

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
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Confessions: half an hour before/
after each service or by appointment

Sunday Liturgy: 9.30AM

Sick Calls: As scheduled,
or anytime in case of an emergency

Readings and Music May 9

Acts 16:16-34 John 9:1-38

Festal Tone

WELCOME TO ST JOHN'S

"For my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples" (Isaiah 56:7) We welcome all visitors and new members to our parish family and hope you will become an active part of our parish community by participating fully in our spiritual and social life. We are delighted to welcome you! With faith, hope, and love as we continue our journey together,

Fr Gregory and parish family

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE MAY 9-16

Sunday May 9 – *Sunday of the Man Born Blind (Mother's Day)*

9.00am – Matins

9.30am – Divine Liturgy for the living mothers, Panachida for the deceased mothers

Thursday May 13 – *Ascension of Our Lord*

5.00pm – Divine Liturgy, +John Sizick, by Laila Vassell

Friday May 14 – *Isidore Martyr*

5.30pm – Prayer Service (Moleben) to the Mother of God

Saturday May 15 – *Pachomius the Great Venerable*

10.00am – Prayer Service (Moleben) to the Mother of God

3/5.00pm – Confessions and Private Prayer

Sunday May 16 – *Sunday of the Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council*

9.00am – Matins

9.30am – Divine Liturgy, +Charles & Gladys Luzetsky, by Ann Clemens

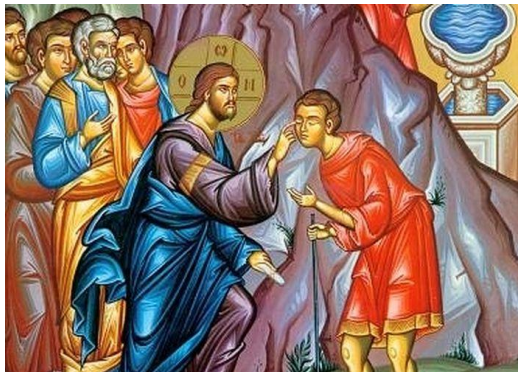
COLLECTIONS AND ATTENDANCE

Sunday May 2, 2021: Collections – 2,602.00; attendance – 54

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Mother's Day.** Sunday May 9, 2021 is the Mother's Day. We will remember all our living mothers at the Divine Liturgy and the deceased mothers at the Panachida.
- **St John's Picnic.** The parish picnic will be held on Sunday **June 13th**. More details will be published in the next bulletins. In the meantime, let us all pray for the good weather and the volunteers that will work to prepare this event!
- **Ave Maria University Eastern Catholic Scholarship.** Ave Maria University is offering a generous \$28,000 scholarship exclusively for Eastern Catholic students! This is a life-changing opportunity for young men and women to study at an authentically Catholic university endorsed by The Newman Guide! It's not too late to receive this scholarship for the fall 21' semester! For more details: link.avemaria.edu/eastern-catholic
- **Last month to contribute to the Bishop's Appeal 2020.** The Bishop's Appeal 2020 is almost over and the contributions will be accepted through June 1. So far 36 families have pledged 5,770.00 toward our goal of 15,440.00. If the parish reaches the goal, it will receive back %40 of the whole amount. Although this past year has been difficult for many, yet if you can, please consider a donation made payable to the Eparchy of Passaic to support the this very worthy mission of the Bishop of the Eparchy of Passaic. You can also pledge and pay online at the Eparchial website: www.eparchyofpassaic.com
- **Please Subscribe to Our YouTube channel!** St Johns has now a YouTube channel where the celebrations are livestreamed and also the formation classes (Bible Study) are published. Please support this multimedia presence of your parish by subscribing to it. Here is the link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCvCdzeKRzwbkX444vt0uTfg>
- **ByzanTeen Virtual Night Out in May.** ByzanTeens, join us for a Virtual Evening Out on **May 16th**: Pentecost - Birthday of the Church (or "The Power of the Holy Spirit" as an alternate subtitle) and **June 13th**: Saints for All Time and in All Time - Soaring Like Eagles. If you have any questions please email Deacon Tom Shubeck at frdeacontom@gmail.com for registration: <https://form.jotform.com/201673768553060>
- **Online Church Singing Classes.** The Metropolitan Cantor Institute offers an online, 2-year program in church singing for both new and experienced cantors. Tuition is \$75 for each eight-week class, which includes feedback to help to improve singing and cantorial skills. Initial classes on liturgy and church singing. For details: mci.archpitt.org/classes or call Deacon Jeffrey Mierzejewski at 412 735 1676
- **Altar Server Congress** is being held Sunday, August 8 through Thursday August 12, 2021 at the Carpathian village in Canadensis PA. For registration please fill out the following form by clicking on: <https://www.cognitofirms.com/EparchyOfPassaic1/AltarServerCongressCamperRegistration2021>

SPIRITUAL REFLECTION



In the story of the man born blind, darkness and blindness are metaphors for sin. The formerly blind man turned away from the darkness of unbelief toward the glorious light of the Son of God. When we allow Jesus to heal us, just as the blind man did, our lives become clearer than ever. We become a new person in Jesus Christ. But just as happened for the man in the story, as soon as his sight was restored, life became more difficult, because people doubted his healing. Similarly, when we set aside habitual patterns of sin, people may doubt our conversion. No one said that the path of discipleship would be easy.

(Catechist's Journey)