

Descent of the Holy Spirit Ukrainian Catholic Church
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Glory to Jesus Christ! – Glory now and Forever!

Schedule of Divine Liturgies

Sunday November 20th – 10:30 am For health, wellbeing and growth of the
Descent of the Holy Spirit Parish (27th Sunday after Pentecost)

Epistle: Eph.: 6: 10-17

Gospel: Lk: 12: 16-21

Moleben to the Mother of God after the Liturgy

Monday November 21st – 6:00pm Divine Liturgy Entrance of the Theotokos
+ Eduardo Acosta

Sunday November 27th – 10:30 am For health, wellbeing and growth of the
Descent of the Holy Spirit Parish (28th Sunday after Pentecost)

Epistle: Col 1:12-18

Gospel: Lk: 13:10-17

Confession

Confessions are available on Sundays or Feast days after the Liturgy

Intention cards

We should remember to pray for our family members and for relatives, as well for the deceased. There are intention cards available in the foyer of the church to be filled out if you would like to have the Liturgy for family members, relatives or friends.

Sacraments

Those who wish to receive Sacrament of First Holy Communion or Marriage, please talk to the priest at least 6 months prior to the event.

Upcoming Events

1. St Nicholas Bazar December 3rd - 4th

Sanctuary Lamp

Week of 11/20 – God’s blessings for Johnathan and Mary Jermain 15th wedding anniversary

Thank You

Thanks to all who helped to make our pyrohy and all the other goods for St. Nicholas Bazar. Your work is very valued and important for our parish.

What is Phillip’s Fast?

For Catholics of the Roman Rite, [Advent](#), the period of preparation for [Christmas](#), begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas. But for Eastern Rite Catholics, the preparation for Christmas begins a little bit earlier, on November 15 each year. Advent is called a “little Lent,” because, like [Lent](#), it is a time of repentance. While [fasting](#) during Advent used to be universal, most Western Christians today treat Advent as an [early part of the Christmas season](#). Eastern Rite Catholics (and the Eastern Orthodox), however, continue to celebrate Advent with the Philip’s Fast, named after the [Apostle Philip](#). The fast doesn’t really have anything to do with the Apostle Philip, other than the fact that it starts on November 15, the day after his feast in the Eastern calendar. It runs through Christmas Eve, December 24.

Like most fasts in the Eastern Church, Philip’s Fast is fairly strict and includes [abstinence](#) from meat, eggs, and dairy products on all weekdays, and fish, oil, and wine on most days. (Different Eastern Churches observe the fast more or less strictly; because extreme fasting can affect your health, you should never increase the strictness of a fast beyond what the Church prescribes without consulting with your priest.) While Roman Rite Catholics are no longer bound to fast during Advent, reviving the tradition of repentance during Advent can help us better appreciate our Christmas celebration. Pope John Paul II called on Western Catholics to learn more about the traditions of our Eastern Rite brethren; joining them, even if for only one day a week, in celebrating Philip’s Fast is a very good way to do so.

November 13th Collection

Thanks for your generous donations for Descent of the Holy Spirit Ukrainian Catholic Church.

Plate Collection: \$358

Candles: \$17

food Sale: \$155

Special: \$40

Total: \$570

God Bless You ALL!

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