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**11ТА НЕДІЛЯ ПІСЛЯ П'ЯТДЕСЯТНИЦІ
8 СЕРПНЯ 2021**

**ГЛАВА УГКЦ: «МИ ХОЧЕМО В УКРАЇНІ ПЕРЕЙТИ НА НОВИЙ
КАЛЕНДАР РАЗОМ ІЗ ПРАВОСЛАВНИМИ БРАТАМИ»**

В Україні ми разом із нашими православними братами святкуємо Різдво і Пасху. І як будемо змінювати календар, то робитимемо це разом. Про це заявив Отець і Глава Української Греко-Католицької Церкви Блаженніший Святослав під час прощі до Зарваниці, відповідаючи на запитання молоді про календарну реформу.



Предстоятель відзначив, що поза межами України УГКЦ у багатьох єпархіях і парафіях уже давно живе за Григоріанським календарем.

Щобільше, Блаженніший розповів, що коли був єпископом в Аргентині, то відкрив для себе, що в там у нашій Церкві ніколи не було Юліанського календаря. Наші поселенці як тільки туди приїхали, відразу перейшли на Григоріанський.

Так само у країнах нових поселень: в Італії, Португалії, Іспанії, де є цілі родини, які вкоренилися там, переходять на

Григоріанський календар. І це абсолютно нормально, бо в цих країнах ми релігійна меншина і потрібно йти в ритм із тим суспільством.

«Але інша ситуація в Україні, – наголошує Блаженніший Святослав. – Тут питання реформи календаря – це питання, яке роз'єднує, а не єднає. І це кажуть представники і православних, і нашої Церкви. Тому я ще не бачу, щоб ми в найближчій перспективі в Україні зробили масштабну календарну реформу». Глава Церкви вважає, що календарна реформа – це завжди випробування на міцність. «Навіть ті православні Церкви (Болгарська, Грецька), які її зробили, переживали церковні розколи. Адже завжди є групи, які це не підтримують. Сьогодні в нашому суспільстві існує чимало розколів, чимало роз'єднань, тому ми намагаємося не робити штучних кроків, які би могли ще більше поділити наш народ», – зауважив Предстоятель.

(продовження на ст. 3)

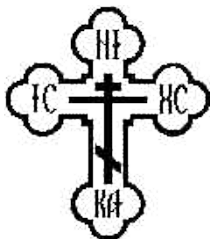
11TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

AUGUST 8TH, 2021

ПОРЯДОК БОГОСЛУЖЕНЬ (9го до 22го серпня, 2021)

ORDER OF SERVICES (August 9th to 22nd, 2021)

Понеділок – Monday 9	8:00 A.M.	+Vasyl Abramiuk (P) – Volodymyr Kusyk
Вівторок – Tuesday 10	8:00 A.M.	+Hryhorij, Natalia, Lewko, Vera, Slawko, Dana, Adrian – Luba Lukomskyj Health: Luba Lukomskyj
Середа – Wednesday 11	8:00 A.M. 7:00 P.M.	+Stephen & Diane Storkel - family for all those who are ill
Четвер – Thursday 12	8:00 A.M.	+Maria Iwankiw - family
П'ятниця – Friday 13	8:00 A.M.	+Joseph Mycyk (1 st anniv. P) +Marian Wereminski (P) – Zofia Ortiz
Субота – Saturday 14	9:00 A.M.	+Joseph Mycyk (1 st anniv. P) – Natalka Mycyk +Marian Koskiewicz
Неділя – Sunday 15	8:30 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 11:30 A.M.	+Pavlo Jachniw – family Special Intention – Luba Lukomskyj for our parishioners +Anna Kapko (1 st anniv.) - family Mothers in Prayer
Понеділок – Monday 16	8:00 A.M.	+Bishop Richard Seminack (P) – Luba Lukomskyj
Вівторок – Tuesday 17	8:00 A.M.	+Rev. Bohdan Kocur (41 st anniv. P) – family Special Intention
Середа – Wednesday 18	9:00 A.M. 7:00 P.M.	Special Intention for sanctification of clergy
Четвер – Thursday 19		ПРЕОБРАЖЕННЯ ГНІХ TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD (юліан. кал.)
	9:00 A.M.	for our parishioners
	7:00 P.M.	Special Intention
П'ятниця – Friday 20	8:00 A.M.	+Stephen & Diane Storkel - family
Субота – Saturday 21	9:00 A.M.	Special Intention
Неділя – Sunday 22	8:30 A.M. 10:00 A.M. 11:30 A.M.	for our parishioners for sanctification of clergy Mothers in Prayer



“Through Mary, we come to her Son more easily.”

"It is suffering, more than anything else, which clears the way for the grace which transforms human souls. Suffering, more than anything else makes present in the history of humanity the powers of the Redemption." — Pope St. John Paul II

(продовження з ст. 1)

Глава УГКЦ порівняв питання реформи календаря із групою прочан, які здійснюють паломництво... У групі завжди є хтось, хто йде спереду, швидше, і ті, хто позаду, а завдання провідника прощі, щоб усі йшли разом.

«Тим, хто дуже хоче швидкої календарної реформи, кажуть: зачекайте, бо не всі встигають за вами. А тим, хто думає, що календар – це догма віри і щось недоторканне, кажуть, що це так. Не відставайте і ви», – додав Блаженніший Святослав. І підсумував: «Ось так ми паломничаємо. Йдемо разом. Вважаю, Церква не втратить авторитету, коли не гнатиметься тільки за якимось ідеями. Ми дбатимемо про добро людей. Будемо чути перших і останніх».

Департамент інформації УГКЦ

ПРОСИМО МОЛИТИСЯ ЗА: о. Андрія Чировського, о. Богдана, о. Михайла Кузьму, Джона Панько, Тима Гайдера, Дебі Плішки, Мардж Матвіїв, Любу Чорну, Євгена Павліша, Любу Лукомську, Андрею Андрес, Євгенію Яхнів, Лярису Дас, Джекі Мишкієвич, Анну Назар, Келвина Макмена, Наталію Лісову, Марію Ступень, Христю Рудавську, Роксолянну Козич і за всіх недужих.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Fr. Andriy Chirovsky, Fr. Bohdan, Fr. Mykhailo Kuzma, John Panko, Tim Heider, Debbie Plishka, Marge Matviuw, Luba Chorny, Eugene Pawlisch, Luba Lukomskyj, Andrea Andres, Betty Jachniw, Laryssa Das, Jackie Myshkiewicz, Anna Nazar, Calvin McMahan, Nataliya Lisova, Maria Stupen, Christine Rudawski, Roxolana Kozych and all those in need of our prayers.

ВАШ ДАР БОГОВІ ТА ПАРАФІЇ – YOUR GIFT TO GOD & PARISH

Неділя 25го липня / Sunday, July 25th - \$2,634.00

Додаткові Парафіяльні Зобов'язання / Additional Parish Obligations - \$1,171.00

Будівельний Фонд / Building Fund – \$1,575.00

Кава / Coffee and... - \$335.00

Неділя 1го серпня / Sunday, August 1st - \$2,580.00

Будівельний Фонд / Building Fund – \$3,337.00

Поміч Дияконові / Aid to Deacon in Ukraine - \$1,143.00

Збірка для Сестер / Collection for our Sisters - \$1,765.00

ОГОЛОШЕННЯ

1. Будь ласка віддайте одну годину вашого часу у молінні перед Евхаристійним Христом який перебуває в кивоті. За інформацією дзвоніть до пані Лесі Чернецької на тел. 847-907-1624.
2. Просимо на каву, канапки і солодке після св. Літургії.
3. Зустріч "Кава з Отцями" на тему "Як навчитися любити неваважаючи ні на що в стосунках" Катедрі св. о. Миколая о год. 6 вечір в суботу 14го жовтня.

ANNOUNCEMENT

1. Please sign up for one hour a week to spend time and pray in the presence of our Eucharistic Lord. Please choose your time and sign up as you exit the church. Remember that our Lord asked the Apostles: "Could you not spend one hour with me?" For more information call Mrs. Lesia Chernetska at 847-907-1624.
2. Please join us for coffee, sandwiches and sweets after the Divine Liturgies.
3. Have "Coffee with our Priests" on Saturday, August 14th at 6PM at St. Nicholas Cathedral. The topic will be "How to learn to love in spite of everything".

Bible Study at Immaculate Conception

Starts Thursday, Sept. 9th

The book of Matthew brings the history of Christ to life. We see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who fulfills the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament, establishes the New Law, and inaugurates the kingdom of heaven. *Matthew: The King and His Kingdom*, a twenty-four-part Bible study, explores how Jesus is challenging and empowering us to a new level of holiness and shows how we must be thoroughly immersed in the kingdom of heaven on earth, the Church, to live it.

Participants will meet *Every Thursday* starting with group discussion and fellowship and then view an engaging video presentation. For more information or to register, contact Tom Kashul at 847-825-2874

Bible study cost: \$40 –includes bible study workbook and access to online videos for missed days.

HEART OF MY HEART

Meditation: During this retreat, I Myself will direct your soul. I want to confirm you in peace and love. And so, the first few days passed by. On the fourth day, doubts began to trouble me: Is not this tranquility of mine false? Then I heard these words, **My daughter, imagine that you are the sovereign of all the world and have the power to dispose of all things according to your good pleasure. You have the power to do all the good you want, and suddenly a little child knocks on your door, all trembling and in tears and, trusting in your kindness, asks for a piece of bread lest he die of starvation. What would you do for this child? Answer Me, My daughter.** And I said, "Jesus, I would give the child all it asked and a thousand times more" (*Diary*, 229).

My Prayer Response: Lord Jesus, thank You for directing our souls in times of retreat and prayer. Since You are sovereign over the whole world, direct our prayer and lives according to Your will. Thank You for Your astounding goodness to us in our need.

Conquer Bad Attitudes Before They Conquer You

Conquering bad attitudes may require more than simply changing your thinking. Bad attitudes can be caused, or at least exacerbated, by the devil. Just think about it—when you're mired in a negative attitude, what are you experiencing?

- Distrust, sadness, discouragement, even despair?
- Negative thoughts about others or yourself?
- Agitations, anger, resentment, unforgiveness?

The list could go on, but suffice it to say that these emotions are not of God. When you're trying to live a life free of sin, pursuing a deeper union with God, these movements of the heart come from the devil. Acting on these negative thoughts serves to separate you from others—from family, from friends, colleagues, or other parishioners. And the devil wants to separate you. It serves his purpose.

How the Devil Uses Bad Attitudes

It serves the purpose of the devil when you allow your negative feelings and thoughts to control you. Consider the advice of Screwtape to Wormwood in *The Screwtape Letters*: "...One can therefore formulate the general rule; in all activities of mind which favour our cause, encourage the patient to be unself-conscious and to concentrate on the object, but in all activities favourable to the Enemy bend his mind back on itself. Let an insult or a woman's body so fix his attention outward **that he does not reflect 'I am now entering into**

the state called Anger—or the state called Lust.’ Contrariwise let the reflection ‘My feelings are now growing more devout, or more charitable’ so fix his attention inward that he no longer looks beyond himself to see our Enemy or his own neighbours...” [**Emphasis** added.} The “Enemy” refers to God. It’s to the devil’s advantage, and to the eternal disadvantage of your soul, to not be aware of the movements of your heart. But if you’re not aware of what’s going on, how can you even begin to fight back? This is where discernment of spirits comes in to help identify desolation (the bad attitude) and its source.

Discernment of Spirits in Bad Attitudes

In his [rules](#) for discernment of spirits, [St. Ignatius of Loyola](#) describes desolation as follows:

I call desolation all the contrary of the third rule, such as darkness of soul, disturbance in it, movement to low and earthly things, disquiet from various agitations and temptations, moving to lack of confidence, without hope, without love, finding oneself totally slothful, tepid, sad and, as if separated from one’s Creator and Lord.

In addition to distrust, discouragement, despair, and agitation, desolation may include a lack of confidence in God’s love for you or for others. Whatever the focus of the desolation, it’s important to nip it in the bud.

Quash the Bad Attitudes Before They Become Bad Actions

Why is it important to quickly put the kibosh on desolation? Screwtape’s advice to nephew Wormwood continues...

Do what you will, there is going to be some benevolence, as well as some malice, in your patient’s soul. **The great thing is to direct the malice to his immediate neighbours whom he meets every day** and to thrust his benevolence out to the remote circumference, to people he does not know. The malice thus becomes wholly real and the benevolence largely imaginary [**Emphasis** added].

The overall approach of the demons is to help convert bad attitudes into bad behaviors, causing more sin and separation in the Mystical Body of Christ. Feeling agitated today? Just wait till the next unsuspecting victim says something that you can misconstrue! Angry about something? Go after it aggressively—don’t bother having a reasoned discussion. Does the sight of that one person cause you resentment? Spend time thinking about how despicable they are, rather than praying for them, and for conversion of your own heart. That’s what the devil wants.

Be Aware, Understand, Take Action

Don’t give it to him—don’t give the devil what he wants. Take St. Ignatius’ advice to be aware, understand, and take action. Be aware of what’s going on inside of you. Pay attention to what’s happening in your heart—is it God’s peace and love, or the devil’s agitation, temptation, or discouragement? Understand what’s going on—why do you feel the way you do right now? Then, take action; reject the desolation of the demons. Accept God’s love and consolation for you.

We might call this spiritual [emotional intelligence](#). Becoming more self-aware of what’s going on, and how it integrates with one’s spiritual life can lead to greater freedom. By being aware, understanding, and taking action quickly, you can escape the clutches of the demons.

Reject, Rebuke, and Renounce the Spirits Behind the Bad Attitudes

Consider using or adapting the following process, with God’s grace, to move out of desolation.

In the name of Jesus reject, rebuke, and renounce any spirits attempting to drag you down. Name them, based on the emotions you’re experiencing. Examples might include aggravation, agitation, anger, resentment, unforgiveness, discouragement, confusion, critical judgment, doubt, etc. Then, in the name of Jesus, take authority and command those spirits

to go away and leave you alone—now. Dash them against the foot of the cross of Jesus Christ.

Accept and reaffirm the truth, in the name of Jesus, citing appropriate Scripture passages. You may have your favorite passages that you refer to from time to time. If so use them. Fr. Esper's book, *Saintly Solutions to Life's Common Problems*, has suggestions of passages in it for a variety of challenges individuals might face. As well, consider asking your spiritual director or confessor for some recommendations.

God's Grace Will Free You from Bad Attitudes If You Let It

With God's grace, you can free yourself from bad attitudes, sinful thoughts, and negative thinking that lead to sinful actions. Allow Our Lord to soften your heart (cf. [Ezekiel 36:26](#)) and make room in it for His love and grace. Take it to [prayer](#). Talk to Him about what's going on, and ask for help. He doesn't want you to live in desolation and separation from others. He needs you to be a joyful disciple, radiating his love for others, drawing them to Him for His greater glory and their salvation.

A final note: sometimes, when we read this kind of article, we can think of the many *others* who could benefit from the advice in it. However, we probably ought to pray to God, asking for illumination of our own conscience, to show us how we *personally* might benefit from it. (cf. [Mt 7:5](#)). Our Lord can free us from our bondage if we only let Him.

OUR LADY OF MEDJUGORJE, QUEEN OF PEACE

"Medjugorje is the spiritual center of the world"

(St. Pope John Paul II)

Happy Birthday, Dearest Mother Mary!!

August 5, 2021

Dear Family of Mary!

Happy Birthday, Dear Mother Mary!!

I would like to remind us all that August 5 is a special day! In August of 1984 Our Lady shared a secret with the visionaries. She told them that her actual birth date is August 5! And in 1984 it was her 2000th birthday! The visionaries recall that Our Lady asked them to spend 3 days, fasting and praying for her intentions so that on her birthday she could receive the gifts she desired.

The visionaries complied with her request. For three days they fasted, and their prayer group fasted, and prayed. During those three days the visionaries say that Our Lady was very joyful and she repeated to them: **"I am very happy, continue, continue, continue to pray and to fast!!!"**

Our Lady also told the visionaries **"The priest who will hear confession will have great joy on that day."**

When August 5th arrived there were over 70 priests present, hearing confessions without rest, and there were a great number of conversions. It was reported that the stoles of the priests who were hearing confession on that day were dripping with the tears of those confessing.

When Our Lady appeared, she told the visionaries, **"Never in my life have I cried with sorrow, as I have cried this evening with joy. Thank you!"**

Like a flower when it blooms, and full of joy, Our Lady also said: **"Continue, continue, open your hearts, ask God and I will ask for you."**

It seems that Our Lady's intentions were for the conversion of her children! And she received many souls back into the life of grace that day!!

Let's give Our Lady a birthday present today!! Pray an extra Rosary in her honor and for her intentions, especially for the conversion of her children. We love you, dearest Mother Mary!!

In Jesus, Mary, and Joseph!

Cathy Nolan Mary TV 2021



ПРИГАДУЄМО УСІМ ПАРАФІЯНАМ

Щоб гідно приймати Святі Тайни парафіянин повинен жити за правилами віри та серйозно підготуватися. Добрі (віддані) парафіяни є ті котрі:

1. В неділі й свята беруть участь в Святій Літургії
2. Жертвують час, таланти і матеріально підтримують парафію
3. Записані до парафії
4. Знають загальні правди й молитви нашої віри

A REMINDER TO ALL PARISHIONERS

Reception of the Sacraments requires the committed practice of the faith and serious preparation. Committed parishioners are those who:

1. Attend Divine Liturgy on Sunday's and Feast Days
2. Give of their time, talents and financial resources
3. Have enrolled in the parish
4. Know and understand the basic prayer and tenets of our faith

Remember Our Parish in Your Will

You can leave a lasting legacy to benefit future generations! Please remember our Immaculate Conception Ukrainian Catholic Parish when creating your will. Your good works will continue after you have gone! ***Please contact the office for information.***

Згадайте нашу парафію у Вашому заповіті

Ви можете залишити частину своєї спадщини на благо майбутніх поколінь! Ласкаво, памятайте, парафію Непорочного Зачаття Пречистої Діви Марії при створеню Вашого заповіту. Ваші добрі діла будуть продовжуватися після Вашого повернення Додому, до вічного життя!