

SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN



Icon of Christ and the Samaritan Woman

The Gift of Mercy

A story is told about a little boy who was sent to the school principal for misbehaving. After the little boy told him what he had done wrong, the principal took out a piece of paper and wrote the boy's name upon it, as well as the date and the reason for which the boy had been sent to him.

Then, the principal told the boy, "Timmy, I know that you are a good boy and you've never before been sent to me for misbehaving. Therefore, if you are not sent to me again this year for misbehaving, I will tear up this piece of paper and no one will ever know anything about it." The little boy remembered this as the most powerful lesson in mercy that he had ever learned.

The most powerful example of mercy that

we, as Christians, have ever witnessed is our Lord's resurrection, which we still continue to gloriously celebrate. However, earlier this week, on Wednesday, we also celebrated the Feast of Mid-Pentecost. Mid-Pentecost begins to set our sights on the reception of another of God's great gifts of mercy - the Gift of the Holy Spirit, Who will descend upon us on Pentecost Sunday.

Through the Resurrection, we know of God's mercy in that He has given us the gift of eternal life. Through the Descent of the Holy Spirit, we know of God's mercy in that He has not abandoned us. Rather, He sent the Holy Spirit to dwell among us, to dwell within us, and to nourish us, bless us and heal us - especially through the Holy Mysteries.

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Christ is Risen!
Khristos Voskres!

May 14-15, 2022
Samar. Woman

WE WILL LIVESTREAM the Holy Liturgy this Saturday evening at 6 pm. Don't forget to tell all your friends and relatives about this wonderful chance to sing and pray with us this weekend. We expect to livestream the Liturgy next weekend on Sunday the 22nd at 9 am.

LAST SUNDAY we all experienced a most blessed event, as 11 youngsters received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and 15 youths received the Holy Eucharist. We thank all the good parents for seeing to the Catholic upbringing of their children. And we thank all our terrific and dedicated catechists of our Sunday School: Lois Paul, Kathy Plush, Suzanne and Sue Gretchen and Janeczko, Dottie Dolgash and Luba Somitz, Tommy and Melanie Klufas, Dr. George Maxim and Dr. Michele Burns, and Den Daniels. God bless and keep all our participants in our religious educational program!

NEXT WEEKEND we will honor Father Ronald's 50th anniversary of service here at SS. Peter and Paul Parish, as well as his 81st birthday. After both Saturday and Sunday Liturgies, we hope to have a picnic outdoors with all kind of treats and foods. Be sure to come and share in this beautiful event, as we all make history in the parish next weekend.

TO BE BAPTIZED AND CONFIRMED SUNDAY: Sterling Laine, daughter of Yuriy and Jacquelyn (Pigeon) Krokhtyak, Bridgeport, PA. We all pray that the Good Lord Jesus the Christ will bless this little angel and all her family with health, much love and a strong Faith in Jesus for many Good Years - NA MNOHAYA LEETA!

OUR CHURCH and Candlebrook School (310 Prince Frederick St., King of Prussia, PA) are sponsoring a Benefit CarWash this Sunday, the 15th from 10 am to 2 pm. All proceeds will go to help our Brothers and Sisters in Ukraine. Please patronize this wonderful event.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS is hosting a benefit Bingo Game this Sunday, the 15th, at Sacred Heart Church Hall, from 12:30 to 2:30 pm with all proceeds earmarked for our brothers and Sisters in Ukraine. Please patronize this great event for our Ukrainians in Europe.

SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, May 14, 6 pm	+Theresa Samkavitz (The Francis Fam.)
Sunday, May 15, 9 am	+Martha Dinich (Maruszczak Family)
Saturday, May 21, 6 pm	+Joseph Dudas (Margaret, Daughters)
Sunday, May 22, 9 am	+Anita Chomiak (Russell Chomiak)

TODAY'S TROPAR:

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and bestowing life upon those in the tombs. GLORY TO THE FATHER...

TODAY'S KONTAK:

The Samaritan Woman who came to the well with faith, saw You, Jesus, the Water of Wisdom. She drank abundantly from it and thus won the Kingdom of Heaven, being glorified forever, amen.

TODAY'S PROKIMEN:

Sing to our God, sing, sing to our God, sing.

СЛАВА УКРАЇНІ!

О. РОНАЛД