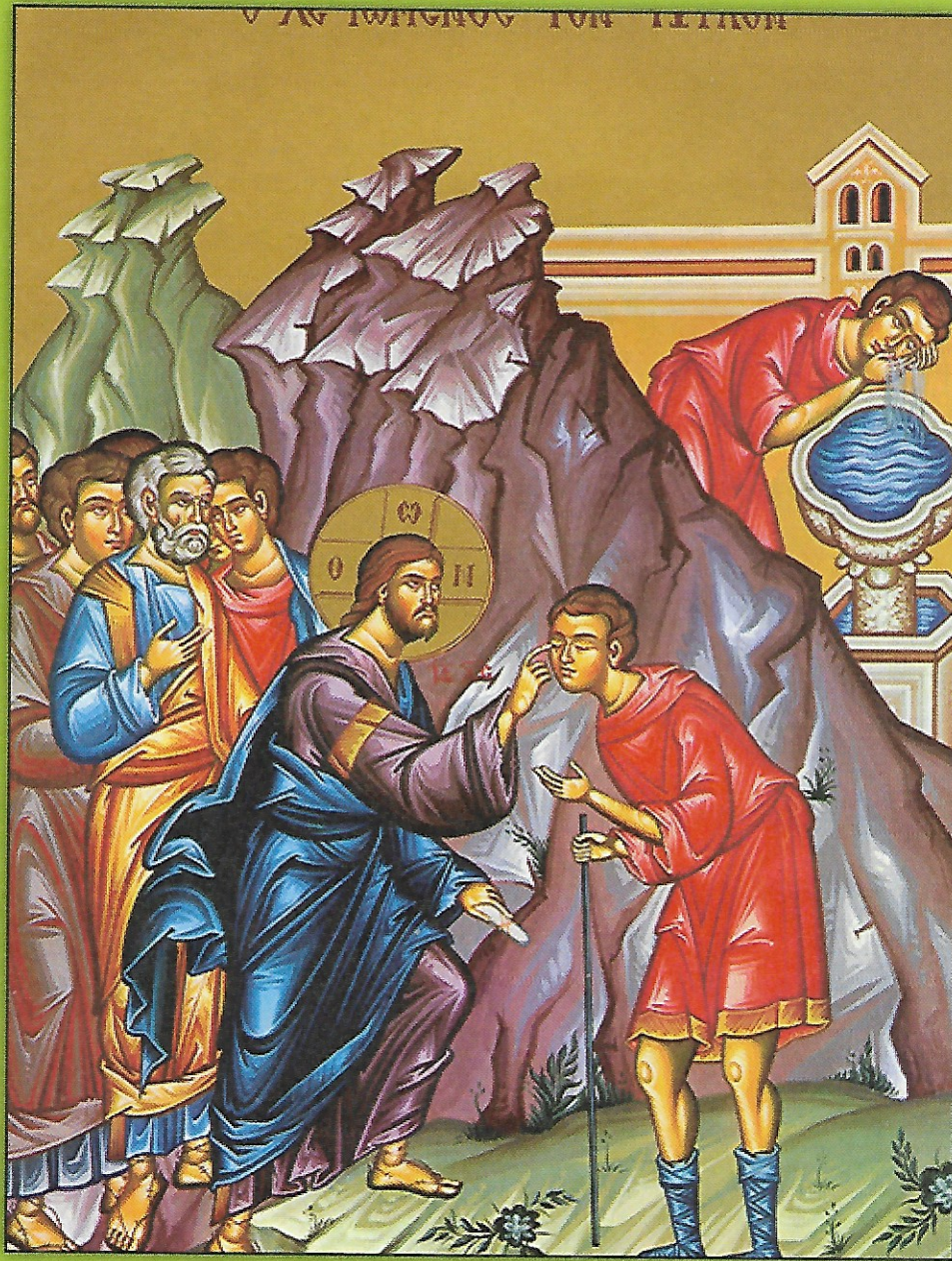


SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND



*Icon of Christ and the Man born Blind*

**Divine Liturgy Guide**

**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

**Sunday of the Man Born Blind**

SAT MAY 21:4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy +Marlene Laskowski by Friends

SUN MAY 22: **9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Man Born Blind**

MON MAY 23: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Nadia Biloskirka by Biloskirka Family

TUES MAY 24: 6:00 p.m. Moleben to the Mother of God

WED MAY 25: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Margaret Brewinski by Friends

THURS MAY 26: 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Ascension of our Lord

FRI MAY 27: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Anthony Shastay by The Lilik Family

SAT MAY 28:4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy Blessing for Orphans of Ukraine by The Lilik Family

SUN MAY 29: **9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Father of the 1st Ecumenical Council**

**Collection Basket** 

**5/14 & 5/15 \$ 3,267**

Thank you to last week's counters

Mike Trusz & Olenka Chandoha-Knott

Next Week's Counters are:

Paul Ewasko & Pat Waznak

**Happy Birthday and Anniversary!**

Birthdays May 21-27

Regina Kozel - May 26

Anniversary

Jean & David Pedley - May 25

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**6. PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:**

There will be a parish council meeting on Wednesday, June 15 at 6:30pm

**7. MEMORIAL DAY CEMETERY SERVICES**

We are now collecting information for our Memorial Day Cemetery Services. Please fill out the Memorial Day envelope with the names of those to be prayed for and drop it into the collection basket.

**8. NORTH ANTHRACITE COUNCIL LUC MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT:**

Members of the North Anthracite Council of the League of Ukrainian Catholics will meet on Wednesday, May 25th at 6:00 pm at Grotto Pizza, 36 Gateway Center, Edwardsville \*2022 Membership renewal being collected \$15/person. It has been awhile since we met, we are looking forward to see everyone. Any questions contact our council president: Dorothy Jamula 570-822-5354

**9. MONETARY DONATIONS FOR UKRAINE BEING ACCEPTED**

Monetary Donations for Humanitarian Aid of Ukraine are being accepted here at St. Vladimir's Church. Please use the Canister on the Tetrapod to make your Donations. Also, Donations can be mailed to the Rectory.

**10. DIVINE LITURGY REQUESTS BEING ACCEPTED**

We are now accepting Divine Liturgy requests for the Spring & Summer months. Liturgies are available Mondays through Saturdays. Please fill out a request form (pink sheet) located in the back of the Church and drop them into the collection basket or give them to Fr. Myron directly. This is your chance to honor a Loved One (Living or Deceased) by requesting a Divine Liturgy in their Honor.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. IMPORTANT CHANGE IN OUR DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY FOR ST. VLADIMIR'S CHURCH, SCRANTON IS NOW AT 9:30AM.

2. MOLEBEN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD ON WEDNESDAY *TUESDAY*

This Wednesday evening, May 25th, we will have the final 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.

3. HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION ON THURSDAY

The Ascension of Our Lord Holy Day of Obligation is this Thursday, May 26th. Divine Liturgy will be held at 9:30am. Please come to Church on this Ascension Thursday to honor Our Lord and Savior.

4. SUMMER IS THE TIME FOR CEMETERY CARE

A reminder that Summer is the time for Cemetery Care Expenses. Please help us by Donating toward the cost of Grass Cutting, Trimming and Maintenance at our two Cemeteries. You can write your Donation in the proper box on the front of your Weekly Envelope. Thank You for your support of keeping the Resting Place of our Loved Ones beautiful.

5. BE A WELCOMER: SPONSOR A UKRAINIAN FAMILY

The U.S. Government has announced Uniting for Ukraine. People fleeing the War in Ukraine can apply to come to the U.S. with the support of a sponsor. That could be You! You can make it possible for Ukrainian families to find safety in the United States. Help change someone's life and your own. You don't have to know a Ukrainian to be a sponsor. Make it a group effort. Gather your friends and family to form a support system for newcomers. Safety is a top priority. Both sponsors and newcomers are vetted by the U.S. Government. Go to: [Ukraine.Welcome.US](http://Ukraine.Welcome.US)

Russia's war meant to eliminate Ukrainian people, Archbishop says

The head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church said Russia's reasons for attacking Ukraine are nothing more than an excuse to justify its ultimate goal of wiping out the country and its people. Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk of Kyiv-Halych said that although Russian President Vladimir Putin has said "demilitarization and denazification" are the primary reasons for invading Ukraine, Russian military tactics are following "a genocide manual" in which "the entire people must be eliminated." Shevchuk made his remarks in a video call to the plenary meeting of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity, of which he is a member, and he spoke about the war's impact on ecumenical dialogue, according to a statement released May 6 by his office. Russia's invasion and ongoing war on Ukraine, now entering its 70th day, has caused a "humanitarian catastrophe" with millions forced to flee the country or be displaced internally, he said. Furthermore, mass graves discovered in cities liberated from Russian occupation have now become "places of prayer for everyone: Orthodox, Catholics, Protestants, Jews and Muslims." Shevchuk said Russian troops are also responsible for "raping men, women and children" and have destroyed "nearly 100 churches, monasteries and religious buildings."

Nevertheless, amid the tragedy of war, religious groups in Ukraine are "united like never before," he said. "Just on the eve of the Russian attack, when we had already received news and foreign ambassadors were leaving the city of Kyiv, in a night session, the council (of churches and religions) made an appeal to the Russian president to stop," he recalled. "We proposed ourselves as the mediators; if the diplomats, the politicians were not able to avoid the armed conflict, we wanted to be the mediators of peace, men and women of the church."

The Ukrainian archbishop also denounced the stance taken by Russian Orthodox Patriarch Kirill of Moscow, whose justifications of the war pose "a great danger not only for the Russian Orthodox Church, but for Christianity in the modern world." Communities of the Moscow Patriarchate in Ukraine, he added, feel "neglected and forgotten," considering that "most of the churches destroyed are their own."

He also compared the Russian patriarch's stance on Ukraine to that of the Islamic State regarding Iraq and Syria. "Unfortunately, the Russian Orthodox Church has been trapped in Putin's doctrine of the state, which already had an explicit broad condemnation from Orthodox theologians a month ago," Shevchuk said. The head of the Ukrainian Catholic Church said the war in Ukraine raises two important issues that the Catholic Church must reflect on: the church's social teaching on war and peace and its explanation of the relationship between church and state. "There is an obvious need to work out the correct language to describe the new challenges in these areas but also to have the courage at the ecumenical level to find the right answers to these dangers," he said.



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**PLEASE 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.

Mountain View

- Irene Slagan
- Home
- Andrea Geraghty
- Stella Patrick
- Stanley Krupinski
- Helen Ewasko
- Andrea Wells

Home

- Dr. Walter Dobushak
- Sophia Soniak
- Jean Chomko
- John Monsul
- Ceil Harrison
- Charles Drumsta
- Regina Kozel
- Mary Tucker
- Ronald Kozak

Home

- Kathleen Izak
- Doris Romancho
- Mary Warholak
- Dorothy Kowalchick
- Michael McConnell
- Vera Krewsun

**VIGIL CANDLE SPONSORS: week beginning May 21, 2022**

1	Hanging Eternal Lamp \$10	By: Wife Sharmayne For: I.M.O. + Walter Michael Tucker, Jr. -- rest in Eternal peace
2	2 Altar Vigil Candles \$10	By: Jean Pedley For: Private prayer intention
3	Proskomedia Candles \$10	By: Fr. Myron & the Faithful of St. Vladimir's Church For: Deliverance of Ukraine & Protection of her Defenders
4	2 Tetrapod Candles \$10	By: Parish Family of St. Vladimir's Church For: I.M.O. +Soldiers and +Defenders of Ukraine
5	Jesus Vigil at Iconostas \$5	By: Regina Kozel For: I.M.O. +Ihor Shablovsky
6	Mary Vigil at Iconostas \$5	By: Biloskirka Children For: I.M.O. +Nicholas and +Nadia Biloskirka
7	St. Nicholas \$5	By: Smirnov Family For: I.M.O. +Oleksa Petechel
8	St. Vladimir Vigil at Iconostas \$5	By: Laskowski Family For: I.M.O. +Mr. & +Mrs. Joseph Laskowski, our parents
9	Jesus Entrance Vigil \$5	By: Stella Patrick For: Health and God's Blessings for Stephen Patrick
10	Mary Entrance Vigil \$5	By: Sharmayne Tucker For: I.M.O. +Helen Biagioli -- rest in Eternal peace
11	Mother of God Statue \$10	By: Lilik Family For: Safety of the clergy, medics & volunteers in Ukraine
12	Altar 7 branch Saturday \$5	By: Laskowski Family For: Health and God's Blessings upon Andrea Wells
13	Altar 7 branch Sunday \$5	By: Christina Shablovsky For: I.M.O. +Ihor Shablovsky
14	Blessed Mother (side altar) \$5	By: Sharmayne Tucker For: Ken Tucker -- God's blessings & health & prayers
15	Jesus (side altar) \$5	By: Linda Pirritano For: I.M.O. +Joseph and + Esther Linko

**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.*

**SAINT VLADIMIR**

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***Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viky!***

**Divine Liturgies: Saturday 4 p.m., Sunday 9:30 a.m.,**

**Holy Days & Weekdays see bulletin**

**OUR MISSION PARISH: Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church**

**635 North River St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18705**

**Sick calls / Communion calls / Home visits/ Emergencies: call parish office.**

***A Link to Baptism***

The cure of the blind man also symbolizes mankind's means for its recovery from its blindness. It symbolizes the Sacrament of Baptism. Baptism is called holy enlightenment. Those who have been recently baptized are called the newly enlightened. This gospel from Saint John was read in the ancient Church on Holy Saturday when Catechumens were baptized. As this man is cured of his blindness when he washes in the waters of the pool of Siloam, as Jesus tells him to do, so are we brought out of darkness into a new life when we are baptized as Christ instructed us to be. Jesus restores His creation, mankind, with the potential to become what it was meant to be before the fall of Adam.

We also hear in the reading that after this man was cured many of those who knew him before did not recognize him. He is still the same man

but something has significantly changed about him. He is no longer blind. So when we are illuminated we are also new persons, though our outward appearance might be the same. To symbolize this newness a white garment is put on us to show the purity with which we start this new existence. We must, however, become different and unrecognizable in our inward and outward actions also. We must manifest our new existence to those around us through these actions. We must radiate this new found light to others by the way we live our lives. We must say to the world, "I am he who was blind but now my eyes are opened." Credit must be given to Him who has cured us of our darkness by living our lives according to the lessons of the illumination we have received and the continued guidance we get with the reception of the Holy Spirit.