

to flee with his entire flock to the island of Tubabao in the Philippines. Archbishop John arranged for the majority of these to find refuge in the United States, while some settled in Australia.

In 1951 John was appointed Archbishop of Western Europe, based first in Paris and then in Brussels. At his initiative, the Orthodox began to commemorate and celebrate the Feasts of many of the Western Saints of the undivided Church of the first millennium of Christianity. Vladyslava also saw to the translation of liturgical texts into French and Dutch.

In 1962, Archbishop John relocated to the United States and in 1963 became the Bishop of San Francisco. Here, too, he completed the building of the Cathedral and brought peace to the community, while himself suffering the attacks of opponents - who even filed a lawsuit against him for the alleged mishandling of funds in the construction of the Cathedral. Vladyslava was exonerated, but the matter was a source of much anguish for him.

St. John reposed in the Lord in Seattle on July 2, 1966, while he was at prayer before the miraculous Kursk "Root" (so called because it was found lying on a root in the 13th century) Icon of the Theotokos. His body was interred in a Chapel beneath the Altar of the Cathedral of the Mother of God, the Joy of All Who Sorrow, which he had built in San Francisco.

The many healings attributed to the intercessions of this modern Saint – as well as his incorrupt Relics – led to his canonization on the twenty-eighth anniversary of his repose on July 2, 1994. (This writer himself obtained an answer to prayer for the healing of a desperately ill Ukrainian Catholic boy, Godson of a parishioner, even before Vladyslava's canonization). Portions of St. John's Relics are now all over the world, as are his Icons and the grateful prayers to the Lord of the faithful who continue to receive many blessings through his intercession before the Risen Lord, Who is glorious in His Saints.



For more details, visit www.UOCOFUSA.ORG

St. Volodymyr Ukrainian Orthodox Church

1810 Sidney Street Pittsburgh, PA 15203

Web site www.stvladimirpgh.org

FaceBook [StVladimirUOCPghPa](#)

V. Rev. Father John Haluszczak, Pastor (412)-513-9148 otetsivan@gmail.com

Subdeacon Nathan Haluszczak Readers: Julian Burgan and Nicholas Sampson
Choral Directors: Mauri Druash-Gladys, Kira Senedak, and Pani Anne Haluszczak

Sunday February 5, 2023

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee / Beginning of fast-free week / St. Paulinus of Nola; Comm. Of the 6th Ecumenical Council / Beginning of the Lenten Triodion



"If you want to be humble, learn to bear generously what others inflict upon you" (Abba Serapion, *The Sayings of the Desert Fathers*)

St. John (Maksymovych), Archbishop of San Francisco, Wonderworker is a modern-day Saint, who was born in Ukraine. He is often known as "John of Shanghai", or "John of San Francisco", or simply "John the Wonderworker".

His name in the world was Mykhaylo Borysovych Maksymovych. He was born on June 4, 1896, in the village of Adamivka (now in the Oblast' of Dnipropetrovsk). His family was part of the upper classes.

Mykhaylo graduated from the Petrovsky Cadet Corps in 1914, and from the Law Faculty of the University of Kharkiv in 1918. He then served as a circuit judge for the Kharkiv oblast. This occupation, however, did not suit his aspirations. He emigrated to Yugoslavia (the Maksymovych family was of old Serbian stock) and in 1925 graduated from the Theological Faculty of the University of Belgrade.

In 1926, he was tonsured a monk and ordained a Deacon in the Milkiv Monastery by Metropolitan Antony Khrapovitsky, former Metropolitan of Kyiv.

Fr. John taught Catechism in a Serbian secondary school. He also served as lecturer and spiritual director in the Seminary of St. John the Theologian in the city of Bitol in the Ochrid Eparchy. During this time he established warm relations with another Orthodox Saint of modern times, the Serbian Hierarch, St. Nicholas (Velimirovic), Bishop of Zica, author of The Prologue from Ochrid, who said of him: "If you want to meet a Saint, go see Fr. John in Bitol".

In 1929 Fr. John was ordained a Priest. He published a number of theological works at this time. Among these were polemical refutations of the theological speculations of Fr. Sergius Bulgakov of the St. Sergius Theological Institute in Paris on "Sophiology".

In 1934 Fr. John was consecrated Bishop of Shanghai. His life and service in China established his reputation as a philanthropist active in many benevolent organizations. He founded the St. Tikhon of Zadonsk refuge for orphans and poor families. Some 3,500 souls were thus helped by him. Vladyslava John would go out himself on the streets of the Shanghai ghettos and bring in sick and hungry children for care.

It was also in Shanghai that St. John came to be known as a true ascetic since he was unable to conceal it in his public role as a Bishop. For example, it became clear that he never slept in a bed. In later years, as a result, he was troubled by a swelling of his feet so that he was unable to wear shoes. Typically then, Vladyslava dedicated great attention to the spiritual formation of his flock, visiting prisons and psychiatric hospitals. There were a great many healings - some amazingly miraculous - due to his prayers. St. John served Liturgy daily. The Cathedral of the Mother of God, the Helper of Sinners, and the Church of St. Nicholas were built in Shanghai under his supervision. In 1946, Vladyslava John was elevated to the rank of Archbishop and entrusted him with the care of all its faithful in China until, in 1949, the coming to power of the Communists made it necessary for him

Continued on back page

Remember in Prayer

Peter, Lexi, Debra, Victoria, Theodore, Bob, Archimandrite Raphael, Jamie, Gloria, Maryanne, Marilyn, Chance, Jim, Pauline, Fr John, Mia, Tatiana

O Lord, Jesus Christ, the physician of souls & bodies, look down on your suffering servants, relieve them of their pain and suffering in order that they may be able to arise from their sick-bed and glorify your Holy Name. Amen!"

This list was cleared and starts over new in the new year. Please provide full names of your suffering friends and loved ones to Fr John (full names will only appear when first added but only if you wish to publish them here)



UOL SOUPer Bowl Sunday
for St. Andrew's Society

**Sunday
2.12.2023**
February 12, 2023

- Help fight hunger in Ukraine.
 - Make and sell soup.
 - Collect donations in soup pot.
 - Make checks to UOL of USA.
 - Visit UOL Website for more details and ideas!
- www.uolofusa.org
Facebook | Instagram | YouTube | Link Tree



Today's memorial litany was requested by Kathy Perdziola in memory of her mother Dorothy, friend Dinah and Stephen's great Aunt Sophie and great Uncle Francis



Ancient Faith Ministries is thrilled to announce their brand new YouTube channel dedicated to children. This is a space for kids to be inspired on their journey to fully knowing Jesus Christ! Digital resources such as podcasts and videos will be releasing on a weekly basis.

Next Sunday February 12

So far we will have:

Turtle Soup (mock turtle)
Wild Mushroom
Tomato with Alphabets
Borscht

Anyone else want to donate their favorite?

PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CALL FATHER JOHN for any and all emergencies – for hospital, nursing home, ALSO home visitations

(HOME BLESSINGS SHOULD BE COMPLETED BEFORE LENT BEGINS).

PLEASE call his Cell number 412-513-9148, if necessary, please leave a voice message, Father will return your call. THANK YOU.

Birthdays

David Sampson 2/5,
Thea Senedak 2/8,
Nick Kocelko 2/9,
Michael Kolas 2/10,
Nathan Haluszczak 2/11

COFFEE HOUR

Please sign up to sponsor a coffee hour

Sign up sheet is on clipboard in the social hall

if you can not bring the refreshments, but would like sponsor by donating, Please see Missy Sheptak

SAINT SOPHIA UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

СВЯТО-СОФІЇВСЬКА УКРАЇНСЬКА ПРАВОСЛАВНА БОГОСЛОВСЬКА СЕМІНАРІЯ



FR. ANDRII DRAPAK
О. АНДРІЙ ДРАПАК



SUBDEACON PAVLO VYSOTSKYY
ІПОДІЯКОН ПАВЛО ВІСОЦЬКИЙ



READER MAKSYM ZHURAVCHUK
ЧИТЕЦЬ МАКСИМ ЖУРАВЧИК



READER ANDRII VATRYCH
ЧИТЕЦЬ АНДРІЙ ВАТРИЧ



ANDRII AKULENKO
АНДРІЙ АКУЛЕНКО



ROMAN MARCHYNSHAK
РОМАН МАРЧИНШАК

MYKOLA STEFANYK
МИКОЛА СТЕФАНИК



SUBDEACON NICHOLAS WOROBAY
ІПОДІЯКОН МИКОЛА ВІРБІЙ



YURII IZHYK
ЮРІЙ ІЗЮК



RIASAPHOR MONK POLICARP
РІАСАФОР МОНХ ПОЛІКАРП



AMBROSE BUSSARD
АМВРОСІЙ БУШАРД



ILLIA VAL
ІЛЛЯ ВАЛ



BRIAN DELP
БРЯН ДЕЛП



DANIEL PETROVICH
ДАНІЙЛ ПЕТРОВИЧ



KATHLEEN KOPACH
КЕТЛІН КОПАЧ



JOHN PATTERSON
ДЖОН ПЕТЕРСОН



DMYTRO CHERPYSKO
ДМИТРО ЧЕРПІСЬКО



CHRISTOPHER ECOBAR
КРІСТОФОР ЕСОБАР



READER PETER SLOAN
ЧИТЕЦЬ ПЕТРО СЛОН



AI DAN BUCHANAN
ЕЙДЕН БЮКЕНЕН



ELSE TENNESSEN
ЕЛСІ ТЕНЕСЕН