

March 8, 2020 SUNDAY BULLETIN

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Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church

Our Church has a vision and mission Join our journey with Jesus Christ There's a place for you!

Help us live the mission - We welcome you

1st Sunday of the Great Lent: Triumph of Orthodoxy. Tone 5

First (4th c.) and Second (452) Findings of the Precious Head of St. John the Baptist. St. Erasmus of the Kyiv Caves (1160). **Epistle:** Heb. 11:24-26, 32–12:2 ;**Gospel:** Jn. 1:43-51

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Troparion (Resurrection) - Tone 5

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

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Troparion (Sunday of Orthodoxy) – Tone 2

We venerate Your most pure image, O Good One; and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ our God. Of Your own will You were pleased to ascend the cross in the flesh and deliver Your creatures from bondage to the Enemy. Therefore with thankfulness we cry aloud to You: "You have filled all with joy, O our Savior, by coming to save the world."

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Kontakion (from the Lenten Triodion) - Tone 8

No one could describe the Word of the Father; but when He took flesh from you, O Theotokos, He accepted to be described, and restored the fallen image to its former state by uniting it to divine beauty. We confess and proclaim our salvation in words and images.

Prokimen Tone 4 (Song of the Fathers)

Blessed are You, O Lord God of our fathers, / and praised and glorified is Your name forever! (Song of the three Holy Children, v. 3) v: For You are just in all that You have done for us! (v. 4)

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From St. Paul's First Epistle to the Hebrews

By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward. And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Alleluia and Verses Tone 4

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

v: Moses and Aaron were among His priests; Samuel also was among those who called on His Name. (Ps 99/100:6)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

v: They called to the Lord and He answered them. (Ps 99/100:6)

Alleluia, Alleluia

From the Gospel According to the Evangelist Saint John

The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote — Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.".

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for the good health of the following members of our parish and our loved ones and friends:

Fr. Gregory Becker, Fr. Andrew Gall, Fr. Paisius McGrath, Fr. John Nakonachny, Panimatka Mary Ann Nakonachny, Shirley Neal, Nora (a beautiful girl born prematurely) Dominick, David Spanja, Mary Goncy, Nancy Racz, Walter Duzzny, Kathy Duzzny, Nancy Tiedeman, Kay Malys, Marie Pupa, Deborah Harvey, Mary Lapushansky, Stella Woytek, Mary Ann Owens, Pauline Witkowsky, Dr. Dinah Fedyna, Marianne Carmack, Marty Woloschak, Ruth Graves, Alice Dobransky, Dorothy Mehalko, Eileen Maluk, Michael Maluk and all victims suffering from the Corona Virus.

This Sunday the Bulletin is dedicated to:

Cooper Jason Senedak!

Happy 2nd Birthday

May God grant you many happy and healthy years! with love from Nana, Baba, Dido and the Senedak & Kadi Families

STEWARDSHIP ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES UPCOMING PARISH AND OTHER EVENTS

Please contact Father Ivan to schedule Panikhidas, request Bulletin Dedications, or make Prosphora Offerings

The second collection on Sundays are designated to the restoration of the church.

Note from the Office:

Our Financial Stewardship

March 1st, 2020 Sunday Offerings to the Lord

General Offering: \$1,317.00

Renovation Fund: \$5,143.00

Renovation Fund donations to date: \$8,102.75

1ST SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

March 8, 2020, The Triumph of Orthodoxy

- 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
- Bring your favorite icon to Church
- Fellowship Sunday and Jr. UOL Bakesale
- 5PM Lenten Mission Vespers at St John the Baptist Orthodox Church OCA (located at 301 Struthers Liberty Rd, Campbell, OH 44405)

2nd WEEK OF GREAT LENT (March 9 – March 15)

- TUESDAY, March 10, 2020: 6:30PM MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL at the Ukrainian Orthodox Center
- WEDNESDAY, March 11, 2020: 10:00AM AKATHIST to the Wonderworking Icon of the Theotokos Pantanassa Healer of Cancer
- Thursday, March 12, 2020: 6:30PM Adult Study at the rectory
- FRIDAY, March 13, 2020: 6:00PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts and Lenten Potluck Dinner
- SATURDAY, March 14, 2020: 6:00PM Great Vespers and Confession

2ND SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT - March 15, 2020,

St. Gregory Palamas the Archbishop of Thessalonica Synaxis of all Venerable Fathers of the Kyiv Caves.

- 9:30AM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
- 5:00PM Lenten Mission Vespers at Holy Ghost Orthodox Church (Macedono-Bulgarian) at 18 Richview Ave, Youngtown, OH 44509

3rd WEEK OF GREAT LENT (March 16 – March 22)

- WEDNESDAY, March 18, 2020: 10:00AM AKATHIST to the Wonderworking Icon of the Theotokos Pantanassa Healer of Cancer
- Thursday, March 19, 2020: 6:30PM Adult Study, at the rectory
- FRIDAY, March 20, 2020: 6:00PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts and Lenten Potluck Dinner
- SATURDAY, March 21, 2020: 6:00PM Great Vespers and Confession

3rd SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

March 22, 2020, Sunday of Great Lent - Adoration of the Cross

- 9:30AM Divine Liturgy: Adoration of the Cross
- MEETING OF THE SR. UOL Immediately following the Divine Liturgy
- 5PM Lenten Mission Vespers at St John the Forerunner Orthodox Church (GOA) at 4955 Glenwood Ave, Boardman, OH 44512

Pyrohy Schedule

Task	Time	M arch	April	May
Potato Prep	9:30 AM	18 th (Wed)	8 th (Wed)	6 th (Wed)
Pinching	9:30 AM	19 th (Thurs)	9 th (Thurs)	7 th (Thurs)
Pick-up	10:00 AM-Noon	20 th (Fri)	10 th (Friday)	8 th (Friday)

Thank You Our Choir thank Boris and Kathleen Vuksanovich for the delightful fellowship at Olive Garden.

Fr Gregory Becker

Every Monday
BINGO
6:30 PM
There is a job waiting for you



LENTEN PIEROGIE LUNCH

St. Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Center 1025 N. Belle Vista, Youngstown, OH



Friday, March 13, 20, 27 and April 3 and 10th. 10:30 am to 1:30 pm (or until sold out)

Serving two lunch sizes:

<u>Small:</u> 4 pierogis of choice, salad, haluski or vegetable \$8.00 Includes coffee/tea and dessert

Large: 6 pierogis of choice, salad, haluski or vegetable \$10.00

Includes coffee, tea and dessert

A la Carte: 6 pierogis of choice \$5.00

Pierogi Choices: Potato cheese, potato kraut, kraut, mushroom and Spinach garlic feta

Mix and match! Meals will include butter and onions and sour cream.

Carry out available

Call ahead curb side service will be available!

***Orders for curb side must be made between 9AM and 10AM on the day of the lunch.

Please include time to be picked up.

*Call: 234-567-5207 to pre-order

Delivery on the Westside. Add \$2 per order 4 order minimum. *Cash only for all meals*



Junior Ukrainian Orthodox Teague of the United States of America

UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA "DEDICATED TO OUR CHURCH - DEVOTED TO ITS YOUTH"

Dear Reverend Fathers, Parish Boards, Church Members, UOL Chapter Presidents and Advisors:

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Every year the Jr. Ukrainian Orthodox League along with the Consistory Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, organize the Great Lent Giveaway (GLG). This is a Program that reaches out and donates to organizations benefiting many causes. It was designed as a way for our youth to learn about the beauty of Great Lent and instill in them that Great Lent is not only a time of fasting, contemplation, but also as a time to do good works as a way of preparing for Pascha. For us to be even more available to our immediate family, friends, strangers and yes, our Church.

With the last point in mind, and after coming home from the past Sobor, the Juniors decided that GLG 2020 would focus on Stewardship to Our Church.

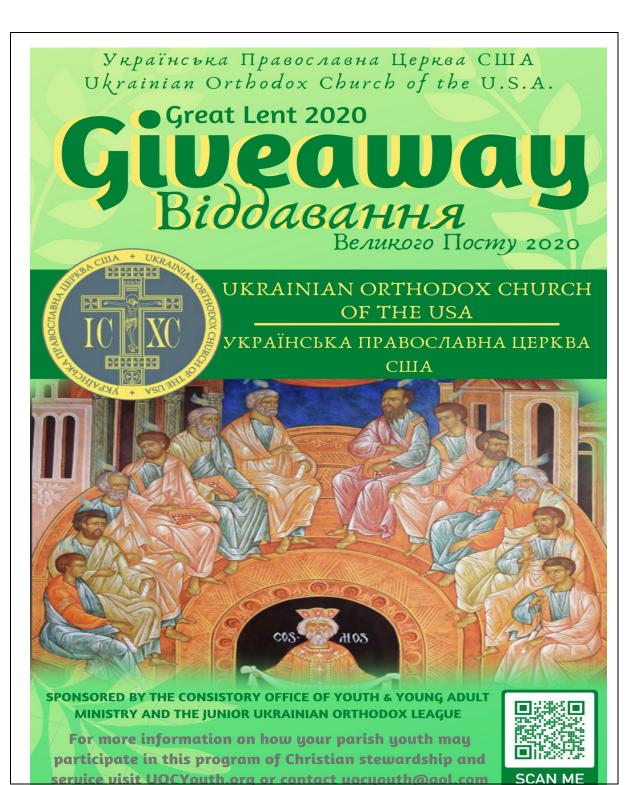
Now in every family we all take care of each family member, so as a Church family we have decided to make this year's project focused on our Church, the UOC of USA. In some ways, like a child taking care of a parent. We all need to do our part in sharing these responsibilities. To that point, the Juniors are matching up to \$2,500.

My direct contact information is on this letterhead. Kindly, please send any donation you are capable of to my attention, designated as GLG 2020. If you prefer, you can also send any donation to Natalia Honcharenko at our Consistory with the GLG notation.

It would be appreciated if all donations were received by us or the Consistory by the beginning of May.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have and to include this letter as part of your Sunday Bulletin or possibly have a special collection. We are here to serve.

In Christ's Love, Rachel Harendza Financial Secretary





Council of Bishops of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA Звернення Собору Єпископів УПЦ США щодо Коронавірусу CORONAVIRUS or COVID-19 THREAT

2 March, 2020

Feast of St. Leo the Great, Pope of Rome and St. Flavian, Patriarch of Constantinople

TO: THE BELOVED CLERGY AND FAITHFUL OF OUR HOLY UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE USA

RE: THE ONSET OF A NEW VIRUS STRAIN CALLED CORONAVIRUS OR COVID-19

Dear Brothers and Sister in our Lord,

CHRIST IS AMONGST US! HE IS AND ALWAYS SHALL BE!

The words of this traditional greeting and response between Orthodox Christians are a powerful proclamation of our firm belief that the Son of God, the Second Person of the Holy Trinity remains with us at all times and in all places, in particular having received His Most Holy Body and Blood in the Eucharist on a regular basis. We can be assured of this regardless of anything we face during this earthly pilgrimage, whether it is something that brings us overwhelming joy or something that poses a threat to us, like the deadly virus spreading throughout the world as we type these words.

One faithful member of our Church contacted us recently and the first words out of her mouth were: "Here we go again!" She was not making light of the real threat that the coronavirus is. Rather, she is stating a fact that mankind has been faced with horrific plagues and communicable diseases throughout its existence. She enumerated the likes of the Black plague, the Bubonic plague, the West Nile virus, the BIRD flu, the Ebola virus and the Swine flu among other instances and she expressed her sincere hope that people will not look at this new threat of the coronavirus with a "no big deal" attitude. We join her in that hope and we urge all of our clergy and faithful to diligently take all measures in their personal and communal lives to protect themselves and others from the spread of this deadly virus.

AS YOUR HIERARCHS, WE DO NOT PRETEND TO HAVE THE ABILITY TO INSTRUCT YOU REGARDING THE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS YOU ALL SHOULD TAKE IN THE DAYS AND WEEKS AHEAD TO PROTECT YOURSELVES AND YOUR FAMILIES, ALONG WITH THE HUMAN COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE. FOR SUCH INSTRUCTIONS WE URGE YOU TO GO TO THE OFFICIAL WEBSITE OF THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL — www.cdc.gov SO THAT YOU CAN EDUCATE YOURSELVES THE STEPS YOU SHOULD TAKE IN YOUR DAILY LIVES. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE IN DOING THIS.

With regard to Liturgical Worship in our Churches, we pray that you do not excuse yourselves based on fear from the absolutely necessary common worship – together as the sons and daughters of Christ – to pray along with the Mother of God for His protection during this crisis and to be prepared as parish families in Christ to reach out to the particular agencies in your local area that are providing care and necessities for those who are afflicted with this virus. We believe that our common prayer, in particular during this Great Lenten season, will offer a profound witness to God about our faith in His Power to eradicate this threat to mankind.

As we gather in our local churches for worship, we believe it might be wise to limit physical contact with the traditional liturgical expressions of faith in reality – our holy Icons – unless provision is made to clean them before and after each veneration – other than just a dry cloth. During this time of uncertainty, it will be altogether proper to bow or prostrate ourselves before the Icons to express our love for the Lord and the Saints who provide the example for the way we should live our lives. We have always found great spiritual comfort during our visits to the Holy Land and the churches there, when we witnessed faithful Christians venerating Icons and waving from the Icons toward themselves (a "come here" type of wave) seeking to pull the Grace and faithfulness of the Saints being venerated into themselves so that they might emulate

them in all their words and deeds. We feel an urgent need to comment most specifically on the Holy Eucharist – receiving the Holy Body and Blood of Christ our Lord – in Holy Communion. We must during times like the present, never doubt in the power of the Chalice, dear brothers and sisters. It contains true LIFE and true LOVE by which no harm could ever enter our lives. When the common spoon of communion is dipped into the Chalice following the communion of one individual, it is cleansed by the Blood of our Lord beyond our broadest comprehension of what "cleansing" is in human terms. Throughout all the history of our more than two millennium Church, we can recall no thread of witness or even a shadow of one, indicating that any disease has ever been spread through the Chalice containing the Precious Body and Blood of our Lord. Perhaps the most convincing fact here is that if the Chalice did, indeed, spread disease, we would certainly be praying regularly for the repose of the souls of tens of thousands or more deacons and priests who, throughout the past 2000 years have consumed the full Chalices following communion of the faithful during hundreds of thousands of Divine Liturgies throughout our history. This is our faith, dearly beloved, and if we lose that faith, we are in grave danger far beyond the physical danger of a virus.

We have confidence that just as the previous viruses and other threats to mankind have finally been defeated, we will witness the same today. Let us be exemplary examples of faith and action to one another — not only throughout the duration of the present threat - but throughout our lives. We can work miracles by that faith and in the resulting joy, draw others in to Christ's Vineyard. You all are in our prayers daily and we ask for yours for ourselves. St. James states clearly: "Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing Psalms. Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the Name of the Lord. AND THE PRAYER OF FAITH WILL SAVE THE SICK, AND THE LORD WILL RAISE HIM UP." (James 5:13-15) CHRIST IS, INDEED AMONGST US! HE IS AND AI WAYS SHALL BE!

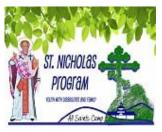
+ ANTONY
By the Grace of God, Metropolitan

+ DANIEL

By the Grace of God, Archbishop

+ JEREMIAH By the Grace of God, Archbishop of South American Eparchy

Save the date:



St. Nicholas Program

St. Nicholas Program June 12 -15, 2020 Special Needs Family Camp





Diocesan Church School Camp

June 21 - July 3, 2020 for Children 9 - 13





Teenage Conference

July 5 - 18, 2020 for Teenagers 13 - 18





Mommy & Me / Daddy & Me

July 27 - 31, 2020 Children 4 -8 and their parents

From the Triodion

Let us observe a fast acceptable and pleasing to the Lord.

True fasting is to put away all evil,

To control the tongue, to forbear from anger,

To abstain from lust, slander, falsehood and perjury.

If we renounce these things, then is our fasting true and acceptable to God.

Let us keep the Fast not only by refraining from food,

But by becoming strangers to all the bodily passions.

(Vespers for Sunday evening (Sunday of Forgiveness);

Vespers for Monday and Tuesday in the first week.)



Lenten Prayer of St. Ephrem

O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despair, lust of power, and idle talk.

But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to Thy servant.

Yea, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own transgressions, and not to judge my brother, for blessed art Thou, unto ages of ages. Amen.

