

Divine Liturgy Guide

Sunday, May 14, 2023

Sunday of the Man Born Blind

SAT MAY 13: 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy +Nadia Biloskirka by The Biloskirka Family

SUN MAY 14: 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Man born blind Blessing for His people

MON MAY 15: Pachomius the Great Venerable READ John 11:47-56

TUES MAY 16: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy Blessing for Robert Yeager by John Mackar

WED MAY 17: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Agnes Tillery by Joe Miclisicak

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

THURS MAY 18: 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy Ascension of our Lord

FRI MAY 19: 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy Health & safety of Ukrainian solders

SAT MAY 21: 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy +Stefan Tutka by John Tutka

SUN MAY 21: 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

Collection Basket



5/4 & 5/5 \$

Thank you to last week's counters

Dorothy Kowalchick & Debbie Dommes

Next Week's Counters are:

Dave Pedley and Linda Gerrity

Happy Birthday and Anniversary!

May 13 - 19

Birthdays

Karen Lilik - May 14

Mildred Bryndzia-Migliori - May 16

Mike McConnell - May 18

Anniversary

Dr. Kenneth & Karen Lilik - May 13

VIGIL CANDLE SPONSORS: week beginning May 13, 2023

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| 1 | Hanging Eternal Lamp
\$10 | By: Pat, Frank and Kristen Waznak
For: I.M.O. + Mereslow & + Lovie Kenjerski - anniversary remembrance |
| 2 | 2 Altar Vigil Candles
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For: I.M.O. + Lovie Kenjerski - Mother's Day remembrance |
| 3 | Proskomedia Candles
\$10 | By: Mary Warholak
For: Pani Iryna - Happy Mother's Day & every day! |
| 4 | 2 Tetrapod Candles
\$10 | By: Michael Trusz
For: I.M.O. + Olga Trusz - Happy Mother's Day in heaven |
| 5 | Jesus Vigil at Iconostas
\$5 | By: Frank, Kristen and Patrick
For: Mother's Day Blessings for Pat Waznak |
| 6 | Mary Vigil at Iconostas
\$5 | By: Biloskirka Family
For: I.M.O. + Nicholas and + Nadia Biloskirka |
| 7 | St. Nicholas
\$5 | By: Laskowski Family
For: I.M.O. + Joseph & + Marlene Laskowski, our parents |
| 8 | St. Vladimir Vigil at Iconostas
\$5 | By: Laskowski Family
For: Health & God's Blessings - Jeffrey Lyden & family |
| 9 | Jesus Entrance Vigil
\$5 | By: Stella Patrick
For: Health and God's Blessings for Stephen Patrick |
| 10 | Mary Entrance Vigil
\$5 | By: Regina Kozel
For: I.M.O. + Ihor Shablovsky |
| 11 | Mother of God Statue
\$10 | By: Kristen Waznak
For: Mother's Day blessings for Pat Waznak |
| 12 | Altar 7 branch Saturday
\$5 | By: Regina Kozel
For: Happy Anniversary - Dr. Ken & Karen Lilik MAY 13 |
| 13 | Altar 7 branch Sunday
\$5 | By: Your daughter, with love
For: I.M.O. + Betty Schwenk - Happy Mother's Day in heaven, Mom |
| 14 | Blessed Mother (side altar)
\$5 | By: Linda Pirritano
For: I.M.O. + Esther Linko - Mother's Day remembrance |
| 15 | Jesus (side altar)
\$5 | By: Regina Kozel
For: Birthday Blessings for Karen Lilik MAY 14 |

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

Divine Liturgies: Saturday 4 p.m., Sunday 9:00 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you to thank the Lord above for blessing me with a lifetime of your tenderhearted love. I thanked God for the caring you've shown me through the years, for the closeness we've enjoyed in time of laughter and of tears. And so, I thank you from the heart for all you've done for me, and I bless the Lord for giving me the best mother there could be!

2. 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.

3. 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.

4. MOLEBEN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD ON WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday evening, May 17th, 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.

5. HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION ON THURSDAY

The Ascension of Our Lord Holy Day of Obligation is this Thursday, May 18th. Divine Liturgy will be held at 9:00am. Please come to Church on this Ascension Thursday to honor Our Lord and Savior.

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6. COLLECTION FOR INSURANCE NEXT WEEKEND

A reminder that Donations toward our Insurance Costs can be made next weekend, May 20th & 21st. Please use the specially marked envelope in your collection packet. Thank you for your generous support of our Parish.

7. FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL NEXT WEEKEND IN OLYPHANT

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Ukrainian Catholic Church in Olyphant is hosting a Food Truck Festival next weekend, May 20th & 21st. Various Food Trucks along with a Basket Raffle and Bake Sale will be featured.

8. UKRAINIAN HOMESTEAD POLKA DANCE NEXT SUNDAY

The Ukrainian Homestead, 1230 Beaver Run Drive, in Lehighton is holding a POLKA DANCE on Sunday, May 21st from 2:00pm- 5:00pm. Featuring THE POLSKIE SWINGMASTERS. Admission: \$10. Proceeds Benefit the Homestead Pool Renovation Fund. Food and Refreshments available.

9. SCHOOL OF UKRAINIAN DANCE SHOW NEXT SUNDAY

The Voloshky School of Ukrainian Dance, celebrating 50 years, will perform next Sunday, May 21st, at 3:00pm at the Keswick Theatre in Glenside, PA. For Show and Reception tickets visit <http://www.KeswickTheatre.com> or call 215-572-7650. A portion of the proceeds will help provide humanitarian aid to children in Ukraine.

10. 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.

Sunday of the Man Born Blind

His disciples asked Him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither he nor his parents sinned; it is so that the works of God might be made visible through him. (John 9:2-3) When we encounter hardship or difficulties in this temporal world, we may ask how or why this came to be. Some may seek to place the blame upon a certain person and his or her sinfulness. Our loving, kind and compassionate Lord redirects the disciples' attention and focus upon the Almighty power of God. Jesus explains that the Almighty God can do all things and miracles, cures and healings occur so as to manifest the power of God. In the Gospel of St. Luke we are reminded that all things are possible to the man of faith and that "Nothing is impossible to God." (Lk. 1:37) It was completely unheard of that anyone ever opened the eyes of a person born blind. And that is the true marvel and a manifestation of the omnipotence of the Lord God. The man born blind, who was cured by Jesus, tries to convince the Lord's opponents that what Jesus had done was something awesome and great. The man who was cured states that Jesus is from God and He is of God and thereby able to perform this miracle – to do a "good" deed. Jesus' opponents were so closed to the truth, the reality, that they question whether the man cured is one and the same person as the man born blind. The opponents go so far as to question the parents. The parents attest to the fact that the man cured was their son and that he was born blind. But due to their fear of being cast out, expelled from the Temple, they reply: We do not know how he sees now, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him, he is of age; he can speak for himself." This Gospel story indicates to us that there is something even more terrible than the physical absence of sight. Physical blindness from birth is a heavy burden to bear and a cross to carry. This the man in today's Gospel story had done. But the one thing that the man born blind possessed that the opponents of the Lord lacked was eyes of faith – to see clearly in a spiritual way. The man born blind had seen the goodness of the Lord God and His love and compassion for the lowly of the world. The Lord God wants to bring us healing of body and soul. The Lord God wants us to turn to Him in times of difficulty and hardship. He wants us to love God His Heavenly Father above all else, and to love our neighbor as ourselves without exception. We are called upon to love even those who hate us or persecute us or simply are not concerned nor care about us and our well-being. Christ is the Light of the world, overcoming the darkness of sin. We true-believing Christians seek to walk in the footsteps of Christ. The Holy Spirit, Whom Christ will ask the Heavenly Father to send, will guide and protect us from all evil and error. May our eyes be fixed heavenward as we await that glorious day of His second coming as Lord of lords and King of kings, the Faithful and True.

- Father George Worschak



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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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SIXTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA-OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

Troparion: Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

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

Kontakion: Blinded in the eyes of my soul, I come to you, O Christ, like the man who was blind from birth, and I cry in repentance: You are the brilliant light of those in darkness.

Now and forever and ever. Amen

Kontakion: Though you descended into a tomb, O immortal One, yet you destroyed the power of Hades; and You rose as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women: Rejoice! And giving peace to your Apostles: You, who grant Resurrection to the fallen.

Prokeimenon: Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

Verse: In Judea God is know; His name if great in Israel.

Alleluia verses: Look upon me and have mercy.

Direct my steps according to Your word.

Instead of "It is truly right" (page 507)

The Angel cried out to the One full of Grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again, I say, Rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day, and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem! For the glory of the Lord has risen up-on you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Verse: Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality.

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

Alleluia (3).

Epistle: Acts 16: 16-34

"A reading from the Acts of the Holy Apostles."

In those days, while Paul and Luke were on their way to the place of prayer, they met a slave girl who had a clairvoyant spirit. She used to bring substantial profit to her masters by fortunetelling. The girl began to follow Paul and the rest of them shouting, "These men are servants of the Most High God; they will make known to you a way of salvation." She did this for several days until finally Paul became annoyed, turned around, and said to the spirit, "In the name of Jesus Christ I command you, come out of her!" Then and there the spirit left her. When her masters saw that their source of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the main square before the local authorities. They turned them over to the magistrates with this complaint: "These men are agitators disturbing the peace of our city! Furthermore, they are Jews, which means they advocate customs which are not lawful for us Romans to adopt or practice." The crowd joined in the attack on them, and the magistrates stripped them and ordered them to be flogged. After receiving many lashes, they were thrown into prison, and the jailer was given instructions to guard them well. Upon receipt of these instructions, he put them in maximum security, going so far as to chain their feet to a stake. About midnight, while Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God as their fellow prisoners listened, a severe earthquake suddenly shook the place, rocking the prison to its foundations. Immediately all the doors flew open and everyone's chains were pulled loose. The jailer woke up to see the prison gates wide open. Thinking that the prisoners had escaped, he drew his sword to kill himself; but Paul shouted to him, "Do not harm yourself! We are all still here." The jailer called for a light, then rushed in and fell trembling at the feet of Paul and Silas. After a brief interval he led them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" Their answer was, "Believe in the Lord Jesus and you will be saved, and all your household." They proceeded to announce the word of God to him and to everyone in his house. At that late hour of the night, he took them in and bathed their wounds; then he and his whole household were baptized. He led them up into his house, spread a table before them, and joyfully celebrated with his whole family his newfound faith in God.

Gospel: John 9: 1-38

At that time as Jesus was passing by, he saw a man blind from birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he should be born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither has this man sinned nor have his parents, but the works of God were to be made manifest in him. I must do the works of the one who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the Light of the world." When he had said these things, he spat on the ground and made clay with the spittle, and spread the clay over the man's eyes, and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam (which is interpreted 'sent')." So, he went away, and washed, and returned seeing. The neighbors therefore and those who had seen earlier that he was blind began saying, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is." But others said, "He only looks like him." Yet, the man declared, "I am the one." They therefore asked him, "How were your eyes opened?" He answered and said, "The man who is called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.' And I went and washed, and I see." And they asked him. "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They took the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. Now, it was a Sabbath on which Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. Again, therefore, the Pharisees asked him how he received his sight. But he said to them, "He put clay upon my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Therefore, some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner work these signs?" And there was a division among them. Again, therefore they said to the blind man, "What do you say of the one who opened your eyes?" But he said, "He is a prophet." The Jews therefore did not believe of him that he had been blind and had got his sight, until they called the parents of the one who had gained his sight, and questioned them, saying, "Is this your son, of whom you say he was born blind? How does he now see?" His parents answered them and said, "We know this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we ourselves do not know. Ask him; he is of age, let him speak for himself." These things his parents said because they feared the Jews. For already the Jews had agreed that if anyone were to confess him to

be Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue. This is why his parents said, "He is of age; question him." They therefore called a second time the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give glory to God! We ourselves know this man is a sinner." He therefore said, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know, that whereas I was blind, now I see." They therefore asked him again, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, but you did not listen. Why would you hear a second time? Would you also become his disciples?" They heaped abuse on him therefore and said, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know God spoke to Moses; but as for this man, we do not know where he is from." In answer the man said to them, why herein is the marvel, that you do not know where he is from, and yet he opened my eyes. Now we know God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshipper of God, and does his will, him he hears. Not from the beginning of the world has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered and said to him, "You were altogether born in sins, and do you teach us?" And they turned him out. Jesus heard they had turned him out, and when he found him, said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered and said, "Who is he, Lord, that I may believe in him?" And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen him, and he it is who speaks with you." And he said, "I believe, Lord." And falling down, he worshipped him.