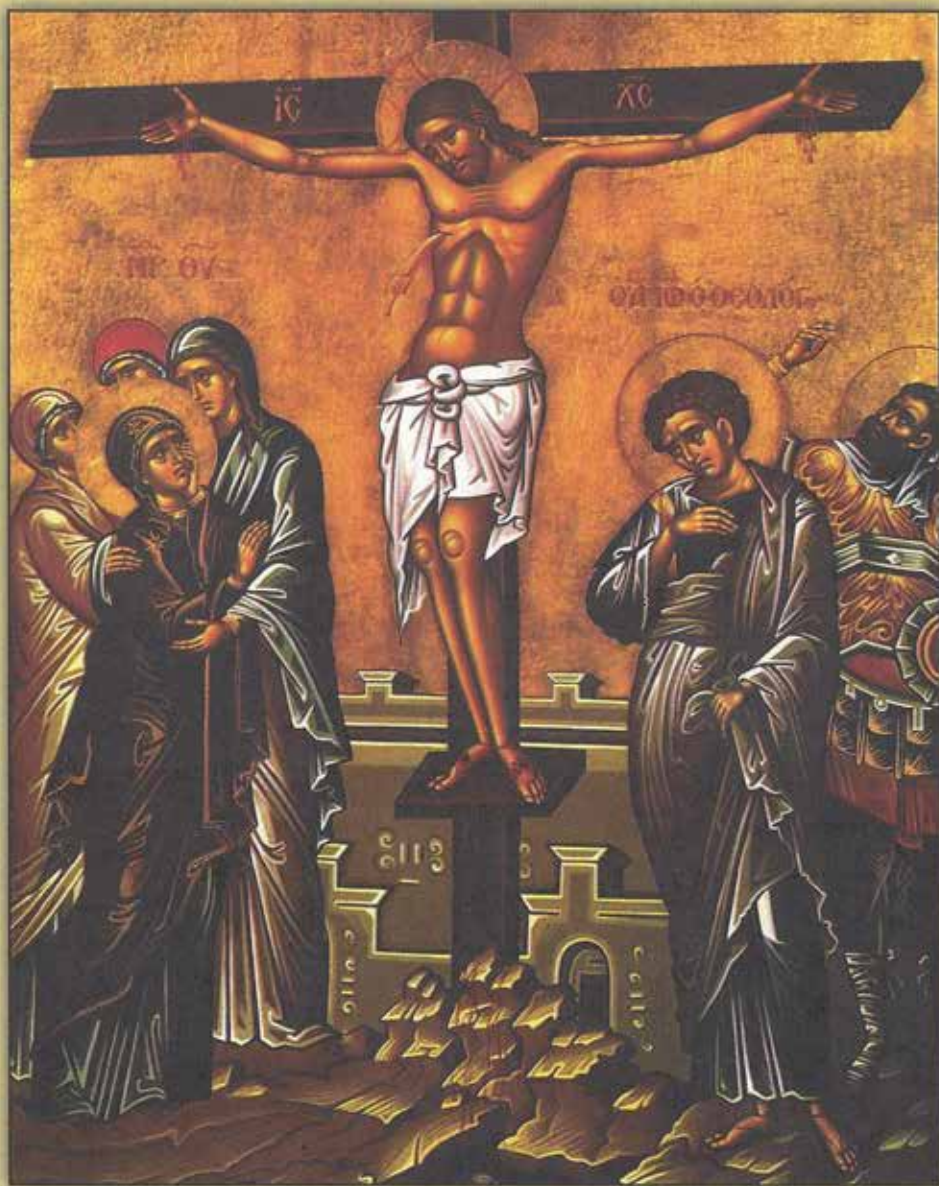


SUNDAY AFTER THE EXALTATION  
OF THE HOLY CROSS



*Icon of the Crucifixion of Christ on the Cross*

## September 16, 2018: Sunday After the Exaltation

Epistle: Gal. 2: 16-20

Gospel: Mk. 8:34 - 9:1

**Mon., Sept. 17** 8:00 + John Sereditch (St. Cyril's Holy Name Society)

**Tues., Sept. 18**  
to **No Divine Liturgies**

**Fri., Sept. 21**

**Sat., Sept. 22** **No Morning Divine Liturgy**  
10:30 Confessions  
2:00 Confessions  
4:00 pm + Mary Zenzel (Lisa & Joseph Lowe)

**Sun., Sept. 23** 9:00 + Jill King (John & Mary Ann Turko)  
11:30 For Our Parishioners

### Antiphon 1

O God, my God, hear me; why have You forsaken me?  
The words of my transgressions put salvation far from me.  
*Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.*

O God, I will call to You by day but You will not listen;  
and by night, yet it will not be foolish of me.  
*Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.*

But You, the praise of Israel, dwell in the holy place.  
*Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.*

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### Antiphon 3

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior.  
*Son of God, crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!*  
Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms.  
*Son of God, crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!*  
For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth.  
*Son of God, crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!*

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**Entrance Hymn**

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ.

*Son of God, crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to You: Alleluia*

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**Hymn to the Mother of God**

O my soul, magnify the most precious cross of the Lord. You are a mystical Paradise, O Mother of God, who though untilled, have brought forth Christ. He has planted upon earth the life-giving Tree of the Cross.

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**Communion Hymn**

Let the light of Your countenance, O Lord,\* shine upon us.\*

Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia.

**Clergy Retreat**

All of the active Clergy of the Archeparchy of Philadelphia will be gathering in Long Branch, NJ, for our Annual Clergy Retreat. The Clergy Retreat will last from Monday, September

17 through Thursday, September 20. Please remember all of us as we recharge our “Spiritual Batteries.” In case of an emergency, please call any Catholic Priest.

**Reception of Holy Communion**

Parishioners who have canes or walkers or are a bit unsteady on their feet, are invited to come up and stand inside the first pew on Mary’s side of the Church to receive Communion. Father will come down to you. Perhaps a good time to come up to the first pew would be right after the Our Father, so you will be in place inside the first pew when Communion time arrives.

And to ALL parishioners: please do not close your eyes when you receive communion. Just tilt your head back, open your mouth wide as though you are yawning, and do not touch the spoon or close your mouth or lips on the spoon. And do not say “Amen,” since the priest already says it for you during his prayers at the moment you are receiving.

## Our Condolences

In your Christian Charity, please remember in your prayers + **Fred Jacobs** who recently fell asleep in the Lord. + Fred was buried from St. Cyril's on Thursday, September 13, 2018. May his memory be eternal! Vichnaya Pamyat!

## Update for the 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Rummage Sale (September 21, 22, & 23, 2018)

FINALLY!!!! The last week for preparation for our biggest fundraiser for our church!!!! September 21, 22, 23rd. We look forward to seeing everyone at the Sale!!! We thank all of our volunteers who made this possible.

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### RISE AND SHINE

On September 20, 2018, Thursday, we are happy to announce that PAHOMEPAGE.com (channel 28 and 22) will be broadcasting live from St. Cyril's School gym for our Rummage Sale. We must arrive by 4:30 a.m.- 4:45 a.m. for the morning show with Lauren Hensley. What great publicity for our Church and fundraiser. We know it's early, but it's your chance to be on TV and promote our Rummage Sale. If you plan to attend, wear the St. Cyrils t-shirt or polo shirt. Any questions, Contact Lauren. Invite your family and friends!!!!

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RAFFLE TICKETS AVAILABLE: OVER 70+ baskets and Food and Refreshments!!!

You would be amazed at the fine work all the volunteers have accomplished over the last 5 months. After the Divine Liturgy, (don't run to your car, but walk over to the rummage sale) take a few minutes, walk the 25 feet to the school gym and support this fundraiser and fellow parishioners. You just might find something among the 15,000 items, purchase food, and even purchase a raffle ticket. The Rummage Sale is over at 6:00 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday September 22 and 23. Support this Fundraiser!!!!

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1. Time and dates for this week: September 17-September 24th (Please note the time changes for the week) Contact: Lauren 646-241-9443, or Michaelene (570) 209-2026.

### PRE-Rummage Sale Hours and Rummage Sale Hours

Monday\*(17),Tuesday(18)Wednesday(19) 10:00 a.m- 6:00 p.m.

Thursday (20) Starting at 4:30 a.m. for PAHomepage TV-Channel WYOU/WDAU 22-WBRE 28 being featured, starting at 5:00 a.m-7:00 a.m. (Be sure to tune in at home, catch the news at NOON! and Pahomepage.com)

The School gym will re-open at noon on Thursday (20).

Friday\*\* (21) First day of the Sale!!! The Busiest.... Doors open at 8:00 a.m. Please arrive early, by 7:30 a.m. Wear your St. Cyril Shirts!!! Lunch will be provided. Volunteers are needed throughout the day!!!! until 6:00 p.m.

Saturday\*\* (22) 2ND day of the Sale!!! It is busy in the morning!!!! Volunteers are needed throughout the day, starting at 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Lunch is provided.

Sunday\*\* (23) 3rd day of the Sale!!! Volunteers are needed throughout the day, starting at 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Lunch is provided. The Rummage Sale Raffle of Baskets will take place at approximately 2:00 p.m

Monday (24) The day after!!!! Starting at noon, it will be time to reorganize the school gym for any future sales, yet to be determined.

2.\* We need the men of the parish to help with the furniture that is set up in Father's Nestor garage and eventually moved to the driveway the week of September 17th, 2018, starting on Monday at 10:00 a.m.,( Tuesday and Wednesday) Volunteers can arrive on Thursday (20) at noon for the final "tweaking" for the Rummage Sale.

Call Lauren regarding how long the school School gym will be open on any given day (646-241-9443) or Michaelene 570-209-2026

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3. \*\*All Parishioners: Men, woman and teen-ages are needed on the 21 and 22 and 23rd during the sale: no experience needed: hand out boxes, give help to the customers, security at the doors, helping wrap and bags the items as they are sold, selling raffle tickets, selling jewelry, serve food and refreshments, young men to help customers carry items to their cars etc... Arrive in the morning or come at noon, just show up and help out at this fundraiser. Lunch will be provided for the volunteers.

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4. The "yellow flyers" for the sale are available in the vestibule of the Church. Everyone can take as many as you need!!! Where ever you go, ask permission to have the flyer posted!!!! If

they don't have a public bulletin board, perhaps they can post it for their employees in their lunch room . Give to everyone you may come in contact with....even the employees of your doctor's office( we all have those doctor appointments every week) Let's see those "yellow flyers" EVERYWHERE!

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5. The order for T-shirts are expected to arrive on Wednesday, September 19th. See Lauren to pick them up in the afternoon at the school gym.

### **Rummage Sale Refreshments**

This year, the "Kitchen Crew" will be selling the following items during the Rummage Sale: breakfast sausage sliders, hotdogs (plain, w/ kraut or Texas sauce), Sloppy Joes, meatball sandwiches, kielbosi, porketta, halushki, and, added this

year, halupki (while they last). Homemade baked goods will, also, be featured. Even if you're not a rummage shopper, you can support your parish during this major fundraiser by patronizing the "refreshment stand."

### **Appeal to All Bakers of the Parish**

We would appreciate any donations of home baked desserts. (Last year, cupcakes and muffins did not sell well.) In choosing your recipe, please keep in mind that we have very limited refrigeration space. Your goodies may be dropped off

at the kitchen at the back of the gym starting Thursday, the 20th. Please identify the item and specify if it contains nuts. Please call Mary Ann at 570-489-4648 with any questions.

### **86<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage to the Mother of God Sisters of the Order of Saint Basil the Great**

This year's 86<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage honoring the Mother of God will be held on Sunday, September 30, 2018 on the grounds of the Motherhouse of the Sisters of Saint Basil the Great in Fox Chase Manor, PA. The theme of this year's Pilgrimage is "A Call to Personal Prayer."

The day begins with the opportunity

for confession starting at 9:00 am. A Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 11:00 am by our Ukrainian hierarchy and clergy. The homilist for the Divine Liturgy and Moleben will be His Grace, Bishop Benedict Aleksiychuk, Eparchial Bishop of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Nicholas in Chicago. Lunch will be available afterwards, featuring traditional

Ukrainian food. The day will conclude with a prayer service (Moleben) at 4:00 pm at the Grotto.

Special programs on prayer for children and adults!

For further information, please call

215.379.3998 x17 or visit the Sisters' website at [www.stbasils.com](http://www.stbasils.com) or on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/pages/Sisters-of-the-Order-of-St-Basil-the-Great-Jenkintown-PA/280623061977867?fref=ts](https://www.facebook.com/pages/Sisters-of-the-Order-of-St-Basil-the-Great-Jenkintown-PA/280623061977867?fref=ts).

## Wedding Anniversary Celebration

This year, on Sunday, October 21, 2018 at 11:00AM in our Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Philadelphia, Pa. Bishop Andriy Rabiw will join with our married faithful in celebrating the Divine Liturgy honoring Married Life.

We invite all of our married faithful wishing to celebrate their wedding anniversary in this very special way to come and join in the celebration! It will be a celebration of their love and commitment to each other in the holy state of Matrimony and a witness to the world of their

life-long commitment to the Holy Mystery of Crowning, the Sacred Sacrament of Matrimony.

During the Divine Liturgy, they will renew their wedding vows, as they gather with other jubilarians from throughout the Archeparchy to celebrate their love, faith, and commitment to each other in the presence of Almighty God and family and friends.

After the Divine Liturgy, a dinner with Bishop Andriy will be an opportunity for all to break bread together.

## Collection Processing Team...

The Collection Processing Team for the month of September 2018 is Team

#1: Roger Barren & Jerry Sereditch

## Sunday Collection for September 8 & 9, 2018: \$

### Altar Boy and Lector Schedule for September 22 & 23, 2018

|          | Altar Boys                             | Lectors         |
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| 4:00 pm  | Samuel Szczesniak -- Nicholas Borowski | Bill Vervan     |
| 9:00 am  | Cole Marcinko -- Brennin Marcinko      | Pat Marcinko    |
| 11:30 am | Tyler Muchisky -- Nicholas Muchisky    | Frank Lesnefsky |

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### *Whatever Their Size, Carry Them*

"Whoever loses his life for my sake and the Gospel's will save it." One who knew the meaning of Jesus' words so well was Flannery O'Connor, the distinguished Catholic novelist who died in 1964 at the age of 39. From the age of 25 she lived with the knowledge she had a terminal disease, Lupus, - not to mention her sufferings from bone disintegration, shingles, anemia, and a tumor. Yet it was during fourteen years of sickness and suffering that she produced her greatest works of literary art. Her strong faith enabled her to say: "I have never been anywhere but sick. In a sense sickness is a place, more instructive than a long trip to Europe. Sickness before death is a very appropriate thing and I think those who don't have it miss one of God's mercies ..."

Those are strong words! How could a young woman call sickness one of God's mercies? Yet Jesus'

words in the Gospel are just as strong: "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and follow in my steps."

In some way Flannery O'Connor was able to accept the cross of her sickness and follow in the Lord's footsteps. But she didn't do it with a nice sweet smile on her face. She did it with strong courage and conviction. She realized that her own sickness was the very thing that helped her to look at life around her with the eyes of faith; and to translate that life into literary pages that would win her international fame as a writer. Each one of us is called upon to carry a cross in our life at some time. For some it may be the cross of emotional or spiritual suffering, rather than physical suffering. Sometimes there are big crosses, sometimes small. Whatever their size, Jesus calls upon us to carry them.