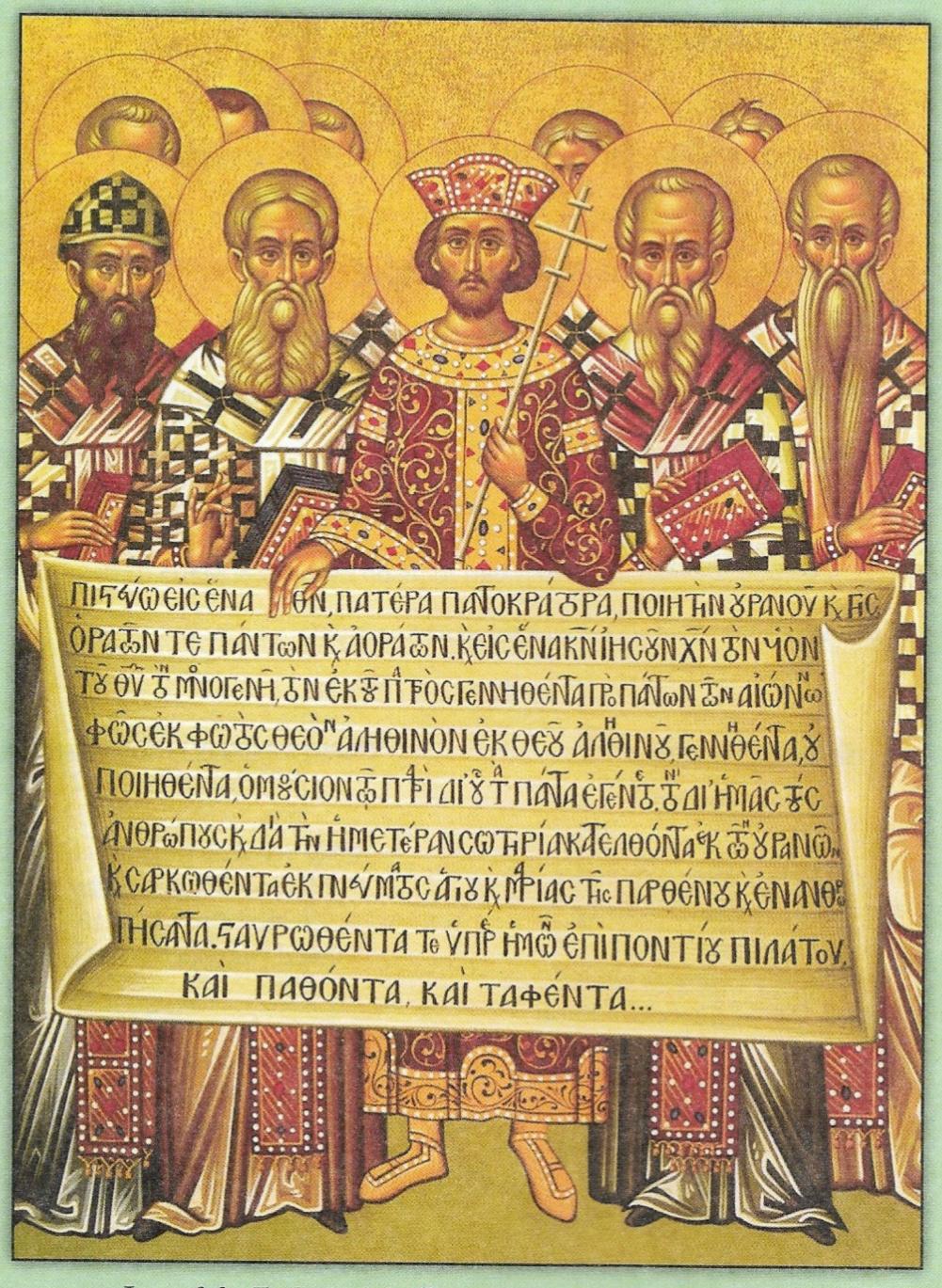
# SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL



Icon of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council of Nicea

**Divine Liturgy Guide** 

Sunday, May 15, 2021

## Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

SAT MAY 15: 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy God's blessing for Phillis Snyder by Lilik Family

SUN MAY 16: 10:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

MON MAY 17: Andronicus and Others READ John 11:47-56

TUES MAY 18: 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Nicholas Sheeringer by Lilik Family

WED MAY 19: 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Nick & Margie Seechock by John Mackar

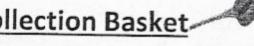
THURS MAY 20: 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy God's healing & blessing for Orphans by Lilik Family

FRI MAY 21: 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Edward Marinchak by Laskowski Family

SAT MAY 22: 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy +Fr. Carl Johnson by Peter & Maria Gaffney

SUN MAY 23: 10:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Pentecost Sunday

### Collection Basket



5/8 & 5/9 \$3027

Thank you to last week's counters Dave Pedley and Linda Gerrity

Next Week's Counters are Mike Trusz & Olenka Chandoha-Knott

## Happy Birthday and Anniversary!

Birthdays May 15 - 21

Millie Bryndzia Migliori - May 16 Mike McConnell - May 18 John Ord - May 19 David Pietryka, Sr. - May 21

Anniversaries Dr. Kenneth & Karen Lilik - May 13 (sorry missed it last week) John & Dr. Olenka Knott - May 20

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- HOMEMADE SOUP SALE ADDED TO ST. VLADIMIR'S BREAD SALE
   Quarts of Soup will now be available at our Bread Sale on Saturday, May
   29th. Linda Pirritano will be making her delicious Pasta Fagioli and Fr. Myron will be making Ukrainian style Chicken Soup. Each quart of delicious soup will sell for \$7.00 while supplies last. Order yours today!
- 2. ST. VLADIMIR'S HOMEMADE BREAD SALE SATURDAY, MAY 29TH.
  St. Vladimir's homemade bread sale Saturday, May 29th. \$8 per large loaf (2 lbs) Call Teri @ 570-851-7774 to preorder. Supplies are limited so get your order in early. Pick up is same day, Saturday, May 29th Between 4 and 6 (please do not come early as bread is being baked the same day.) THE LAST DAY TO PLACE AN ORDER IS TUESDAY, MAY 25TH.
- MOLEBEN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD ON THURSDAY
   This Thursday evening, May 20th, we will have the Moleben to the Mother of God, at 6:00pm. Come and be a part of this Beautiful Spiritual Service that honors Mary during the month of May.
- 4. FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL NEXT WEEKEND IN OLYPHANT
  Ss. Cyril & Methodius Ukrainian Catholic Church in Olyphant is holding a Food
  Truck Festival next Saturday & Sunday, May 22nd & 23rd, from 11:00am7:00pm both days. Grumpy Crab (featuring seafood and Father's favorite
  cheesesteaks), R&R Potato Pancakes, 2Wayz/OnePassion (tex-mex),
  Roseanna's Pizza, FonDippity (specialty topped French fries), BellaRose
  (pieroghi, halupky, halushky, wimpies, pulled pork) Murts Diner Truck (old
  fashioned diner food), Murts Desserts (homemade cupcakes), and Lou's
  Funnel Cakes. Also, BINGO, several craft vendors, a raffle, and games of
  chance for kids (duck pond, knock cans down, bean bag into clown's mouth,
  and wind-up mouse race.)
- PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK OR INFIRM
   Please remember to Pray for those who are Sick or Infirm. The list of names is in the back of the Bulletin. If you know of anyone to be added to the list, contact Fr. Myron or Maria Ruane. Your prayers are appreciated.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- 6. FLEA MARKET & HOMEMADE FOOD SALE NEXT WEEKEND IN WILKES-BARRE Ss. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church in Wilkes-Barre will hold a Flea Market & Homemade Food Sale, Saturday, May 22, from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm and Sunday, May 23, from 10:00am to 2:00 pm. Tables for the sale are \$10. Call (570) 829-3051 to reserve your table by Thursday, May 20th. Come out and sell your Spring Cleaning Treasures, or Browse our vendors' selection of theirs. Find a bargain and enjoy some good food from Baba's Kitchen. Chances will be sold for our Variety Basket Raffle
- 7. WEEKLY VIGIL CANDLES AVAILABLE FOR SPONSORSHIP
  Honor a loved one by sponsoring a Vigil Candle which will be lit for them for an entire week. These 7-day candles are available with your special intention starting at only \$5. Contact Helen Pagnotti to reserve yours today.

### Fathers of the 1st Council

The heresiarch Arius was a Libyan by race and a protopresbyter of the Church of Alexandria. In 315, he began to blaspheme against the Son and Word of God, saying that He is not true God, consubstantial with the Father, but is rather a work and creation, alien to the essence and glory of the Father, and that there was a time when He was not. This frightful blasphemy shook the faithful of Alexandria. Alexander, his Archbishop, after trying in vain to correct him through admonitions, cut him off from communion and finally in a local council deposed him in the year 321. Yet neither did the blasphemer wish to be corrected, nor did he cease sowing the deadly tares of his heretical teachings; but writing to the bishops of

other cities, Arius and his followers requested that his doctrine be examined, and if it were unsound, that the correct teaching be declared to him. By this means, his heresy became universally known and won many supporters, so that the whole Church was soon in an uproar.

Therefore, moved by divine zeal, the first Christian Sovereign, Saint Constantine the Great, the equal to the Apostles, summoned the renowned First Ecumenical Council in Nicaea, a city of Bithynia. It was there that the shepherds and teachers of the Church of Christ gathered from all regions in the year 325. All of them, with one mouth and one voice, declared that the Son and Word of God is one in essence with the Father, true God of true God, and they composed the holy Symbol of Faith up to the seventh article (since the remainder, beginning with "And in the Holy Spirit," was completed by the Second Ecumenical Council). Thus they anathematized the impious Arius of evil belief and those of like mind with him, and cut them off as rotten members from the whole body of the faithful. Therefore, recognizing the divine Fathers as heralds of the Faith after the divine Apostles, the Church of Christ has appointed this present Sunday for their annual commemoration, in thanksgiving and unto the glory of God, unto their praise and honour, and unto the strengthening of the true Faith.



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## sPLEASE PRAY FOR

Please include in your prayers those members of our parish who are in hospitals, care homes, rehabilitation facilities & those who are not able to join us actively in our church community.

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Groop Bidge Living

Green Ridge Living Michael Stec

Kay Futrago

Home Stella Patrick

Stanley Krupinski Helen Ewasko

John Monsul Jean Chomko Home

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Mary Warholak

**Dorothy Kowalchick** 

Irene Slagan

Michael McConnell

Vera Krewsun

## VIGIL CANDLE SPONSORS: week beginning May 15,2021

1	Hanging Eternal Lamp	By: Marlene Laskowski
	\$10	For: I. M. O. + Grandmothers
2	2 Altar Vigil Candles	By: Chandoha Family
	\$10	For: Helen & John - God bless you on your 4th Anniversary MAY 20
3	Proskomedia Candles	By: Adam and Luke
	\$10	For: Congratulations to Maria Ruane - pinning ceremony MAY 21
4	2 Tetrapod Candles	By: Mary Warholak
	\$10	For: Congratulations Fr., Pani & Family & God's Blessings for Timothy!
5	Jesus Vigil at Iconostas	By: Sophie Soniak
	\$5	For: God's Blessings for Joseph and Natalia Soniak
6	Mary Vigil at Iconostas	By: Nadia Biloskirka
	\$5	For: I. M. O. + Nicholas Biloskirka
7	St. Nicholas	By: Marlene Laskowski
	\$5	For: I. M. O. + Joseph E. Laskowski, Sr
8	St. Vladimir Vigil at Iconostas	By: Sharmayne Tucker
	\$5	For: Health and God's Blessings for Walter Tucker, Jr.
9	Jesus Entrance Vigil	By: Stella Patrick
	\$5	For: Health and God's Blessings for Stephen Patrick
10	Mary Entrance Vigil	By: Frank, Pat and Kristen Waznak
	\$5	For: I. M. O. + Mereslow and + Lovie Kenjerski
11	Mother of God Statue	By: Mary Warholak
	\$10	For: I. M. O. + Stefan Tutka - Rest with the angels
12	Altar 7 branch Saturday	By: Linda Gerrity
	\$5	For: I. M. O. +Ewanna and +Stefan Sydor
13	Altar 7 branch Sunday	By: Regina Kozel
	\$5	For: I. M. O. + Ihor Shablovsky
14	Blessed Mother (side altar)	By: Paul and Helen Ewasko
	\$5	For: God's Blessings upon Sophie Soniak
15	Jesus (side altar)	By: Frank, Pat and Kristen Waznak
	\$5	For: I. M. O. + Stefan Tutka

### CONFESSION

For anyone that would like to receive the holy sacrament of confession you can let Father Myron know and set up a time either before or after Liturgy from Tuesday through Saturday.

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# Knowledge of the True God Nurtures Us to Eternal Life

Are we saying that knowledge is eternal life? Are we saying that to know the one true and living God will suffice to give us complete security for the future without need of anything else? Then how is "faith apart from works dead?" When we speak of faith, we mean the true knowledge of God and nothing else, since knowledge comes by faith. The prophet Isaiah tells us this: "If you do not believe, neither shall you understand." But he is not talking about a knowledge that consists in barren speculations, which is entirely worthless. For one of the holy disciples said, "You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe and shudder." What then shall we say to this? How is it that Christ speaks the truth when He says that eternal life is the knowledge of God the Father, the one true God, and with Him of the Son? I think, indeed, we must answer that the saying of the Savior is completely true. For this knowledge is life, laboring as it were in birth of the whole meaning of the mystery and granting to us participation in the mystery of the Eucharist, whereby we are joined to the living and life-giving Word. And for this reason, I think, Paul says that the Gentiles are made fellow members of the body and fellow partakers of Christ, inasmuch as they partake in His Blessed Body and Blood. And our members may in this sense be conceived of as being members of Christ. This knowledge, then, which also brings to us the Eucharist by the Spirit, is life. For it dwells in our hearts, reshaping those who receive it into son-ship with Him and molding them into incorruption and piety toward God through life, according to the Gospel. Our Lord Jesus Christ, then, knowing that the knowledge of the one true God brings to us and promotes our union with the blessings of which we have spoken, says that it is eternal life. It is the mother and nurse of eternal life, being in its power and nature pregnant with those things that cause life and lead St. Cyril of Alexandria to life.