

## DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

**Saturday, June 19, 2021**

5:00 PM - Lit. + Rev. Gus Molodowitz r/by Fr. Roman  
Pan. + Deceased Fathers of Our Parish

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, June 20, 2021****Fathers Day**

9:00 AM - Lit. Living Fathers of Our Parish  
11:30 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

**Tuesday, June 22, 2021**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Peter Gadek r/by Stelle and Joan Gadek

**Wednesday, June 23, 2021**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Frank Clements r/by Joyce Adamshick  
6:30 PM - Akathist to Our Lord Jesus Christ

**Thursday, June 24, 2021****Birth of John the Baptist**

8:00 AM - Lit. Health and Blessings for Robert Cheloc Jr

**Friday, June 25, 2021**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Igor, Stepan, Oleh - r/by Iryna Potapchuk

**Saturday, June 26, 2021**

8:00 AM - Lit. + Ivan, Anastasia Kowaluk; Rev. Damian  
5:00 PM - Lit. + Walter, Mary, Mary Ann Makar - Legate

**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, June 27, 2021**

Epistle - Rom 10:1-10; Gospel - Mt 8:28-9:1

9:00 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

11:30 AM - Lit. + Rose Ann Rudy r/by Nancy Bialkowski

**Note from Father Ivan -****The Divine Liturgy During a Time of Pandemic.**

People in the congregation are not required to wear a mask. People are free to wear a mask for personal protection or as a courtesy to the vulnerable.

**Pyrohy Sale!**

Once again, we will be selling pyrohy (from Passiac parish) in the church hall following this week's Saturday 5 pm and Sunday 9:00 and 11:30 am liturgies. Potato pyrohy only, \$8.00.

**Planning a Wedding in 2021?**

Engaged couples should contact Fr. Ivan regarding their proposed wedding and upcoming marriage classes. 732-826-0767.

**Life for Pavlyk - conquering SMA**

Life is the cost of one injection. Goal: \$2 325 000

Raised: \$ 370 000

Pavlyk Motychka, who was diagnosed with Spinal Muscular Atrophy (SMA), was born in September, 2019 in Synevyr village, Zakarpattya, Ukraine. SMA causes muscle weakness and atrophy (when muscles get smaller). It can affect a child's ability to crawl, walk, sit up, eat, breath and control head movements. There is no treatment available in Ukraine. But an innovative medicine Zolgensma (Novartis) appeared in the USA 3 years ago. It is the most expensive medicine in the world. One bottle costs \$2.3 million. It is administered to the patient once. The citizens of Ukraine have to ask the whole world for donations to save their children. Zolgensma has to be injected by the age of 2 and the weight of 14 kg. So Pavlyk is now 1.8 years old and has 11.5 kg. His family has already lost their older son due to the same disease. Pavlyk has SMA type 1, it is the worst out of 4 types. Age is absolutely critical. We need to get this injection as soon as possible. WE have to knock everywhere and several times and believe in the kindness of people.

- *Archbishop Borys asked parishes in our Archdiocese to have a collection for this boy. You can drop your donation in the collection basket or the box at the back of the church this and next Sunday.*

**SUMMERTIME STEWARDSHIP OFFERING.**

Summer time is here and with it the idea of taking a vacation...even from church! However, church services continue, bills pile up and offerings drop due to the lack of people coming to church. Don't forget your financial obligations to the church during the summer months. Make your offerings before you leave on vacation!

**Happy Father's Day**

I wish to extend to all fathers a very blessed and Happy Father's Day. Your strength, honor, faith and love, are gift and treasure to your families. Enjoy your day today.

**4th Sunday after Pentecost.**

Only say the word. (Matthew 8:8). If you were a Jewish man living in Jesus' time, how would you have reacted to this centurion's request? Because you lived under Roman occupation, you might have hesitated. After all, it's possible that this soldier had arrested or even killed some of your neighbors or family members. Not only that, but he was a pagan who worshipped false gods. Wouldn't you want to tell him to go to his own "gods" for help instead? But Jesus didn't take this attitude. He treated the soldier with compassion and listened closely as he poured out his heart. And what he heard amazed him: here was a pagan who showed greater faith than many of his fellow Jews! This prompted Jesus to prophesy that many more Gentiles would follow this man's example and enter the kingdom of God (Matthew 8:11). This story is one of the most dramatic illustrations of the fact that God sent his Son so that everyone could have eternal life and the healing and wholeness that come with it! If Jesus was so gracious toward this Gentile, clearly he won't scorn or ignore your requests. No, his compassion and mercy are for everyone, even you. No matter how unworthy you may think you are. No matter how sinful you think you are.

**67th Holy Dormition Pilgrimage on August 14-15, 2021**

Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate at St. Mary's Villa - Sloatsburg, NY. "Mary, Mother of the Savior and Joseph, Righteous Spouse, sustain us in God's Providence". Celebrating the 50th Episcopal Consecration of Bishop Basil Losten. For more information contact: 845 -753-2840 or [srkath25@gmail.com](mailto:srkath25@gmail.com).

**The 87th Annual Ukrainian Seminary Day**

This special event will be held Sunday, July 25th, 2021 at St. Nicholas Church picnic grounds in Primrose (just outside Minersville) PA. This annual event is sponsored by the 12 parishes and faithful of the South Anthracite Deanery under the leadership of their pastors. Plans for the day already include a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with the clergy of the deanery at 11 A.M. and Drive-Thru Food Sale will start at 1 P.M. with delicious ethnic and regional foods prepared by the parishes of the deanery.

**The Nativity of John the Baptist (June 24)**

To say John the Baptist and Jesus were closely related and connected is an understatement. Both were foretold by prophets, especially Isaiah. The only record of the birth of John the Baptist appears in the Gospel of Luke. A key player in this event is, of course, John the Baptist's father Zechariah. Zechariah was a Jewish priest, but when the Archangel Gabriel revealed to him that he would father a child, Zechariah refused to believe it. As a result he was rendered speechless until John was born. Zechariah had total trust in the Lord, however. Although it was traditional at that time to name the first son after the father, he and Elizabeth had been told that they were to name him John. As reported in the Gospel, Elizabeth said "He will be called John." The family protested at which time Zechariah wrote "His name is John." When he did that, Zechariah could speak once more. He did not say "should be"; he said "is." The trust shown by Zechariah is an example to us that we must trust in God, not just when it is convenient, but all the time.

**Smile**

Ryan was out late with friends one night. Suddenly, he realized it was Father's Day and he had neglected to buy a card for his dad. After much searching, Ryan located an open store, but was disappointed to find only two cards left on the rack. Selecting one, he brought it home and presented it to his father. Upon opening it, his dad read the message: "You've been like a father to me." He looked at Ryan, puzzled. "Well, Dad," Ryan tried to explain, "it was either that or the card that said, 'Now that I'm a father too!'"