

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

April 2, 2017

9:10 AM Rosary
9:30 AM **Health/Blessings for all Parishioners**
10:45 AM *Catechism Classes*

DIVINE SERVICES/EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, April 3rd

NO SERVICES

Tuesday, April 4th

NO SERVICES

Wednesday, April 5th

6:30 PM LITURGY OF THE PRESANCTIFIED GIFTS
7:30 PM MEAGER MEAL

Thursday, April 6th

6:30 PM **BIBLE STUDY** (moved to Thursday for the duration of Great Fast)

Friday, April 7th

5:00 PM LITURGY OF THE PRESANCTIFIED GIFTS

Saturday, April 8th

10:00 AM Lazarus Saturday
UKRAINIAN SCHOOL AT THE RECTORY
5:00 PM **+ Jaroslava Strileckyj** – by Daria Sopka

Sunday, April 9th

Palm Sunday
9:10 AM Rosary
9:30 AM **Health/Blessings for all Parishioners**
11:00 – 1:00 PM PALM SUNDAY BAZAAR
12:30 PM **+ Anna, Joseph Sr, Christopher Skubiak** – by Frenz Family **CANTON**

PALM SUNDAY BAZAAR:

Our traditional ***“Paska Bread, Baked Goods & Meat Sale”*** will be held on Palm Sunday, ***April 9th***, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., in our Social Hall. As in the past, you will be able to purchase your Easter meats (kielbasi, ham, kyshka, etc.) from the Pacula family, *Please place your **LARGE** orders to Winesburg Meats, Inc. (330-359-5092) in advance.* The bazaar will also feature paskas/Easter bread (\$ 3.00 & 6.50), perogies, nut, low-sugar nut, apricot, almond, poppyseed, and lekvar (plum) rolls (\$12), butter lambs, beet/horseradish relish, and pysanky (Easter eggs). The Ukie Store will also be open for gift shopping. NEW THIS YEAR: Dine-In Lunches (perogies and kielbasa)
Ladies & Gentlemen: Please bring your baked goods for sale! Invite your family and friends to this wonderful event!

DONATIONS – March 19th:

Sunday offering: \$ 902.00
Pyrohy: \$ 1,403.00
Easter flowers: \$ 123.00
Ukie store: \$ 104.75
Candles: \$ 26.00
Total: \$ 2,586.75

*Holy Ghost Parish is continually blessed by
your generosity!*

CONGRATULATIONS:

This week **Katerina Griffiths (4/4), Ann Szijarto (4/5), Jude Szijarto (4/5), Jenny Banit (4/7), Jonathan Nelson (4/9)**, celebrate their birthdays. May God bless you and grant you **many years, Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!**

Second Annual Easter Egg Hunt:

Children 10 and under are invited to an Easter Egg hunt on April 15th, following the 1:00 Blessing of the Baskets on the church grounds. Candy & prizes await all participants. Older children are invited to help out and will receive a small bag of treats for their efforts.

PLANNING AHEAD:

April 9th – Palm Sunday Bazaar
April 9th – Divine Liturgy in **Canton**
April 23rd – Divine Liturgy in **Canton**
April 28th-29th – Pyrohy Project
April 30th – Easter Sviachene Dinner
May 19th-20th – Pyrohy Project
June 16th-17th – Pyrohy Project

Follow us on facebook: Holy Ghost Ukrainian Catholic Church in Akron, Ohio

Friends from St. Paul’s parish visit:

On Wednesday, **April 5th**, St. Paul Parishioners will join us for the Presanctified Divine Liturgy in the evening at 6:30PM, followed by meager meal in the Church Hall. Please make an effort and come to this great event.

****EASTER SVIACHENE DINNER**:**

This year’s Easter Dinner will be held on **Sunday, April 30, 2017**, immediately following the 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy. In addition to serving the traditional Easter foods of paska, ham, kielbasa, eggs, cheese and beets with horseradish, there will be fried chicken and vegetables for a little variety. (Note: Any baked goods for dessert would be appreciated.).
Cost: free will donation. Mark your calendars to celebrate our Lord’s Resurrection with us!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Our Pyrogy Open golf date this year is Saturday, August 26. Shotgun tee time is 2 pm. Mayfair Country Club. Please support this event for our parish and the orphanage in Berezhany, Ukraine. Details to follow. Thank you!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

Apr. 10th – Presanctified Liturgy 6:30 PM
Apr. 11th – Presanctified Liturgy 6:30 PM
Apr. 12th – Presanctified Liturgy 6:30 PM
Apr. 13th – Matins & 12 Gospels 6:30 PM
Apr. 14th – Vespers at the tomb 6:30 PM
Apr. 15th – Blessing of baskets 1:00 PM
1:30 PM – 2:45 Confessions
1:45 PM – Easter Egg hunt
6:00 PM Easter Vigil
Apr. 16th – 8:00 AM Matins/Easter Liturgy
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VISIT THE HOLY GHOST PARISH LIBRARY

Located in the parish hall near the double doors, our library has books and other materials to borrow. Browse selections on Liturgy, Scripture, Mary and other Saints, Prayer, the Sacraments, and some children's items. There is a small collection of books in Ukrainian. Let us know if you have books to add to the library on our Liturgy, theology, and traditions. Books of this type may be left in the box marked "Book Donations" near the Library shelves. Questions: Pete or Norma Kopko 330-477-9650.

UGCC OFFICIAL WEBSITE:

If you would like to obtain more information about our Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church (UGCC) in Ukraine and worldwide, read different articles on our Church, listen to the radio "Resurrection," and get up to date news, please visit the UGCC website: <http://news.ugcc.org.ua/en/news/>

BYZANTINE DAILY OFFICE:

A while back you received an insert with our parish bulletin detailing a new electronic product from Easter Christian Publications to assist with your prayer life. However, for the iTunes and other audio download websites, the albums of the Daily Office cannot be found with the text "ECP-BDO" as indicated in the flier. You must use "**Byzantine Daily Office**" instead, in order to search those websites. Please make note of this, those of you who desire to raise your level of daily prayer.

Also check www.ecpubs.com/daily-office.html for more information.

THE UNITED STATES COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS

We are all invited to visit www.usccb.org/conscience to learn more about various social issues relative to the teaching of the Catholic Church. It helps to stay informed, as we continue to mature in our Catholic Christian Faith. See what the hierarchy has discussed, decided and published in order to guide the faithful.

FOR THOSE WHO CAN'T JOIN US:

Know that we are praying for all the souls connected with Holy Ghost Parish, the Ukrainian Catholic Church, the Greater Catholic (Universal) Church, and all Christian souls in the world. We also pray for non-Christians, and we pray for our enemies. The goal of our

prayers is to bring the world into greater harmony, that all may become one in the unity of the Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ, as he commanded.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Please continue to bring in any Box Tops for Education labels and leave them in the tall container by the Sunday coffee service. Our altar servers really appreciate your collection of these labels as they donate them to their school.

"28. The parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community. While certainly not the only institution which evangelizes, if the parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptivity, it continues to be "the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters". This presumes that it really is in contact with the homes and the lives of its people, and does not become a useless structure out of touch with people or a self-absorbed group made up of a chosen few. The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelizers. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a center of constant missionary outreach."

Pope Francis, *Apostolic Exhortation on the Proclamation of the Gospel in Today's World*

The news media have made all of us aware of the valiant struggles that the Ukrainian people are engaged in these days. In solidarity with them, we follow Patriarch Sviatoslav's initiative to pray for Ukrainian's God-given rights to freedom of speech, choice and religion; therefore, Fr. Sal has added these liturgical Petitions to the Divine Liturgy at Holy Ghost Parish.

Liturgical Petitions:

O good and loving Master, look down with compassion, heal, comfort and protect Your servants in Ukraine as they seek to foster unity and end division, and enjoy human rights, liberty, and self-determination in their nation, let us pray to the Lord.

We also pray that the Holy Spirit may open the hearts and minds of all to wisdom and grace so that those in Ukraine and throughout the world will cease the acts of aggression and respect the territorial sovereignty of Ukraine, let us pray to the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

“Christ among us” - a program brought to you each Sunday at this time to reach those who are elderly or ill, and those who are not able to attend their church for Sunday worship.

Tune in to WPIT- 73 AM - Pittsburgh, PA every Sunday at 2:00 pm (EST) or listen to the radio program on-line at www.wpitam.com You can also listen any time at <http://stjosaphateparchy.com/listen/>

This Program is sponsored by the Diocesan Resource Committee of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saint Josaphat in Parma, OH, and by your contributions. Each Sunday we will bring to you the word of God, we hope to brighten your lives and bring you joy and solace

*****Vatican Announcement about Cremated Remains** – On October 25th the Vatican confirmed that Catholics may be cremated, but announced that they may not have their ashes scattered at sea or kept in urns at home. According to the new guidelines, cremated remains should be kept in a “sacred place” such as a church cemetery. For more details about this announcement, we forward all faithful to the Holy See website www.vatican.va

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