

TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

November 11, 2018

9:10 AM Rosary
9:30 AM Health/Blessings for all Parishioners

THANKSGIVING DINNER

DIVINE SERVICES/EVENTS FOR 26th WEEK AFTER PENTECOST

Monday, November 12th

NO SERVICES

Tuesday, November 13th

9:00 AM + Patrick Burns – by Peter & Norma Kopko

Wednesday, November 14th

9:00 AM Baking
6:30 PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, November 15th

9:00 AM + Theodore Chrapko – by Anna Chrapko & Family

Friday, November 16th

9:00 AM + Vicki Taras – by Dan & Karen Crookston

Saturday, November 17th

5:00 PM + John and Anna Letz – by Fr. David Misbrener

Sunday, November 18th 26th Sunday after Pentecost

9:10 AM Rosary
9:30 AM H/B for all Parishioners - Celebrated by bishop Bohdan Danylo

The Church was a mother to you in life, providing for your spiritual needs; please remember the Eparchy of Saint Josaphat in Parma in your last will and testament. The wording to do this is as follows:
“I give and bequeath to the Ukrainian Catholic Diocese of St. Josaphat in Parma, located in Parma, Ohio, ____% of the residue of my estate [or: the sum of \$ ____].”
Thank you!

“Love the Bible, and wisdom will love you”

CONGRATULATIONS:

This week Alexander Griffiths (11/12) celebrates his birthday. Peter & Norma Kopko (11/12) celebrate their wedding anniversary. We wish you all a wonderful celebration, and a year of health and blessings flavored with pure joy, and many blessed years... mnohaya i blahaya lita!

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DINNER...

Will be held on Sunday, Nov. 11th, following the 9:30am Divine Liturgy. All parishioners with their families, friends and neighbors are cordially invited to this traditional feast day of fellowship. Along with turkey and stuffing, potatoes and gravy, veggies, cranberries, salad, rolls, and pies, there will be a raffle of turkeys, pies, wines, etc. (Cost: free will donation.)

NEW THIS YEAR: Anyone can donate raffle prizes – such as baked goods, crafts, wine, etc. Also new, NAME TAGS will be provided so we may be introduced to each other as we practice our fellowship. OR you can make your unique name tag at home and bring it to church to wear.

VETERANS DAY:

On this special day, Ukrainian-American Post 28 of Akron, salutes all active military members and veterans for their service and sacrifice.

“Lest not forget! Freedom is not free”

QUESTION BOX:

Don’t forget to submit your questions about our faith and religion. Fr. Vsevolod is going to pick a few and give a Catechetical explanation after the Divine Liturgy on one of the upcoming Sundays. It is a good opportunity for all of us to grow in understanding of our faith. The Question Box is located in the church hall down stairs next to our donuts table.

CHRISTMAS BAKING:

Orders are now being taken for the fruit and nut rolls (kolachi)! To be sure you get what you want, you need to place an order. Forms are on the front table in the social hall.

Please join us! The baking of the fruit and nut rolls (kolachi) for Christmas is here. Please join in the fun THIS Wednesday at 9am (or whenever you can get here). This is the first of 3 days we will be baking. For more information or if you have questions please see Patty Lehner.

PLANNING AHEAD:

Nov 14 - Baking
Dec 1 - Pyrohy
Dec 2 - St. Nicholas Brunch
Jan 5 - Pyrohy
Feb 2 – Pyrohy

The Holy Spirit Revealed in the Holy Scriptures

The New Testament gives the Holy Spirit various titles that emphasize his personhood and divinity: “Advocate” (*Jn 14:16*); “Spirit of truth” (*Jn 16:13*), “Spirit of adoption” (*Rom 8:15*), “Spirit of Jesus Christ” (*Phil 1:19*), “Spirit of the Lord” (*2 Cor 3:17*), “Spirit of God” (*Rom 15:19*) and “Spirit of glory” (*1 Pt 4:14*). These titles indicate that the Holy Spirit is the Lord of life, and for this reason we refer to him as “the Lord, the Giver of life.” The Anaphora of St. Basil the Great refers to the Holy Spirit as the “life-giving power,” which is the “source of sanctification,” and the “first fruit of the eternal good things.” (# 95)

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 330-284-8011.

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.

“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*

ARE YOU READY?:

Many people think because they attend a particular parish, they automatically belong. But membership requires signing up---formally enrolling yourself in parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish. Please make an effort to register in our parish.

FORGIVENESS:

Forgiveness does not mean acceptance of a lie. When we forgive, we don't put up with evil, but on the contrary, we name it and call a wrongdoer as such. But when we forgive, this means that first of all we throw evil out of our own heart. Only that person who is spiritually higher and stronger, can forgive. To forgive means to overcome evil. Forgiveness does not mean release from responsibility for wrongdoings. Fair punishment is necessary for reconciliation. Otherwise how can we speak about the due respect for the victims of crimes, due satisfaction for their offences if, according to the principles of justice, the person who offended them will not suffer deserved punishment?

MARRIAGE The Holy Mystery of Marriage (from the catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church) Marriage Is a Mystery of Love between a Man and a Woman # 472

Marriage is based on the fact that the married couple mutually complements one another. The Church gives witness to this in a prayer of the Rite of Crowning: “Holy God, you created man from the dust and from his side fashioned a woman as a suitable helpmate for him, for

such was the good pleasure of your majesty that man should not be alone on earth.” In their gender differentiation, a man and a woman complete one another, creating an indissoluble union of one body

"The merciful Lord hurries to help others using our feet, supports the sick and frail with our hands, listens to those who have been wronged with our ears, consoles those who are sad with our mouths, carries the weak with our shoulders, brings others close to Himself with our hearts. In other words, the vocation of every Christian is to be an icon of God's goodness and love in the world."

Our life, given us by the Lord, is given in order that we would use it correctly and advantageously. If we didn't have life, than everything else would not have any worth or value. Only in the context of our life everything else can have some kind of value. If God gifted us with life, then He expects us to spend it profitably and bring Him the fruits in our particular state of life. The Lord gave us life, and better said, lent it – handed it to us. In the final analysis, it is not our property, we are only making use of it and some day we will stand before God to bring its fruits from it. It's similar to that when someone who has a treasure, money, and tries to deposit it in the best way, either in a bank or in a business, in order that the transaction would yield a profit. So it is with our life—it's an enormous treasure. And the question rests is in this, where we are investing it. Inevitably we will invest it. If we invest it correctly, then later in eternity, we will have accrued a profitable yield from this transaction.