

WELCOME TO THE GOD-LOVING 8. GOD-PROTECTED PARISH OF ST. MICHAEL'S!

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"Each one shall give what he has decided in his own mind, not Grudgingly or because he is made to - for God loves a cheerful giver." - II Cor. 9:7

September 17, 2023

SERVICE SCHEDULE

<u>Sunday, Sept. 17</u>: 15th Sunday after Pentecost / Hieromartyr Babylas, bishop of Antioch, with Martyrs Urban, Prilidian, and Epolonius, and their mother Christodula Tone 6 / Epistle: 2 Cor. 4:6-15; Gospel: Mt. 22:35-46 9:00AM Divine Liturgy – Live video broadcast on our Facebook page: page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/StMichaelUOC/</u>

WEEKDAY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Mon., Sept. 18: Holy Prophet Zacharias and Righteous Elizabeth parents of St. John the Forerunner Epistle: Gal. 4:28–5:10; Gospel: Mk. 6:54–7:8 <u>Tues, Sept. 19</u>: Commemoration of the Miracle of the Archangel Michael at Colossae Epistle: Gal. 5:11-21; Gospel: Mk. 7:5-16 Wed., Sept. 20: Martyr Sozon of Cilicia – FAST Epistle: Gal. 6:2-10; Gospel: Mk. 7:14-24 Thur, Sept. 21: THE NATIVITY OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY Epistle: Phil. 2:5-11; Gospel: Lk. 10:38-42; 11:27-28 **10:30AM Divine Liturgy** Fri., Sept. 22: Holy and Righteous Ancestors of God Joachim and Anna – FAST Epistle: Eph. 1:7-17; Gospel: Mk. 8:1-10 Sat., Sept. 23: Saturday before the Exaltation / Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos / Martyrs Menodora, Metrodora, and Nymphodora Epistle: 1 Cor. 2:6-9; Gospel: Mt. 10:37-11:1 Sunday, Sept. 24: 16th Sunday after Pentecost / Sunday before the Exaltation / Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos / Ven. Theodora of Alexandria Tone 7 / Epistle: 2 Cor. 6:1-10; Gospel: Mt. 25:14-30 9:00AM Divine Liturgy – Live video broadcast on our Facebook page: page: https://www.facebook.com/StMichaelUOC/ Remember: even when you are absent, expenses continue

SCRIPTURE READINGS: SUNDAY, SEPT. 17, 2023

2 Corinthians 4:6-15 (Epistle)

BRETHREN, For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed – always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So then death is working in us, but life in you. And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak, knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

Matthew 22:35-46 (Gospel)

At that time, one of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, and saying, "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets." While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?" They said to Him, "The Son of David." He said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying: 'The LORD said to my Lord, sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool'? If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his Son?" And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore.

PARISH NEWS

--WE EXTEND BIRTHDAY GREETINGS TO: Katherine Rosin

(Sept. 12), and Brandee Nicole Leon {Sept. 12), may God grant you, all, Many, Happy Years! Многая літа!

--**IT IS WITH GREAT SADNESS** that we share the news that Richard Imondi, husband of the late Leslie (Kuczer) Imondi, fell asleep in the Lord this week.

> Services: Friday, September 22nd S. DiPardo Memorial Chapel Funeral Home 1583 Diamond Hill Woonsocket Calling hours -10-11am Service to follow at the funeral home Burial: St. Michael cemetery.

Please pray for the soul of Richard and for peace and strength for his family and friends during their time of grief. **Memory Eternal!**

--<u>SPECIAL THANK YOU</u>: To all our workers and sponsors who helped to make our Ukrainian Festival a success, despite the rain.

--<u>2ND COLLECTION</u>: The Special Collection for September will be to help with the expenses of repairing the front steps of the Church. Please be as generous as possible. Thank you!

--ST. MICHAEL CEMETERY ACCESS: Polish National Cemetery has a contract to excavate and to remove gravel from their cemetery. The operation will take place Monday thru Friday between 7am – 5pm and Saturday 9am – 12 pm. Be aware that you may encounter quite a bit of activity involved on the shared road. **UPDATE:** A metal plate has been placed over the culvert (brook). Please drive with care as it is not fastened. Also, please lock the gate and DO NOT remove the chain from the lock. Your cooperation would be greatly appreciated. Thank You.

--REQUEST FROM CEMETERY COMMITTEE:

Notification was given at a Parish meeting that the trash barrels are no longer available on the cemetery grounds. They were an eyesore. The Parish Board would appreciate your cooperation in the upkeep of the cemetery grounds by removing your trash and not piling it up against the vault. Please bring your own trash bags when you visit the cemetery. Thank you for your cooperation.

UPCOMING PARISH & INTER-PARISH EVENTS

--2nd Wednesday of every month – Akathist to the Mother of God, Healer of Cancer @ 7PM / Please submit the names of those you want to have remembered to Fr. Boris.

--Saturday, Sept. 30 – Beef Barn Fall Festival 10AM – 4PM

UOL CORNER

--UOL'S MISSION STATEMENT: "The Ukrainian Orthodox League is a national volunteer organization of members in the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA, who are committed to promoting the Orthodox Faith, supporting the Church, developing the potential of our youth and their active participation in the life of the Church, and preserving Ukrainian heritage and culture."

--UOL MOTTO: "Dedicated to our Church, Devoted to Its Youth"

--<u>Goals of the UOL</u>:

- Promoting active participation in all aspects of the Orthodox faith and supporting the Church.
- Developing and maintaining programs and projects which educate members and promote dedication and commitment to the Church, Her teachings, traditions, and missions.
- Proving opportunities for the development of leadership skills and responsibility among the youth of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA.
- Providing and promoting information on Ukrainian heritage and history to the general public and establishing means which ensure the continuation of cultural awareness and pride within our membership.

--MEMBERSHIP IN THE UOL: Please consider joining the

Ukrainian Orthodox League today!

What are the benefits of joining? You will have the satisfaction of knowing that your membership supports the organization that brought you All Saints Camp, St. Sophia Seminary, programming for youth and adults and scholarships for seminarians, priests and future lay leaders.

Your membership helps to support the following national UOL Commissions, Committees and Activities: Youth Commission / UOL Bulletin / Ways and Means / UOL Retreats / Vocations & Clergy Support / Essay Contest / Membership / Cultural / Activities / Christian Caregiving & Missions / Young Adult Events / Education / LSSK Scholarships / All Saints Camp / MJSF/ Scholarships for Seminarians

If you are a member, you will join a fellowship to advance our motto Dedicated to Our Church – Devoted to Its Youth. You will be able to participate in UOL activities and retreats, be seated as a delegate at the annual convention, be able to run for the National Executive Board and receive the UOL Bulletin. With chapter membership you have the added benefit of being able to share in a camaraderie of purpose to do projects benefitting your parish, the local community and the national organization.

St. Michael's has chapter! Our next UOL meeting will be on September 24th during Coffee Hour. Come see what we are all about! At this meeting will have the annual election of officers and collection of annual membership dues and set the agenda for the upcoming year. Past years activities have included hosting several parish dinners, fundraisers for Ukraine, Adopt-a-Family for Christmas giving and hosted the Spring Cookie Walk. We would also like to know how the UOL can help YOU!

Current members: If you are interested in being an officer this year please talk to Janice or Erika. We encourage our members to submit their dues as soon as possible and no later than the September 24th meeting.

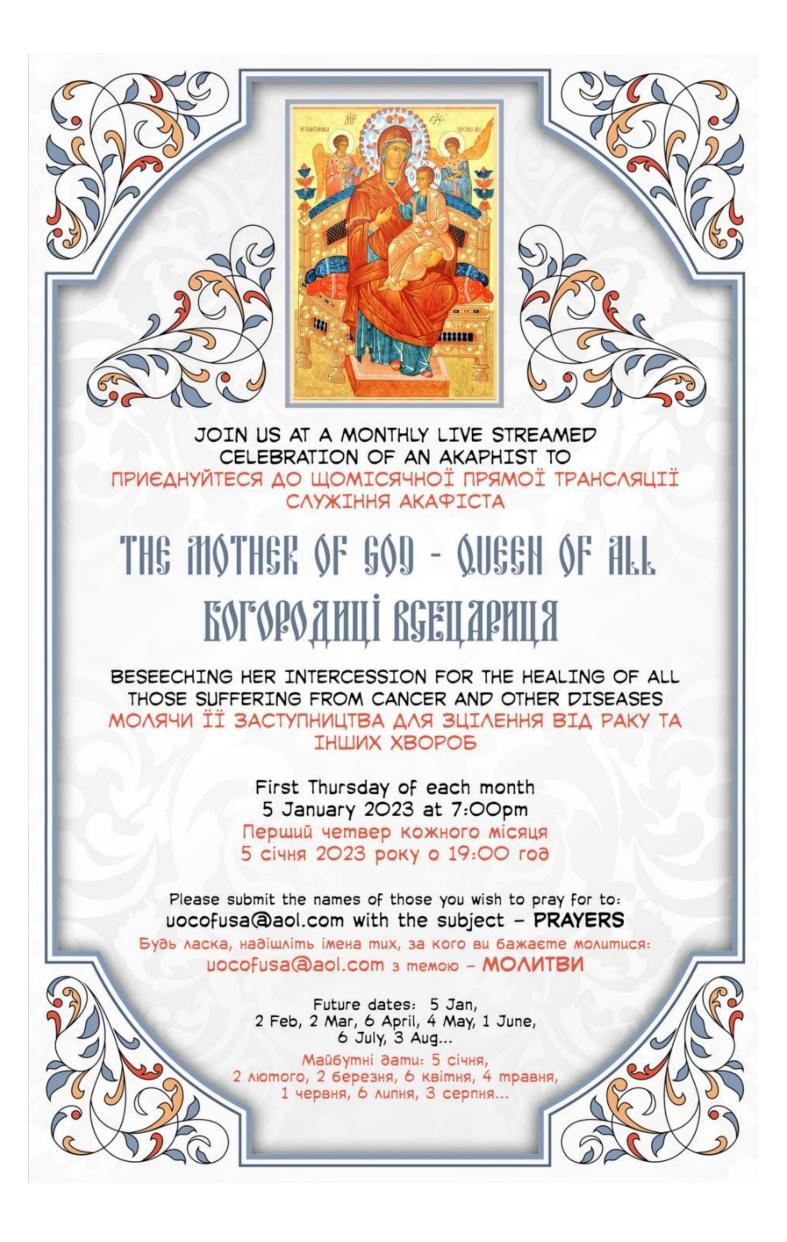
If you have any questions about membership, please feel free to contact Erika - <u>einamaka@gmail.com</u> / Janice - <u>bridesong150@gmail.com</u> --<u>SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24</u>, during the coffee hour will be a

meeting of the UOL.

CHURCH SCHOOL CORNER

--<u>SUNDAY, SEPT. 17</u> – Blessing of the children and the beginning of the new school year. Welcoming Pizza Luncheon for the Sunday School children.

--SUNDAY, SEPT. 24 - Beginning Sunday School classes.





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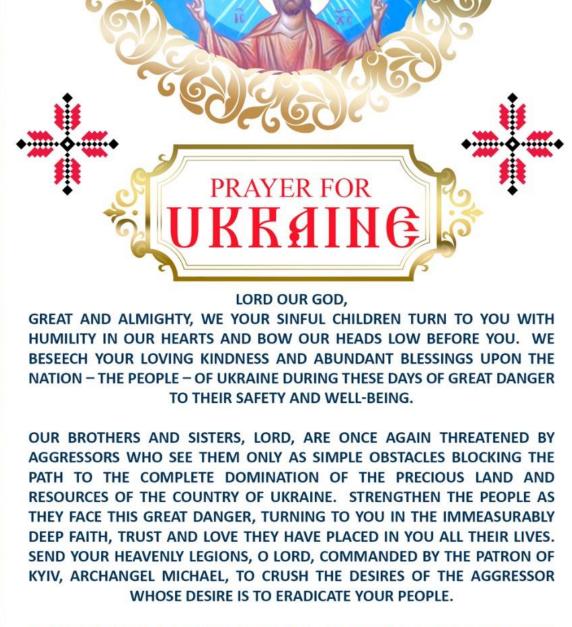
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НЕБЕЗПЕКИ ДЛЯ ЇХ МИРНОГО ЖИТТЯ І ДОБРОБУТУ. О ГОСПОДИ, НАШИМ БРАТАМ І СЕСТРАМ, ЗНОВУ ЗАГРОЖУЮТЬ АГРЕСОРИ, ЯКІ БАЧАТЬ У НИХ ЛИШЕ ПРОСТУ ПЕРЕШКОДУ, ЩО ПЕРЕГОРОДЖУЄ ШЛЯХ ДО ПОВНОГО ПАНУВАННЯ НАД ДОРОГОЦІННОЮ ЗЕМЛЕЮ ТА РЕСУРСАМИ УКРАЇНИ. ЗМІЦНИ ЛЮДЕЙ, У ЧАСІ ЦІЄЇ ВЕЛИКОЇ НЕБЕЗПЕКИ, ЯКІ ЗВЕРТАЮТЬ СЯ ПО ТЕЕЕ У БЕЗМІРНО ГЛИБОКІЙ ВІРІ. ПОВІРІ ТА ЛЮБОВІ, ЯКІ

ЗВЕРТАЮТЬСЯ ДО ТЕБЕ У БЕЗМІРНО ГЛИБОКІЙ ВІРІ, ДОВІРІ ТА ЛЮБОВІ, ЯКІ ВОНИ ПЛЕКАЛИ ДО ТЕБЕ УСЕ СВОЄ ЖИТТЯ. ЗІШЛИ ГОСПОДИ, СВОЇХ НЕБЕСНИХ АНГЕЛІВ, ЯКИМИ КЕРУЄ ПОКРОВИТЕЛЬ МІСТА КИЄВА АРХІСТРАТИГ МИХАЇЛ, ЩОБ ВИКОРІНИТИ БАЖАННЯ АГРЕСОРА ЗНИЩИТИ НАШ НАРОД.

ДАРУЙ ГОСПОДИ, ЄДНІСТЬ РОЗУМУ, СЕРЦЯ І ДУШІ ВСІМ ДЕРЖАВНИМ ЛІДЕРАМ І ТИМ, КОМУ ВОНИ СЛУЖАТЬ. ОБ'ЄДНАЙ ЇХ УСІХ В ОДНУ ВЕЛИКУ ХРИСТИЯНСЬКУ РОДИНУ, ЩОБ ВОНИ РАЗОМ, ЯК БРАТИ І СЕСТРИ, ПРОСЛАВЛЯЛИ ТВОЄ ВЕЛИЧНЕ ІМ'Я – БОГА В СВЯТІЙ ТРОЙЦІ – ОТЦЯ, СИНА І СВЯТОГО ДУХА, НИНІ І ПОВСЯКЧАС, І НА ВІКИ ВІЧНІ. АМІНЬ.

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GRANT UNITY OF MIND, HEART AND SOUL, O LORD TO ALL LEADERS IN PUBLIC SERVICE WITH THOSE THEY SERVE. UNITE THEM ALL INTO ONE, GREAT CHRISTIAN FAMILY, SO THAT TOGETHER, AS BROTHERS AND SISTERS, THEY MAY GLORIFY YOUR MAJESTIC NAME – GOD IN THE HOLY TRINITY – FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT, NOW AND EVER AND UNTO THE AGES OF AGES. AMEN.

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