

St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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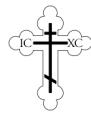
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SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2020

SUNDAY AFTER THE HOLY CROSS

Propers: 156-157, 254-255 / 259



Saturday, September 19th

5:00 PM Divine Liturgy

+Theodore G. Loya

By John and Chris Szyphulsky

Sunday, September 20th

9:15 AM FIRST CONFESSION

(Ethan Faricelli)

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

(live streamed)

Intentions of our Parishioners

12 Noon BAPTISM (George Hofmann)

Monday, September 21st

No Public Services

Tuesday, September 22nd

No Public Services

Wednesday, September 23rd

No Public Services

Thursday, September 24th

No Public Services

Friday, September 25th

No Public Services

Zoom Coffee Social - **every Sunday** after Liturgy via Zoom! Join us!

NEXT SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2020

17TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Propers: 161-162 / 162-163

Saturday, September 26th

MIRACULOUS ICON IN CHURCH

5:00 PM

Divine Liturgy

+Mary Shubeck

By Mary Ferjo

Sunday, September 27th

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9:15 AM

FIRST CONFESSION

(Taylor Sikoriak)

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Delivery Assistance— If you

need assistance with grocery /

pharmacy pickup let us know.



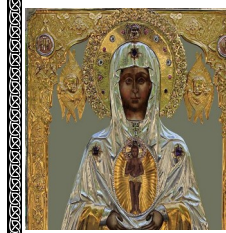
IMPORTANT — Stay up to date with current announcements by checking our Facebook Page as well as our website and your email!

<https://www.facebook.com/saintthomastheapostlebyz/>

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Baptized in the Lord—Our parish family rejoices with the family of **GEORGE CHARLES HOFFMANN IV** who will be Baptized and Chrismated today, September 20th! To his parents, George and Jenn Hoffman as well as to his godparents, Christine and Frank, as well as to his grandparents, family and friends we extend our joyful congratulations! *God grant him many happy and blessed years!*

Congratulations to ETHAN FARICELLI on receiving the Holy Mystery (Sacrament) of Holy Reconciliation (Confession) for the first time today! Ethan is the son of Chris and Diana Faricelli and brother to Hayden. *Congratulations!*



MIRACULOUS ICON OF MOTHER OF GOD “HELPER OF MOTHERS” AT ST THOMAS, Wednesday September 30th, 7PM. Bishop Kurt to Preside! —We turn to the Mother of God in time of need. This miraculous icon of Mary, the Mother of Helpers” has been called up to aid expectant mothers, including those with difficult pregnancies. The icon has been traveling through the State of NJ and will be at St Thomas Church on Wednesday, Sept 30th. **The public is welcome to attend! Please pass the word!**

Many thanks to all who participated in the annual Bishops Appeal—because of your outstanding generosity, we received a refund of \$5,220.00 in support of our parish!

On-Line Giving—If you’ve not yet re-registered for Online giving please consider doing so! Our host is “My E-Offerings”. You can register on our website, just click on “Register” and follow the instructions. Regular giving is a great benefit to our parish! Please consider it! *Thanks!*



Reserve your seat for Liturgy Each Week! The Saturday evening Divine Liturgy is celebrated at 5PM; the Sunday Liturgy is celebrated at 10AM. Here’s how to reserve your seat:

- ◆ **Reserve by email!** Invitations are emailed on Wednesday and confirmations are sent on Friday. Spill over is in the Church Hall. MASKS are required in both locations and at all services.
- ◆ **Call the Parish Office** (ONLY if you don't have email) and reserve a seat with AnnMarie.
- ◆ **Other options**—watch us on **Facebook**, or **YouTube** or listen on the FM radio from the church parking lot on channel **90.5 FM**.

INCOME FOR LAST WEEKEND: (including those mailed in —thank you!)

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	1523.00	Monthly/Initial	\$	50.00
Candles	\$	51.00	ECL	\$	3.00
Flowers	\$	xxx.00	Holydays/Easter	\$	70.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	79.00	ECF	\$	10.00
Charities	\$	xxx.00	Total	\$	1786.00

Additional Income (Bingo) \$xxx.00 **GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY OF SPIRIT!**

Many Thanks for the following donations... a few kind parishioners have made some very generous donations for improvements around the parish! They wish to remain anonymous, but *we must acknowledge their kindness!* The first is a donation of approximately \$7,000.00 for the installation of new partitions and an ADA-compliant commode in the Parish Hall Ladies Room. The second donation is \$4,000.00 for the installation of new partitions (coming *very soon!*) for the Parish Hall Men's Room. Both donations were unexpected and were motivated by people who just want to do something nice for their parish and to help everyone! *May Our Lord bless them for their acts of kindness!*

We also gratefully acknowledge a donation of \$14,500.00 from our dedicated **BINGO VOLUNTEERS** (*and patrons!*) to offset the cost of some major electric work done around the parish (inside and outside) to maintain safety and security! This includes replacement of over 20 security lights, repair to outdoor parking lights, new outlets in the parish kitchen, emergency lighting in the new library, sacristy, brighter exterior lighting by the doorways, and more!