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SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND ...MOTHER'S DAY

SAT. 4:30 p.m. Living & Deceased Mothers
SUN. 10:30 a.m. Living & Deceased Mothers

MON. 10:30 a.m. No Liturgy

TUE. 10:30 a.m. No Liturgy

WED. 10:30 a.m. +Nancy Klanica by Family

THU. ASCENSION OF OUR LORD Page 191
10:30 a.m. Intention of Celebrant

FRI. 10:30 am. No Liturgy



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SAT. 4:30 p.m. +Josephine Hrina by Family
SUN. 10:30 a.m. Health & Blessings of Parishioners

O Faithful, let us praise and adore the Word eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He chose to ascend the cross in the flesh and suffer death, and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

CHRISTOS VOSKRESE!

VOISTINNU VOSKRESE!

FELTA'MADT KRISZTUS!

VALO'BAN FELTA MADT!

CHURCH DONATIONS May 7, 2023
Candles \$ 45.00 Monthly Dues \$75.00
Cemetery \$55.00 Holy Day \$10.00
Offertory.....3,204.00.00

BCW ...NEWS

Please contact the office 792-1578 if you wish to subscribe to our Diocesan Newspaper. Also if you wish to cancel your paper please call the office.

CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE: THE FORETASTE OF HEAVEN, PLUMBING THE DEPTHS OF SACRAMENTAL MYSTERY OF HOLY MATRIMONY

St. Mary's Byz. Catholic Church, 506 E. Main St., Marbelhead, Ohio, Sat. May 20, 2023 will hold a Conference 9:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m., Continental Breakfast and Lunch included..\$donation 25.00. Call 419-626-0375 to register. ALL Are Welcome Married, Unmarried & Young Adults.

BINGO FUND RAISER...TODAY...MAY 14TH

We are sponsoring a Fund Raiser to benefit Veterans Outreach & Salvation Army. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Please come and support these Charities. FREE Daubers for all players plus a 50/50 Raffle.

THANK YOU

GCU has made a donation of \$2,000.00 to each Byzantine Catholic Parish. It is included in last weeks Offertory.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

We would like to wish all Mothers a Very Happy & Blessed Mother's Day. It is our prayer that our Lord grant each of you health & happiness for many blessed years! You are most deserving of all honors bestowed upon you today and very day!

CHRIST IS RISEN!

INDEED HE IS RISEN!

MOTHER'S TOUCH

It takes a mother's love to make a house a home,
A place to be remembered, no matter where we roam.
It takes a mother's patience to bring a child up right,
And her courage and her thoughtfulness to mend the heart's deep hurts,
It takes a mother's kindness to forgive us when we err,
To sympathize in trouble and bow her head in prayer.
It takes a mother's wisdom to recognize our needs.
And to give us reassurance by her loving words and deeds.
It takes a mother's endless faith, her confidence and trust
To guide us through the pitfalls of selfishness and lust.
And that is why in all this world there could not be another.
Who could fulfill God's purpose as completely as a mother!

SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND



On his way to the temple of Jerusalem, Jesus met a man born blind and miraculously restored his sight. The Gospel of this Sunday gives a detailed account of the whole incident. The liturgy properly evaluates the various details of this great miracle. First, here is the story:

"Passing through the Temple, Jesus saw a man who had been blind since birth. He had compassion on him and put clay on his eyes, then said to him: Go to the pool of Siloe, and wash! And as he washed, his sight was restored, and he proclaimed the glory of

God. But his relatives said to him: "who opened your eyes that no living creature can heal?" And he answered them saying, "A man named Jesus. He told me to go and wash in the pool of Silo, and now I can see. He is truly Christ, the Messiah, of whom Moses wrote in the Law. He is the Savior of our souls."

The Jews believed that this man's blindness was God's punishment for some sin. They forgot that man's troubles are not always punishments. To see sin behind every trouble is superficial, even bad theology. Sufferings are sometimes sent to us in order that "the works of God should be made manifest." The liturgy understands this, but it also speaks of the spiritual blindness which is an even greater tragedy, so we ask God in the words of the liturgy to be saved from this deeper blindness: "With eyes spiritually blind I come to You, O Christ, and like the man who was blind since birth I cry out to You with repentance." "To those who are in the darkness, You are the shining light. And again: "Enlighten, O Lord, my spiritual eyes made blind by the gloom of sin. Anoint them, O compassionate One, with humility. Wash them with the tears of repentance."

ASCENSION THURSDAY

The Feast of the Ascension, which this year is celebrated on May 13 always falls on a Thursday, on the fortieth day after Christ's resurrection. This is one of the principal feast days of our Lord. It celebrates the memory of Christ's Ascension into heaven and underscores its significance for Christ and for us.



The spirit of the services of this feast, as a whole, is uplifting and joyful. The Church rejoices at the glory of Christ (God and Man), who is now seated at the right hand on the Father. He ascended into heaven, in order to send us the Comforter...the Holy Spirit....and to "prepare a place for us," as He promised.

ANGELS IN DISGUISE

There is a sweet angelic look in every mother's eyes that makes us stop and wonder if they're angels in disguise. For they are always standing by when someone needs a friend. No one has as much compassion; none are quicker to defend. There is a little bit of God in every Mother's heart. He molded them of finer clay that sets them well apart. They are an earthly blessing that heaven itself supplies; and so we can't help believing they are angels in disguise.