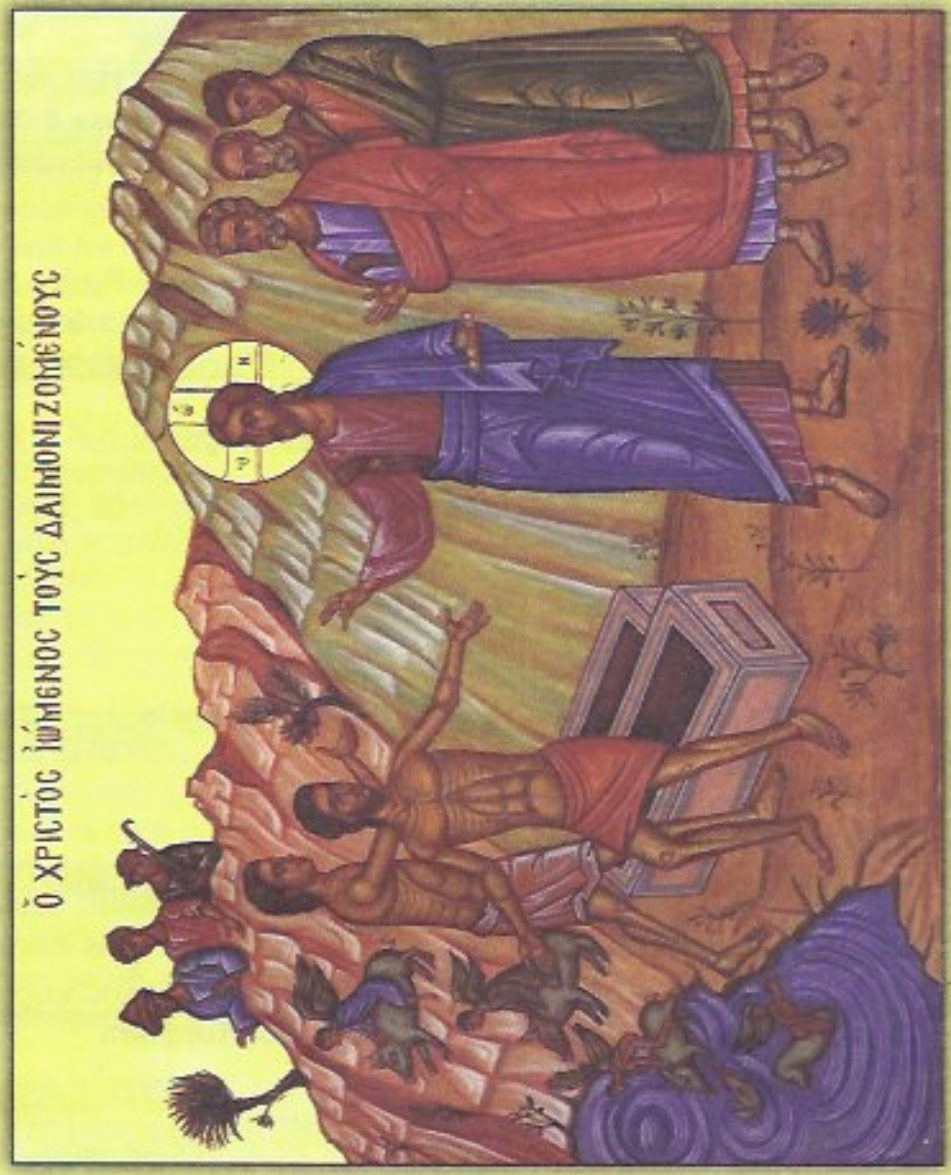


FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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Icon of Christ Casting Out the Gadarene Demons

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June 19-26, 2016

5th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle: Romans 10:1-10

Gospel: Matthew 8:28-9:3

SATURDAY 6:00PM Father's Day Intentions: Living and Deceased

Father's of our Parish Family

5th Sunday After Pentecost: June 19, 2016

9:00AM (Ukrainian) Living and Deceased Father's of our Parish Family

11:00AM (English) Living and Deceased Father's of our Parish Family

Daily Divine Liturgies are celebrated at 9:00AM. Please support our daily Liturgies through your attendance.

MONDAY Health of Anna Petruskevich- Sophie Troyan

TUESDAY No Divine Liturgy

WEDNESDAY No Divine Liturgy

THURSDAY No Divine Liturgy

FRIDAY **FEAST OF THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST**

9:00AM +John & Maria Trusch – Michael & Olga Trusz

SATURDAY 6:00PM (English) +Tony & Justyna Stojkiewicz –The Stoken Family

6th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: June 26, 2016

10:00AM (Ukrainian) FOR THE PARISHIONERS

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE ONLY ONE LITURGY ON SUNDAY NEXT WEEK at 10:00AM

COLLECTION – \$ 1012.50 Thank you for your generosity and support.

Tower Repair /Memorial Account \$100.00 Michael Kucynda

Redner's Rebates: \$59.67

Eternal Light & Altar Candles In Memory of all those who died in the terrorist attack in Orlando and those who are injured and mourn their loved ones.

Please remember to pray for the sick and all those who have requested our prayers

Helen Terleski	Teodozia Sroka	Catherine Kutzler	Olga Turczyn
Mae Kulczykcki	Sophie Troyan	Jean Lakomski	Michael Trusz
Michael Horon	Peg Hutnik	Richard Suter	Joann Pail
Olga Bryksa	Julian Trusz	Michael Sidlar	Walter Kiniuk
Joseph Bodnar	Lillian Opp	Frank & Betty Maitzki	Sarah Shanks
Kim Lightcap	Gregory Neff	Karen Bakros	Stephen Terleski
Margaret Dashe	Helen Potak	Anna Drozd	Olga Trusz
Mary Heverling	Frieda Lubosky	Robin Mease	

PICNIC MEETING

The next meeting will be on Thursday June 23 at 6:00PM in the church hall to continue preparing for the Holy Ghost Picnic.

The Picnic will be held next Sunday June 26 from 12:00-7:00PM on the church grounds. Anyone able to help in setting up the grounds on Saturday morning we will begin at 10:00AM. Setting up tables, chairs etc and preparing for our guests. Please join us if you are able.

UKRAINIAN FOLK DANCE CAMP

The Ukrainian Homestead is sponsoring a Ukrainian Folk Dance Workshop from June 27 – July 2, 2016 Beginners through advanced: Ages 5 & up. \$75.00 per child
Camp runs from 10:00AM – 4:00PM. Principal Instructor: Andriy Dobriansky
Registration forms are in the vestibule of the church. For more information contact Paula Holoviak 570-708-1992

Daily schedule: Dance instruction, crafts, sports, swimming, Ukrainian music, lunch and snacks.

PICNIC VOLUNTEERS

We are planning two shifts of workers for the picnic on June 26 from 11:00AM-7:00PM. There is also a work schedule for clean up on the Monday afterwards. Some of the positions require a lot of time on your feet (food Service), others are less strenuous: ticket sales, children's booth, desserts and coffee, and church tours. The shifts are 3.5 hours. If you are able to help with any of them please sign the registration sheet in the vestibule of the church over the next few weeks. We need 102 volunteers for all the positions. Thank you.

JUNE AND JULY EVENTS

JUNE 19: FATHER'S DAY REMEMBRANCE:

JUNE 26: HOLY GHOST PICNIC: 12:00-7:00PM

JULY 18-22: SUMMER CHURCH CAMP: EXPLORING OUR ROOTS: FAITH AND CULTURE

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE HOLY APOSTLE JUDE, BROTHER OF THE LORD ACCORDING TO THE FLESH

Troparion (4):

When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection and cast off the ancestral condemnation, they proudly told the apostles: Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen, granting to the world great mercy.

Troparion (1):

As we know you to be Christ's relative and a steadfast martyr, O Jude, we praise you with sacred hymns. You trampled on error and kept the faith. And so on this day as we feast your memory through your prayers, O apostle, we receive release from our sins.

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

Kontakion (2):

O Jude, because of your solid mind you were shown to be a chosen disciple and firm pillar of the Church of Christ. You proclaimed to the nations His holy word teaching them to believe in the one God from Whom you received glory and the gift of healing to cure the ills of those who flee to you, O apostle, worthy of all praise.

Now and for ever and ever: Amen.

Kontakion (4):

My Savior and Deliverer from the grave, as God, has raised out of bondage the children of earth and shattered the gates of Hades; and as Master, He rose on the third day.

Prokimenon (4):

How great are Your works, O Lord; You have made all things in wisdom.

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great.

Prokimenon (8):

Epistle: Reading of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans (Rom 10,1-10)

Brethren: My heart's desire and prayer to God on their behalf is for salvation. I testify with regard to them that they have zeal for God, but it is not discerning. For, in their unawareness of the righteousness that comes from God and their attempt to establish their own [righteousness,] they did not submit to the righteousness of God. For Christ is the end of the law for the justification of everyone who has faith.

Moses writes about the righteousness that comes from [the] law,

"The one who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will go up into heaven?' (that is, to bring Christ down) or 'Who will go down into the abyss?' (that is,

to bring Christ up from the dead)." But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is the word of faith that we preach), for, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved.

Alleluia Verses:

Verse (4): Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice.

You have loved justice and hated iniquity.:

The heavens shall confess Your wonders, O Lord, and Your truth in the church of The saints.

Gospel:(Mt 8,28-)

At that time, when Jesus came to the other side, to the territory of the Gadarenes, two demoniacs who were coming from the tombs met him. They were so savage that no one could travel by that road. They cried out, "What have you to do with us, Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the appointed time?" Some distance away a herd of many swine was feeding. The demons pleaded with him, "If you drive us out, send us into the herd of swine." And he said to them, "Go then!" They came out and entered the swine, and the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea where they drowned. The swineherds ran away, and when they came to the town they reported everything, including what had happened to the demoniacs. Thereupon the whole town came out to meet Jesus, and when they saw him they begged him to leave their district. He entered a boat, made the crossing, and came into his own town.

Communion Verse:

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest.

Their utterance has gone forth into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.

SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to Vasilli & Michael Michtchak for repairing and replacing the concrete sidewalk near the chapel. You guys are awesome!

Special thanks to John Drozd Jr, David Wright, Jeff & Sherry Bellfy, Emily & Sarah Bellfy, Chrissy, Mykayla, Zachary Mattes, Michael Michtchak, Weston Loxley, Barry Fulmer, Joann Fulmer and Judy Palinkas for their help in clearing out the red shed and preparing the dance floor/booths and carrying the soda and supplies to the shed. Your help was greatly appreciated.

INFORMATION FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Handicap parking will be on the street in front of the church. The road will be blocked off with entrance for people to be dropped off and for the handicapped.

- Parishioners/workers may park across the street next to the chapel on the grass. There will be someone there to direct you.
- Dress appropriately for the weather: if you have tennis shoes/sneakers, sunscreen if you'll be outside, bug spray...
- T-shirts will be available for the workers. They can be picked up on Thursday evening at the final meeting for the festival.
- Hats must be worn by all food vendors. We have hats available for those working at the food stands and baked goods.
- Please sign up and honor your time that you're assigned so that we all can enjoy the day. There are still volunteers needed in several areas please see Fr Dan after services if you are able to help.
- Pray for Good ... Great weather ☺
- We are presenting our church to the community. I hope they find you as welcoming and kind as I have in my time with you. May we reflect our faith in our actions and attitudes.
- Baked goods and desserts can be dropped off on Saturday between 10AM and 7:00PM. This will give the workers a chance to price and prepare their table. If you have an idea of price, please write it on your item.
- Pray for good weather ☺
- There will be only one Divine Liturgy on Sunday at 10:00AM. This will enable us to have street access and prepare for the opening ceremonies at 12:00noon.
- Special thanks to all those who donated food items, money, energy, and time towards this event. Your enthusiasm and cooperation are greatly appreciated. A list of donors etc will be included in the final report of the picnic.
- Please invite your family neighbors and friends to join with us for a great day.

PETER's PENCE COLLECTION

Every year we take a collection for our Holy Father to support the work of Pope Francis in the world. Through this gift you join with him as a witness to the power of love and charity. God bless you for your generosity and support.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE IN THE SERVICE OF OUR COUNTRY.

SUMMER CHURCH CAMP

We will be having Summer Church Camp for the children and grandchildren of our community from July 18-22 from 9:30AM – 1:30PM daily. We will be exploring the roots of our faith and our Ukrainian culture. We will be visiting the Coal Region where many of our first immigrants settled and our first Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church was built; have a tour of a Coal Mine and visit Knoebels Grove in nearby Elysburg. Please register your children using the forms in the vestibule of the church. Thank you.

TOWER REPAIR FUND

We are happy to have our tower repaired and new louvers installed. We are still asking for donations to complete payment for the project. Please consider supporting our project through your donation. Thank you.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS, SISTERS AND SEMINARIANS AND FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE.

PYROHY THIS WEEK

Special thanks to all those who came this past week to help with our pyrohy project as we prepare for our picnic: Donna Sidlar, Joann Fulmer, Paulette Bellis, John Drozd Jr, Donna Hale, Kathy Sargent, Wilhelmina Wichryk, Oleh Balaziuk, Marlene Lightcap, Jean Lakomski, Yaroslava Zuk, Stefania Trusz, Diane Bush, Pat Peters, Cindy, Judy Palinkas, Elizabeth Poleschuk, Heather Hill, Dan Bodnar, Bill Hutnik, Ruth Hutnik, Bob Saritsky, Marion and Theodozi Sroka, Olga Bryksa, Linda Hutnik, Sherry, Emily, & Sarah Bellfy, Jane Atherholt, Maryann Kramer, Debbie Osmun
God bless you for your hard work and dedication!

BAKED GOODS FOR PICNIC

We will be having a BAKED GOODS TABLE at the picnic. Please support us through your dessert donation. Please sign the dessert donation list in the vestibule of the church or contact Marlene Lightcap or Paulette Bellis. Thank you.

PLEASE DROP OFF YOUR DONATIONS SATURDAY BETWEEN 12:00-7:00PM

ONE LITURGY NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday we will celebrate the Divine Liturgy at 6:00PM Saturday (English) And 10:00AM (Ukrainian). This will enable us to avoid conflict with parking since the roads will be blocked off for the picnic.



*Love is patient,
love is kind, it
rejoices with the truth
and bears all things,
believes all things,
hopes all things,
endures all things.
For Father's love
never ends.*

Father's Day Remembrance

Jeff Bellfy	Emily & Sara Bellfy	Willis Sargent, Jr.	Sargent Family
Paul Barna	Bellis Family	Richard E. Sharpless	Sharpless Family
Matthew Bellis	Bellis Family	Michael Sidlar	Sidlar Family
Wes Ragan	Stoken Family	Marian Sroka	Sroka Family
Robert Bakros	Bellis Family	Ronald Sroka	Sroka Family
Charlie Best	Stoken Family	Zenon Szydywar	Sroka Family
Vance Radley Jr	Ileczo & Radley Family	Jeff Miner	Sroka Family
Tom Caracio	Stephanie Trusz	Frank Maitski	Maitski Family
Greg Cron	Margie Frable	Fr. Pavlo Myts	Robert & Roberta Leiby
Gary Schaeffer	Margie Frable	Vassili Michtchak	Vitalia Martinez
Barry Fulmer, Sr.	Barry, Chrissy & Sherry	Noel Martinez	Vitalia Martinez
Barry Fulmer, Jr.	Carli & Jake	Mark Sidlar	Sidlar Family
Bill Hutnik	Aaron & Daniel	Matthew Sidlar	Sidlar Family
Aaron Hutnik	Emma & Brynn	Daniel Bodnar	Bodnar Family
William Hutnik	Margaret Hutnik	Pietr Zuk	Zuk Family
Richard Hutnik	Margaret Hutnik	Bogdan Zuk	Zuk Family
Harry Kasian	Kasian Family	James Bellfy	Sherry & Jeff & family
Michael Mattes	Julia, Ryan, Mikayla & Zach	Ivan Savkanich	Petro Savkanitch
Greg Macht	Neff Family	Richard Suter	Maloney Family
Greg Neff	Neff Family	Shawn Maloney	Maloney Family
Ihor Tyma	Tyma Family	Theodore Veresink	Veresink Family
Roman Wovchuk	Family	Robert Kovacs	Veresink Family
Brian Atherholt	Atherholt Family	Oleh Balaziuk	Balaziuk Family
Delbert Atherholt	Atherholt Family	Roman Stefurak	Stefurak Family
		Ruslan Reka	Reka Family

IN HONOR OF:

Craig Stoken
 Willis Sargent Jr
 William Stoken, Jr.
 Tyler Keeney
 Richard Suter
 Michael Suter
 Shawn Maloney
 Michael Suter
 Shawn Maloney
 Neil Maloney
 Rich Tomori
 Walter Tomori
 Michael Trusz
 Tom Carasio
 Theodore Veresink
 Robert Kovacs
 Antoni M. Wichryk
 David Wright
 Antoni M. Wichryk
 David Wright
 David Wright
 Edward Chando Sr
 Joseph Wynne
 Greg Wynne
 Michael Breiner
 Ken Kramer
 Stan Kramer
 Mark Kramer
 Fr Dan Troyan
 Mark Thatcher Sr
 Mark Thatcher Jr
 Brian Williamson
 Michael Trusz
 Michael Sidlar

OFFERED BY:

Stoken Family
 Sargent Family
 Stoken Family
 Stoken Family
 Andrea Suter
 Andrea Suter
 Andrea Suter
 Richard Suter
 Richard Suter
 Maloney Family
 Kathy & Larry Birgl
 Tomori Family
 Michael & Olga Trusz
 Stefania Trusz
 Sandy, Patty & Michelle
 Veresink Family
 Adam Wichryk
 Adam Wichryk
 Wilhelmina Wichryk
 Wilhelmina Wichryk
 Leah & family
 Karen Clark
 Patrick & Christopher
 Wynne Family
 Breiner Family
 Kramer Family
 Kramer Family
 Kramer Family
 Drozd Family
 Thatcher Family
 Thatcher Family
 Thatcher Family
 Trusz Family
 Sidlar Family

In the life of a man, Father's Day proves to be one of the most important occasions. On this day, he is made to feel special by his children. They undertake efforts to let him know the important place he holds in their life. At the same time, it is also a significant day for the children, who want to thank their dad for undergoing so many hardships in bringing them up. In case you are looking out for a way to convey your feelings towards your dad, then what better option than saying a prayer for him, at Liturgy today? A grateful heart saying thank you and I love you to our Dad.

Inspirational Prayers For Father's Day

God, bless all the fathers in the world. Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children. Help them to be a father like You are. Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way.

Thank you, Jesus, for my father who loves me,
 For my grandfather who cares for me,
 And for God, your father and mine,
 Who made me and is always with me.
 How lucky I am!

God our Father, In your wisdom and love you made all things.

Bless these men, That they may be strengthened as Catholic fathers.
 Let the example of their faith and love shine forth.
 Grant that we, their sons and daughters
 , May honor them always
 With a spirit of profound respect.
 Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Lord, I Thank you for my dad
 Please take care of him He is getting older,
 But he is still brave and bold
 Please take care of him
 Fathers everywhere,
 We honor you and wish to say
 May God's blessings be with you
 In a special way today!
 Please God Bless my father
 Each day throughout this year
 As seasons change And time unfolds
 Day by day Month by month Year by year

Happy
Father's Day★

You are I Love You
 wonderful
Thank You
DAD for
 Everything
 that you
 do

In Blessed repose grant rest O Lord to the deceased Fathers and
may their memory be eternal!

VICHNAYA PAMYAT!

IN MEMORY OF:

OFFERED BY:

+Russell Bellis
+Russell J. Bellis
+John Barna
+Paul Barna
+Michael Barna
+Wasil Barna
+Edward Barna
+John Drozd, Sr.
+Atanas Drozd
+Panco Paduch
+Donald Frable
+Max Pokrivchak
+George Pokrivchak
+Mike Hasuga
+Michael Hasuga
+William Hacker
+Frank Motto
+Wm. "Wash" Hutnik
+Oliver Bartholomew
+Joseph Haffner
+John Zeigafuse
+Bill Vedomsky
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+Tom Paskewicz
+Stephen Hutnik
+Asher Knoble
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Bill & Ruth Hutnik
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Paskewicz Family
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Robert & Roberta Leiby
Maitski Family
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Lightcap Family
Lightcap Family
Vitalia Martinez
Ihor Mirchuk

+Nicholas Sowirka
+Rev. Anthony Radchuk
+Ivan Trusz
+Michael Makarecz
+Dmytro Makarecz
+Ivan Holobec
+Alexander Trusz
+Petro Pliszka
+Wasył Pliszka
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+Antoni Wichryk
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+Michael Wichryk
+Gzegorz Wilkowski
+John Romanic
+Whitney Herbert
+John Romanic
+Michael Vedomsky
+Adam Romanic
+Michael Romanic
+Frank Breiner
+Henry Ehrie
+Mike Simock
+AJ Kramer
+Nicholas Troyan
+Warren Thatcher
+Wasył Bodnarsky
+Gregor Poleschuk
+John Bryksa
+Julian Tokarski
+Harry Bryksa
+Felix Zagat

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Breiner Family
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Kramer Family
Kramer Family
Troyan Family
Thatcher Family
Poleschuk Family
Poleschuk Family
Olga Bryksa
Ileczko Family
Olga Bryksa
Olga Bryksa

+Harry Praschyk Sr	Harry Praschyk Jr	
+Robert Leiby	Robert & Roberta Leiby	God took the strength of a mountain,
+Conrad Dranchak	Robert & Roberta Leiby	
+Wallace Neff	Neff Family	The majesty of a tree,
+John Tomko	Neff Family	
+Michael Paskewicz	Harry Paskewicz & family	The warmth of a summer sun,
+Michael Wimmer	Harry Paskewicz & family	
+Wasył Bodnarsky	Elizabeth Poleschuk	The calm of a quiet sea,
+Gregor Poleschuk	Elizabeth Poleschuk	
+Fr Anthony Radchuck	Fr Dan	
+John Birgl	Kathy & Larry Birgl	
+Harry Praschyk, Sr.	Sargent Family	The generous soul of nature,
+Willis Sargent, Sr.	Sargent Family	
+Edward Sargent	Sargent Family	The comforting arm of night,
+Basil C. Borota	Sharpless Family	
+Edward Sharpless	Sharpless Family	The wisdom of the ages,
+George Borota	Sharpless Family	
+Philip Straka	Sharpless Family	The power of the eagles flight,
+Theodore Sidlar	Sidlar Family	
+Gene Wright	Leah & David Wright	The joy of a morning in spring,
+John Perih	Sidlar Family	
+Theodore Sidlar	Sidlar Family	The faith of a mustard seed,
+Wolodymyr Sroka	Sroka Family	
+Antoni Szydywar	Sroka Family	The patience of eternity,
+Michael Duda	Sroka Family	
+Aleksander Klimko	Sroka Family	The depth of a family need,
+William Stoken, Sr.	Stoken Family	
+Tony Stojkiewicz	Stoken Family	Then God combined these qualities,
+Jacob Stojkiewicz	Stoken Family	When there was nothing more to add,
+Louis Stojkiewicz	Stoken Family	He knew his masterpiece was complete,
+John Emrick	Stoken Family	
+John Terleski	Elizabeth Terleski	And so, He called it ... Dad
+Christian Shalay	Sidlar Family	<i>Author Unknown</i>
+Stephen Terleski	Elizabeth Terleski	
+John Trusz	Trusz Family	
+Michael Makanec	Trusz Family	
+Joseph Bodnar	Bodnar Family	
+John Gutowski	Bodnar Family	
+George Dedovich	Bodnar Family	
+Charles Bogusky Sr	Cassie & Millie	
+Charles Bogusky Jr	Cassie & Millie	
+Antoni Wichryk	Leah & David Wright	
+Theodore Sawchuck	Leah & David Wright	
+Michael Michtchak	Michtchak Family	
+Myhaylo Michtchak	Michtchak Family	
+Basily Zuk	Zuk Family	
+Harry Paskewicz	Atherholt Family	
+Harry Ileczo Sr	Ileczo & Radley Family	
+Volodymyr Bilan	Vitalia Martinez	
+Vance Radley Sr	Ileczo & Radley Family	

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If you wish to join Holy Ghost Church and become a member of our parish family, please contact Fr. Dan at the parish rectory to register with us.

Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion. Classes are required for parents and godparents prior to sacrament. Please contact the parish office

Marriages: Couples wishing to be married must be registered in the parish and attending Pre-Cana classes. One year notification is required.

Anointing of the Sick/Visitation of the Sick: Anyone wishing to be visited with Holy Communion and/or anointed for healing, please contact Fr. Dan at the parish office.

Confession: Regular confession helps us in our journey of faith.

Confessions will be held

Saturday's from 5:15PM-5:45PM Sunday from 10:15AM-10:45AM

Lighting Our Lamp

God is fire and He is so called by all the inspired Scripture (cf Heb 12:29). The soul of each of us is a lamp. Now a lamp is wholly in darkness, even though it be filled with oil or tow or other combustible matter, until it receives fire and is kindled. So too the soul, though it may seem to be adorned with all virtues, yet does not receive the fire - in other words, has not received the divine nature and light - and is still unkindled and dark and its works are uncertain. All things must be tested and manifested by the light (cf. Eph 5:13). The man whose soul's lamp is still in darkness, that is, untouched by the divine fire, stands the more in need of a guide with a shining torch, who will discern his actions. As he has compassion for the faults

he reveals in confession he will straightway straighten out whatever is crooked in his actions. Just as he who walks in the night cannot avoid stumbling, so he who has not yet seen the divine light cannot avoid falling into sin. As Christ says, "If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees this light. But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because he has not the light in him" (Jn 11:9-10). When He said "in him," he meant the divine and immaterial light, for no one can possess the physical light in himself.

St. Symeon the New Theologian

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