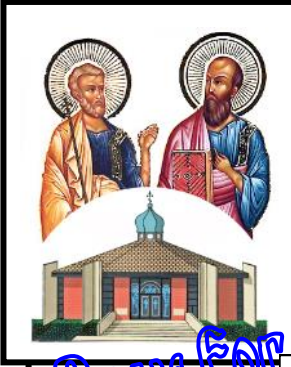


The Word of Sts. Peter & Paul



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Pray for Ukraine

Sunday of Myrrh-bearers

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Mark 15:43-16:8

And when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices so that they might come and anoint him.

Today's Sunday is called the Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women. The Myrrh-Bearers are those women who, in spite of the fear spread by the enemies of Christ, dared to go to Golgotha before Sunday's dawning, to anoint Christ's body with myrrh. Because of their ardent love and faith, they were the first to hear the glad news of Christ's resurrection and to be-

come the evangelists to the disciples who were terrified and hiding at a friend's house. The disciples were timid! The myrrh-bearing women were brave.

The Myrrh-bearing women are those women who followed the Lord, along with His Mother. They remained with her during the time of the saving Passion, and anointed the Lord's body with myrrh. Joseph and Nikódēmos asked for and received the Lord's body from Pilate. They took it down from the Cross, wrapped it in linen cloths and spices, then they laid it in a tomb, and then they placed a great stone over the entrance of the tomb. According to the Evangelist Matthew (27:57-61) Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joses (Mark 15:40) were there sitting opposite the sepulchre, and they saw where He had been laid. This other Mary was the Mother of God. Not only were these present, but also many other women, as Saint Luke says (24:10).

Today the Church honors Saints Mary Magdalene (July 22), Mary the wife of Cleopas (May 23), Joanna (June 27), Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee (August 3), Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus (June 4), and the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, who was the stepmother of her husband Joseph's sons James (October 23) and Joses (October 30).

Today we also remember Saint Joseph of Arimathea (July 31), who was a secret disciple (John 19:38), and Saint Nikódēmos, who was a disciple by night (John 3:3; 19:38).

Of these, Nicodemus was probably a Jerusalemite, a prominent leader among the Jews and of the order of the Pharisees, learned in the Law and instructed in the Holy Scriptures. He had believed in Christ when, at the beginning of our Savior's preaching of salvation, he came to Him by night. Furthermore, he brought some one hundred pounds of myrrh-oils and an aromatic mixture of aloes and spices out of reverence for the divine Teacher (John 19:39). Joseph, who was from the city of Arimathea, was a wealthy and noble man, and one of the counselors who were in Jerusalem. He went bodily unto Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus, and together with Nicodemus he gave Him burial. Since time did not permit the preparation of another tomb, he placed the Lord's body in his own tomb which was hewn out of rock, as the Evangelist says (Matthew 27:60).



Liturgical Schedule



<p>Sunday April 26 8:15am Matins 9:00am Hours <u>9:30AM</u> Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>Third Sunday of Pascha, of the Myrrh-bearing Women. Tone 2 Sts. Myrrh-Bearing Women; Righteous Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus; Sts. Mary and Martha, sisters of St. Lazarus (1st c.). Hieromartyr Basil, bishop of Amasea (322). Righteous Virgin Glaphyra of Nicomedia (322). Matins (3): Mr. 16:9-20; Acts 6:1-7 Mk. 15:43-16:8;</p>
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<p>Sunday May 3 8:15am Matins 9:00am Hours <u>10:00AM</u> Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>Fourth Sunday of Pascha, of the Paralyzed Man. Tone 3 Martyrs Timothy & Maura (286). St. Peter the Wonderworker, bishop of Argos (10th c.). St. Theodosius, abbot of the Kyiv Caves Monastery and founder of cenobitic monasticism in Kyiv (1074). Matins (4): Lk. 24:1-12; Acts 9:32-42; Jn. 5:1-15; To St.: Heb. 13:7-16; Mt. 11:27-30</p>
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<p>Saturday May 9 6:00pm</p>	Vespers
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<p>Sunday May 10 8:45am Matins 9:30am Hours <u>9:30 am</u> Divine Liturgy</p>	<p>Fifth Sunday of Pascha. Tone 4 The Samaritan Woman. Holy Apostle and Hieromartyr Symeon the Kinsman of the Lord (107). St. Eulogius the Hospitable [6th c.]. Ven. Stephen, abbot of the Kyiv Caves and bishop of Volodymyr in Volyna (1094). Matins (7): Jn. 20:1-10; Acts 11:19-26, 29-30; Jn. 4:5-42; To Apostle: 1 Cor. 4:9-16; Mt. 13:54-58</p>
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<p>Saturday May 16 6:00pm</p>	Vespers
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A life lesson from St. Thomas

When you sit on a chair, you have faith that it will not collapse under your weight. When you close your eyes at night, you go to sleep knowing the sun will rise in the East. When your mom tells you she will pick you up from your after-school club, you believe her. Why? Because you have trust and faith that all this is true based on first-hand experience. Trust and faith go hand-in-hand. But what happens if we don't have this? Do we need to see things to believe them? How can we know that what we are told is true? Last week's lesson focused on the importance of trusting God's Word as a reliable source of information. The story of "Doubting Thomas" tells us that doubts will come, and that's OK. Jesus allowed Thomas to doubt. He was there with him and appeared even after Thomas didn't blindly trust in Him. In this day and age with peer pressure, social media and AI being everywhere we turn, we may have difficulty understanding or believing things we are told or shown. We need reliable proof. Christ understands our doubts and uncertainties and will help us through them if we believe. Our proof is the Bible. Jesus told Thomas, "**Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.**" He calls us, yes US, blessed when we believe without having seen. That is what faith means--**Genuine faith is belief without physical proof.**



Jesus is always with us even in the everyday things we do. Look at the girls enjoying their drinks in the picture. There is nothing unusual about this. Now close your eyes then barely open them while looking at the picture. Once you see it, you can't un-see it. Once you feel it (faith) you can't un-feel it.

Faith doesn't make things easy...Faith makes things possible

~Ms. Debbie, Ms. Faith, Ms. Pat & Ms. Karen

Parish Council

The parish council oath ceremony is TODAY after the Divine Liturgy. Parish Council meets once a month. Next meeting is Sunday May 17 after the Coffee hour. Guests are welcome.

Sunday's Second Collection

Sunday's Second Special Collection is dedicated each month to a different cause.

Month of April is dedicated to College care packages. Month of May is dedicated to sponsor a Seminarian at UOL Convention.

UOL Convention

We are excited to announce that this year's UOL Convention will **take place here in Palos Park. July 29th through August 2, 2026**

If you would like to participate or volunteer, please see Faith Neswick, PM Olenka or Yurii Sendeha.

We will host hospitality night at Elements by the Odyssey in Orlnad Park on Wednesday night July 29th. Also, our chapter will host Ukrainian Night with great food and fashion show on Friday July 27 at our Church hall. On Sunday August 2 after the Hierarchal Divine Liturgy we will host brunch for everyone present. Volunteers welcome. *Yurii Sendeha*

Sisterhood of St. Anne

Sisterhood will have an Annual Meeting and election of officers on Sunday May 3, 2026

If you would like to purchase perogies or stuffed cabbage please see Carol Redmerski

Work Schedule:

Monday April 27 8:30am Make SK balls

Tuesday April 28 5:30pm Make SK perogies

Sunday May 3 after DL peel potatoes

Monday May 4 8:30am make Pot balls

Tuesday May 5 5:30pm make Pot perogies





Eternal Light

In memory of Olga Beck by her children Tony Beck & Susan Ziegler — \$100.00

Seven Day Vigil Candles



For the health and safety of Markian, Alec & Hannah Masur by Terese & Mark.

For the health of Brandon Reynolds by the Masur Family

For the health and God's healing of Richard Kimak by Fr. Vasyl

For the health and quick recovery of Alma Howard by PM Olenka

For the health and God's blessings for Anatoli & Pamela Ome-
lian by Fr. Vasyl

For the health and God's blessings of Patti Faye by John Batura

Thank you for your generosity : Donations

Easter donation to Humanitarian Fund

by Dave Podlecki — \$5,000.00

Selfreliance Association



Безкоштовне виповнення усіх документів для новоприбулих (Social Security, Work permit, Benefits)

Кожної Середи у Церковній залі з 9:00-17:00. За інформацією просимо звертатись до Пані Матки Оленки Сендега

“Асоціація Самопоміч.” або за телефоном (773) 692-1010

50/50

The winner for the month of March was Ukrainian School “Barvinok.”

Next drawing will take place **on Sunday April 26, 2026**

We encourage to buy tickets for the whole year for a discounted price of \$65.00. If you would like to buy for one or several months the ticket is \$6.00 for a month. You can win \$250.00.

All of the proceeds go to College Scholarship Fund of our parish. Support children of our parish family.

For more info please see Ivan Bryndzia & Vitalii Kulyk

Prayer Corner for the Month of April



We ask all of you to remember in your prayers the following individuals, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

Danylo Drapala, Nina Gregosanc & family, Larry Pierog, Mark, Judy Broud, Mary Wisniowski, Mary Pirtle, Bob Lewandowski, Andy, Bohdan, Ralph Palm, David, Irine, Zoriana, Lev, Alla Grzymiski, Nicole, John & Patti, Barbara Patronik, Barbara Bruce, Chloe McKinney, Yuriy Zmysly, Dorothy Seliga, Halyna & Wolodymer Kashpar, Mykola, Priest Vasyl Dovhan, Tina & Frankie, Alexander, Anatoli & Pamela, Janet, Sam and Rocky, Natalia, Natalia.

Pray for soldiers in Ukraine: Petro Drapala, Yaroslav, Pavlo, Slavko, Mikola, Victor, Taras, Yuriy, Stepan, Mykola, medic Stella, Oleg, Yuriy, Dmitro, Bohdan, Roman, Mykola, Kostia, missing in action Vitaliy.

Pray for Our expecting mothers:

Maria, Bozhena, Viktoria, Olha

New moms: Tetiana, Natalia, Anna, Krystyna, Pavai, Myroslava, Nataliia, Maria, Michelle.

*If there is anyone who is in need of prayers, and you want to add them to the prayer corner, please notify Fr. Vasyl
If you would like me to visit with the Sacraments of the Holy Confession and Eucharist, please call the rectory.
to set up an appointment. I will gladly visit everyone.
Fr. Vasyl*

Memorial Service

April 26 — In memory of all of those who have stepped into eternity in the month of April.



Coffee Hour Schedule



We are back to sponsored coffee hours

You can sponsor coffee hour monetarily by donating \$50.00 to cover the cost of one coffee hour.

If you would like to volunteer, please sign up the schedule is on the door of the church hall kitchen.

April 26— Beef & Chicken Roast

May 3 – open

May 10 – Mother’s Day Luncheon

May 17 – Fr. Vasyly & PM Olenka, Yurii & Nataliia Sendeha in memory of mother, grandmother Oksana Sendeha

May 24 — open

May 31 — open

June 7 — open

Mark your calendars

Sunday April 26— Beef & Chicken Roast served after the Divine Liturgy

Sunday May 10— Mother’s day Luncheon

Sunday, June 14 at 9:30am — First Confession and visit of His Eminence Archbishop Daniel. Luncheon in honor of the First Confession Class.

Sunday, June 21— Father’s day Luncheon

Free ESL Classes/Класи Англійської мови



ESL classes every Wednesday evening, in the Church Hall. Adults wishing to improve their English are welcome to join us at 5:30 p.m. If you have any questions, please see Pat Wolsko or Athena Gordan.

Безкоштовні заняття КЛАСИ ESL Кожної Середи о 5:30 вечора в церковній залі. Запрошуємо усіх, хто хоче вивчити мову, хто хоче стати більш вправним в розмові, читанні та написання англійської мови. Реєстраційні форми знаходяться на столі при вході у церкві. Якщо у вас є будь-які запитання, зверніться до Пет Волско, о. Василя або ПМ Оленки.