they do throughout the year. It is important to remain consistent in your gifts to your parish. Your weekly Sunday offering is important to our financial well-being. If you are away, we appreciate it when you forward your "make-up"

donations. The financial stability of the parish counts on regular Sunday contributions. Please continue to be generous!

Knights of Columbus Monthly Meeting - for St. Pius X

Parish Council # 7359 — will take place this coming Thursday, June 1st at Columbus Villa at 7:30 p.m. (special dinner starting at 6:30 p.m.)

**Kneeling during the Easter Season** – a reminder that traditionally from Easter Sunday until Pentecost we do not kneel during the Divine Liturgy. As a sign of our redemption and final resurrection, we offer our prayers to God while standing.

5<sup>th</sup> All Souls Service & Cementery grave blessings — Panakhyda service and grave blessings will take place in Kelowna, Friday, June 2 (after the Divine Liturgy celebrated at 9:00 a.m.) and in Penticton, Saturday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> (after the Divine Liturgy celebrated at 4:00 p.m.)

**First Solemn Communion** – at the Dormition parish will be celebrated next **Sunday, June 4**<sup>th</sup>. We will have three children to be part of this very special event.

Holy Resurrection Parish in Penticton — will celebrate their Divine Liturgy on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at an earlier time of 1:45 p.m.

**The Fast of the Holy Apostles** – begins on the Monday after All Saints Sunday (Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>) and last until June 29, the Feast of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul.

**Services in Vernon** — Fr. Andrzej will be celebrating the Divine liturgies in Vernon at 11:30 a.m. on the following Sundays: June 11, 18 & 25. During that time Fr. Stepan Dovhoshyya will be taking his annual vacation.

**"Old" church bulletins box** — since our Sunday bulletins contain scripture readings & icons, they need to be disposed of properly/respectfully after use. Please do not throw them into the garbage but recycle them after shredding if possible. In order to assist with this request, we have provided a special box for used bulletins in the church entrance. If you bring your old bulletins they will be shredded in the parish office.

**You are Invited:** "The Most Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church Praznyk/Parish Feast Day on Sunday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. Reception to follow at the church hall. (Clergy and Religious – FREE, Adults - \$15, Children 6-12 - \$7.50 Children under 6 - FREE). We are looking forward to see, pray, welcome and share the joy of celebration with you!

Please, let us know about your participation by noon of Sat., June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017." Our contact information is: 109 Tranquille Rd., Kamloops, BC V3B3E8 Tel. 250.376.3690, Email: mostholytrinitypar@shaw.ca Parish website: http://kamloops.nweparchy.ca/

#### Facebook page Holy Trinity

Parish: https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100015447278945

Sincerely Yours in Risen Christ,

Fr. Pavlo with Family and Parishioners

## Mark your calendar \* Camp Saint Volodymyr 2017 \* Aug. 20-27

The purpose of camp is to provide an opportunity for youth to experience God through nature and the companionship of others. Children will experience Ukrainian language and culture during camp along with games, religious activities, hikes, sports, arts and crafts, camp fires, water activities and other summer camp activities.

This marks the 34<sup>th</sup> year of our Ukrainian Catholic Summer Camp. Camp will take place in Kelowna at the OAC facility. Camp offers a wide range of activities for campers aged 7-15 (as of December 31, 2017). Registration will be available online via Eventbrite "Camp St. Volodymyr BC 2017." Early bird registration Ends July 6, 2017.

#### WAYS TO HELP

For more information contact Jennifer Caldwell @ 604.220.0584 or jennsawka@hotmail.com. Visit our webpage via www.nweparchy.ca

#### **DONATE**

We are always happy to accept food donations of vegetables, fruits, cereals, and treats for children such as cakes, cookies, as well as monetary donations. Tax receipts can be issued with donations of \$25 or more.

\*\*\*\* The registration for our Eparchial summer camp is now **OPEN**. To register follow the link:

https://www.eventbrite.com/e/camp-st-volodymyr-bc-2017-tickets-32623288133?aff=utm\_source%3Deb\_email%26utm\_medium%3Demail%26utm\_campaign%3Dnew\_event\_email&utm\_term=eventurl\_text

You can also access the link through our camp's website <a href="mailto:csv.nweparchy.ca">csv.nweparchy.ca</a>.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND: OCTOBER 12 - 24, 2017 -** Walk in the footsteps of Jesus; an unforgettable experience with Fr. Joe Ostapowich, Sr. Angelica SSMI, brother & sister pilgrims.

### For details and price call Myrna Arychuk at 604 - 617 - 7200

**50<sup>th</sup> Parish Anniversary** – Holy Cross Ukrainian Catholic Church in Surrey, BC will be holding the Celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on **Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 PM** – Banquet (5 STAR CATERING SUNRISE BANQUET & CONFERENCE CENTRE 5640 188 Str.) and on Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup> the Divine Liturgy at 11:00 am.

If you would like to submit some photos or other materials for 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, please use the following e-mail address: 50holycross@gmail.com

**Dormition Parish Stewardship**: Sunday, May 14 - \$1,525.00.



# Romania takes step toward marriage defense amendment

Bucharest, Romania, May 25, 2017 / 08:27 pm (EWTN News/CNA)

Romania's lower house of parliament has overwhelmingly approved a proposed constitutional amendment to define marriage as a union between one man and one woman. The Chamber of Deputies passed the measure by a vote of 232-22, with 13 abstentions.

If approved, the amendment would change Paragraph 1 of Article 28 of the Romanian Constitution to say: "The family is founded on the freely consented marriage between one man and one woman, on their equality and on the right and duty of parents to assure the growth, education and training of their children."

The proposed amendment began with a signature drive, initiated by the Coalition for the Family, which collected 3 million signatures from Romanian citizens in support of the constitutional language.

It has also garnered support from Orthodox, Catholic and Evangelical leaders, along with legal groups such as ADF International and the European Center for Law and Justice.

The measure has already been approved by the Romanian Constitutional Court as satisfying all requirements for a constitutional amendment.

It will next go to the Senate. If it is approved there, it will become a referendum to be voted on by the Romanian people.

Romania is not the only country in the region to consider a defense-of-marriage amendment. Bulgaria, Croatia, Hungary, Lithuania, Latvia, Poland, and Slovakia all define marriage as the union of one man and one woman within their constitutions.



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### Ascension (May 25) to Pentecost (June 4) –

**Second Day: Saturday, May 27** \*\*\* "Liberation from Sin " – \*\* **Penticton Parish** - 4:00 p.m., Divine Liturgy

**Third Day: Sunday of the Holy Fathers, May 28** "God is With Us – We Belong to God" \*\*\* Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

4<sup>th</sup> Day: Monday, May 29 \*\*\* "Branches that Bear Fruit" \*\*\* Moleben to the Mother of God at 6:30 p.m.

5th Day: Tuesday, May 30 \*\* "Where to Look for Truth?" \*\* Div. Lit. at 9:00 a.m.

6th Day: Wednesday, May 31 \*\*\* "Personal Responsibility"

7<sup>th</sup> Day: Thursday, June 1 \*\*\* "Community of Prayer \*\*\* Div. Lit. at 9:00 a.m.

8th Day: Friday, June 2 \*\*\* "Serving Those in Need" \*\*\* Div. Lit. at 9:00 a.m..

9<sup>th</sup> Day: Sat., June 3 \*\* "Tend my sheep!" \*\* Penticton Parish - 4:00 p.m., Div. Lit. 10<sup>th</sup> Day: Sunday of Pentecost, June 4 \*\*\* "Our Mission: to Carry the Holy Spirit to Others" \*\*\* Div. Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.

## **Basic Guidelines for Reception of Holy Communion:**

- 1. You are a member of the Catholic Church (Orthodox faithful are welcome to receive Communion);
- 2. You have participated in the Sacrament of Confession at least during the Easter or Christmas seasons this past year if not more frequently;
- 3. You attend Divine Services regularly;
- 4. Your lifestyle is consistent with the teaching of the Catholic Church;
- 5. You have kept the Liturgical fast no food at least one hour prior to the Divine Liturgy (water & medicine does not break the fast).
- 6. You have been in church from the beginning of the service, or at least heard the Gospel.
- 7. To the best of your ability, you are in the state of Grace.

  If for any of these or other reasons you cannot receive Holy Communion, you are welcome to come for a blessing. Please indicate to the priest that you would like to receive his blessing.
- \*\*A Reminder about appropriate reception of Holy Communion when approaching to receive the Holy Eucharist, the faithful are reminded to open their mouth wide and tilt their head back. Also, please avoid licking the spoon. \*\*