

# HOLY AND GLORIOUS PENTECOST

June 9, 2019

8:40 AM Rosary  
9:00 AM **Health/Blessings for all Parishioners**  
10:30 AM Alpha - Learning to Evangelize Session

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## DIVINE SERVICES/EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>** *Monday of the Holy Spirit*  
Readings: Ephesians 5:9-19, Matthew 18:10-20  
NO DIVINE SERVICES

**Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>** *The Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas*  
Readings: Acts 11:19-30, Luke 10:16-21  
**10:00 AM FUNERAL DIVINE LITURGY FOR ANNA MARTYNIUK**

**Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup>**  
Readings: Romans 1:18-27, Matthew 5:20-26  
NO DIVINE SERVICES  
6:30 PM BIBLE STUDY – in the parish hall

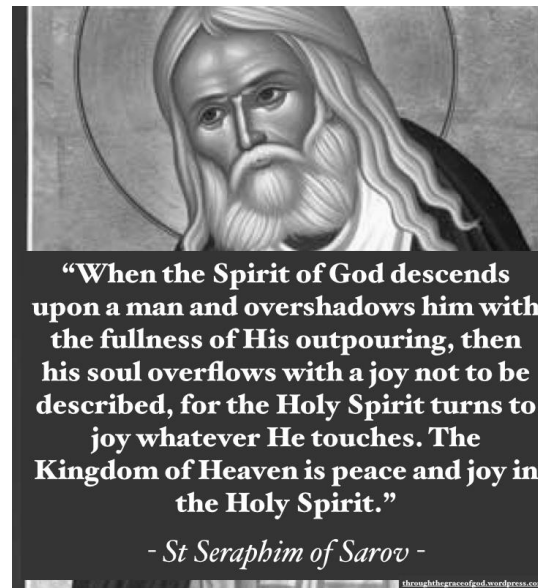
**Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Readings: Romans 1:28-2:9, Matthew 5:27-32  
**9:00 AM FESTIVAL BAKING**  
NO DIVINE SERVICES

**Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Readings: Romans 2:14-29, Matthew 5:33-41  
NO DIVINE SERVICES

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**Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Readings: Romans 1:7-12, Matthew 5:41-48  
5:00 PM SUNDAY VIGIL DIVINE LITURGY

**Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>** **SUNDAY OF ALL SAINTS**  
9:10 AM Rosary  
**9:30 AM Baptismal Divine Liturgy for Joshua Lehner**



## CONGRATULATIONS:

Happy birthdays this week to Laszlo Szijarto (6/9) and Tommy Lehner (6/12)! Congratulations to Alexander Griffiths for graduating from high school and his matriculation to the University of Dayton in the fall. Keep them in your prayers and may God grant them **many happy years, Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!**

## ETERNAL MEMORY:

Our heartfelt prayers for the Griffiths family on the passing of matriarch Anna Martyniuk on Monday. Calling hours will be from 4-7 PM at Kucko-Anthony Funeral Home on Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, with parastas at 6:30 PM. Funeral will be at 10 AM on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup>, with burial at St. Andrew cemetery and wake to follow. May her memory **be eternal, Vichnaya pam'iat'!**

*Do you have prayer intentions for whom you would the Church community to pray? Please let us know at [holyghostmarketing@gmail.com](mailto:holyghostmarketing@gmail.com) and we will include them in the bulletin!*

## FESTIVAL PREPARATIONS

Please pick up your festival yard sign for display in your front yard and spread the word!

Please pick up your envelopes located in the vestibule containing festival raffle ticket books. Return the filled out stubs and money from the sale to the collection basket any Sunday.

Also, as we have done in the past, the Festival Committee is requesting monetary donations to help pay for the festival (raffle prizes, tent rental, entertainment, etc.). Every dollar helps! Envelopes marked "FESTIVAL DONATIONS" are available for your contributions at both church entrances.

Finally, the 1st day of baking for the festival will be this Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9 AM. Any amount of time that you can help will be deeply appreciated. The 2nd day will be Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>.

## PLANNING AHEAD:

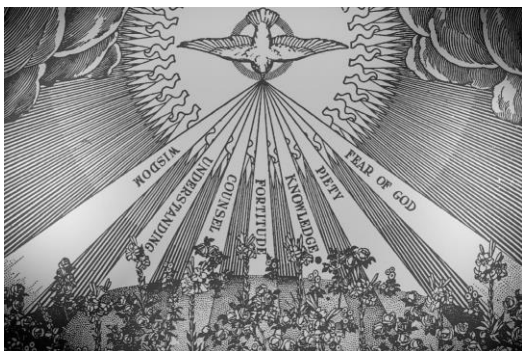
June 13 – Festival Baking  
June 16 – Josh Lehner's Baptism  
June 17 – Apostles' Fast Begins  
June 22 – Pyrohy  
June 23 – Divine Liturgy at 9 AM  
June 27 – Festival Baking  
June 29 – Annual Parish Festival  
June 30 – Divine Liturgy in Canton  
August 24 – Pierogy Open

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## **PENTECOST SUNDAY**



Pentecost was originally a Jewish holiday, known as the Feast of Weeks, Feast of Harvest or Feast of Firstfruits. In Hebrew, Pentecost is known as Shavuot. It can be found in Exodus 23 and 34, Leviticus 23, and Deuteronomy 26. Shavuot was celebrated 7 weeks from the 2<sup>nd</sup> day after Passover, or 50 days after Passover. All Jewish males were required to present themselves before the Lord and offer the

first fruits of the harvest. This requirement explains why many Jews were gathered in Jerusalem in Acts of the Apostles.

In the Church, Pentecost occurs 10 days after the Ascension and 50 days after Christ's Resurrection. On this day, the Church celebrates the Descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles. From the *Catechism*:

This sending of the Holy Spirit signals the fulfilment of God's condescension to creation, a condescension that began at the creation of the world. In the Holy Spirit, God offers himself to the human race. This gift of God's life is always a blessing for us, and thus we refer to it as grace. The gift of the Holy Spirit gives us the opportunity to become partakers of God's nature, to be divinized, to enter into the communion of the Persons of the Most Holy Trinity. The Holy Spirit fills creation with his grace and perfects it in accordance with God's plan: "God's Spirit was to spiritualize the darkness of matter, to illuminate it, and to draw it into the sphere of God's life."

### **From Vespers:**

Behold, we celebrate today the feast of Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit, the fulfillment of the promise and the realization of hope. How wonderful and awesome is this great mystery! Therefore, O Lord and Creator of all, we cry out: Glory to You!

### **From Matins:**

Come, O faithful, let us celebrate the feast of the Fiftieth Day, the day which concludes the Feast of feast; the day on which the pre-ordained promise is fulfilled; the day when the Comforter descends upon the earth in tongues of fire; the day of the disciples' enlightenment, revealed as initiated into the heavenly mysteries, the light of the Comforter has illumined the world.

### **FORGIVENESS:**

Forgiveness does not mean acceptance of a lie. When we forgive, we don't put up with evil, but on the contrary, we name it and call a wrongdoer as such. But when we forgive, this means that first of all we throw evil out of our own heart. Only that person who is spiritually higher and stronger, can forgive. To forgive means to overcome evil. Forgiveness does not mean release from responsibility for wrongdoings. Fair punishment is necessary for reconciliation. Otherwise how can we speak about the due respect for the victims of crimes, due satisfaction for their offences if, according to the principles of justice, the person who offended them will not suffer deserved punishment?

### **REPORTING ABUSE**

It is important, from time to time, to remind the people of our Eparchy that if anyone has been the victim of sexual abuse by the clergy or laity, he or she should come forward and make that known either to the bishop, to one's pastor, or to a member of the special Review Board that handles such cases. The bishop can be reached at his Chancery at: 1-440-888-1522 or by writing at: Most Rev. Bishop Bohdan J. Danylo, Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat, P.O. Box 34780, Parma, OH 44134"

### **BYZANTINE CATHOLIC PRAYER APP:**

A daily prayer app is now available from Eastern Christian Publications for iOS and Android devices. The app is titled "ECPubs" and is available for free download from either the Apple Store or Google Play. This is the only Byzantine Catholic app available in English with all the changeable prayer texts included for the Daily Office. The app is updated daily with full texts of The Hours and Daily Vespers, and with all changeable parts included according to the Byzantine *Typicon*, or liturgical calendar. To download and install the app, visit the Apple Store or Google Play and search for **ECPubs**.

### **PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:**

With all lungs of the Church seeking to provide sufficiently for the spiritual needs of the faithful, let us pray for an increase in vocations to Holy Orders and growth of the monasteries.

"Almighty and merciful God, inspire those You have chosen to hear and answer Your call to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Give them the courage to be the prophets for our times. Give them the wisdom and openness to live their personal call. Give them the strength to be ready witness of Your love and care for the world. Amen."

### **PRAYER INTENTIONS THIS WEEK**

Let us pray for Father Sal and family for a relaxing vacation and safe trip back!

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE UKRAINIAN CHURCH IN AMERICA



From news.ugcc.ua/en

This past Tuesday, new Metropolitan Borys Gudziak was officially enthroned as the new Metropolitan of the Archeparchy of Philadelphia and the Ukrainian Church in America. Unfortunately, EWTN experienced technical difficulties and were unable to broadcast the Divine Liturgy. However, many live broadcasts popped up on Facebook and YouTube – hopefully you were able to catch one of these broadcasts!



From Archeparchy of Philadelphia Facebook page

In Metropolitan Borys's remarks, he said, if you have tasted how good is the Lord – walk straight and bear witness. "I would love to express my joy before you and God, peace and gratitude for trust: trust of Pope, the synod of Bishops, priests and all of you". Furthermore, he considers that we must stand together. We need to feel God in our hearts and amongst us. Furthermore, when we open our hearts for God's grace – a miracle can happen.

"Children of this Church, we have no right to leave testimony of our faith. Go and testify, listen to your hearts and help Church to be restored. Let us renew ourselves without complaints and envy. Pray every morning and night, and it will change your life, a prayer will restore your life with hope", Metropolitan Borys invoked. "Certainly, firstly one needs to open his heart in order to hear hearts of others. We feel God who is present amongst us and loves us. It is worth feeling it...Let us receive an invitation from our Lord. Renew ourselves! Without complaints and envy. Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception is open for everyone."

- From news.ugcc.ua/en and UGCC Department of Information

### Adapted from the Religious Information Service of Ukraine:

#### GREEK CATHOLICS FACE DIFFICULT TASK OF BUILDING PATRIARCHATE

On May 11, while in Philadelphia celebrating the 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the St. Sophia Society of Ukrainian Catholics, Patriarch Sviatoslav remarked on the importance of setting up the patriarchal structures. "It is important that we all join the setup of patriarchal structures because without this it will not be possible to fully comply with the will of Patriarch Iosyp," the Patriarch said. He also remarked on the efforts of his predecessor, His Beatitude Lubomyr in building the Patriarchate.

### ANNUAL PIEROGY OPEN INFO

This year the Pierogy Open will be held on Saturday, August 24 at Mayfair Country Club. The tee time will be at 2 pm., with our normal shotgun start. This includes a free lunch buffet before tee off. This event is important for our parish and the orphanage in Berezhany, Ukraine. The cost is \$60. Please try to bring a foursome or two! Please contact Chris Ross (330-620-8108) or Eddie Halamay (330-606-7888) for more information.

### LAWNCARE:

Your Lawncare Crew, Roman, Michael, & Ronald, would like to spend this season training NEW members "on the job" for this ministry to our parish community, in anticipation of the well-grounded hope of passing on to "higher positions." We work flexible hours and days according to the growing season, weather conditions, weddings, funerals, and any other unforeseen change of plans. We welcome students, part-timers, full-timers, or anyone who enjoys invigorating outdoor activities. Remuneration is negotiable, retirement benefits are "out of this world!" This could lead to a lifetime achievement award or just a "hobby" according to your needs. Parishioners only. Serious inquiries please contact: Fr. Sal, Roman Kostiuk, or Mike Mosyjowski. Thank you to those who inquired about helping!

### DAILY WISDOM FROM THE BIBLE

Looking for a daily dose of Divinely-inspired motivation? Sign up for our Proverbs text message service by texting "DAILYPROVERBS" to 552-22 and receive a proverb every morning on your phone as you start your day.

### VISIT THE HOLY GHOST LIBRARY

Located in the parish hall near the double doors, our library has books and other materials to borrow. Browse selections on Liturgy, Scripture, Mary, Saints, prayer, the Sacraments, and children's books. Let us know if you have books to add to the library. Books of this type may be left in the box marked "Book Donations" near the Library shelves.

### FOOD DONATIONS

We are accepting donations of non-perishable food items in green bin located in the narthex for the Akron- Regional Foodbank. May God bless your generosity!

### BIBLE STUDY—COME AND SEE!

Every **Wednesday at 6:30 PM** in the parish hall, a group of men and women gather to pray, read, study, and learn more about our Faith through readings from the Catechism, the Old and New Testaments. Interesting commentary and questions about real-life issues from our reading material and from each other help us to discern God's Voice in the midst of our busy lives. Please join us.

### WHILE FATHER IS AWAY:

Please be advised that Fr. Sal is on vacation. For any church related matters, please contact Patty Lehner 330-603-0199 or Michael Mosyjowski: 330-644-3063.

In case of Emergency for Sacraments of Holy Anointing of the sick, please contact:

- St. Francis Parish @ (330) 644-2225
- Fr. David Misbrener (330)325-0557  
dmisbrener@neo.rr.com
- Fr. Volodymyr Hrytsyuk (440-832-1318)

man from the dust and from his side fashioned a woman as a suitable helpmate for him, for such was the good pleasure of your majesty that man should not be alone on earth.” In their gender differentiation, a man and a woman complete one another, creating an indissoluble union of one body

### **THE UNITED STATES COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS**

We are all invited to visit [www.usccb.org/conscience](http://www.usccb.org/conscience) to learn more about various social issues relative to the teaching of the Catholic Church. It helps to stay informed, as we continue to mature in our Catholic Christian Faith. See what the hierarchy has discussed, decided and published in order to guide the faithful.

“28. The parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community. While certainly not the only institution which evangelizes, if the parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptivity, it continues to be “the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters”. This presumes that it really is in contact with the homes and the lives of its people, and does not become a useless structure out of touch with people or a self-absorbed group made up of a chosen few. The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God’s word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelizers. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a center of constant missionary outreach.”

Pope Francis, *Apostolic Exhortation on the Proclamation of the Gospel in Today’s World*

### **ARE YOU READY?:**

Many people think because they attend a particular parish, they automatically belong. But membership requires signing up---formally enrolling yourself in parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish. Please make an effort to register in our parish.

MARRIAGE The Holy Mystery of Marriage (from the catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church) Marriage Is a Mystery of Love between a Man and a Woman # 472

Marriage is based on the fact that the married couple mutually complements one another. The Church gives witness to this in a prayer of the Rite of Crowning: “Holy God, you created

St. Paul of the Cross was an expert in helping people to connect their experience with Jesus’ Passion: “

I will try with all my strength to follow the footsteps of Jesus. If I am afflicted, abandoned, desolate, I will keep Him company in the Garden. If I am despised and injured, I will keep him company in the Praetorium. If I am depressed and afflicted in the agonies of suffering, I will keep him company faithfully on the Mount, and in a generous spirit I will keep him company on the Cross with the lance in my heart. Oh, how sweet it is to die!”

### **Prayer for Priests**

**O Jesus, I pray for Your faithful and fervent priests; for Your unfaithful and tepid priests; for Your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields; for Your tempted priests; for Your lonely and desolate priests; for Your young priests; for Your dying priests; for the souls of Your priests in purgatory.**

**But above all I recommend to You the priests dearest to me; the priest who baptized me; the priests who absolved me from my sins; the priests at whose Divine Liturgies I assisted and who gave me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion; the priests who taught and instructed me; all the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way. O Jesus, keep them all close to Your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity. Amen**

Our life, given us by the Lord, is given in order that we would use it correctly and advantageously. If we didn’t have life, than everything else would not have any worth or value. Only in the context of our life everything else can have some kind of value. If God gifted us with life, then He expects us to spend it profitably and bring Him the fruits in our particular state of life. The Lord gave us life, and better said, lent it – handed it to us. In the final analysis, it is not our property, we are only making use of it and some day we will stand

before God to bring its fruits from it. It's similar to that when someone who has a treasure, money, and tries to deposit it in the best way, either in a bank or in a business, in order that the transaction would yield a profit. So it is with our life—it's an enormous treasure. And the question rests is in this, where we are investing it. Inevitably we will invest it. If we invest it correctly, then later in eternity, we will have accrued a profitable yield from this transaction.

Other Bulletin Ideas:

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**FOR THOSE WHO CAN'T JOIN US:**

Know that we are praying for all the souls connected with Holy Ghost Parish, the Ukrainian Catholic Church, the Greater Catholic (Universal) Church, and all Christian souls in the world. We also pray for non-Christians, and we pray for our enemies. The goal of our prayers is to bring the world into greater harmony, that all may become one in the unity of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ, as he commanded.

**P.A.C. Meeting:**

The Pastor's Advisory Council will meet Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup> following the 9:30am Divine Liturgy. All members (M. Mosyjowski) I. Fenkanyn, D. Griffiths, Pat or T. Lehner, MD., T Lehner Jr, Jeremy & Judy Schwager, A. Stump, S. Syvanych) are requested to attend. The upcoming Festival will be discussed, as well as other pertinent topics.

**FESTIVAL DONATIONS:**

As we have done the past 10<sup>th</sup> years, the Festival Committee is requesting monetary donations to help pay for misc. items needed for the festival (raffle prizes, tent rental, entertainment, etc.). Every dollar helps! Envelopes marked "FESTIVAL DONATIONS" are available for your contributions at both church entrances.

**KIDS BULLETIN:**

We now have a children's bulletin available in the vestibule each week. It has religious stories and games aimed at the youth in our church. Feel free to take some for a child or a grandchild who may not be here. A new addition will be available each week.

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**VESPERS AS EVANGELIZATION AND CATECHESIS**

The structure of Vespers lends itself to evangelization and catechesis of people encountering God for the first time and advanced in their walk with Christ.

We pray Psalms, grounding us in the universe God created for us. These Psalms give us a past, present and future with Christ, connecting with the Israelites of the past, praying for mercy on us presently and echoing our ache and hope for a better future on earth and new life in Christ, a longing common between new and old seekers of Christ

We offer up prayer intentions through litanies and repeated responses, entering a meditative or contemplative state towards God. Non-Christians may be familiar with meditation; Through the liturgical service repetition, our thoughts focus on God as we ponder His Mystery.

We incorporate poetry and song from the Christian age, incorporated by the Church into the services as she has seen fit. These poems and songs remind us of Christ's love, grace and saving works for, as well as saints, apostles, prophets, and martyrs who have come before us and set an example for us, strengthening all those on the journey toward union with God.

As we seek to deepen our liturgical life in Christ and begin praying Vespers, ask to borrow a Great Vespers book or look in the Church library for a Horologion book and put study the prayers in preparation. Alternatively, download the ECPubs app and pray Vespers using the prayers provided. Let us seek to glorify God both personally and communally!

**Vespers & Matins**

In keeping with Apostolic Tradition, we pray with the traditions we have received from our fathers. In ancient Israel, the Torah (or Pentateuch) commanded the Israelites to pray in the morning and evening (the Shema). The early Church also assembled twice a day for prayers, and after legalization of Christianity, assembled in the Churches to pray. Out of these assemblies developed what we know as Vespers and Matins (or Orthros in Greek).

From *Christ our Pascha*:

“541 Of the Divine Services of the daily cycle it is Vespers and Matins that have entered parish life most consistently. Great Vespers is celebrated each Saturday evening and Resurrection Matins every Sunday morning...The unique theological, spiritual, poetic, and artistic riches of Vespers and Matins help us to integrate more deeply into our lives the history of salvation.

542 Fundamentally, Vespers is a prayer in which we alternately glorify the Lord, ask for his gifts, and repent for our sins.

544 The core parts of Matins are the Six Psalms, the Gospel reading (when appointed), the Canon, the Psalms of Praise, and the Doxology. The Six Psalms (also known as the Hexapsalm), which open Matins, reveal the faithful keeping watch in expectation of the victorious approach of Christ’s light.”

Other Sources:

Church elevator pitch

The Way newsletter