

# NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN ORTHODOX CHURCH

## UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE USA

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9 August 2020

9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Afterfeast of the Transfiguration

Glorification of Venerable Herman of Alaska, Wonderworker of All America

Hieromartyr Euthymios of Rhodes

Apostle Matthias

Martyr Anthony of Alexandria

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians 3:9-17  
2 Peter 1:10-19

**Tone:** Tone 8 & Menaion

**Gospel:** Matthew 14:22-34  
Matthew 17:1-9

**Reader:** Andy Olear

### UPCOMING FEASTS:

Sat., August 15	<i>Dormition of the Theotokos</i>
Sun., August 16	10 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy & blessing of herbs and flowers
Sun., August 23	11 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost & Leavetaking of the Dormition 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Sat., August 29	<i>Beheading of Prophet &amp; Baptist, John. (Strict Fast)</i>
Sun., August 30	12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

**READER'S LIST:** Andrei Marinich (8/16), Anita Anderson (8/23), Mike Ratai (8/30)

**BLESSING OF FRUITS AND VEGETABLES** will take place today following Divine Liturgy to commemorate the Holy Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, which is being observed from August 7<sup>th</sup>.

**UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES:** Mike & Leanna Duh (22), Fr. Vasyl Pasakas (26), Olga Saturniewicz (30)

**MISSED A SERVICE?** You can watch all the previously recorded services on the Youtube Page of the UOC of USA. Also, all services have been posted on the NBVOC webpage.

**UKRAINIAN HISTORY & EDUCATION CENTER VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS** launched for the rest of 2020. Online registration required for most programs by visiting "Calendar" at [ukrhec.org](http://ukrhec.org).

- Stories from Storage: highlights from the Permanent Collection and Archives
- Nashi Predky@Home: Wednesday office hours and help in researching genealogy
- Crafts for Kids with the UHEC: Monthly online workshops for school aged kids based on exhibits and items from collection
- Folk Art Workshops for Adults: monthly online workshops & lectures

**PIEROGI ORDERS:** Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, pierogi orders are suspended until further notice.

**SUPPORT YOUR PARISH!** Support your parish financially by utilizing the HELP and/or BUILDING FUND envelopes in your weekly donations to cover the cost of Grass Cutting and Lawn Maintenance as well as the Church Insurance.

**COFFEE HOUR:** Until further notice, there will be NO coffee hours after Divine Liturgy.

**HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFESSION:** Please remember that Holy Communion is only offered to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and sincere repentance of their sins (Holy Confession).

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Fr. Vasyl, Fr. Oleh, Fr. Volodymyr, Fr. Stephen, Fr. George, Fr. James, Fr. William, Fr. Andrew, Protodeacon Michael, Kathie Thomas, Natalia, Nagy, Anna, Emil, Emily Tucker, Justin Grambor, Andy Olear, Ludmyla, Ivan, Anna, Penelope, Gail. *If you or your loved ones are sick or in the hospital, please let Fr. Vasyl know.*

*Out of respect for God's House, please keep all communication to a minimum.  
Please join us in the church hall after Liturgy for food and fellowship.  
Attend Church as a Family!*

# WELCOME BACK TO NBVOC

As we resume our regular service schedule, please keep in mind the safety of our community during this time.

Bulletin and updates will be regularly posted on our website and the website of the UOC of USA.

## **Guidelines that will be followed by our parish:**

1. Six feet social distance must be kept at all times.
2. Face masks must be worn at all times, except if you have difficulty breathing or a child under 2. Remove your mask right before receiving Communion, and put it back on when returning to your seat.
3. Please remember to use hand sanitizers and wipes.
4. Enter the church through the main door and exit through the social hall.
5. People age of 65 plus are considered high risk. It is recommended for them to stay home, but they are still welcomed to be in church if they decide so.
6. If anyone has a temperature of 100.4°F or higher, please do not attend the scheduled service.
7. Please sit in every other pew/six feet apart; family members may sit together
8. Collection basket will not be passed during Liturgy. It will be in a fixed stationary place.
9. Candles will be placed in candle holder in front of church—please only touch the candle(s) you purchased. Money can be placed in collection basket.
10. Church bulletins will continue to be only in a digital version.
11. No kissing Icons, Gospel Book, Cross or Chalice. Only bowing down in front of them as a sign of respect and veneration.
12. Holy Communion will be put in your mouth with a spoon without touching it. Do not touch the Communion Cloth during Communion.
13. Antidoron/church bread will be available after Liturgy in a Ziplock bag.
14. There will be no coffee hour or gatherings in the Social Hall.
15. It is strongly recommended for everyone to approach the Holy Sacrament of Confession after such a long time not being able to be in church before receiving Communion.

Private meeting with clergy will have to be scheduled in order to maintain 6 feet social distancing.

If you have any questions, please see Fr. Vasyl after Liturgy.