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MAY 22, 2022

5TH SUNDAY OF PASCHA  
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## Divine Services

Eve Sundays & Feast Days  
5:00 PM Confessions  
6:00 PM Great Vespers  
Sundays and Feast Days  
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour  
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
Please check weekly schedule  
for specific days (last page).  
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The Second Ecumenical Council was convened in the year 381 and consolidated the victory of Orthodoxy attained in the year 325 at the First Ecumenical Council.

During the difficult years which passed after the acceptance of the Nicene Symbol of Faith (Creed), the Arian heresy developed new offshoots. Under the guise of struggle against the Sabelian heresy, which taught about a blending

of the Hypostatic Persons of the Father and the Son [as mere aspects or modalities within the Trinity], Macedonius began to employ the word "homoiousios" "of similar essence" [in contrast to the Orthodox teaching of "homoousios", "of the same essence"] re-

guarding the essence of the Son and that of the Father.

This formula still presented a danger because Macedonius presented himself as a struggler against the Arians, who used the term "like the Father." Besides this, the Macedonians, being semi-Arians, depending on conditions and advantages of the moment, sometimes inclined towards Orthodoxy, sometimes towards Arianism. They blasphemed the Holy Spirit by suggesting that He was not "of the same essence" with the Father and the Son.

A second heretic, Aetius, introduced the concept "anomoion" ("different in essence.") He said that the Father has a completely different essence from that of the Son. His disciple Eunomios taught a hierarchical subordination of the Son to the Father, and of the Holy Spirit to the Son. Everyone who came to him was rebaptized into the "death of Christ," denying Baptism in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, which is commanded us by the Savior Himself (Mt. 28:19).

A third heresy arose from the teachings of Valentius and Ursacius at the Arimonian Council. They attempted to deceive the Orthodox bishops, proclaiming that the Son of God is from God, and is in the likeness of God the Father, and is not a created being as the Arians taught. The heretics did not wish to use the term "one in essence" in describing the relation of the Son to the Father, saying that the word "essence" is not found within the Holy Scripture. Besides these three main heresies, there were also many other false teachings. The heretic Apollinarios said, "The flesh of the Savior did not have a human soul or reason. The Word of God took the place of the absent soul; and Divinity remained dead for three days."

In order to refute these heretical opinions, the holy Emperor Theodosius the Great (379-395) convened an Ecumenical Council at Constantinople, at which 150 bishops were present. Upon investigation by the Holy Fathers it was proposed that a Creed which holy Pope Damasus had sent to Bishop Paulinus of Antioch should be read. This appears to be the so-called Sirmean Creed, drawn up by Potamius of Lisbon, who participated in a pro-Arian Council at Sirmium in 357, but changed his opinions two years later. The document was a vain attempt to please everyone by not mentioning the terms *ousia* (essence, or substance), *homoousios* (identical in essence, or substance), and *homoiousion* (similar in essence, or substance), "by which the minds of many are perturbed." It said that there "ought to be no mention of any of them at all, nor any exposition of them in the Church." By not defining the Church's teaching clearly, the document is ambiguous, neither endorsing the various heresies it contained, nor the teaching of the Church.

An Ecumenical Synod is convened primarily to deal with false teachings and refute them by proclaiming the faith handed down to us by the Apostles and the Holy Fathers. To use the definition of St. Vincent of Lérins: "that which has been believed everywhere, always, by everyone." There can be no compromise between truth and falsehood.

After the document was read aloud, the Holy Fathers rejected the false teaching of Macedonius, and unanimously affirmed the Apostolic teaching that the Holy Spirit is not a creature, but is rather the Life-Creating Lord, Who proceeds from the Father, and is worshipped and glorified with the Father and the Son. In order to combat other heresies, of the Eunomians, Arians and Semi-Arians, the Holy Fathers reaffirmed the Nicene Symbol of Faith.

In the Symbol (Creed), accepted by the First Ecumenical Council, the divine nature of the Holy Spirit was not addressed, since at that earlier time [in 325] heresies against the Holy Spirit had not become widespread. Therefore, the holy Fathers of the Second Ecumenical Council added to the Nicene Symbol its eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth sections. They definitively formulated and affirmed the Nicene-Constantinople Symbol of Faith, which is used even now by all the Or-

thodox Churches.

The Second Ecumenical Council also established the norms for ecclesiastical courts [Canon VI], and it decided to receive those repentant heretics who were properly baptized in the name of the Holy Trinity through Christmation, but those baptized with a single immersion were to be received as pagans.



**ST. HERMAN HOUSE**

9th Annual Golf Classic  
June 27, 2022

The Tanglewood Club

11:30 AM Shotgun Start

<https://sainthermans.org/golf/>

## Golf For A Good Cause

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU!

*Join St. Herman House – FOCUS Cleveland at the historic Tanglewood Club on June 27, 2022 for our 9th Annual Golf Classic. All proceeds help us carry out our mission to shelter and support homeless men on the path to well-being and independence and meet the basic needs of people in our community.*

*If you can't make it to our in person event, you can still bid on the amazing prizes at our Virtual Auction. We'll post a link to the auction items on Sunday, June 19.*

**The American Legion Hellenic Post 453**, area Orthodox clergy and members of the Saint Theodosius Church Choir will conduct its final memorial service for our veterans at 10:00 PM on Monday, May 30—Memorial Day—at the Veteran's Memorial Flagstaff at Saint Theodosius Cemetery. A plaque honoring the Hellenic Post's nearly one hundred years of loyal service to God and country will also be dedicated.



## **The Apostle Paul expressed his desire in the letter to Timothy:**

"I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting; in like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation." Every Christian man and woman should be dressed moderately, especially when attending church services. Due to the heat during the hot summer months, it's tempting to dress immodestly. But remember, our body is the temple of God therefore, we dress in a dignified manner that befits who we are in Christ.

## **INCOMPLETE RECORDS ISSUE**

*Fr. Jan has found that there are probably some missing records for Baptisms, Christmations, Marriages, or Funerals from January 2020 until April 2021. Please if you know about any performed sacrament during that time, contact him to record it in the Parish Metric Book.*

*Thankyou.*

## **Attention: We are in need of a new auditor!**

Patricia Sankovic and Paul Pangrace stepped down from these positions, we are very thankful for their work. As of now, we have one auditor (Dennis Kovach), and we need one more. If you could help us as an auditor, please contact Fr. Jan, or Parish Council President Nisi Pozderac. Thank you!

# **Matching Campaign Success!**

The **Matching Campaign** is a success! We were able to raise **\$15,067!**

Special thanks again to our *Mysterious and Most Generous Benefactor*, and to everyone who contributed!

## **CHURCH SCHOOL**

Church School meets at 4:45-5:45PM, one day left to go: **June 4, 2022**

After a long break, we will resume supplying the Moms First program at **Merrick House** with 20 bags of groceries a month. I'm hoping we can still roughly fill a grocery bag for \$10, but any contribution is welcome and appreciated.

Envelopes for donations can be found in the church foyer, or see Dan Morris.

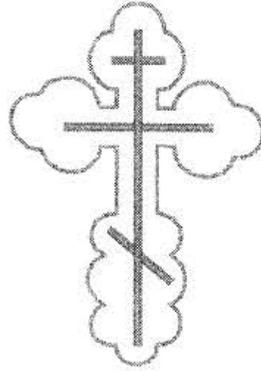
Thank you for generosity.

- Dan Morris

## **VISITATIONS**

Fr. Cizmar would like to know who requires visitation. He is eager to visit those who might have gone a long time without visitation due to COVID, our absence of a rector, or for any reason at all. A key duty of a priest's ministry is to visit the sick and confined, those unable to attend the holy services for any reason. He asks that we use the contact number provided should we need anything from him. His phone number and email address are printed on the front of every Ambo, and are repeated here:

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In Honor of

## **The Very Reverend Alexander Garklavs**

Please join in his  
Retirement Celebration

Sunday, the nineteenth of June 2022  
12:00-3:00 p.m.

Woodside Event Center at St. Michael's  
5025 E. Mill Rd. Broadview Heights, Ohio

Choice of Champagne Chicken or Beef Tips  
Tickets \$40.00 includes luncheon & cocktails  
(No charge for children under 10)

Tickets available beginning May 15th during coffee hour or  
Contact Jewelann Stefanar (216-402-8599) or  
Rita Bellack (330-204-9513)

# PRAYER REQUESTS

as of 5/22/2022

## **Departed:**

**Archbishop Paul**

**Metropolitan Hilarion**

**Stanislav**

## **Special Intentions:**

**Deacon Paul Mitchell** (*Tom Mitchell's father*)

**Subdeacon Theodore** Lentz

**Reader Paul** Pangrace

**Reader Frank** Tkacz

**Reader Ron** Latre (*cousin of Felons*)

**Reader Haralambos**

**Dan** Boerio

**Jennifer** Boerio

**Horia** Dascalescu (*Lavinia's brother*)

**Diane** Kearsey (*Janice Tkacz's Sister*)

**Janice** Tkacz

**Eleanor** Wachovec (*friend of Karen Felon*)

**Rachel** Ohlin (*relative of Tatiana*)

**Erin** Zawolowycz

**Mickey** O'Brien (*friend of Arlene*)

**Joe** Czajkowski (*son of Jerry*)

**Carol** Nielsen (*Paul Pangrace's sister*)

**Matthew** Ponomarenko

**Virginia** Medvec

**Stephen** Chwalyk

**Child Benjamin** Udell (*son of Michael and Lacey*)

**Jeffrey** Parhamovich (*brother of Karen Felon*)

**Maggie** Parhamovich (*sister-in-law of Karen Felon*)

**Margaret** "Peg" Peyton (*Cathy's aunt*)

**Kristin** Robinson (*friend of Nicholas Kozak*)

**Jean** Woycitzky Thompson (*Frank's cousin*)

**Child Anna Marie** Luvison (*daughter of Matthew & Katie (Ellis) Luvison*)

**Martha** Musil (*mother of Linda Kovach*)

**Michael** Bowman (*Lydia Mytrohovich's neighbor*)

**Debra** Parhamovich (*sister of Karen Felon*)

**Grace Mary** Parhamovich (*mother of Karen Felon*)

**Peter**

**Andrew** Mytrohovich

**Robbie** Prock

**Gayle** Vidovich

**Phyllis** Gindlesperger

**Jeremy & Yvonne & unborn child**

**Alex** Medvec (*nephew of Virginia Medvec*)

**Laura**

**Lisa** Theodore

**Arlene** Czajkowski

Please submit names to the Prayer List by emailing them to

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Names remain on the list for 30 days unless requested otherwise.

## BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### Sunday, May 22

John 20:1-10  
Acts 11:19-26, 29-30  
John 4:5-42

### Wednesday, May 25

Composite 8 - Isaiah 40,  
41, 45, 48, 54  
Composite 9 - Malachi 3,  
4

### Thursday, May 26

Acts 14:20-27  
John 9:39-10:9

### Sunday, May 29

John 20:11-18  
Acts 16:16-34  
John 9:1-38

### Monday, May 23

Acts 12:12-17  
John 8:42-51

Composite 3 - Wisdom 4,  
5  
Luke 7:17-30

### Friday, May 27

Acts 15:5-34  
John 10:17-28

### Tuesday, May 24

Acts 12:25-13:12  
John 8:51-59

### Saturday, May 28

Matthew 11:2-15  
Acts 13:13-24  
John 6:5-14

### Saturday, May 28

Acts 15:35-41  
John 10:27-38

The day and dates above are clickable links. The links will take you to the OCA website for the Bible readings for that day.

## ST. THEODOSIUS IS NOW A SUBSCRIBER TO TITHE.LY

In response to requests to be able to donate electronically, we have set up a Tithe.ly account so people can donate either regularly or for special occasions online. Click here to see: <https://www.sttheodosius.org/donate>



### **Sunday, May 22**

5th Sunday of Pascha  
**Samaritan Woman**  
Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Second Ecumenical Council  
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours read  
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
Coffee Hour to follow

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE 2022



### **Monday, May 23**

St. Michael the Confessor, Bishop of Synnada (831)

### **Tuesday, May 24**

Ven. Simeon the Stylite (the Younger) of the Wonderful Mountain (596)  
**6:00 PM Akathist to the Most Holy Theotokos**

### **Wednesday, May 25**

Third Finding of the Honorable Head of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John (ca. 850)  
Leavetaking of Midfeast

**Thursday, May 26**  
Apostles Carpus and Alphæus of the Seventy (1st c.)

**Friday, May 27**  
Hieromartyr Therapon, Bishop of Sardis (3rd c.)

**Saturday, May 28**  
St. Nikéttas, Bishop of Chalcedon (9th c.)  
10:00 AM Baptism of Edward John Weinberg  
11:30 AM Baptism of Genevieve Greenwood  
6:00 PM Great Vespers

**Sunday, May 29**  
6th Sunday of Pascha  
**Sunday of the Blind Man**  
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hours read  
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
Coffee Hour to follow