

New Parish Center: 20937 Ashburn Rd., #110, Ashburn, VA

**June 2023** 

#### JUNE-DAY 15 HOURS, NIGHT 9

- After 10 days of the [Ascension], when **the 50th day** from the first Sunday arrives, you are to have **a great feast**; for on it, at the third hour, the Lord Jesus sent us the gift of the Holy Spirit.... —Apostolic Constitutions, Syria (ca. 380 A.D.)
- "I hope to spend some time with you, if the Lord permits. But I will stay in Ephesus **until Pentecost**, for a wide door for effective work has opened for me, and there are many adversaries."

  —1 Corinthians 16.7–8 [57 A.D.]
- Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus... for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost.

  —Acts 20.16 [58 A.D.]
- 3 Sat 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers
- 4 Sun Pentecost Sunday, Feast of the Holy Trinity—our 45th 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy—followed by a Catered BBQ
- 5 Mon Begin the Weeks of Matthew
- 11 Sun<sup>1</sup>•VIII•Mt1</sup> First Sunday after Pentecost: Feast of All Saints 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy—Coffee Hour: Bobrovsky
- 12 Mon post-Pentecost penitential season
  - And after [marking the festivity of Pentecost] **keep a fast for a week** [origin of the misdescriptive Peter-Paul Fast—Ed.]: for it is right to rejoice over the Gift of God [meaning the Descent of the Holy Spirit—Ed.], and then to **keep a fast after the time of relaxation** [of fasting during the 50-day Paschal/Pentecost season]. —Apostolic Constitutions, Syria (ca. 380 A.D.)
- 18 Sun<sup>2•I•Mt2</sup> 10:00 a.m. Common Confession Rite in conjunction with the post-Pentecost penitential season followed by the Divine Liturgy (~10:45)—Coffee Hour: Ellmore
- 25 Sun<sup>3•II•Mt3</sup> Coffee Hour: Hawkins
- 29 Thu Saints Peter and Paul

#### JULY-DAY 14 HOURS, NIGHT 10

- 2 Sun<sup>4+III+Mt4</sup> Coffee Hour: Maggard Coffee Hour: Matyuf
- 16 Sun<sup>5•IV•Mt5</sup> Coffee Hour: Morrow
- 22 Sat Remembering Protopresbyter John Meyendorff, 1992
- 23 Sun<sup>6•V•Mt6</sup> Coffee Hour: Smith
  30 Sun<sup>7•VI•Mt7</sup> Coffee Hour: Wayland

#### AUGUST-DAY 13 HOURS, NIGHT `11

- 6 Sun<sup>8</sup>\*VII•Mt8 Transfiguration of the Lord (grapes, fruit)—Coffee Hour: Adams
- 13 Sun<sup>9•VIII•Mt9</sup> Coffee Hour: Belinsky
- 15 Tue Dormition of the Theotokos (*flowers*)
- 16 Wed Remembering Deacon Terry Peet, 1944-2019
- $\begin{array}{lll} 20 & Sun^{10 \bullet I \bullet Mt10} & \textbf{Coffee Hour: Busenberg} \\ 27 & Sun^{11 \bullet II \bullet Mt11} & \textbf{Coffee Hour: Bobrovsky} \end{array}$

#### SEPTEMBER -DAY 12 HOURS, NIGHT 12

3 Sun<sup>12•III•Mt12</sup> Coffee Hour: Ellmore

What then should Christian education be, if not the introduction into the life of the Church, an unfolding of its meaning, its contents and its purpose? And how can it introduce anyone into this life, if not by participation in the liturgical services on the one hand, and their explanation on the other hand? "Taste and see that the Lord is good": first taste, then see—i.e., understand. The method of liturgical catechesis is truly the Orthodox method of religious education because it proceeds from the Church and because the Church is its goal. —Liturgy and Life

### **Recent food pantry needs.**

- Ready to eat meal packets
- Chicken or tuna creations
- Canned Fruit
- Peanut Butter
- Rice
- Brown rice
- Sanitary Tampons

Please bring contributions and place in the grey container in the foyer.
There were no sizes indicated, but for the rice, the 1lb bags are good and for fruit both the single serve and 13oz cans are good.



#### Address of Metropolitan of Kiev and All Ukraine Epiphaniy On the anniversary of Russia's fullscale attack on Ukraine

Dear Brothers and Sisters!

Dear fellow citizens, and all people of goodwill throughout the world!

Today we commemorate the first anniversary of the great Russian invasion, which commenced aimed at the final destruction of Ukrainian statehood and of our very identity. We commemorate with fasting and prayer. We remember offering thanks to God and His holy saints for the miracle of saving our country from occupation and destruction at a time when most looked on our struggle against the aggressor as brave, but doomed to inevitable defeat.

We gratefully remember the heroes who at the cost of their own blood, and even of their lives, stopped and repelled the enemy, and gratefully remember the Ukrainian soldiers who now continue to successfully struggle for the freedom and future of the Motherland. We remember with pain and sympathy all the innocent victims of the atrocities of Russian terror, acts of genocide, and other war crimes that the minions of the Kremlin tyrant committed and continue to commit on our land. We remember our refugees who, to protect the lives of themselves and their loved ones, have been forced far away from their native home. We gratefully remember all the people of goodwill who responded to our tragedy and our pain with unprecedented acts of solidarity, provided and continue

to provide assistance, and in so doing testify not just with words, but by deeds: evil cannot and must not win!

Russia's aggression against Ukraine began more than nine years ago with the occupation of Crimea. Russia's hybrid war against our country has continued without pause since, a war in which the Kremlin tyranny employs all resources at their disposal: troops and diplomacy, economy and culture, mass media and religious communities. It seems that there is no sphere of personhood, civil society, or statehood which the Russian empire of evil will not employ in their effort to destroy Ukraine. But, like David against Goliath, our people stood against the tyranny of evil and have already won a moral victory. Thanks to their own bravery and the extraordinary support of the democratic nations of the world and people of good will, our troops continue to win victories on the battlefield as well. They free Ukrainian cities and villages from occupation and successfully prevent the aggressor's army from re-advancing.

Ukraine's moral victory and our military victories both would be impossible without an undefeatable spirit, without faith in God's help, in the ideals of truth and goodness, and faith in freedom, and without the self-sacrificing love for others which millions of Ukrainians have shown and continue to show. Thanks to our unity and spiritual indomitability, every day we become closer to the victory of truth and to a just peace for Ukraine, for which we will continue to fight.

It is with great pain that we witness the new and novel manifestations of deep cynicism through which the Kremlin tyranny coops the themes and language of religious faith, and uses the leaders of religious communities under their control along with the structures they lead, in support of its evil. There is no moral justification for the absolutely shameful position of the Moscow Patriarchate, or personally for its primate Kyril Gundyaev, who, instead of raising their voices against this insane war against Ukraine, came to bless the aggression and justify the criminals.

The Kremlin tyrant and his servants wearing uniforms, suits, and cassocks seek justification for their evil deeds by claiming they are protecting traditional Christian values. They repeat the rhetoric of the Nazis, who in much the same way sought justification for their crimes. To our ears, these attempts sound like nothing but the devil vainly quoting Holy Scripture. That is why we have a deep conviction that the ideology of the "Russian World—*Russky Mir*" should be condemned in the same way as Nazism, Bolshevism, and other hateful

ideologies that justify evil. As such, Putin, Gundyaev and other creators and propagandists of the "Russian World – *Russky Mir*" ideology must be brought, together with other war criminals, before an international tribunal and convicted. There is blood on their hands that cannot be washed away.

Every day of our struggle has a great price. Every day, every hour, and even every minute of our freedom and the freedom of Europe from the new tyranny, from the new "iron curtain", from the new wall with which the Kremlin wants to once again divide our continent is paid for with the blood and lives of Ukrainians. Therefore, we ask all our allies and partners, all democratic nations, to continue to provide all possible assistance to enable Ukraine to defeat Russia's evil empire as swiftly as possible. We are truly grateful for what has already been done for the victory of truth, but we cannot stop there because without a free, united, sovereign Ukraine, without victory over the aggressor, Europe – and therefore the entire world – will not be truly safe.

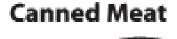




# FOOD PANTRY MOST NEEDED ITEMS

## Canned Fruits & Veggies







## Canned Beans & Soup

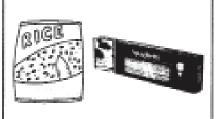




Cereal



### Whole Grain Pasta & Rice



### Peanut Butter



### Hygiene Items



Household Items



Paper Products



## Cooking Oil



Fresh Fruits & Vegetables





### Other

Diapers Fruit Cups
Wipes Granola Bars
Formula Popcorn
Infant Cereal
Nutritional Shakes
and Drinks

PopTop Cans and Microwavable Cups Preferred Low Sodium • Low Trans Fat • Sugar Free