

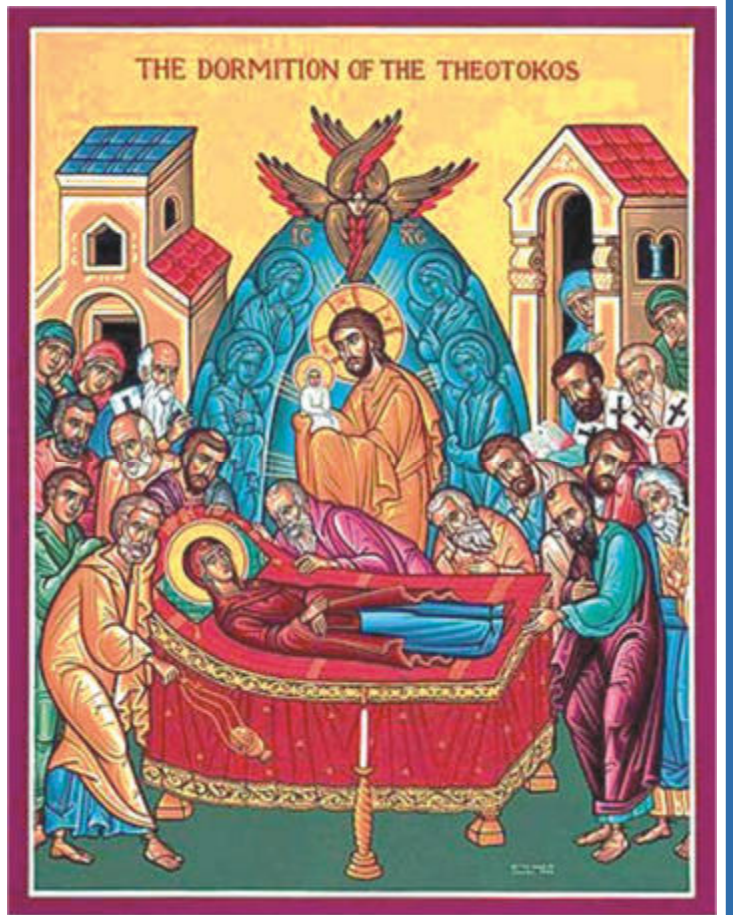
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Ukrainian Catholic Church



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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (English)
Sunday: During present restrictions, only one Liturgy
10:00 am Ukrainian
Tuesday - Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation:

6:00 p.m. (English on the preceding evening)
9:00 a.m. on the Holy Day
Other Services as announced.

OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ; 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

As of now, any schedules or information posted in the bulletin or on the parish's Facebook or web site is subject to change.

BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION:

Parishioners should make plans to have their children baptized and chrismated in a timely fashion. Please call the rectory before setting a date for the ceremony. *(All sponsors must be catholic, have received all sacraments and be a parishioner in good standing in the church they attend.)*

CONFESSIONS:

Before weekend Divine Liturgies and Holy Days.

MARRIAGE:

Please call the rectory at least six months in advance. Pre-marital counseling is mandatory.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

Kindly notify the rectory regarding parishioners who are hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing homes.

CEMETERY:

Purchase of cemetery plots is a privilege reserved to parishioners. Please contact the rectory before any major improvements are undertaken.

CHURCH FACILITIES:

Any use of church facilities must be cleared in advance at the rectory. Literature may not be placed in or around the Church without approval.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

8:00 a.m. of the Monday preceding the weekend in which the announcement is to appear.

WEBSITES:

www.stjohnbaptistucc.com
www.facebook.com/StJohnTheBaptistUCC

ADDITIONAL FAITH RESOURCES:

www.stamforddio.org www.royaldoors.net

SATURDAY, August 14 with Mirovanije and The Blessing of the Flowers

4:00PM - Souls in Purgatory
req. Apostleship of Prayer

**SUNDAY, August 15 - Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Dormition of the Mother of God - with Mirovanije and Blessing of the Flower**

10:00AM - Intention for Parishioners

TUESDAY, August 17

8:00AM - God's Blessings on the Temnycky Family
req. Temnycky Family

WEDNESDAY, August 18

8:00AM - In memory of +Bishop Walter Paska
req. Eparchy of Stamford

THURSDAY, August 19

8:00AM - In loving memory of +Rev. Dc. Dr. Myron Kotch
with Panakhyda req. wife, Joyce Kotch and family

FRIDAY, August 20

8:00AM - In loving memory of the +Guzelak Family
req. Andriy and Ksenia Guzelak and Family

SATURDAY, August 21

4:00PM - In loving memory of +Ray Prowak
req. Samuel Jr. and Ann Buranich

**SUNDAY, August 22 - Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Postfeast of Dormition of the Mother of God**

10:00AM - In loving memory of +Yuri and +Katherine Szpiczka
req. Vladymir & Klara Szpiczka

**READINGS****August 14****Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11****Gospel: Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28**

*Liturgical Proper's are available in the back
and side of the church.*

Epistle Readers**Saturday, August 14****4:00p.m. Liturgy****Lector: Paul Streiff****Catholic Home Missions Appeal Envelope**

Many dioceses here at home face challenges due to priest shortages, lack of funds, remote geography, or impoverished parishes. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal answers these needs and provides grants for projects to strengthen the faith of the people. Please be generous for this very important collection.

Prayer Chain

If you would like to be part of the Prayer Chain or have a **Prayer Request**, please contact:

Linda Wisnowski – (English only)

Phone: 315-451-0712

Email: Lmwizzer1@yahoo

Lesia Nowey – (Ukrainian & English)

Phone: 315-857-7281

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Everyone is welcome to pray and be prayed for.

Vigil Lights

Eternal Light: In loving memory of my husband, +Richard Troch
req. wife, Jane Troch

Tetrapod: In loving memory of my husband +Bernard Hayduke
req. wife, Nadia and family

Sacred Heart: In loving memory of our mother, +Dorothy
Woyciesjes req. daughters, Helen, Patty and Stephanie

Mother of God: Special Intentions

Holy Cross: God's Blessings on our Grand-daughter Elizabeth
Zelda Hanson req. Bill and DeBorah Halligan



Please pray for the souls of the deceased members of the parish and those for whom Divine Liturgies will be offered this week. We ask that you also pray for the following parishioners who are ill or homebound: Felicia Guzelak, Olga Holl, John Hnotko, Michael Hrab, Julie Hulchanski, George Kelley, Andrew Krzywyj, Julia Maliwesky, Jennie Marko, Dorothy Onoff-Graser, Christopher Piotrowski, Fr. Stefan, Gabriella Wicker, Kalina Woloszyn, Marion Wood, Anna Wovk, Helen Woyciesjes-Buonocore, Nina Wozniak, our military men and women in the USA and Ukraine, all those suffering from the coronavirus and all Clergy and religious.

If you know someone on the prayer list that is no longer in need or know of someone who is in need of prayers, please call the rectory office so we can update our list. Thank you.

Diocesan Charities Appeal - 2021

We are getting closer - We need your help!

Just \$1,125 away from our goal!

The money raised from this special collection is used to help educate future priest for our Stamford Diocese and our Ukrainian Catholic Church throughout the world. All parishioners are encouraged to give. Forms can be found near the side entrance of the church. Completed forms with donation, can be placed in the collection basket, mailed to or dropped off at the rectory.

- ▶ Please make checks payable to:
"St. John the Baptist UCC"
- ▶ DO NOT MAIL your donation directly to Stamford.

Our assessment for this year of \$8,000.

To date we have raised: \$6,875.00

Campaign should end as soon as possible.

Thank you to All who have given.

Ukrainian Food for Sale

There is still food available for sale following each Divine Liturgy and by contacting the rectory on Tuesdays during office hours. Please call the rectory 315-478-5109 prior to coming to purchase on Tuesdays:

Pyrohy for Sale:

Potato - \$ 8 for a 1 dozen package

\$15 for a 2 dozen package

Kapusta - \$10 for 1 dozen package

Holubtsi - \$2 each**Kapusta** (Sauerkraut) - container \$ 3**Kapusta with meat** – container \$7

Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos

“At the time of her death, the disciples of our Lord who were preaching throughout the world returned to Jerusalem to see the Theotokos. Except for the Apostle Thomas, all of them including the Apostle Paul were gathered together at her bedside. At the moment of her death, Jesus Christ himself descended and carried her soul into heaven.



Following her repose, the body of the Theotokos was taken in procession and laid in a tomb near the Garden of Gethsemane. When the Apostle Thomas arrived three days after her repose and desired to see her body, the tomb was found to be empty. The bodily assumption of the Theotokos was confirmed by the message of an angel and by her appearance to the Apostles.”

Information from <https://www.goarch.org/dormition>

The Dormition - Mary's death was not like other deaths. By God's grace, Mary was exalted above all others, and her body and soul were taken to heaven. Her death was as peaceful as sleep. Dormition means “falling asleep.”

To learn more about the Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos go to: <https://www.archpitt.org/the-dormition-of-the-most-holy-mother-of-god-uspen-ije-assumption-according-to-the-byzantine-rite/>

Why do we Bless Flowers and Herbs today?



According to an old custom, flowers and medicinal herbs are blessed after the Divine Liturgy on the Feast of the Dormition. According to traditional belief, after Mary's assumption, her tomb was filled with a “heavenly fragrance” and flowers. The herbs, used as natural medicine, are blessed in commemoration of the numerous healing and extraordinary graces bestowed on the pilgrims at Mary's tomb.

Ten Commandments



As part of this week's Catechistic Study, we will reflect upon the next Commandments. We continue our examination, by once again thinking of our last confession. Try to recall whether you omitted anything from fear of embarrassment that needs to be confessed. With the help of the self-examination provided, call to mind all the sin you have committed since your last confession.

Respect for Private Property: *You shall not steal. and You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.*

Have I taken or kept anything that was not mine? Have I cheated anyone? Have I caused others to steal or cheat? Have I tried to find the owners of lost things I have found? Have I damaged or destroyed anything that belonged to another? Have I defrauded anyone of their rightful wages? Have I paid my debts? Have I worked honestly and conscientiously for my wages? Did I spend beyond my means? Do I give alms according to my capacity? Have I looked with envy, jealousy or hatred toward the possessions, talents or achievements of others? Have I desired the downfall or loss of others out of evil intent that I might benefit? Have I grieved that God has bestowed greater blessing on others than on me?

Respect for Truth: *You shall not bear false witness.*

Have I given false testimony against anyone? Have I spoken evil, told lies, or spread rumors about anyone? Have I unjustly accused someone? Have I disclosed to anyone the sins and faults of another? Have I betrayed the confidence of another? Have I made careless statements or done anything else to harm the good name and reputation of another person? Have I engaged in idle gossip, (discussing that which is doubtful as if it were true), hearsay and backbiting?

Take a moment and reflect on the Commandments, and ask yourself, “What can I do better?” and always remember God is a forgiving and merciful God when sincerely asked for forgiveness.

The Icon of the Dormition of the Holy Theotokos

The Mother of God is lying on her deathbed in the midst of the apostles.

The moment of bodily assumption is shown at the top of the icon where the Mother of God is seated on a throne in the “mandorla” the angels are carrying towards heaven.

The icon has two axes which form a cross. The horizontal axis is the body of Mary. Christ, standing, is the vertical axis, which indicates his triumph over death.

Christ is surrounded by a “mandorla”. He is holding in His arms a small figure of a child clothed in white and crowned with a halo: the “all-luminous soul” that He has just gathered up.

Christ in glory is receiving in His arms the soul of His Mother.

The multitude of angels present at the Dormition forms an outer border around the “mandorla” of Christ.

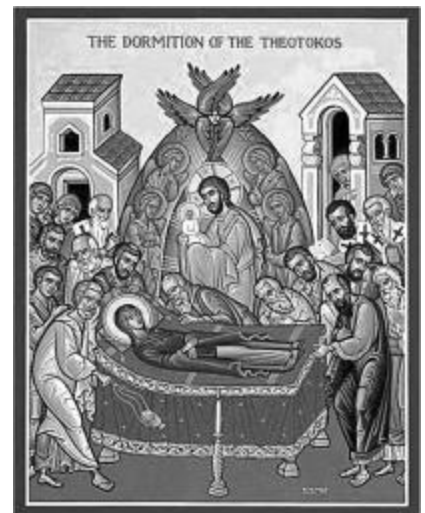
At the top, in the sky, the moment of the miraculous arrival of the apostles, assembled from the ends of the earth, is shown.

The 12 apostles are standing around the bed in deep sorrow.

The apostles assembled represent the total consensus of the Church about the veneration which the Church renders to the Mother of God. The Church as always celebrated and venerated the resurrection and assumption in glory of the Mother of God.

Two bishops with haloes stand behind the apostles: St. James, the first bishop of Jerusalem and Timothy.

The women represent the faithful of Jerusalem, who, with the bishops and the apostles, form the inner circle of the Church in which the mystery of the Dormition takes place.



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