

## Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost



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<b>Service Schedule</b>	
<b>Saturday-Vespers 5PM</b> <b>Sunday-Matins 9AM</b> <b>Divine Liturgy 11AM</b>	<b>Confession:</b> Sunday 10:30 and by appointment. <b>Feastdays-As announced.</b>

<b>Weekly Offering- September 22, 2024</b>	
<b>Sunday:</b> \$20,016.33 <b>Cash:</b> \$0 <b>e-Giving:</b> \$0.00 <b>Total:</b> \$20,016.33	<b>Average Monthly Expenditures:</b> \$2767.32 <b>Total this Month:</b> \$21,075.93 <b>Diff:</b> \$18,308.61

<b>Services This Week</b>	
<b>Monday, September 30 (for October 1, the Protection of the Theotokos)</b>	Vespersal Divine Liturgy. For +Kathy Strobel by Donna Neal
<b>Wednesday, October 2</b>	Vespers. 5PM. (Readers)
<b>Saturday, October 5</b>	Vespers. 5PM
<b>Sunday, October 6. 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost. Apostle Thomas</b>	Matins 9AM                      Confession: 10:30AM Divine Liturgy. 11 AM.

**September 29, 2024**  
**NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**Our venerable father Cyriacus the anchorite.** Born in Corinth of a Christian family, he left to go to Jerusalem and entered the monastery. He learned at the feet of saints such as Euthymius and Gerasimos. He was famous for his silence, his asceticism, and his zeal for the Orthodox faith. (557)

Tone 2. Matins Gospel 8  
Sunday Antiphons  
Troparion of the Resurrection Tone 2 (pg. 130)  
*Glory. Now and ever.* Kontakion of the Resurrection, Tone 2 (pg.131)

Prokeimenon of the Resurrection, Tone 2 (pg.132)  
Epistle: 2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9

Alleluia of the Resurrection, Tone 2 (pg 132)  
Gospel: Luke 6:31-36

Communion Hymn, of Sunday

October 13 is "Picture Day" where we' like everyone in attendance for a group photo (public relations purposes).

A commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Byzantine-Ruthenian Catholic Church in America will air on EWTN in mid-October. The television documentary, "Treasury OF Blessings," has been under production for more than a year. It features archival films, still pictures and videos fathered from the Archeparchial archives, private collections and on-site locations from all four of our eparchies (dioceses). Archbishop William Skurla is the Executive Producer. EWTN plans to air the documentary of October 11 at 9:30 p.m. CST and again October 12 at 10:30 a.m. CST.

### **From the Desk of Father Bruce**

Glory to Jesus Christ!

he ceremony for the installation of Most Reverend Dennis Walsh as the new bishop of Davenport on Friday at Sacred Heart Cathedral was beautiful. Bishop Robert Pipta was a concelebrant. Myself and Father Tom Loya were among the couple hundred priests in the pews. Adam and Lynsey Kemner were in attendance, as was Jay Feller. So, we were well represented. Afterwards I was interviewed by the Editor of the Diocesan newspaper, so we may get a little publicity in the next issue.

I did have an opportunity to speak with our bishop about a "name" for the Outreach. He once again indicated an openness and now that his busy September has drawn to a close, will take a look at all the names you have previously researched and submitted. In the most recent edition of Horizons his vision is "that the essentials of our Church life blossom with grace both in areas that have traditionally had a multitude of parishes and in those nascent communities of more distant states (us) that must know that they are of equal importance to those communities' celebrating histories of over a hundred years." He will be sharing that vision in all three sections of our Eparchy (the first was yesterday at St. Nicholas in Munster—attended by Adam and Lynsey).

Tuesday is a Solemn Holyday, the Protection of the Mother of God. We will celebrate a Vigil Liturgy with Vespers tomorrow night at 6:00.

O Mary Gentle Protectress of Christians, pray for us!



The following account is a translation from the the *Life of Saint Andrew the Fool* which describes his vision of the Mother of God at the Church of Blachernae in Constantinople, for which the feast of the Protection of the Mother of God (October 1 or 28) is based on.

When a night-long doxology was held in the Holy Soros at Blachernae blessed Andrew was in attendance, behaving in his usual way. Epiphanius was also present, and with him one of his servants. Blessed Andrew was wont to stand there as long as his zeal gave him strength, sometimes until midnight, sometimes until morning. When it was already the fourth hour of the night he saw the Most Holy Theotokos appear in full sight, very tall, from the Royal Doors, escorted by an awe-inspiring retinue in which there were, among others, the Honorable Forerunner and the Son of Thunder, holding her by the hand on both sides, and many other holy men in white robes accompanied her, some going before her, others following her, singing hymns and spiritual songs.

As she approached the ambo the blessed man went up to Epiphanius and said: "Do you see the Lady and Mistress of the world?" He answered: "Yes, my spiritual father." And before their eyes she knelt and prayed for a long while, besprinkling with tears her godlike and all-immaculate face. Having finished her prayer she went into the sanctuary, praying there for the people standing around. When she had prayed, with beautiful dignity she removed her veil which she wore on her all-immaculate head, which appeared like a flash of lightning, and took it in her all-immaculate hands - it was large and awe-inspiring - and spread it over all the people that were standing there. For a long while the admirable men saw it stretched over the people, radiating the glory of the Lord like amber. As long as the Most Holy Theotokos was there the veil was also visible, but when she had withdrawn they could no longer see it. No doubt she had taken it away with her, but her grace she left to those who were there.