

St. Demetrius Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral



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2 Cor. 6:1-10;

Tone 7

Gospel: Mt. 25:14-30

September 24th – 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday before the Exaltation.

Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos

TODAY'S SERVICES:

Sun. 9:00am Divine Liturgy – 16th Sunday after Pentecost – Ven. Theodora of Alexandria (490). Martyrs Demetrius, his wife Euanthia, and their son Demetrian (1st c.). Martyrs Diodorus, Didymus, and Diomedes of Laodicea (4th c.). Martyr Ia of Persia (363). Ven. Euphrosynus (9th c.).

Sun. 10:30am Coffee Hour – Hosted by the Sr. UOL at the Center

Sun. 11:00am Parish Board Meeting at the Center

SERVICES FOR THE WEEK:

Tues. 7:30pm Bible Study – Remote or in person at the Rectory

Sun. 9:00am Divine Liturgy – 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Altar Servers: Subdeacon Daniel Mazan, Qorey Carter, Ryan Fealy, Daniel Mazan, Bryce Buitrago

Readers: Subdeacon Thomas Bodnar, Subdeacon Daniel Mazan, Qorey Carter, Ryan Fealy

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: Nicholas Chichik, David Deli, Peter Meka, Robert Cousins, Joan Nardi, Marci Pusillo, Pani Mary Ann, Richard Hycuna, Diane Decibus Morgan, John Piropato, John Zelenak, Thomas Zuccaro, Joseph Nardi, Olga Piropato, Nancy Grabie, Mary Wrubleski, Margaret York, Ronald York, Bruce Wadiak, Patty Tucker, Raymond Wizna, Catherine Ann Bylinski, Kathleen Ward, Olivia Zazworsky, Andrew, Christopher, Sarah, David, Alexander, Joseph, John, Kirsten, John, David, Michael and Jerry. & children Timothy, Mary, Oskar, Tessa, Robert, Jacob, and Jonathan, remembering all the sick, the suffering, those in hospitals and

nursing homes, and all the men and women in the US Military, especially **Subdeacon Vitaly** and **Subdeacon James**, who serve our country and all of us. Please keep them in your prayers daily, asking God's protection upon them all.

Adult Bible Study: We are reviewing **2 Chronicles Chapters 11-15.**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: **Matthew Chubenko, Rebecca Buchan and Kristina Chubenko** and all those celebrating birthdays or special intentions, may the Lord grant you all "Many Blessed Years, Mnohaya Lita!"

Memory Eternal: Our deepest condolences go out to the families of Fr. Taras, Terry, Eric, Greg, and Peter Chubenko on the loss of their wife, mother, grandmother, Pani Matyshka MaryAnn Chubenko. Veechna Pamyat!

Men's Club Christmas Calendars – Once again the members of the Men's Club will be selling their annual Christmas Calendars. Starting in September and selling until November 30th (or when all calendars are sold). If you are interested in purchasing one (or more), reach out to any member of the Men's Club.

Coffee Hour – The Sr. UOL will be hosting Coffee Hour after Divine Liturgy on **TODAY** September 24th at the Center. Please come and join us for fellowship after services.

Elevation of the Holy Cross this feast commemorates The finding of the Cross by the Empress Helen (the mother of St. Constantine the Great) on Golgotha in 326 AD, the place where Christ was crucified.

On the spot where the Cross was discovered, St. Helen had found a hitherto unknown flower of rare beauty and fragrance, which has been named "Vasiliko," or Basil, meaning the flower of royalty. Note that the word "Vasiliko" means "of the King," since the word "Basileus" in Greek means "King"; so, the plant Vasiliko, Basil, is tied to the Precious Cross of the King of Glory, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Underneath the Basil, the Cross of Christ was found, but with it were the other two crosses, those used to crucify the two thieves on either side of Christ. The sign with the inscription, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews", also lay among the three crosses. In order to determine which one was the true cross, a sick woman was told to kiss each of the three crosses. The woman kissed the first cross with no result. She kissed the second cross and again nothing happened. However, when the ailing woman kissed the True Cross, she was immediately made well.

ALL EMERGENCIES: PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CALL FATHER JAMES for any and all emergencies – for hospital, nursing home, or home visitations. PLEASE call his Cell number 732-619-3259, if necessary, please leave a voice message, Father will return your call. THANK YOU.