



**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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***Saturday, October 11, 2025
Sunday of the Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council
Epistle: 2Corinthians 9:6-11
Gospel: John 17:1-13***

LITURGY INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 11 – For the repose of the soul of Vera Kohut

-requested by Mary Ann Bosley

Saturday, October 18 – For the repose of the souls of

Steve & Elizabeth Harasuik

-requested by Susan & George Saseen & Family

Saturday, October 25 – For the repose of the soul of Mary Ann Paluch

-requested by John Paluch

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 4 – DIVINE LITURGY 5PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11 – DIVINE LITURGY 5PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18 – DIVINE LITURGY 5PM

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25 – DIVINE LITURGY 5PM

PIEROGI NEWS

Please let all your family and friends know that we are back to making pierogi and cabbage rolls. They are sold on Thursdays 9am to 4pm. The number to call to place an order is 304-232-1777.

THE FATHERS OF THE 7TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

In the Byzantine tradition, today is the commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the Seventh Ecumenical Council, the second held in the city of Nicaea, at which the Iconoclast heresy was condemned, and the sacred images restored to their rightful places for the veneration of the Christian faithful. At the seventh session of Second Nicaea, the definitive decree on the veneration of images was promulgated, on October 13, 787; the commemoration is fixed according to various traditions to a Sunday close to that date. Some years ago, I heard a sermon at a Byzantine liturgy on this day which recalled an important truth about Second Nicaea, namely, that it did not decree that sacred images are merely good and useful, but that they are *necessary*!

The rejection of the sacred images, particularly those of Christ, is ultimately a denial of the Incarnation. The very choice of location for the council expressed this idea; at the time it was called, the two previous ecumenical councils and the important synod 'in Trullo' had all been held in Constantinople. The Empress Irene, who as regent of her young son Constantine VI, arranged for a council to condemn iconoclasm, had tried to hold it in the imperial capital, but it was broken up by soldiers friendly to the iconoclast heresy. It was therefore moved to Nicaea, where the first ecumenical council had gathered 462 years earlier to condemn the Arian heresy that denied the true divinity of Christ. (To put this in chronological perspective, this is a greater distance in time than that between Trent and Vatican II.)

The refusal to depict Christ is a rejection of the fullness of His humanity, which is real, solid, and "circumscribed", i.e., subject to limitations, and therefore capable of being expressed in an image. His humanity is the means of our redemption and salvation, as we confess in the Creed every Sunday, "For us men and for our salvation He came down from Heaven etc." In the eighth and final session, the Council therefore also anathematized all who do not confess that "Christ our God is circumscribed according to His humanity." The Greek word used here, "perigraphon – circumscribed", is related to the verb "graphein – to write", the term which is often used in Greek to refer to the painting of icons. None of this is accidental.

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS

Lord God, through the prayers of Mary, Our Mother, bring your healing presence to all who are sick, injured, or troubled. Amen

Walter Zien, Rosella George, Dawn Paluch, Sister Mary Bowman, Mary Rose Koreny, Betty Rushkevich, Sharon James, Veronica Piehowicz, Marty Joe Michaels, Janice McCart, Barb Sago, Patti Kudlak Kettler, Pete Kohut, Jr., Isabella Wood, Matt & Michelle Piszczor, Jim Marnell, Fr. Michael Bliszc, Elaine James, George James, Don Platt, Stephanie Poch, Susan Durig, Susie Davis, Bob Mull, Tom Waligura, Rose Linaweaver, Torrie Davis, Stephen & Joann Neal, Patricia Pockl, Tammy Yankoski, Charlie Lohr, Josh Slonaker, Hugette Burk, Mark Michaels, Carol Gogal, Tina Pascale, Sr. Jean Vidonic, Jessica & Abigail Baranek, Sheleva and Bowman Families, Barb & Bob Poch, Taytum Grace, Bob Bailey, Jeannie Burkett, Vera Oliver, Nadia Marc, Walter McMasters, Lori Poch, Nicole Rowley, Arlene Lawson, Walter J. Waligura III, Anthony Skvarka, Wendy Coulson, Ashley & Monty, Rachel Bianchi, Olga Panivnyk, Glenna Adams, Natalie Moses, Jeannie Reddy, Joyce & Walter McMasters, George & Eli Katrovac, Barbara Cox Pappas

If you would like to submit a name for our prayer list please write the name on a piece of paper and drop it in the collection basket.

Financial Report

Saturday, October 4, 2025

Weekly Collection: \$158.00 2nd Collection: \$42.00

Candles: \$26.00

Total Collection: \$226.00

Total Pierogi: \$501.00