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***We are each of us angels with only one wing...***

***And we can fly embracing each other...***

Luciano DeCrenzenzo

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**May 25, 2025** – Sixth Sunday of Pascha: Sunday of the Man Born Blind; + The Third Finding of the Precious Head of the Holy, Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John; Blessed Mykola Tsehelsky, Priest and Martyr.

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*Intentions this Sunday*

Saturday at 4:15pm: Parishioners; Sunday at 9:30am: Parishioners; Sunday at 11am: Parishioners.

***Paschal Troparion***

Christ is risen from the dead,\* conquering death by death,\* and to those in the tombs\* He granted life.

***Troparia and Kontakia***

*Troparion, Tone 5:* 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.

*Troparion, Tone 4:* O prophet and forerunner,\* Christ has revealed to us your head as divine treasure concealed in the earth.\* Assembled for this discovery\* we praise Christ with hymns inspired of God.\* Through your intercessions He saves us from corruption.

*Kontakion, Tone 6:* The Forerunner, a luminous and divine support in the world,\* the lampstand of the sun,\* has revealed his resplendent and divine head to the ends of the earth.\* He hallows those who bow and cry out in faith:\* "Save us all, O most wise Baptist of Christ."

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

*Kontakion, Tone 4:* 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 for ever and ever. Amen.

*Kontakion, Tone 8:* 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, Tone 3***

Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

*Repeat:* Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

*verse:* In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

*Repeat:* Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

***Epistle***

Acts 16:16-34

### **Alleluia, Tone 8**

verse: Look upon me and have mercy.

verse: Direct my steps according to Your word.

### **Gospel**

John 9:1-38

### **Hymn to the Mother of God, in the place of It is truly right**

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 upon you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

### **Communion Hymn**

Receive the Body of Christ;\* taste the fountain of immortality.\* Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest.\* The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;\* of evil hearsay he shall have no fear.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia.

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### **Liturgical Schedule**

<b>Monday, May 26</b> The Holy Apostle Carpus, one of the seventy disciples.	Acts 17:1-15 John 11:47-57			
<b>Tuesday, May 27</b> The Holy Hieromartyr Therapontus.	Acts 17:19-28 John 12:19-36			
<b>Wednesday May 28</b> Leave-taking of Pascha	Acts 18:22-28 John 12:36-47	10am 5pm	Rosary and Divine Liturgy Great Vespers	
<b>Thursday, May 29</b> Ascension of our Lord, God and Saviour Jesus Christ.	Acts 1:1-12 Luke 24:36-53	10am	Festal Divine Liturgy	
<b>Friday, May 30</b> Our Venerable Father Isaac, Hegumen of the Dalmatin Monastery.	Acts 19:1-8 John 14:1-11	10am	Parastas (Memorial Service) Pope Francis (40 <sup>th</sup> Day)	<i>Abstinence from meat and foods that contain meat.</i>
<b>Saturday, May 31</b> The Holy Apostle Hermas; The Holy Martyr Hermes.	Acts 20:7-12 John 14:10-21	4:15pm 5:30pm	Divine Liturgy (for Sunday) Great Vespers	Intention: Parishioners
<b>Sunday, June 1</b> Seventh Sunday of Pascha: Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council of Nicaea	Acts 20:16-18, 28-36 John 17:1-13	9:30am 11am	Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian) Divine Liturgy (English)	Intention: Parishioners Intention: Parishioners

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### **Other Events this Week**

Monday, May 26 – Senior Exercise Class from 11-11:30am

Wednesday, May 28 – Senior Exercise Class from 11-11:30am

Thursday, May 29 – Cabbage Roll and Perogy making from 7am to noon. Lunch is provided.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. We welcome our guests and visitors. Thank you for worshipping with us!
2. Thank you to all who worked the brunch last weekend!
3. HOLY DAY THIS WEEK: The Ascension of Our Lord on Thursday. The Church asks us to treat this glorious feast day like a Sunday—attend one of the services offered, avoid unnecessary work.
4. GENERAL MEETING re: Forecasting and moving towards a five-year plan for the parish: Sunday, June 22 at noon.
5. THANK YOU Steve Tarasuk who came by this week with a friend to help clear up some of the loose brush on and around our parking lot.
6. SAVE THE DATE: City-wide celebration for the Jubilee Year. Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. Mass will be celebrated at 6pm at the Bondar Pavillion followed by a procession to Precious Blood Cathedral where there will be Eucharistic benediction. The Roman Catholic Bishop of Sault Ste. Marie, Bishop Thomas Dawd, will preside over the celebration and will be joined by the priests of the area.
7. Summer is almost here. If you are travelling or going to camp, don't neglect the Sunday Liturgy. The Eucharist is the source and summit of our Christian life, and to deprive ourselves of it is to starve ourselves spiritually.
8. Pregnancy Baby Bottle Campaign ongoing until Father's Day. Ways to donate: 1) Take a baby bottle and fill it with cash or a cheque and return it to the Church; 2) Donate online by credit card at [www.algomapregnancy.com/donate](http://www.algomapregnancy.com/donate); 3) Donate by e-transfer to [info@algomapregnancy.com](mailto:info@algomapregnancy.com) – make sure to include your address and contact info for receipting purposes in the memo; 4) Call them at 705-759-9100 and they can process a credit card payment over the phone.
9. Ticket of Hope Sponsorship Program: Contribute towards Ukrainian young adults closest to the war zone attending the Jubilee Year Pilgrimage in Rome this summer. Go to [ucet.ca/ticket-of-hope](http://ucet.ca/ticket-of-hope) for more information and to donate (or scan the QR code on the poster at the Church entrance). Donations are taken until June 30.

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**Outreach to Homebound Parishioners:** Know of someone who might like a priest's visit? Contact the office or Fr. Michael to arrange.

**PRAYER LIST OF SICK, SHUT-INS, AND DEAR ONES FAR AND NEAR:** Lorraine Wilson, Msgr. Anton Szymychalski, Fr. Jaroslaw Lazoryk, Wanda Duczmal, Debbie Bromeley, Antoinette Blunt, Katherine Pasternak, Walter Borowicz, Pat Stratichuk, Elsie Barrett, Betty Pauliuk, Doris Lebel, Jo-Anne Stone, Nikolaos Georgas, Denise Jacques, Phil Marinelli, Mike Plastino, Theresa Barsanti, Patty-Ann Bellerive, Jim Parniak, Connie Sampson, Lee DeMelo, Fr. Oleh Yuryk, Fr. John Barszczyk, Dorothy McIntyre, Andrea Stone Pietramale, Lynn Dunne, Fr. Andrew Kormanik, Ray Robinson, Hunter Stone, Gavin Stone, Gerard Dosko, Anderson Knight, Jann, Ron Barasanti, Peter Harlow, Larisa Pochmursky, Elizabeth Cepecawer, MaryAnn & Art Spadoni, Paul Taillefer, Erin, Dave Kowalyk, Mary Romanchuk, McGill Perry, Tammy Zalewski, Fernando Mannarino, Dave Redfern, Ora, Paul M, June, Bob, Dustin Wenmany and Tracey Burmaster, Mel Stanghetta, Norna Martynuck, Sylvie B, Bill McConnell, Anastasiia Pavliuk, Bernie Doran, Wanda Featherston, Roger McMillan, Clark Hutton, Gerry

*Lord, Jesus Christ, You Who travelled throughout Galilee healing the sick, enabling the blind to see and the lame to walk, bring healing to Your people who need it this day. Grant relief to the ones who suffer pain and physical torment. Give peace to those whose minds are tortured by mental illness and anxiety. Comfort those who are alone in their suffering; may Your people reach out to them and to all the needy this day. Send Your grace to the caregivers that they may be gentle and effective agents of Your loving mercy. May our sufferings be joined with Yours to bring healing throughout the world. Amen*

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**DONATIONS:** Sunday, May 18th Offering: \$1,185.00

In Memory of Stella Sasso & Peter Hatzipanletis: \$25.00

Building Fund: \$30.00

***THANK YOU!!***

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### **“On Call Priest”**

A priest is available in the city for emergencies 24/7. You can notify the chaplain, nurse or nursing home coordinators to contact the priest ON CALL. (705-256-6675)

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### Summer Schedule

Starting June 8<sup>th</sup>, the feast of Pentecost, we'll do something different in our parish. Instead of the usual two Divine Liturgies on Sunday morning, we'll have one at 10am followed by fellowship and a short faith education session (services on Saturday are unaffected). The month of June is busy with other things going on, so we'll start the faith education in July. A schedule of topics will be ready for next week.

In order to accommodate the language needs of our diverse parishioner base, the Liturgies will be bilingual however will alternate between being primarily-English and primarily-Ukrainian. The scripture readings will be taken in both languages. The regular service schedule will resume on September 14.

If there is a topic you'd like to hear about, let Fr. Michael know! The schedule isn't finalized yet.

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It's one of those jokes that depend on national stereotypes – but there's more to it.

### **An Englishman and a Scotsman are travelling to India.**

They reached a spot where there was a particularly wonderful view of the mountains.

**Knowing the Scotsman was proud of the hills of his homeland, the Englishman said, “The Himalayas are so tall!”**

“Aye,” the Scotsman agreed. “But only the tops of them.”

**He was obviously prepared to be impressed by heights he'd never reached in his native Highlands, but wasn't giving an inch as to the quality of the heights he was familiar with.**

His devotion was with the burns, corries, the glens, the crags and the bens he knew so very well.

**We might be like that with people at times. Someone might be known to be “high and mighty”, but we have no idea what they love, what they miss, how they are when they are tired or hungry.**

Heights might rightly and fairly be admired, but it's a wise idea to familiarize ourselves with the foundations on which they stand.

From: The Friendship Book – A THOUGHT FOR EACH DAY 2024

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