

Pastoral Ministry and Sacraments:

Sacrament of Confession: on Sundays and Holy Days one hour before Divine Liturgy and other days, by Appointment;

Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist for the sick: by appointment, anytime;

Anointing of the sick, and hospital visits: by appointment, anytime;

Baptisms: by appointment;

Marriages: by appointment, at least 6 months in advance;

Funerals: by appointment.



SAINT IRENE BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH
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Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Неділя після Воздвиження Чесного і Животворящого
Хреста Господнього

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE: September 15—September 22

Sunday, September 15—Sunday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. (use handouts)

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy For Parishioners, Benefactors and Friends of St. Irene

Monday, September 16—The Holy and Great Martyr Euphemia

Tuesday, September 17—The Holy Martyrs Vera, Nada and Lubov (Faith, Hope and Love), and their mother Sophia

Wednesday, September 18—Our Venerable Father Eumenius the Wonder-worker, Bishop of Gortyna in Crete

Thursday, September 19—The Holy Martyrs Trophimus, Sabbatius and Dorymedon

Friday, September 20—The Holy and Great Martyr Eustace (Placidus)

Saturday, September 21—Leave-taking (Otdaniye) of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The Holy Apostle Codratus (Quadratus)

Sunday, September 22—Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost (use handouts)

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy For Parishioners, Benefactors and Friends of St. Irene

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WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS & GUESTS WHO HAVE JOINED US TODAY

Whether you're searching for a new church home or just visiting, we're glad you're with us today. If you are looking for God, have a prayer request, looking for more information about the Eastern Catholic Church, would like to join our parish, or would like to speak with Fr. Vasyl, we invite you to fill out a visitor's card and drop it in the offering basket as your offering today. Please join us for our coffee hour in the Parish hall following the Divine Liturgy. We want to get to know you! God bless you!

Please remember in your prayers:

For health and salvation: Fr. Frank Knuzel,

For repose of the departed: +Kristina Beresh, + Nadia, +Ivan

Please let Fr. Vasyl know if you would like to add new names to the prayer list and also notify him about any sick and/or hospitalized parishioners and family members.

Parish calendar of Birthdays & Anniversaries: If you would like to be included in our Parish Calendar of Birthday and Anniversary celebrations, please send the date to Fr. Vasyl.

7-DAY CANDLE OFFERING:

The candle burns this week

For Rebecca Sumrall by Tony Holt

THE HISTORY OF CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

Catechetical Sunday has its roots in a 1935 Vatican publication "On the Better Care and Promotion of Catechetical Education", a document that asks every country to acknowledge the importance of the Church's teaching ministry and to honor those who serve the Christian community as catechists. Beginning in 1971, the USCCB's Department of Education began producing materials to help parishes celebrate the event at the local level. Now the Committee of Evangelization and Catechesis publishes Catechetical Sunday materials each year.

The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops has designated the third Sunday in September as Catechetical Sunday. In the early years of the Twenty-first Century educators of the various Eastern Catholic Churches began to provide posters, prayers, announcements and other related material reflective of the distinctive charisms of Eastern Christians' faith-experience and expression for Catechetical Sunday.

Annual themes have been developed to complement the concept of USCCB guidelines, but with a look and feel in accord with the Eastern Christian spiritual and catechetical tradition. One small point was opting to allow "Catechetical Sunday" to be observed on another date, acknowledging the fact that the "third Sunday in September" may be inconvenient for some. Some have chosen, for example, to tie the observance to the Feast day of St John the Theologian, September 26 on the Byzantine calendar. This year's theme "Communion with God" focuses on the purpose and goal of catechesis specifically in and through the Divine Liturgy.

In all things that you find in the Holy Scriptures, seek out the purpose of the words, that you may enter into the depth of the thoughts of the saints and understand them with greater exactness. Do not approach the reading of the Divine Scriptures without prayer and asking the help of God. Consider prayer to be the key to the true understanding of that which is said in the Holy Scriptures.

St. Isaac the Syrian

ECF (Eastern Catholic Formation) forms for the new school year are available in the parish hall. Dear parents please take one and sign up your children. You can send the form to the parish office or bring it and give it to Fr. Vasyl. This will help us to form a class/classes for the current academic year. Thank you.

September 8

Tithes: \$
Attendance: 23

Thank you for your generous support and contributions to the Lord's Holy House.



STAY WITH US

Catechetical Sunday: Next Sunday, September 22, an important event will take place in our parish: the beginning of the new Catechetical year. To welcome our students and bless our teachers, special prayers and blessings will be included during the Divine Liturgy. All instructors and students are asked to be present.

Advisory Board: Today, after coffee hour, in the Parish Hall, there will be an Advisory Board meeting. Please plan to be there if Fr. Vasyl invited you to join the Board. Thank you.