

**PROCESSION OF THE HOLY RELICS OF THE PRECIOUS AND
LIFE-GIVING CROSS OF THE LORD**

August 1, 2021

8:40 AM Rosary
9:00 AM **Health/Blessings for all Parishioners**

DIVINE SERVICES/EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, August 2nd NO SERVICES

Tuesday, August 3rd

9:30 AM **H/B for Katie Syvanych** – by the Steve & Halyna Syvanych

Wednesday, August 4th

9:30 AM **+ Joseph Sr., Anna & Christopher Skubiak** – by Annette Dressler
5:00PM Confessions in the Sacristy (or by appointment)
6:30PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, August 5th

9:30 AM **H/B for Barbara Senn** – by Jean Henderson

Friday, August 6th

9:30 AM **+ Fr. Richard Burchel and Fr. Robert** – by Jean Henderson
1-5:00PM **Youth Camp**

Saturday, August 7th

5:00 PM **+ Anna Matczyszyn** – by Mary Schmeida

Sunday, August 8th

11th Sunday After Pentecost
8:40 AM Rosary
9:00 AM **Health/Blessings for all Parishioners**

The Church was a mother to you in life, providing for your spiritual needs; please remember the Eparchy of Saint Josaphat in Parma in your last will and testament. The wording to do this is as follows: “I give and bequeath to the Ukrainian Catholic Diocese of St. Josaphat in Parma, located in Parma, Ohio, _____% of the residue of my estate [or: the sum of \$_____].”Thank you!

DONATIONS – July 25th:

Sunday: \$1,199
Candles: \$79
Ukie Display: \$2.30
Eparchial obligations: \$40
Total: \$1,401.30

“Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church”- Colossians 1:24

CONGRATULATIONS:

This week **John Szijarto (8/04), Halyna Syvanych (8/08)** and **Emily Wlaszyn (8/08)** celebrate their birthdays. We wish you a wonderful celebration, and a year of health and blessings flavored with pure joy, and many blessed years... **mnohaya i blahaya lita!**
ORDINATION TO THE HOLY PRIESTHOOD & FIRST SOLEMN DIVINE LITURGY:

Fr. Deacon Dmytro Kasiyan will be ordained into the Holy Priesthood by Most Rev. Bishop Bohdan Danylo at St. Andrew Ukrainian Catholic Church on Wednesday, September 8, 2021, the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Divine Liturgy will be at 10:00am. All are cordially invited to attend. The newly ordained Fr. Dmytro Kasiyan will celebrate his first Solemn Divine Liturgy at St. Andrew Ukrainian Catholic Church on Sunday, September 12, 2021 at 11:00am. All are cordially invited to attend. After the Divine Liturgy, a banquet will be held at 2:00pm in his honor at Holy Trinity Ukrainian Orthodox Hall (9672 State Rd. / North Royalton). If you wish to attend the banquet, please email (pastor@standrewucc.org) or telephone the St Andrew Church Office (440-843-9149) by Friday, September 3, 2021.

“The Human Growth Wheel” Youth

Camp:

1. July 23rd 1-5pm
2. July 30th 1-5pm
3. August 6th 1-5pm
4. August 13th 1-5pm

THE PYROGY OPEN IS APPROACHING!

Saturday, August 28! Chenoweth Golf Course with a 1 pm. tee time. You must be there by noon and at your cart by 12:30!!! This year we are adding a skins game at \$20 per foursome. Water, pop, and beer all provided in the pavilion. BRING YOUR OWN PERSONAL COOLER!!! Delicious Ukrainian dinner to follow. The deadline for money is Sunday, August 15. Give your money, and list of names, to Chris Ross, Mike Mosyjowski, or Ehor Halamay. Looking forward to another great day! Thank you for supporting the Orphanage and the parish! Call Chris Ross with any questions--330-620-8108.

DIRECT TO YOUR EMAIL BOX:

Don't miss the weekend bulletin because you are out of town, ill, or unable to come to Holy Ghost. Fr. Sal will be happy to deliver your bulletin via email. Just send your request to info@hgucc.org.

PLANNING AHEAD:

August 28th – Parish Golf outing
Sept 18th – Festival volunteers' appreciation cook out

Listed here are 10 points for fruitful Scripture reading.

1. **Bible reading is for Catholics.** The Church encourages Catholics to make reading the Bible part of their daily prayer lives. Reading these inspired words, people grow deeper in their relationship with God and come to understand their place in the community God has called them to in himself.
2. **Prayer is the beginning and the end.** Reading the Bible is not like reading a novel or a history book. It should begin with a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds to the Word of God. Scripture reading should end with a prayer that this Word will bear fruit in our lives, helping us to become holier and more faithful people.
3. **Get the whole story! When selecting a Bible, look for a Catholic edition.** A Catholic edition will include the Church's complete list of sacred books along with introductions and notes for understanding the text. A Catholic edition will have an *imprimatur* notice on the back of the title page. An *imprimatur* indicates that the book is free of errors in Catholic doctrine.
4. **The Bible isn't a book. It's a library.** The Bible is a collection of 73 books written over the course of many centuries. The books include royal history, prophecy, poetry, challenging letters to struggling new faith communities, and believers' accounts of the preaching and passion of Jesus. Knowing the genre of the book you are reading will help you understand the literary tools the author is using and the meaning the author is trying to convey.
5. **Know what the Bible is – and what it isn't.** The Bible is the story of God's relationship with the people he has called to himself. It is not intended to be read as history text, a science book, or a political manifesto. In the Bible, God teaches us the truths that we need for the sake of our salvation.
6. **The sum is greater than the parts.** Read the Bible in context. What happens before and after – even in other books – helps us to understand the true meaning of the text.
7. **The Old relates to the New.** The Old Testament and the New Testament shed light on each other. While we read the Old Testament in light of the death and resurrection of Jesus, it has its own value as well. Together, these testaments help us to understand God's plan for human beings.
8. **You do not read alone.** By reading and reflecting on Sacred Scripture, Catholics join those faithful men and women who have taken God's Word to heart and put it into practice in their lives. We read the Bible within the tradition of the Church to benefit from the holiness and wisdom of all the faithful.
9. **What is God saying to me?** The Bible is not addressed only to long-dead people in a faraway land. It is addressed to each of us in our own unique situations. When we read, we need to understand what the text says and how the faithful have understood its meaning in the past. In light of this understanding, we then ask: What is God saying to me?
10. **Reading isn't enough.** If Scripture remains just words on a page, our work is not done. We need to meditate on the message and put it into action in our lives. Only then can the word be "living and effective."(Hebrews 4:12).

A LETTER FROM THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC HIERARCHY OF THE USA TO OUR CLERGY, RELIGIOUS, SEMINARIANS AND BELOVED FAITHFUL

The world has lived through an extraordinarily painful and difficult eighteen months. There is no one living who has not been adversely affected in some way by the illness and death wrought by the COVID pandemic and the economic collapse and psychological turmoil it has left in its wake.

But, as bad as the pandemic is, it proved to be a learning experience for our Church in the United States. We were compelled to develop innovative methods of witnessing to Christ in the world. We quickly adapted to the new and unprecedented new reality and soon almost every parish had the ability of live-streaming liturgical services and conducting meetings and catechetical sessions remotely.

These modern technologies were life-savers, but they could never replace being with each other, in person, in community. Truly, how much have we missed praying together and sharing fellowship as a parish community in our beloved parish churches! How much have our hearts yearned for the consolation of the Holy Mysteries and especially the presence of our Eucharistic Lord in our souls!

Now, however, through the grace of God, and the efforts of zealous doctors and researchers, it appears the pandemic is waning and the time of healing, rebuilding and renewal has begun. Now, finally, the day has come for us to return to church, to the House of the Lord, that tiny slice of heaven on earth.

In most of the jurisdictions in which our churches are located in the United States, the COVID restrictions regarding public gatherings, social distancing and mask wearing have been eased or removed altogether. We, your bishops, therefore, invite all of you, our faithful, to see this as a sign to return to your parish churches and, along with your pastors, renew the liturgical, sacramental and community life that has been lacking for over a year and is the center of our lives. We urge

everyone to return, but, at the same time, to be prudent and continue to employ the normal means of keeping your churches sanitized and safe.

In particular, we are grateful to those of you who, despite your own hardships, continued to offer the same and even more financial support to your individual parishes during this time, especially since the usual means of parish fund-raising were not possible. By this you have demonstrated how much you love your parish church and your Faith.

As regards the distribution of Holy Communion during the celebration of the Divine Liturgy, we advise the pastors, for the time being, to continue the practice of distribution that each of you has established during the time of the pandemic. At some point in the near future we will revisit the issue and offer a concise directive.

May the words of joy and trust in the Lord expressed by the psalmist be a reflection of our own joy as we return to our beloved sanctuaries: “Only goodness and mercy will pursue me all the days of my life and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.” (Ps. 23:6)

May the blessings of God be with you,

+Borys Gudziak

Archbishop of Philadelphia for Ukrainians

Metropolitan of Ukrainian Catholics in the United States

+Paul Chomnycky, OSBM (author)

Eparch of Stamford

+Benedict Aleksiychuk

Eparch of St. Nicholas in Chicago

+Bohdan J. Danylo

Eparch of St. Josaphat in Parma

+Andriy Rabiy

Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia