

The seventh and last of the ecumenical councils was held in Nicea, Asia Minor in 787 under Empress Irene. 367 Bishops were present. It centered around the use of icons in the Church and the controversy between the iconoclasts and iconophiles. The Iconoclasts were suspicious of religious art; they demanded that the Church rid itself of such art and that it be destroyed or broken (as the term "iconoclast" implies). The iconophiles believed that icons served to preserve the doctrinal teachings of the Church; they considered icons to be man's dynamic way of expressing the divine through art and beauty. The Iconoclast controversy was a form of Monophysitism: distrust and downgrading of the human side. The Council's Proclamation was that: "We define that the holy icons, whether in color, mosaic, or some other material, should be exhibited in the holy churches of God, on the sacred vessels and liturgical vestments, on the walls, furnishings, and in houses and along the roads, namely the icons of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ, that of our Lady the Theotokos, those of the venerable angels and those of all saintly people. Whenever these representations are contemplated, they will cause those who look at them to commemorate and love their prototype. We define also that they should be kissed and that they are an object of veneration and honor, but not of real worship, which is reserved for Him Who is the subject of our faith and is proper for the divine nature, ... which is in effect transmitted to the prototype; he who venerates the icon, venerated in it the reality for which it stands."



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Our Weekly Bulletin

Welcome to our Parish

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!
Christ is among us! He is and always will be!

Divine Liturgies and Services for the Week

Week of Aug 20 to Aug 27, 2023

Sunday, Aug 20	12th Sunday after Pentecost Sunday after the Dormition	✠ Greta Koehl
Aug 21	No Liturgy	
Aug 22	No Liturgy	
Aug 23	No Liturgy	
Aug 24	No Liturgy	
Aug 25	No Liturgy	
Aug 26	No Liturgy	
Sunday, Aug 27	13th Sunday after Pentecost	

If you are looking for a closer relationship with Jesus Christ and are looking for a home, you are welcome to be part of our kid friendly family in Christ. You have found your way home.

Sunday after the Dormition of the Mother of God
12th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Matthew 18:23-35

Troparia

Resurrection Troparion (Tone 3)

Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice, for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm. He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead; He saved us from the abyss of Hades and granted great mercy to the world.

Troparion of Dormition (Tone 1)

In giving birth you retained your virginity, in falling asleep you did not abandon the world, O Mother of God. You passed into life, for you are the Mother of Life, and by your prayers you delivered our souls from death.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

My Savior and Deliverer from the grave as God has raised out of bondage the children of earth and shattered the gates of Hades; and as Master, He rose on the third day.

Now and forever and ever. Amen

Kondation of the Dormition (Tone 2)

The tomb and death could not hold the Mother of God, unceasing in her intercession and unfailing hope of patronage, for, as the Mother of Life, she was transferred to life by Him Who had dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.

Prokeimen

Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

verse: Clap your hands, all you nations; shout unto God with the voice of joy.

Sing to our God, sing; sing to our King, sing.

Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

verse: In You, O Lord, have I hoped that I may not be put to shame forever.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

verse: Be a protector unto me, O God, and a house of refuge to save me.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Irmos (Tone 1)

Seeing the pure one's falling asleep, angels marveled in wonder how the Virgin could ascend from earth to heaven. O pure Virgin, in you are conquered the bounds of nature, for childbirth remains virginal and death is betrothed to life. Virgin after childbearing and alive after death, O Mother of God, never cease to save your inheritance.

Communion Verse

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia. (3)

PARISH NEWS

Weekly Collection - August 13, 2023 - \$239.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Relief for Ukraine - Amount collected to date \$6,483.00.

Relief for Ukraine - Financial help to Ukraine can be done by writing a check to:

Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat and on the memo line: Aid for Ukraine.

Potato Fest - The annual Ebensburg Potato Fest will be September 30th.

Ukrainian Classes - There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for basic Ukrainian Language Class.

The class will be for 3 days - Sept. 22 & 23 from 5:00 to 7:00PM and Sept 24 from 1:30 to 3:30. No fee but a donation for Ukraine will be appreciated. Please sign-up because class will depend if there is enough interest.

Basket Party - Our sister parish will have their annual basket party on September 10 from 10-2. Please help support the event.

Saturdays with Jesus - Catechism classes will resume on Oct 14. Adults 10-12 and Kids 1-2:30.

Volunteers Welcome: Come and help prep the food to be sold at Potato Fest.

Gob Mondays - Gobs for the PotatoFest are being made every Monday evening at 6:00PM

Thank you to those who help with this project. Pumpkin and German Chocolate left to make.

Pyrohy Wednesdays -Pyrohy for the PotatoFest are being made on Wednesdays at 9:00 AM

100 dozen made and 200 dozen more to make. Thank you to those who came to pinch.

Prayer List

Parishioners: Millie & Steve Deskevich, Connie Butkus, Kathy Ott, Sarah Kelt, Gary Maurer, the Lutak family, Jeremiah Hunt, Margaret Reighard.

Friends of the Parish: Jennifer Maurer, Breanna Borlie, Tom and Kris, Richard Shonk, Ryder McDermitt, Steve Helsel, Patricia Dragani, Eugene, Kevin Rogers, Darla Tishok, the Williams family, Patty Hunt, Kevin Blem, Linda Kusmierski.

To add or remove a name, place your request in the collection basket.

Joke of the Day

The old man who lives in the tall bell tower needed someone to help him with ringing the bell, as he was getting too old. The first person who arrived was like the old man and was not strong enough to produce a loud sound with the bell. The second person who showed up was a boy who had no arms. The old man asked "How are you going to ring the bell with no arms?" The boy runs full-force into the bell with his head and it produces a nice sound. The old man hires him and wants to see it again. The boy runs up and headbutts the bell again. After he rings the bell, he falls all the way to the bottom of the tower. The old man dials 911 and runs down as fast as he can. When he reaches the bottom of the tower, the workers ask about the boy and who he is. The old man replied, "I don't really know who he is, but his face rings a bell."