

**May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**Sunday of the Samaritan Woman**

**SUNDAY, 5/18**      **8:45 am** Divine Liturgy (English) for Isaac Chavez  
                         **10:30 am** Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian) for all parishioners

**MONDAY, 5/19**    **8:00 am** Divine Liturgy for special intention

**TUESDAY, 5/20**    **NO** Divine Liturgy

**WEDNESDAY, 5/21** **8:00 am** Divine Liturgy for special intention

**THURSDAY, 5/22** **NO** Divine Liturgy

**FRIDAY, 5/23**    **8:00 am** Divine Liturgy for special intention

**SATURDAY, 5/24** **5:00 pm** Divine Liturgy for special intention

**SUNDAY, 5/25**    **9:00 am** Divine Liturgy (English) for special intention  
                         **10:30 am** Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian) for all parishioners

**Announcements**

**1-Mothers in Prayer**

**Mothers in Prayer** invite all mothers to join in prayer for our children on the **last Saturday of the month (May 24<sup>th</sup>)** after the **Divine Liturgy**. Together, we entrust our sons and daughters to God’s loving care, seeking His guidance, protection, and blessings for their lives. All are welcome!

*Upcoming Events  
in Parish & Eparchy*  
**May 29<sup>th</sup>** – Ascension  
**June 8<sup>th</sup>** – Pentecost

**2-Bible Study**

Join us for our next **Bible Study session** on **Wednesday, May 21st at 7:30 PM** online. Let’s grow in faith together through the Word of God!

**Catechetical Instruction from We Walk with Christ:**

Sins against the Eighth Commandment include everything that has to do with being untruthful. We never achieve good through lies. When we speak the truth, we bear witness to Jesus Christ. When we lie, we are unfaithful to Jesus Christ. Man has dignity, because God has created man in his image. All lies, defamation, slander, gossiping, bearing false witness against your neighbor, and similar acts harm the dignity of others. Tell the truth, even if you suffer because you do. Live Christian values and morals in your politics and in your use of media and in all your relationships with others. You are a Christian. Be a Christian in all you do.

*We Walk with Christ: Youth Catechism, Chapter Three, We Love, Theme 9, "You Shall Not Bear False Witness Against Your Neighbor," amended. You can purchase copies through the Eparchy's website.*

**Pope Leo XIV Address to Eastern Churches:**

Your traditions of spirituality, ancient yet ever new, are medicinal. In them, the drama of human misery is combined with wonder at God’s mercy, so that our sinfulness does not lead

to despair, but opens us to accepting the gracious gift of becoming creatures who are healed, divinized and raised to the heights of heaven. For this, we ought to give endless praise and thanks to the Lord. Together, we can pray with Saint Ephrem the Syrian and say to the Lord Jesus: “Glory to you, who laid your cross as a bridge over death... Glory to you who clothed yourself in the body of mortal man, and made it the source of life for all mortals” (Homily on our Lord, 9). We must ask, then, for the grace to see the certainty of Easter in every trial of life and not to lose heart, remembering, as another great Eastern Father wrote, that “the greatest sin is not to believe in the power of the Resurrection” (SAINT ISAAC OF NINEVEH, Sermones ascetici, I, 5).

**On Purity, Tradition, Marriage, and the Formation of Children and Youth:**

In the education we provide in families and in schools, in our Sunday homilies and in our catechetical instruction, we must have as our goal the formation of consciences according to the truth revealed by God in nature and in Sacred Catholic Tradition.

In a special way, we must dedicate ourselves to the formation of the faithful, especially of children and young people, in purity of body and spirit, the first expression of which is respect for life and the integrity of the family.

With regard to abortion, for example, we must assist troubled mothers directly and also engage in the work of educating our children and young people to know the truth that “the institution of matrimony itself and conjugal love are ordained for the procreation and education of children, and find in them their ultimate crown.”

It, therefore, also demands that we teach our children and young people the virtue of purity, which prepares a man and a woman to give themselves totally to each other and to their offspring in marriage.

Sadly, our culture has robbed from the work of education the teaching of the very first lessons of life, the lessons without which nothing else which the culture teaches us makes any sense.

The tireless promotion of the culture of life, in accord with the truth inscribed upon the heart of every man and announced in the Gospel, in fact, responds to the deepest longing of every man and of society itself. Right reason itself teaches us the Golden Rule which Our Lord Jesus Christ enunciated in the Sermon on the Mount. God the Father inscribes upon every human heart the truth declared by Our Lord: “So whatever you wish that men would do to you, do so to them; for this is the law and the prophets.”

*Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke*

**THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

**Sunday collections for the weekend of 5/11/25, including envelope offerings - \$477, donations -\$272, candle -\$36, online-\$130**  
**Weekly budget: \$1500, Income \$915**

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**Confession before or after Divine Liturgy.**

Confession is recommended as a regular monthly practice. The graces received from confession are an excellent way to help us become closer to Jesus.

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PLEASE REMEMBE YOUR PARISH AND THE EPARCHY OF SAINT JOSAPHAT IN PARMA IN  
YOUR LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT.***