





## *The Holy Eucharist*

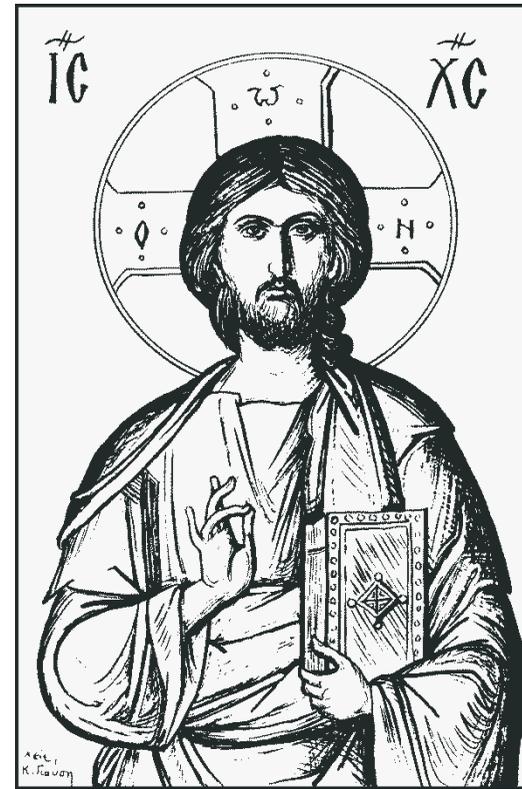
The Holy Eucharist is the true Body and Blood of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ, present under the forms of bread and wine. The bread and the wine are sacred gifts, prepared by the priest during the Prothesis (Liturgy of Preparation). Following the Liturgy of the Word, they are carried in solemn procession (the Great Entrance) to be placed upon the Holy Altar, the very Throne of God.

The priest offers the gifts of bread and wine on behalf of the faithful, recalls the words of Our Savior on the night on which He was delivered up for the life of the world and then, with fervent prayers (Epiclesis), asks God to come down from heaven on the gifts of bread and wine to make the bread the Body of Christ, and the wine the Blood of Christ, changing them by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Once this sacred Mystery has taken place, prayers of petition and thanksgiving (Eucharistia in Greek) are offered by the priest and the people. Following the Lord's Prayer the faithful are invited to approach "with the fear of God, with faith and with love." This "fear of God" means tremendous reverence for God's Mystical Presence and His intimate communion with us. "With faith" means that we truly believe that this IS the Body and Blood of the risen Christ. "With love" means that we are at peace and have been reconciled with our brothers and sisters.

The Eucharist, thus received, forgives us our sins and grants us a special intimacy with the Living Christ. If we are aware of sins which prevent us from God's grace, or if we have anything against our brothers and sisters, we are obliged to abstain from receiving Holy Communion until we are reconciled through the Mystery-Sacrament of Confession. Similarly, we are bound to prepare for receiving the Lord by examining our conscience, praying for forgiveness, and fasting.

We should ALWAYS approach the Eucharist at Holy Communion, with profound reverence and deep gratitude. The proper posture is to cross our hands over our breast, and to bow deeply before the holy chalice before and after receiving Our Lord. We must strive to be conscious of the tremendous Gift that is being offered us, though we are all unworthy sinners. For more information on the Eucharist (Preparation & Thanksgiving), please make sure to read the brochure we have available in the Church vestibule.



**June 9, 2013**

*Third Sunday after Pentecost*

**Our Holy Father Cyril,  
Archbishop of Alexandria**

**Changeable Parts:**

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*In the Booklet of Changeable Parts (Small white book)*

## **Announcements:**

### **Golden Jubilee of Sister Olga Maria Faryna**

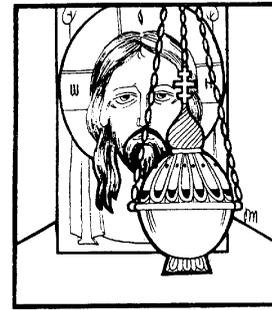
Today we are offering a Liturgy for the intention of Sister Olga Maria Faryna on the occasion of her Golden Jubilee as a Sister of Saint Basil the Great. Sister Olga is a good friend of our parish. We are asking God to grant her continued health, happiness and special strength to continue her service to the Church and to the faithful. Many happy and blessed years!

### **Today: Church School**

At the end of the Divine Liturgy, because of pastor's absent last week, we will have a special prayer and blessing for all the children as they begin their vacation summer. Sincere thanks to our teachers: Mrs. Rose Ann Kulczycki, Ms. Olga Perkun and Mr. Andy Salo and Deacon Andriy Kelt for preparing classes and teaching our children. Now that we come to the conclusion of this school year, I ask all parents to think about ideas for events that we can organize together during the summer months for our children.

**This Sunday is a deadline to order a candles for Father's Day**

As part of our Father's Day celebration we will be honoring our Fathers by lighting remembrance candles in honor of them. These candles will be lit the weekend of June 16<sup>th</sup>, and will burn in front of the mosaic icon of Christ the Teacher (right side of the Church). Please use the form in today's bulletin to order your candles and place it in the collection basket. Please print each name and mark the correct box next to each name, whether living or deceased.



***Third Sunday after Pentecost***

*The Lord said: "The eye is the lamp of the body. So if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light. But if your eye is blind, your whole body will be full of darkness.*

*Mt. 6:22-23*

Why is the "eye" so important? What does it mean that "the lamp of the body is the eye"? Our Lord in His teaching is telling us that the "eye" is meant the soul, for the eye is the window of the soul. In these words Our Lord says that we are not to blame our bodies for our sins. Our bodies are the servants of our souls. If our souls are corrupted, then so also will be our bodies. On the other hand, if our souls are clean, then our bodies will also be clean. It is not our bodies which control our lives, or even our minds, but our souls. And it is our souls that we are called on to cleanse, cultivate and refine first of all. It is the spiritual which has primacy in our lives. Once our souls are clean, then our minds and our bodies will also be cleaned.

Our Lord continues to tell us that we cannot serve two Masters... *No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.* Who are the two Masters? They are the master of the material world and the master of the spiritual world. One must be superior to the other. Thus we cannot serve God, the master of the spiritual, and Mammon, the master of the fallen world. The word Mammon is simply the word in the language spoken by Christ for "money". This saying runs counter to the whole ideology of modernity. Our societies are called "capitalist", for they are based on investments, stock exchanges, capital, in other words, money. Indeed the whole modern world is ruled by currencies, whether the dollar or some other currency dependent on the dollar. Furthermore, the philosophy which guides modern governments and much of human nature is called "monetarism", in other words the belief in the primacy of money in human life and human motivation. Such a philosophy causes panic and depression both among those who have no money and also among those who have a lot, for such a philosophy excludes God from the workings of society and people.

As children of Almighty God we stand before many challenges in this world. One of them is choosing the right Master. Which one will it be? Let us choose the ONE that will keep our lives "full of light", full of happiness and true joy. As a parish family let us put the spiritual first, and then all other things will work out around that for our good and spiritual benefit of our loved ones. Amen.

**Collection- May God bless you...**

The total for Sunday of June 2, 2013 was **\$1773.00**

(Collection: \$1546.00, Loose & other: \$127.00, Pyrohy: \$100.00)

*Sincere thanks to all for your kindness and generosity to our Holy Church!*

***FATHER'S DAY***

*Please light a candle in honor/memory of the following*

_____	Living	Deceased
_____	Living	Deceased
_____	Living	Deceased

***Given By:***

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***Please print each name and circle the correct notation. Red candles will be used for the deceased, White for the Living. Donation for each candle is \$3.00.***

**\* DEADLINE TO ORDER THESE CANDLES: SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2013\***

**Please remember the Ukrainian Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma and your parish of St. George in your will.**