

May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025  
Sunday of the Man Born Blind

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

MONDAY, 5/26      NO Divine Liturgy

TUESDAY, 5/27      8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

WEDNESDAY, 5/28 8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

THURSDAY, 5/29      *Ascension*  
                         8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

FRIDAY, 5/30      8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

SATURDAY, 5/31      5:00 pm Divine Liturgy for special intention

SUNDAY, 6/1      9:00 am Divine Liturgy (English) for all parishioners  
                         10:30 am Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian) for special intention

Announcements

1 - Nighttime Prayers

Join us for Nighttime Prayers on June 6th, from 9:30 PM to Midnight, in our church. These prayers are a powerful offering to the Lord, as we set aside time normally reserved for rest to unite in sacrifice and devotion. Let us come together in prayer, seeking God's grace and blessings.

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

2 - Catechism for Youth

“We Walk with Christ” is a Ukrainian Catholic Catechism designed for youth, which provides an overview of the Catholic faith in a simple and engaging manner. You may purchase in on <https://stjosaphateparchy.com/product/we-walk-with-christ-youth-catechism/>

3-Congratulations to the Chavez Family!

We joyfully welcome Isaac Chavez, who received the Holy Mystery of Baptism, Chrismation and Hoy Eucharist last Sunday! Congratulations to the Chavez family on this blessed occasion. May the Lord grant Isaac a life filled with grace, faith, and love, and may he always walk in the light of Christ. Let us keep Isaac and his family in our prayers as they begin this beautiful journey of faith together.

4- Mission Days

Starting on the feast of the Ascension May 29th to Pentecost, June 8th we will once again pray that the Lord might renew our life through the Holy Spirit. Throughout these ten Mission

Days let us pray for our own parish, mission parishes in St. Josaphat Eparchy and our beloved Church.

5 - Mission Fund collection

On Saturday and Sunday (June 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) we will have Mission Fund collection

**Reflection on the Sunday of the Man Born Blind**

*“I was blind, and now I see.” (John 9:25)*

This Sunday, the sixth and final before the Feast of the Ascension, brings us to the story of the Man Born Blind, a powerful testimony to the healing and revealing work of Christ in our lives.

In the Gospel, Christ gives sight to a man who had never seen light—someone not just physically blind, but excluded and forgotten. Yet Jesus sees him, touches the dust of the earth, and brings forth light from darkness. This miracle is more than physical—it is a sign of spiritual awakening.

The Church Fathers remind us that this man represents all of humanity—born into the blindness of sin, yet called to the light of faith through Christ. His healing shows us that faith is not merely about seeing with our eyes, but about recognizing the presence of God in our lives and confessing Him, like the man did: *“Lord, I believe.” (John 9:38)*

Let us reflect today: Where am I still blind to God's grace? Where is Christ inviting me to see with the eyes of faith?

May we, like the man in the Gospel, allow Christ to open our hearts and lead us from darkness into light.

**Quotes on the Sunday of the Man Born Blind**

1. “One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.”  
The healed man testifies to the transforming power of Christ, offering a simple yet profound witness of faith. ( John 9:25)
2. “The miracle was not only that he received sight, but that he received it from clay—what was lacking in nature, grace supplied.” *St. John Chrysostom*  
This reminds us that Christ re-creates us, just as He formed Adam from the dust, giving us a new beginning.
3. “Blinded in the eyes of my soul, I come to You, O Christ, as did the man blind from birth, and I cry out to You with repentance: You are the radiant Light of those in darkness.”  
*Kontakion of the Feast (Tone 4)*  
This hymn captures the heart of our prayer on this Sunday—longing for spiritual sight.

**THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

Sunday collections for the weekend of 5/18/24, including envelope offerings - \$786,  
donations -\$275, candle -\$59  
Weekly budget: \$1250, Income \$1120

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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.

***THE CHURCH WAS A MOTHER TO YOU IN LIFE, PROVIDING FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS;  
PLEASE REMEMBE YOUR PARISH AND THE EPARCHY OF SAINT JOSAPHAT IN PARMA IN  
YOUR LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT.***