

Knowledge of the True God Nurtures Us to Eternal Life

Are we saying that knowledge is eternal life? Are we saying that to know the one true and living God will suffice to give us complete security for the future without need of anything else? Then how is “faith apart from works dead?” When we speak of faith, we mean the true knowledge of God and nothing else, since knowledge comes by faith. The prophet Isaiah tells us this: “If you do not believe, neither shall you understand.” But he is not talking about a knowledge that consists in barren speculations, which is entirely worthless. For one of the holy disciples said, “You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe and shudder.” What then shall we say to this? How is it that Christ speaks the truth when He says that eternal life is the knowledge of God the Father, the one true God, and with Him of the Son? I think, indeed, we must answer that the saying of the Savior is completely true. For this knowledge is life, laboring as it were in birth of the whole meaning of the mystery and

granting to us participation in the mystery of the Eucharist, whereby we are joined to the living and life-giving Word. And for this reason, I think, Paul says that the Gentiles are made fellow members of the body and fellow partakers of Christ, inasmuch as they partake in His Blessed Body and Blood. And our members may in this sense be conceived of as being members of Christ. This knowledge, then, which also brings to us the Eucharist by the Spirit, is life. For it dwells in our hearts, reshaping those who receive it into son-ship with Him and molding them into incorruption and piety toward God through life, according to the Gospel. Our Lord Jesus Christ, then, knowing that the knowledge of the one true God brings to us and promotes our union with the blessings of which we have spoken, says that it is eternal life. It is the mother and nurse of eternal life, being in its power and nature pregnant with those things that cause life and lead to life.

St. Cyril of Alexandria

SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST COUNCIL



Icon of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council of Nicea

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Schedule for Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil Vespers: 6:30 p.m.

Day of Feast: 10:00am and 6:30 p.m.

Confessions: See calendar or at any time by request.

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May 16, 2021

Seventh Sunday of Easter -

Sunday of the Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council of Nicaea

This Sunday: Epistle Acts 20: 16-18, 28-36

Gospel John 17: 1-13

Next Sunday: Epistle Acts 2:1-11

Gospel John 7:37-8:12

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday 5/17

No Divine Liturgy

Tuesday 5/18

8:30am Divine Liturgy: Most Rev. John Michael Botean for 35 years as a priest

Wednesday 5/19

8:30am Divine Liturgy: H/S Aurelia Lupsor

Thursday 5/20

8:30am Divine Liturgy: +Paul and +Martha Gheorghiu by Frances Gheorghiu

Friday 5/21

8:30am Divine Liturgy: +James Bubonic by Elaine Bastick

Saturday 5/22

9:00am Divine Liturgy: Saturday of the Deceased

Sunday 5/23

10:00am Divine Liturgy - Rusaliile – Pentecost

Deaconate Ordination of Stavrophore Monk Seirse

Church Bulletin donated in May 2021 by Amparo Adkins for health.

All scheduled services will be held and can be viewed and prayed with at <https://stgeorge.click2stream.com/>. Make sure to click on the volume to unmute at the bottom right hand corner. Also, we are every Sunday on St. George Cathedral Facebook.

Coffee hour provided by Tony and Theresa Orlando. Thank you!

Sunday Collection: May 9, 2021

Loose	\$10.00
Sunday envelopes	\$1,459.00
+Maria Poplacean by Dennis Stroia	\$25.00
Candles	<u>\$54.00</u>
Total	\$1,548.00

Donations

In honor of Saige Shaheen’s baptism by Mark and Carol Rogers	\$50.00
+Maria Poplacean by Mary Michael Simons	\$50.00
+Maria Poplacean by Patricia Greco	\$35.00

Someone lit a candle and prayed for you last Sunday:

In memory of all Zagan Family Members	The Zagan Family
+Husband Dan Cseak and Family	Natalie Cseak
+All family members and angel +Trisha	Del and Sandy
H/S All family members	Del and Sandy
Special intention for family	Doru Jacobs
Health and Salvation	Mihai and Elena Florea
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Health and Salvation	Amparo Adkins
+Anica Bikis	Helen Bikis
+Ana Nanes	Helen Bikis
+Parents and All Family Members	Chuck Roska Family

H/S Jerry Donahue, Aunt Alice Loop, Sheila Diotale, Kristin, David and Jordan, Coleen, Lauren, Pete and Celia; Happy Mother's Day	Chuck Roska Family
H/S Doru Jacobs	Ann Fosnaught
For all of our Mothers on Mother's Day	Greg and Cheti Bikis
+John Dragos, husband	Suzie Dragos
+Judith Eberhart, mother	Suzie Dragos
+Suzie Stenzel, grandmother	Suzie Dragos
H/S Mircea and Rita Cristea	Suzie Dragos
H/S of all family	Suzie Dragos
H/S Johnnie and Adrian Lazar and Family	Mircea Cristea
H/S Suzie Dragos and Family	Mircea Cristea
H/S Rita Cristea and Family	Mircea Cristea
Health of Renee	Barbara and Bob Greavu
Special Intention	Barbara and Bob Greavu

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Special Announcement:

Please pray for: John Puia, Lance Downey, Scarlett Putt, Sonya Paul, Bryan Pryce, John Contini, Missy Lawver, Veronica Maier, End to Corona Virus attack, Clore Family, Liviu and Georgeta Barcutian, Grace Mary Fein, Barbara Greavu, Doris Rotar, Virginia Rogers and all who need our prayers.

Sick and/or homebound: Amelia Botean (Home), Alex and Theresa Gonyias (Home), Ann Stimer (Home), Aurelia Lupsor (Canton Christian Home), Connie McAdams (Home), Natalie Cseak (St. Joseph, Louisville), Eugene Popa (St. Joseph, Louisville) and Irene Pontones (Chapel Hill Retirement Community)

For holy Baptism contact the parish office at least one month prior to the date requested.

For First Reconciliation contact the parish office when your child turns 7.

For Weddings contact the parish office at least six months prior to the date requested.

To guarantee announcements for the bulletin, they need to be given to the office by Wednesday prior to the Sunday bulletin. Thank you!

To facilitate **accurate counting**, please use separate checks/cash for the special collection, candle and Sunday collection envelopes. Thank you for your attention to this detail!

Please let the office know if you have an upcoming surgery, illness, etc., so we can put you on our prayer list. Thank you!

Altar Candelabrum for May 2021 is donated by **Carol and Denny Popa and Family in memory of +George and +Arline Alecusan's Anniversary.**

Left Iconostasis Candelabrum for May 2021 is donated by **Tim and Julie Shocksneider for a Special Intention.**

Right Iconostasis Candelabrum for May 2021 is donated by **Tony and Terry Orlando in honor of Frisina and Orlando Families.**

Blessed Virgin Mary Candelabrum for May 2021 is donated by **Rebecca Baumgartner.**

If you would like to sponsor candelabra for any month of the year in honor of a living member or in memory of any loved ones that have passed away, please get in touch with the Church office and Ann will be able to schedule it for you. Thank you for your continuous support of the Church!!!

Prescura for 2021: Amparo Adkins, Annie Collins, Suzie Dragos, Elena Florea, Ann Fosnaught, Mariana Greavu, Nancy Maciag, Maria Marcu, Debbie Murari, Virginia Rogers, Kathy Walsh, P-sa. Patricia Wendt, and P-sa. Gabriela Marginean.

Announcements

Today, we take up the collection for the **Catholic Communication Campaign (CCC)**. Your support helps the CCC connect people to Christ and builds Catholic communities in the United States and around the world using the internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Eparchy of St. George to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the Gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/cc.

See the flier on the back of the calendar about a request by Pope Francis for global prayer for an end to the pandemic on Monday, May 17 at noon. Please prayerfully consider how our united prayer could affect the world and join together.

On Thursday, May 20 at 5pm (ET), on Friday May 21 at 8am (ET) and on Pentecost Sunday at 1:00pm, Cleveland Catholic Radio will air Dick Russ's **interview with Bishop John Michael Botean**. The interview will touch upon the Feast of Pentecost, Holy Spirit, Church during the pandemic, Eastern Christianity and much more. To listen to the broadcast online visit: <https://www.christiannetcast.com/listen/player.asp?station=wccr-am>

Washington Theological Consortium is hosting a 50th Anniversary Symposium on Wednesday, May 26 from 7pm-8:30pm online. The title for the event is ***Educating Religious Leaders to Engage in Public Life***. More information can be found at https://washtheocon.org/wtc_events/anniversary-forum/. All are welcome and invited to attend. There is a flier on the bulletin board for more information.

Magnificat of Stark County invites you to a breakfast on Saturday, June 12 at Walsh University's Barrette Center. Fr. Jeremy Merzweiler will be the guest speaker. Reservations cannot be accepted after June 5. Doors open at 8:30am. Breakfast served at 9:00am. There will be an optional Mass at 8am in Our Lady of Perpetual Help Chapel. For more information call Joan Spieth at 330-933-8778.

Payment Options: #1 \$22 mail-in – Go to

<http://magnificatstark.weebly.com/mail-in-reservation.html>

#2 Online – Go to <http://magnificatstark.weebly.com/online-reservation.html>

Parish events:

Stewardship committee will meet on Wednesday, May 19 at 6:30pm for a regular meeting.

Pastoral Council will meet on Thursday, May 20 at 6:30pm. See Fr. Ovi for an invitation if you are interested in attending.

To Tickle Your Funny Bone ☺

A family is greeting their pastor after the service. Junior looks up and declares, “My dad says my mom is a pagan because she serves burnt offerings for dinner.”

Word of Life

“Everyone is in need of reassurance, and if we, who have touched ‘the Word of life’ (1 Jn 1:1) do not give it, who will? How beautiful it is to be Christians who offer consolation, who bear the burdens of others and who offer encouragement: messengers of life in a time of death!”

Pope Francis, [2020 Easter Vigil Homily](#)

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That our example may give witness to
the precious gift of human life in this world and
the invitation to eternal life in the next;

Let us pray to the Lord, Lord have mercy.

Congratulations to Bishop John Michael on his ordination anniversary as a priest! We are grateful for his 35 years of service as a priest! *La mulți ani!*

	Mon 5/17	Tue 5/18	Wed 5/19	Thu 5/20	Fri 5/21	Sat 5/22	Sun 5/23
	Andronicus & Junias, Tax Day	Peter, Dionysius and	Abstinence Hieromartyr Patrick,	Thallemaius, martyr.	+Rev. Fr. Mircea +Ss. Constantine and Abstinence Dispensation (harti)	Basiliscus, martyr. LUCIAN Muresan's Saturday of the Dead	H. Father Michael the PENTECOST SUNDAY
9am		Liturgy: Most Rev. John Michael Botean for 35 years as a priest	Liturgy: H/S Aurelia Lupsor 8:30am - 9:30am	Liturgy: +Paul and +Martha Gheorghiu by Frances Gheorghiu 8:30am - 9:30am	Liturgy: +James Bubonic by Elaine Bastick 8:30am - 9:30am	Divine Liturgy: Saturday of the deceased 9am - 10am	
10am							Divine Liturgy: with Deaconate ordination of Fr. Seirse 10am - 12:30pm
11am							
12pm							
1pm							Coffee: 12:30pm - 2:30pm
2pm							
3pm							
4pm							
5pm							
6pm							
7pm			Stewardship Committee meeting Small hall 6:30pm - 8pm	Pastoral Council meeting Small hall 6:30pm - 8:30pm			
8pm							



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Shrine in the Nation's Capital to be Part of a Global Marathon of Prayer for an End to the COVID Pandemic

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WASHINGTON - Pope Francis has called for a “marathon” of prayer during the month of May to appeal for divine assistance in bringing about an end to the COVID pandemic. Marian shrines around the world have been chosen by the Holy See to lead the rosary each day of the month.

In the United States, the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C. has been asked to lead the rosary on Monday, May 17. Cardinal Wilton Gregory, archbishop of Washington, will lead the recitation of the rosary at 12:00 PM ET that day for the special intention of world leaders and the heads of international organizations as they continue to work to combat the pandemic.

The faithful are invited to join online, and the prayer will be livestreamed on the shrine's website at: www.nationalshrine.org/mass. In addition, the national shrine is able to accommodate 1,000 people while maintaining appropriate social distancing in its Great Upper Church; those wishing to attend in person are invited to register at: www.nationalshrine.org/mass-registration.

This month-long initiative of prayer is being organized by the Pontifical Council for the Promotion of the New Evangelization. The shrines chosen for each day of prayer reflect the global reach and diversity of the Catholic Church, as each prays in their local language. For more information on this worldwide effort, please visit: <http://www.pcpne.va/content/pcpne/en/news/2021-04-23.html>.

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