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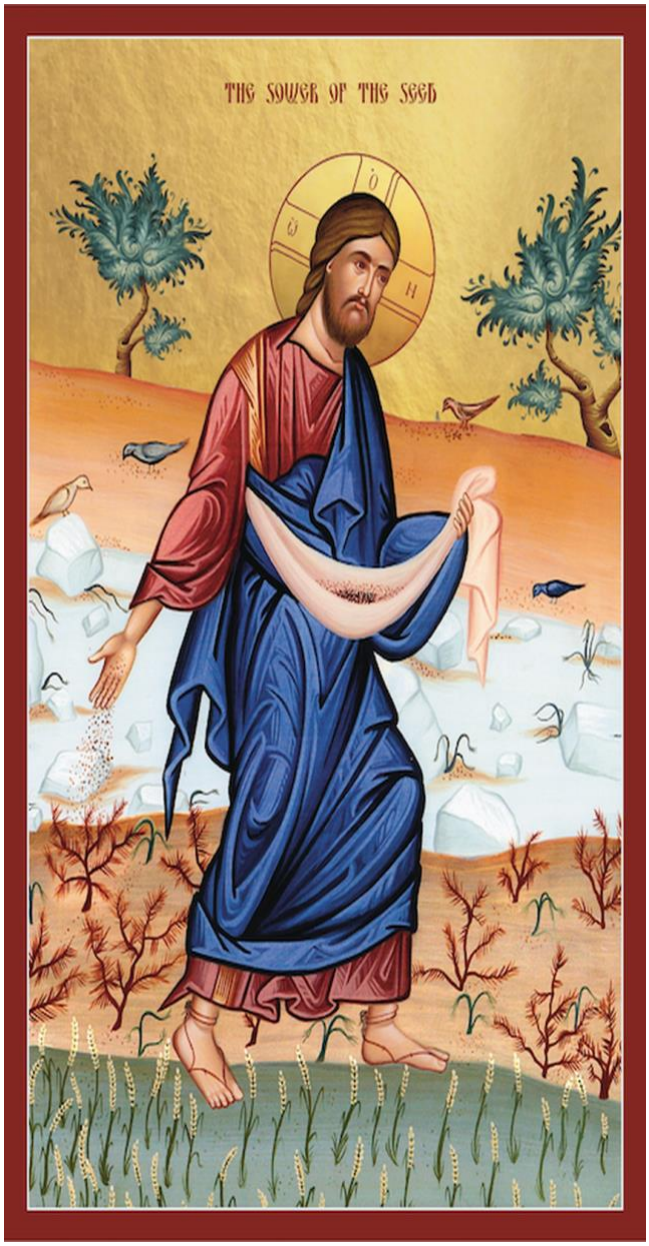

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We are on the New Calendar
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- Communion is only for Orthodox Christians.
- Preparation for Communion: going for Confession, praying, and fasting.
- Confessions: Vespers-first Saturday of the month, Sun. before Liturgy, or by appointment.
-Bring a list of living and deceased to the Altar. We'll pray for them during Liturgy.
- For pastoral visits at home or hospital or special prayer requests ask Fr. Oleg.
- Follow us on Facebook Click HERE

Christ is among us! Is and Shall Be! **Христос посеред нас! Є і Буде!**
Молімось за мир в Україні! **Let us pray for peace in Ukraine!**

Sun. 18 Oct. 20th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST. TONE 3. Holy Apostle and Evangelist LUKE (1st C) Bishop MNASON of Cyprus (1st. C) Martyr MARINUS the Elder of Anazarbus (4th C) Ven. JULIAN the Hermit of Mesopotamia.
Epistles: Galatians 1:11-19 & Colossians 4:5-9, 14 and 18
Gospels: Luke 8:5-15 & Luke 10:16-21

Please, make the lists of departed and place them near the bulletins. We will pray on Saturday

Welcome all for the Coffee Hour after the Liturgy – Запрошуємо на каву після Літургії

Short videos during the coffee.

LITURGICAL MENEION & SCRIPTURE READINGS.

Mon. 19 Oct.	Blessed Cleopatra (327) and her son John, in Egypt. Ven. John Rylskyj.	
	Phil. 4:10-23	**Lk. 7:36-50**
Tue. 20 Oct.	Great-martyr Artemius at Antioch (362). Venerable Gerasimus the New.	
	Col. 1:1 - 2,7-11	**Lk. 8:1-3**
06:30 PM	***MOLEBEN FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE (OUR CHURCH).***	
Wed. 21 Oct.	St. Hilarion the Great of Palestine (371). Martyrs Dasius, Gaius, and Zoticus.	
	Col. 1:18-23	**Lk. 8:22-25**
Thu. 22 Oct.	7 Holy Youths ("7 Sleepers") of Ephesus.	
	Col. 1:24-29	**Lk. 9:7-11**
Fri. 23 Oct.	Holy Apostle James the Brother of the Lord (63).	
	Col. 2:1-7	**Lk. 9:12-18;**
Sat. 24 Oct.	**Demetrious memorial Saturday.** Martyr Victoria.	
	2 Cor. 3:12-18	**Lk. 6:1-10**
09:00 AM	***MEMORIAL PANACHYDA***	
04:00 PM	***GREAT VESPERS.***	
Sun. 25 Oct.	***09:00 AM DIVINE LITURGY.***	

- We collect non-perishable food items to support humanitarian aid for Ukraine. Donations of rice, pasta, canned vegetables and fruit, canned meats and fish, cereal, oatmeal, protein bars, coffee, tea, and other shelf-stable foods are greatly appreciated. Please place your donations downstairs. Thank you for your generosity and support of those in need.

- NUTROLL sale: Saturday December 12th, 10 AM-12 PM. Fillings: Apricot, Lekvar(Prune), Nut, Poppyseed, Pumpkin/Cheese, Red Raspberry. For orders, call: Marty 610-682-4458.

- **PYROHY schedule: November 5(sold out) and 19; December 3 and 17.** First come, first served (until we reach 220 doz.). To place an order please call Martha Dowling 610-682-4458. Please volunteer for peeling, running, cooking/mashing, pinching and clean-up.

- Church School. Ms. Mary Ost (Preschool/ Elementary). Ms. Karen Osmun (Secondary) right after the Holy Communion. Welcome all children and youth.

- Virtual Bible Study Day. Check the information on the board downstairs or ask Fr. Oleg.

ANNIVERSARIES:

18 Oct…Darryl & Sandra Meashock (52nd)

BIRTHDAYS:

20 Oct…William Leindecker, Leo Anicola
21 Oct…Nadda Pavlinsky
24 Oct…Alexis O'Steen
МНОГАЯ ЛІТА! MANY YEARS!

<u>NECROLOGY</u>:
Ukrainian civilians and soldiers, killed in the Russian invasion.
18 Oct…Olga Sawarynski '07
19 Oct…John Seremula '97
21 Oct…Mychajlo Papaylo '23
22 Oct…Theodore Minnich '69
ВІЧНАЯ ПАМ'ЯТЬ! MEMORY ETERNAL!

Євангеліє: 5 вийшов сівач сіяти зерно своє і, коли сіяв, одне впало при дорозі, і було потоптане, і птахи небесні подзьобали його. 6 А інше впало на каміння і, зійшовши, всохло, бо не мало вологи. 7 А ще інше впало поміж терня, і виросло терня і заглушило його. 8 Інше ж упало в добру землю і, коли зійшло, дало плід у стократ. Сказавши це, виголосив: хто має вуха слухати, нехай слухає! 9 Ученики ж Його запитали в Нього: що означає притча ця? 10 Він сказав: вам дано розуміти таємниці Царства Божого, а іншим — у притчах, щоб вони, дивлячись, не бачили і, слухаючи, не розуміли. 11 Ось що означає притча ця. Зерно — це слово Боже. 12 А те, що впало при дорозі, це ті, що слухають, але потім приходить диявол і забирає слово із серця їхнього, щоб вони не увірували і не спаслись. 13 А те, що на камінні, це ті, що, як тільки почують слово, з радістю приймають, але не мають кореня, дочасно вірують, а під час спокуси відпадають. 14 А те, що впало поміж терня, це ті, що слухають слово, але відходять і, заглушені турботами, багатством та життєвими насолодами, не дають плоду. 15 А те, що впало в добру землю, це ті, які добрим і щирим серцем почуте слово бережуть і приносять плід у терпінні. Сказавши це, Він виголосив: хто має вуха слухати, нехай слухає.

Prayer for the health & salvation of the afflicted: Ukrainian soldiers and civilians, wounded during the Russian aggression, Metropolitan Antony, Sherri Fedetz, Irene Alexander, Helen Crayosky, Caroline Hallman, Joseph Killino, Barbara Grason, Sandra Miller, Raisa Bakalets, Don Yurkonik, Karen Yurconic, Martha Dowling, Michael Szymonifka, Karen Kankula, Evelyn Kankula, Russel Kerick, Christina Truss, John Vitushinski, Matthew Vitushinsky, Luke Vitushinski, Nadine Savitz, William Savitz, William Leszczuk, Mary Berger, Jessica Measshock, Zachary Y. Siyufy, soldiers Oleh, and Volodymyr, Raisa Melnychuk, Vasyl Beizyn, Lubov Shevchuk, Volodymyr Hranat, Ihor Broda, Gary Lelo, Debi Hutnick, Eric Hewko, Phil O'Brien, child Charlie, Juliana, Shirl Merolli, Stephanie Donnelly, child Alexandria, Elizabeth Pastushenko, Elena Iaroshenko, MaryAnn Ramaley, Joshua Osmun, Aaliyah Osmun, Brendan Phillips, Adam Hewko, Andrew Thaxton, Susan Ferretti, Judy Albright, Daniel Kochenash, Christopher Mack, Norman Betrous, Lisa Kulhanek, Esther Wilt, Benjamin Tomeo, Olena Kalichenko, Robert, Marybeth Smith, Charles Ermert, Susan Grofic, Pauline Keresstus.

There was a story of an Indian walking in downtown New York City alongside a friend who was a resident of the city.
Right in the center of Manhattan, the Indian seized his friend's arm and whispered, "Wait! I hear a cricket."
His friend said, "Come on! A cricket? Man, this is downtown New York."
He persisted, "No, seriously, I really do."
"It's impossible!" was the response.

“You can’t hear a cricket! Taxis going by. Horns honkin’. People screamin’ at each other. Brakes screeching. Both sides of the street filled with people. Cash registers clanging away. Subways roaring beneath us. You can’t possibly hear a cricket!”
The Indian insisted, “Wait a minute!”
He led his friend along, slowly.
They stopped, and the Indian walked down to the end of the block, went across the street, looked around, cocked his head to one side, but couldn’t find it.
He went across another street, and there in a large cement planter where a tree was growing, he dug into the mulch and found the cricket.
“See!” he yelled, as he held the insect high above his head.
His friend walked across the street, marveling, “How in the world could it be that you heard a cricket in the middle of downtown busy Manhattan?”
The Indian said, “Well, my ears are different from yours.
It simply depends on what you’re listening to.
Here, let me show you.” And he reached in his pocket and pulled out a handful of change--a couple of quarters, three or four nickels, and some dimes and pennies.
Then he said, “Now watch.”
He held the coins waist high and dropped them to the sidewalk.
Every head within a block turned around and looked in the direction of the Indian.
It all depends on what you’re listening for. **“He who has ears to hear, let him hear.”**

PROPERS for the DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHYRSTOM

Tropar of the Resurrection, Tone 3: Let the heavens rejoice/ Let the earth be glad/ For the Lord has shown strength with His Arm/ He has trampled down death by death/ He has become the first born of the dead/ He has delivered us from the depths of Hell/ and has granted to the world// great mercy.

Tropar of the Dormition, Tone 1: In giving birth/ you preserved your virginity/ In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, Birth-Giver of God/ You were translated to life, Mother of Life// and through your prayers you deliver our souls from death.

Tropar to Apostle Luke, Tone 5: Let us praise with sacred songs the holy Apostle Luke/ the recorder of the joyous Gospel of Christ/ and the scribe of the Acts of the Apostles/ for his writings are a testimony of the Church of Christ/ He is the physician of human weaknesses and infirmities/ He heals the wounds of our souls// And constantly inter-cedes for our salvation.

Kondak of the Resurrection, Tone 3: On this day You rose from the tomb, O Merciful One/ leading us from the gates of death/ On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices/ with the Prophets and Patriarchs// they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Your power.

Glory… Kondak to Apostle Luke, Tone 2: Let us praise the godly Luke/ he is the true preacher of piety/ the orator of ineffable mysteries/ and the star of the Church/ for the Word, Who alone the knows the hears of men// chose him, with the wise Paul, to be a teacher of the Gentiles.

Now and ever… Kondak of the Dormition, Tone 2: Neither the tomb nor death had power over the Birth-Giver of God/ she is ever watchful in her prayers and in her intercession lies unfailing hope/ For as the Mother of Life/ she has been translated to life by the One/ Who dwelt within her ever-virginal womb.

Prokimen of the Resurrection, Tone 3: Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Verse: Clap your hands all peoples. Shout to God with loud songs of joy.

Prokimen to Apostle Luke, Tone 8: Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the universe.

Epistles: Galatians 1:11-19 & Colossians 4:5-9, 14, 18

Alleluia Verses, Tone 3. In You, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame.

Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me.

The heavens will praise Your wonders, O Lord, and Your truth in the congregation of the saints.

Gospels: Luke 8: 5-15 & Luke 10: 16-21

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth and their words to the ends of the universe. Alleluia (3X)

This good seed is worthy of admiration. Rich and well-productive land brings froth fruit a hundredfold. They say that the best soils sometimes under cultivation produce a hundredfold, so this is a mark of every fertile and productive spot. One of the holy prophets said from the mouth of God, “And all nations shall congratulate you because you are a desirable land.” (Mal 3:12) When the divine word falls upon a pure mind skillful in cleansing itself from things hurtful, it fixes its root deeply and shoots up like an ear of corn. It brings its fruit to perfection being strong in blade and beautifully flowered. (St. Cyril of Alexandria)

Those Who Have Ears. Christ Himself cried out, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear.” And let him hear before it is too late. The Word has been given to you, and the Word is truth. Whether or not it is accepted by you; whether you make yourself the rock, the wayside, or the thorns; whether or not the Word will bear fruit in you, all these things depend upon you, upon your perseverance and upon your patience.

The Word, the seed, has been planted. It is watered daily wit h the grace of God, it is warmed by the rays of His love, and it is given all that is needed from God's side to bear fruit. But one thing may be lacking: the proper human care it needs to flourish. This depends upon you.

“He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

ORTHODOX NEWS AROUND THE WORLD

In Volyn Province Metropolitan Onuphriy led services at the Dormition Zimno Convent on the Feast of the wonder-working icon of the Mother of God and the 1,025th anniversary of its founding presenting the Abbess Mother Stefana with the Order of St. Nicholas (35th anniv.)

Mass Baptism of 10 newly illumined souls at Ss. Peter & Paul Church in Crossingville, PA where 29 were previously baptized last year in this multi-ethnic community.

Metropolitan Epiphaniy consecrated the new Church of Martyrs Boris & Hlib in the Podilsky district of Kyiv.

The 1,700th anniversary of the dedication of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre in Jerusalem, built by Emperor Constantine was observed in September with Archbishop Demetrios of Lydda celebrant and numerous pilgrims from around the Orthodox world.

Patriarch Daniel of Sofia & Bulgaria made a pilgrimage to the Patriarchate of Jerusalem visiting the shrines of the Holy Land beginning in Bethlehem.

Bishop Athenagoras of Nazzianos, elected Metropolitan of New Jersey by the Holy Synod of Constantinople, will be enthroned Nov. 7th.

On an official visit to Rivne, Metropolitan Epiphaniy celebrated the Divine Liturgy at the Cathedral of the Protection of the Virgin Mary.

Come Taste the Wine!

Wine Tasting Social

Sponsored by the
Assumption of the Virgin Mary
UOL Chapter
1301 Newport Avenue
Northampton, PA 18067

Saturday, November 7, 2026

6:00 – 9:00 PM

Wine and complements will be served
Donation $35
Reservations: Call Mike - 610-262-5292