

Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Святі Петро і Павло Українська Православна Церква

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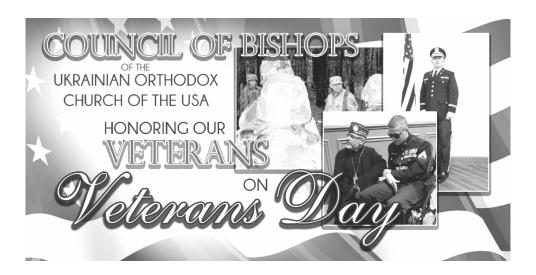
24th Sunday after Pentecost - Tone 7

Virgin-martyr Anastasia the Roman (256). Ven. Abramius the Recluse (360) and his niece St. Mary, of Mesopotamia (397). Martyrs Claudius, Ven. Abramius, recluse of the Kyiv Caves

Ephesians 2:14-22; Luke 8:26-39

9:15 AM Confessions; 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

+Robert Mark (40 days) offered by St. Mary's Sisterhood. +John Burlock in memory of his birthday, given by his wife and family.



The Eastern Orthodox Church considers Demetrius of Thessaloniki, Theodore Stratelates, Theodore of Amasea, and John the Warrior to be the patron saints of the military

Election of Officers (2018-2019 Fiscal Year);

"O Heavenly King, the Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, who art in all places and fills all things, Treasury of blessings and giver of life: come and dwell in us, cleanse us from every stain, and save our souls, O gracious Lord." May God grant many years to our newly elected officers (November 4, 2018). May the Holy Spirit guide their prayerful deliberations and activities as they fulfill the mandates of the Parish. Congratulations to:

Ron Kichton, President of the Church Council; Chuck Woloschak, Vice President of the Church Council; Dolly Mehalco, Financial Secretary; Stephanie Rimedio, Treasurer; Alice Dobransky, Assistant Financial Secretary; Kathy Battisti, Recording Secretary; Trustees: Joe Novicky, Marge Senediak, Tom Senedak, Michael Woloschak; Joe Ewanish; Auditors: Tom Inchack, Ken Senediak, David Spania; Cemetery Sexton, Charles Woloschak; Hall Rental Manager, Arlene Hawryluk.

THIS WEEK'S STEWARDSHIP ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Choir Member, Sunday School Teacher, St. Mary's Sisterhood Bingo Kitchen and Bingo Workers, Volunteers who help maintain the Church Grounds and Physical Plant, Strudel Sale Preparation and Pick Up

Gifts of Love:

Special thanks to our Joe Gnat (Columbus) who donated the mini-fridge placed in the church office for diabetic supplies. Made in loving memory of grandparents Daniel and Josephine Prokup and Elsie and Bernard Gnat.

UPCOMING PARISH AND OTHER EVENTS

Please contact the Church office to schedule Panikhidas, request Bulletin Dedications, or make Prosphora Offerings.

TODAY Sunday, November 11 - VETERANS DAY COMMEMORATION & THE GREAT CHILI COOK OFF—Veterans welcome as our guests. The Ukrainian Orthodox Center. Please consider entering your favorite homemade Chili in the Chili Cook-off. Text or call Stephanie Rimedio 330-716-2726. \$3.00 gets you 5 Chile Samples (Votes). Basket and 50/50 Raffle, Face Painting. AWARDS for: Best Traditional, Best Nontraditional, Best Use of Spices.

November 15, 2018: Adult Religious Classes with Fr. Becker at Fr. Becker's house. Father Gregory will talk about The Key to Heaven—An introduction to the Prayer Book—Your eternal salvation depends on it. Join us for an interesting hands-on session. These classes have become a +wonderful opportunity for learning and

fellowship. Everyone is welcome, and it is so important in the life of our Church. So, if you haven't been able to make it before, stop by and see what it's all about. You'll be glad you did.



Tuesday, November 13, 2018 - St. John Chrysostom Society lecture/Meeting. Join our St. John Chrysostom Society (Youngstown –Warren Chapter) on Tuesday, November 13th for a service in honor of Mary the Mother of God at 6:00 PM. Following the service, there will be a meeting/lecture/social. The lecture is entitled, "The Flight Into Egypt" by Fr. Mina Essak. ST. MARY AND ST. JOHN THE BELOVED MONASTARY FOR NUNS, 8460 Squires Lane, NE Warren, Ohio, Phone: (330) 856-2007. Fr Gregory will be attending. If you need a ride

contact him. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn about the ancient Coptic (Egyptian) Orthodox Church.

<u>Saturday, November 17 – STRUDEL SALE</u> - PICK UP is from 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM at the Orthodox Center. Apple \$8, Cherry \$8, Cherry Cheese \$9. Orders are due by Nov 13th and must be prepaid. If you'd like to help, baking on Friday, November 16th, from noon-6 PM, packing/labeling Sat Nov 17 from 8:00-10:00 AMam, and pick up from 10-12:00 Noon. Profits will benefit the UOC sponsored orphanages and our church. Please call to order: Diane 330-792-6699 or Mr Mischey 330-799-7911.

<u>Saturday, November 24, 2018:</u> 3:00 PM – Baptism of infant Jack Philip Newton, son of Joanna and Matthew Newton.

<u>Sunday, November 25, 2018</u> – UOL MEETING: Immediately following the Divine Liturgy. Lower Floor of the Church Building.

Tuesday, November 27, 2018 – Community Dinner. The Orthodox Center

Saturday, December 1, 2018 STUFFED CABBAGE AND HALUSHKI SALE - Order

Yours NOW! Pick-up Saturday, December 1, between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. To order CALL or TEXT 330-716-2726. Please place your order by November 26, 2018. Stuffed Cabbage \$18.00 per dozen Halushki \$6.00 per quart.



<u>December 8, 2018 – KOLACHI SALE</u> St. Mary's Sisterhood will be making our awesome nut and apricot Kolachi on December 8. Cost is \$11 each. Pickup on Saturday December 8, 2018 after 3 PM and after church on Sunday until noon. Order sheet is in the back of the church or call Ann Kline at 330-792-5959.

<u>December 8, 2018 - Panakhida</u> for Josephine and Daniel Prokup and Elsie and Bernard Gnat offered by JoAnn, Bernie & Joe Gnat.



Sunday, December 9, 2018: JR UOL CHRISTMAS COOKIE

SALE – Pick up 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM at The Ukrainian

Orthodox Center. Place your orders by November 26, 2018, with any Junior UOL member OR Crystal Walkowiec (330-766-6872)/Darlene Moon (330-881-8134).Quantities will be limited! \$7.00/Dozen: Pecan Tassies, Buckeyes, Oreo

Truffles, Clothes Pins, Kiffles (Mixed Variety only: Nut,

Cheese, Apricot, Raspberry), \$6.00/Dozen: Milk Chocolate Covered Pretzels, Sugar Cookies.

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for good health for our following parish family members: Fr. Gregory Becker, Fr. Andrew Gall, Fr. Paisius McGrath, Fr. John Nakonachny, Pani-matka Mary Ann Nakonachny, Kay Malys, Marie Pupa, Deborah Harvey, Mary Lapushansky, Stella Woytek, Kathy Duzzny, Mary Ann Owens, Pauline Witkowsky, Dr. Dinah Fedyna, Mary Goncy, Marianne Carmack. In the Hospital: Catherine Rogenski.

Perohi Schedule				
Task	Time	NOV	DEC	JAN
Potato Prep	9:30 AM		12 th (Wed)	2 nd (Wed) *
Pinching	9:30 AM		13th (Thurs)	3 rd (Thurs)
Pick-up	9:00-Noon		14 th (Fri.)	4 th (Fri.)
Potato Prep	9:30 AM	28 th (Wed)		16 th (Wed)**
Pinching	9:30 AM	29 th (Thurs)		17 th (Thurs_
Pick-up	9:00-Noon	30 th (Fri)		18 th (Fri)

^{*}Also making Perohi for Svyati Vechir **Also making Perohi for the Malanka

THE STORY OF THE POPPY

During World War I, much of the fighting took place in Western Europe. The Belgium Flanders, the Northernmost point of the Western Front during the First World War, became one of the most devastated regions in the battlefield.- The war turned the beautiful countryside into a field of mud where nothing could grow. But poppy flowers sprouted on the land of thousands of dead men. In early May 1915, a Canadian doctor and poet, Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae, who recently lost a friend and a fellow lieutenant in the war, witnessed the sight of bright red poppies flourishing in an unlikely place. The vision inspired him to write a <u>poem</u> called "In Flanders Fields," which became famous. The poem has been part of memorial ceremonies across the world ever since.

Great Britain, France, Australia and Canada also commemorate the veterans of World War I and World War II on or near November 11th: Canada has Remembrance Day, while Britain has Remembrance Sunday (the second Sunday of November).



In Europe, Great Britain and the Commonwealth countries it is common to observe two minutes of silence at 11 a.m. every November 11.

His poem moved the heart of Moina Michael, an American professor, who wrote her own poem in 1918 titled "We shall keep the faith." Known as the "Poppy lady," Michael campaigned to make the poppy the internationally-recognized symbol of remembrance and welfare for war veterans. She

did this to raise funds for veterans returning from WWI and succeeded.

In 1918, she also made and sold red silk poppies, according to the Royal British Legion. A French woman, Anna Guérin, brought them to England. The Royal British Legion then ordered 9 million of those poppies and sold them on Nov. 11, 1921, the year the organization was founded. The poppies raised a generous amount of money to assist WWI veterans find new jobs and housing. The following year in 1922, Major George Howson, a British army officer, established the Poppy Factory in Richmond, England, to employ disabled veterans. Today, the factory employs around 30 disabled veterans to produce the poppies and wreaths for the Royal Family and The Royal British Legion's annual Poppy Appeal.'

A SOLDIER AND HIS ORTHODOX FAITH (The Prosphora Miracle)

. Pani-matka Stephanie Swindle (Holy Virgin Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Arnold, PA) shared this story on Facebook this week

My grandfather, Zachary Kanto, was so proud to be an American Veteran. One of his prized possessions was a book titled, "Monongahela Valley Towns in the World War". On the bottom of page 50 you will see: KANTO, ZACHARY. Braznell, PA. Born in Aug. 1895. Son of Olena Kanto of Austria. Entered service in May 1918. Assigned to Camp Lee and Camp Dix. Attached to company E, 58th Infantry, 4th Division. Embarked for overseas in July 1918, returned in Aug. 1919. Saw service at St. Mihiel and Meuse-Argonne. Honorably discharged in August , 1919 with the rank of First-class Private.

He came to America in 1911, by himself, at the age of 16 —never to see his mother or family again. His mother pushed for him to go to America, as she feared the turbulent politics of Europe of the time and did not want him to have to fight in a war. Well, so much for that plan. He got drafted by the US Army and was now heading back to Europe-- this time as an American citizen—to fight in World War I.

Like many veterans, he never wanted to talk much about what he experienced during the war (his way of coping) only sharing a handful of stories. One story was how they once had to guard a statue of Kaiser Wilhelm from getting vandalized—and his turn was on Thanksgiving Day. It was the only time we ever heard him swear-- "Damn statue " was used in it telling every time and yes, as you can imagine, it would come every Thanksgiving Day, "Did I ever tell you girls what Grandpa had to do one Thanksgiving?" Oh, I'll do anything to hear that story one more time. But that was still not the best one. This next story is one I never got tired of hearing from him.

Before heading off for his training and then deployment, he went to church. The priest gave him a prosphora (for non-Orthodox Christian readers—that is one of the 5 small loaves of bread used for Holy Communion). Most people would have consumed the extra bread right there, but not my grandfather. He took the round loaf and wrapped it in a white handkerchief with a knot and put it in his pocket. During a battle, as he moved from trench to trench, he felt and heard something. I can still vividly remember him saying how he heard the sound of a bullet, I imagine much like a slow-motion movie, and his leg got so hot as if on fire. He reached down

expecting to find nothing where his leg should be or at least a handful of blood. He looked down to find his leg still with him. And, as he ran his hand up and down his leg, to his amazement --he found no bullet hole!! He reached down again to search for a wound, not believing he was not injured. However, this time his hand went into his pocket—the pocket with the prosphora—hot to the touch but still a whole round loaf. No leg injury—not even a scratch!

He went on to survive the Great Depression, be married for 59 years, raise a family and spend nearly 30 years in retirement. The Lord called him to his eternal rest in 1990, at the age of 95. While friends and relatives came to view him in his coffin, little did they know that in his right pocket was a white handkerchief with a knot holding that same prosphora that he carried in World War I—now just a 2-inch piece and crumbs. That was his #1 prized possession—without a doubt.

I found it necessary to share on social media his story during this 100-year anniversary of his "prosphora miracle." I hope his story will live on in your hearts as something to strengthen your faith in Almighty God—He truly is with us always! Say a special prayer this Veteran's Day for all soldiers —past and present. May their memory be eternal and be from generation to generation.



VETERANS DAY FACTS

Veterans Day originated as "Armistice Day" on Nov. 11, 1919, the first anniversary of the end of World War I. Congress passed a resolution in 1926 for an annual observance, and November 11th became a national holiday beginning in 1938. Unlike Memorial Day, Veterans Day pays tribute to all American veterans—living or dead—but especially gives thanks to living veterans who served their country honorably during war or peacetime.

WHEN IS VETERANS DAY?

- Veterans Day occurs on November 11th every year in the United States.
- In 1954, President Dwight D. Eisenhower officially changed the name of the holiday from Armistice Day to Veterans Day.
- In 1968, the Uniform Holidays Bill was passed by Congress, which moved the celebration of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October. The law went into

VETERANS TODAY

The military men and women who serve and protect the U.S. come from all walks of life; they are parents, children, grandparents, friends, neighbors and coworkers, and are an important part of their communities. Here are some facts about the veteran population of the United States:

- 16.1 million living veterans served during at least one war.
- 5.2 million veterans served in peacetime.
- 2 million veterans are women.
- 7 million veterans served during the Vietnam War.
- 5.5 million veterans served during the Persian Gulf War.
- Of the 16 million Americans who served during World War II, about 558,000 are still alive.
- 2 million veterans served during the Korean War.
- 6 million veterans served in peacetime.
- As of 2014, 2.9 million veterans received compensation for service-connected disabilities.
- As of 2014, 3 states have more than 1 million veterans among their population:
 California (1.8 million), Florida (1.6 million) and Texas (1.7 million).
- The VA health care system had 54 hospitals in 1930, since then it has expanded to include 171 medical centers; more than 350 outpatient, community, and outreach clinics; 126 nursing home care units; and 35 live-in care facilities for injured or disabled vets.

Duty, Honor, Country
Thank you to all of our Veterans who serve our
beloved Church and served our
country with distinction