SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND Epistle - Acts 16:16-34; Gospel - Jn 9:1-38; Festal Tone

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

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<u>Sunday of the Man Born Blind, May 9, 2021</u> Mother's Day
9:00 AM - Lit. for Living Mothers of our Parish
- Pan. + Deceased Mothers of our Parish
11:30 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners
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Monday, May 10, 2021
No Liturgy Scheduled
<u>Tuesday, May 11, 2021</u>
8:00 AM - Lit. + Walter Sawkiw r/by Irene Dochych
<u>Wednesday, May 12, 2021</u>
8:00 AM - Lit. + Eugenia Bobek r/by Family
6:30 PM - Rosary to Mary
7:00 PM - May Devotions to the Mother of God
Thursday, May 13, 2021
Ascension of Our Lord
9:00 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners
7:00 PM - Lit. + George Alevizatos
r/by Glenys & Charles Biloholowski
Friday, May 14, 2021
8:45 AM - Lit. + Nick Lyszyk r/by Mojsa Family
Saturday, May 15, 2021
8:00 AM - Lit. + Kevin Mahony r/by Wife
5:00 PM - Lit. + Helen Mascenik r/by Ron & Ana
Fathers of the 1 st Ecumenical Council, May 16, 2021
Epistle - Acts 20:16-18 & 28-38; Gospel - Jn 17:1-13
9:00 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners
First Solemn Holy Communion

May Devotions.

The month of May is devoted to our heavenly Mother, Mary. A Moleben service will be offered on Wednesdays in May, at 7:00 p.m. Come to church ealier at 6:30 pm for the praying the Rosary.

11:30 AM - Lit. + Mary Clements r/by Joyce Adamshick

Baptism Congratulation.

Congratulations and Best Wishes are extended to EMMA KOSTETSKA daughter of Rostyslav Kostetskyy and Tetyana Hlykha upon receiving the Holy Mysteries of Christian Initiation: Baptism, Chrismation and Holy Eucharist.

First Solemn Holy Communion

On Sunday, May 16 at the 9:00 am Liturgy, we will welcome 18 children around the Eucharistic table for the first time. The girls will be dressed in white dresses and the boys in their Sunday best with their hair combed and shirts tucked in. The purity and innocence of the children will be on full display. Congratulations!

Reflections on Ascension.

The feast commemorates the bodily Ascension of Jesus into heaven. It is one of the feasts of Christian churches, ranking with the feasts of the Passion, Easter and Pentecost. Ascension Day is traditionally celebrated on a Thursday, the fortieth day of Easter. The Ascension event signals the end of Jesus' mission here on earth. In saying that Jesus 'left us' (physically), we do not mean that he abandoned us or left us orphans. No, he did not. He sent us the Holy Spirit and He established for us His Church. Christ is among us, right here, right now. Just as the apostles knew this to be true, so too must we realize and experience this reality. It is a holy day of precept (obligation) for all Byzantine Catholics. <u>To commemorate this Feast we will have a morning 9 AM and Vesperal Divine Liturgy at 7:00 PM</u>

<u>Thank You</u>

- Thanks to men from our parish Holy Name Society for helping to take down school smart boards and for providing a small gift for each lady attending today's Liturgy.
- Thanks to our ladies from St. Ann's society for changing altar linens and for purchasing a beautiful flower arrangement placed before the icon of Blessed Mary.

Mothers Names

The list of Mothers Names is posted on the wall in the vestibule.

Welcome!

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! Welcome to Assumption Catholic Church! Thank you for celebrating the Divine Liturgy with us! What a joy it is to have so many of you back together again in God's House! Last weekend our Liturgy attendance was up. It seems as if many more people are returning to church and being a bit more comfortable being together. This is great news! Let us continue to pray that as we navigate these days of the pandemic, we can continue to move forward safely and with trust in the Lord, praying and supporting each other as a family of faith.

Love and prayers, Fr. Ivan

Happy Mother's Day.

The Wide Spectrum of Mothering

To those who gave birth this year to their first child-we celebrate with you

To those who lost a child this year - we mourn with you

To those who are in the trenches with little ones every day and wear the badge of food stains - we appreciate you

To those who experienced loss through miscarriage, failed adoptions, or running away—we mourn with you

To those who walk the hard path of infertility, fraught with pokes, prods, tears, and disappointment - we walk with you. Forgive us when we say foolish things. We don't mean to make this harder than it is.

To those who are foster moms, mentor moms, and spiritual moms - we need you

To those who have warm and close relationships with your children - we celebrate with you

To those who have disappointment, heart ache, and distance with your children - we sit with you

To those who lost their mothers this year - we grieve with you

To those who experienced abuse at the hands of your own mother - we acknowledge your experience

To those who lived through driving tests, medical tests, and the overall testing of motherhood - we are better for having you in our midst

To those who have aborted children - we remember them and you on this day

To those who are single and long to be married and mothering your own children - we mourn that life has not turned out the way you longed for it to be

To those who step-parent - we walk with you on these complex paths

To those who envisioned lavishing love on grandchildren - yet that dream is not to be, we grieve with you

To those who will have emptier nests in the upcoming year - we grieve and rejoice with you

To those who placed children up for adoption — we commend you for your selflessness and remember how you hold that child in your heart

And to those who are pregnant with new life, both expected and surprising -we anticipate with you

This Mother's Day, we walk with you. Mothering is not for the faint of heart and we have real warriors in our midst. We remember you and we pray for ALL of YOU!

<u>A PRAYER TO THE MOTHER OF GOD</u> DURING THIS TIME OF THE CORONAVIRUS

Most-Holy Ever-Virgin Mary, Birthgiver of God: receive this heartfelt supplication from us, your unworthy servants. We run to you tearfully, O Sovereign Lady, as this dreadful illness spreads through the whole world. Listen to the much-afflicted sighs of your ailing people and grant healing of soul and body. As a loving Mother, cover your suffering children everywhere with your protecting veil. In times of despair, console the faint-hearted, strengthen the weak, and enlighten those with embittered hearts. Guide the minds and hands of our doctors and nurses, that they may serve as instruments of the allpowerful Physician, Christ our Savior. You are the strong intercessor for our city, our country, and the whole world, O Queen of All. Present our prayers before the throne of the King of Glory, your Son and our God, that He may be merciful towards us and grant His grace to those who honor you and bow before your holy icon with faith and love. O joy of the sorrowful and consolation of the afflicted, stretch out your hands which are full of health and cures, so that having quickly received your wondrous help, we may glorify the Life-giving and Undivided Trinity: the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and ever and forever. Amen.