

The Sunday of the Prodigal Son
February 24, 2019 – Sunday Bulletin



Sts. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church
Youngstown, Ohio



SS. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church

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February 24, 2019

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

Sunday of the Prodigal Son – Tone 6

Hieromartyr Blaise, Bishop of Sebaste (316). St. Theodora, wife of Emperor
Theophilus the Iconoclast (867)

Readings: Epistle - 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 ▪ Gospel – Luke 15:11-32

In memory of The Heavenly Hundred

Panakhida ("Memorial Litiya") for Miland Ladas:

One-year Panakhida ("Memorial Litiya") for Becky Jean Meredith

On the Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee we are invited *to acknowledge our sins and seek the Lord's Forgiveness*. On the Sunday of **THE PRODIGAL SON** *we are called to action*. We must return to God, our Father, Who willingly and lovingly accepts us if only we make the slightest motion to return home to Him. In the Gospel lesson for the *Sunday of the Prodigal Son* (Luke 15:11-32), we are presented with a young man, who against his father's advice, had taken all of his possessions and wasted them through foolishness. As a result, he had to resort to caring for pigs and found himself sharing the food that the pigs refused to eat. However, "he came to himself" and remembered life as it was at his father's house. He returned home, hoping only to be accepted as a servant. His father ran to meet him, kissed his son, clothed him regally, and celebrated his return with much festivity for, in the words of his father, "my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found." (*Fr. Thomas Hopko*)



Kontakion — Tone 3

I have recklessly forgotten Your glory, O Father; and among sinners I have scattered the riches which You had given me. Therefore, I cry to You like the Prodigal: "I have sinned before You, O compassionate Father; receive me a penitent and make me as one of Your hired servants."

FROM THE TRIODION – SUNDAY OF THE PUBLICAN AND PHARISEE

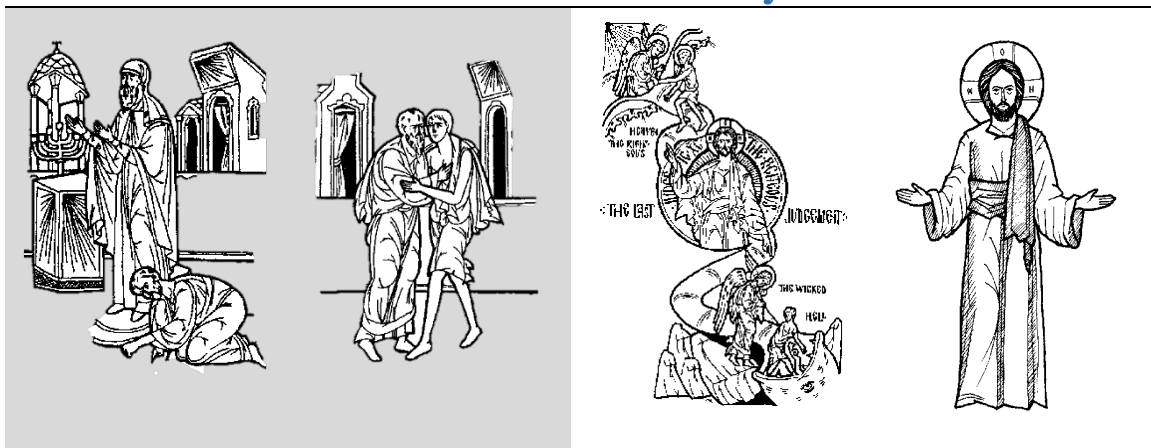
Great Vespers: Lord I Call. . . Verse 9 (Tone 1)

Brethren, our purpose is to know the power of God's goodness, For when the Prodigal Son abandoned his sin, He hastened to the refuge of his father. That good man embraced him and welcomed him: He killed the fatted calf and celebrated with heavenly joy! Let us learn from this example to offer thanks to the father who loves all people, and to the victim, the glorious savior of our souls!

Matins: The Canon, Canticle Six - The Ikos (Hymn)

Every day our Savior teaches us with His own voice: so let us listen to the Scriptures on the Prodigal Son who regained wisdom, and let us follow the good example of his repentance with faith, and with humility of heart cry out to Him who knows all secrets: We have sinned against You, merciful Father, and are not worthy ever again to be called Your children as before. But since by nature You are the Lover of mankind, receive me a penitent and make me as one of your hired servants.

Pre-Lenten Sundays



9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY

February 17 PUBLICAN & PHARISEE 2 Tim. 3:10-15 Lk. 18:10-14	February 24 PRODIGAL SON 1 Cor. 6:12-20 Lk. 15:11-32	March 3 LAST JUDGMENT 1 Cor. 8:8-9:2 Mt. 25:31-46	March 10 FORGIVENESS Rom. 13:11-14:4; Mt. 6:14-21
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Are you LISTENING? What is Christ ASKING us to DO?

**Acknowledge our
Sins and Repent**

TAKE ACTION

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for good health for our following parish family members and others: Fr. Gregory Becker, Fr. Andrew Gall, Fr. Paisius McGrath, Fr. John Nakonachny, Pani-matka Mary Ann Nakonachny, Mykola Prychodczenko, Walter Duzzny, Alice Dobransky, Nancy Tiedeman, James Bobersky, Kay Malys, Marie Pupa, Deborah Harvey, Mary Lapushansky, Stella Woytek, Kathy Duzzny, Mary Ann Owens, Pauline Witkowsky, Dr. Dinah Fedyna, Mary Goncy, Catherine Rogenski, Marianne Carmack, Kenneth, Matthew, Peter, Michelle, Basil

MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Immediately following the Divine Liturgy today, there will be a short parish board meeting about the renovation of the rectory.

DONATIONS FOR RECTORY RENOVATION

If you would like to make a donation to the Rectory Renovation, please contact the parish board or Fr. Ivan. Help us meet our goal of blessing the rectory and celebrating with a House Warming on March 17, 2019.

STEWARDSHIP ACTIVITIES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Don't just go to Church, Be the Church/Thank you for your Gifts of Love

*Today's Bulletin is underwritten by a donation given
In Memory of William Whitey Temnick*

UPCOMING PARISH AND OTHER EVENTS

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

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2019

5:00 PM Clergy Association **MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION** before 2019 Lenten Season. We'll be serving up a heapin' of authentic Cajun cuisine! St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church. 220 N. Walnut Street, Youngstown, OH 44503. Free Admission (Free will offering). Silent Auction, Baskets and Gifts.

MARCH 2, 2019 – UKRAINIAN DINNER: Two (2) Dinner Seatings: 4:30 pm and 6:00 pm. The Orthodox Center. 1025 N. Belle Vista Ave, 44905. Youngstown's Westside. All your favorite Ukrainian Foods (Stuffed Cabbage, Pirohi and much more) Baked Goods ~ Fun for the Family ~ Raffles ~ Entertainment ~ Music ~ Dancing. Tickets: \$15.00/Adults, \$7.00/Children. Anna Anderson has tickets for advance

purchase for the dinner. Anyone interested in taking extra to sell, please see her. For more information, call 234-567- 5207 or email stspeterandpaul1025@gmail.com.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS FOR THE UKRAINIAN DINNER

Your help is needed in the following areas food prep, serving, as well as clean up. All the proceeds from the event will go directly to our Church. So, if you can donate some of your time, it will be greatly appreciated.

SUNDAY MARCH 3, 2019 – THE LAST JUDGEMENT: Youth Sunday and Fellowship Sunday. Please stop by after church for refreshments and an opportunity to visit with one another in The Orthodox Center.

TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 2019: 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting in The Ukrainian Orthodox Center.

SUNDAY, MARCH 10, 2019: FORGIVENESS SUNDAY

- Immediately following the Divine Liturgy – **St. Mary Sisterhood Meeting**
- Great Lent begins on Monday.

NEXT PEROGIE SALE

FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2019 (PICKUP 10 AM – NOON

Next sale, we ask that you order by Friday, March 1, 2019, pick up Friday March 8 (10 AM – Noon, no bills larger than \$20 please)! All homemade fresh to order! We will have potato & cheese for \$7 a dozen and Specialty flavors (Kraut, Potato/Kraut, Lekvar, Mushroom, Cherry, Apple, Blueberry, and Raspberry) for \$8 per dozen. Please place your order one week prior to pick-up (Friday, then pick up the following Friday, allows us to buy needed groceries over the weekend) by calling or texting (234) 567-5207. We may need to cap sales, so orders placed first get filled first. Thank you, all proceeds go towards supporting our Church.

Task	Time	MARCH
Potato Prep	9:30 AM	6 th (Wed)
Pinching	9:30 AM	7 th (Thurs)
Pick-up	10:00 AM--Noon	8 th (Fri.)
Potato Prep	9:30 AM	20 th (Wed)**
Pinching	9:30 AM	21 th (Thurs_
Pick-up	10:00 AM--Noon	22 th (Fri)

THE SYMBOLISM IN THE PARABLE OF THE PRODIGAL SON

On a first level, the father in the parable is God the Father, Who loves all humankind; the older son is the group of the righteous Jews (the Pharisees) who keep the Law of Moses and consider themselves as non-sinners; and the younger son represents the sinners with whom Christ is sitting and eating. On a second level, the Holy Fathers of the Church have interpreted the story as follows:

- **The Father:** our Lord Jesus Christ, because He is the image of God.
- **The Father's House:** the Church, the state of our union (communion) with God.
- **The Younger son:** the fallen humanity – all of us, who decide that true freedom is to go away from our Father's House and do whatever we please.
- **The Share of the inheritance:** all the gifts than man receives from God, including his free will.
- **The Faraway place:** our sinful state, our disconnection and alienation from God.
- **The Farmer of the swine:** the devil who tempts us to sin.
- **Bread & hunger:** Jesus Christ as the Bread in the Holy Eucharist; we hunger for the true happiness, the true life in God, which we find within the Church and Her mysteries.
- **The Embrace:** God's mercy and forgiveness to the repentant humanity and its restoration as 'His child'.
- **The Robe:** the Grace of God bestowed to man after Holy Baptism, and also after Holy Confession.
- **The Ring:** the gifts of the Holy Spirit given during Holy Chrismation; also, our restoration back to the Church after Holy Confession and the prayer of absolution.
- **The Sandals:** walking in our life according to the Gospel.
- **The Fatted calf:** the Holy Eucharist – our Lord Jesus Christ as the Sacrifice for the salvation of humanity.
- **The Feast:** the Divine Liturgy; the choirs of the angels and the Church, who rejoice for the return of a repentant sinner.
- **The Older brother:** A self-righteous, judgmental, entitled and envious person, he represents us when we lack humility and love for our fellow men.



GREAT LENT SUNDAY VESPER SCHEDULE

5:00 PM - March 17th - St. John, Campbell, OH

5:00 PM - March 24th - St. Mark Youngstown, OH

5:00 PM - March 31st - St. John the Forerunner, Youngstown, OH

5:00 PM - April 7th - Holy Trinity, Youngstown, OH

5:00 PM - April 14th - Sts. Peter & Paul, Youngstown, OH



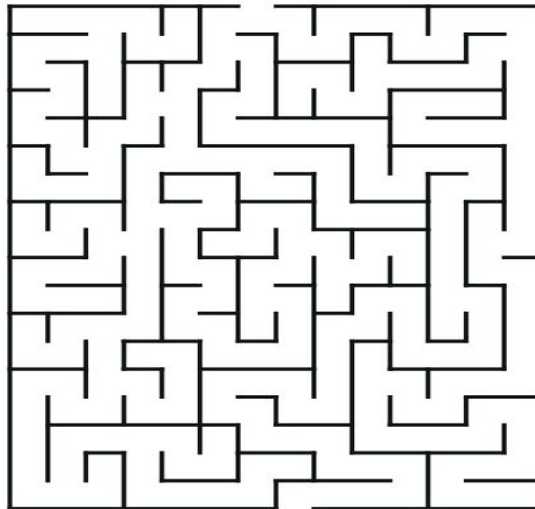
FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 2019

On this coming Friday, The Miraculous Myrrh-Streaming” Kardiotissa (Tender Hearted) Icon of the Virgin Mary from St. George Orthodox Church, Taylor, PA will visit Holy Trinity Romanian Orthodox Church, 626 Wick Avenue, Youngstown, PA: 6:00 PM – Greeting (procession) of the Holy Icon; 6:30 PM Supplication Service of the Mother of God; 7:30 PM Miraculous Stories of the Icon with Fr Mark Leasure and anointing with Myrrh; 10:00 PM All Night Vigil.

THE PRODIGAL SON

Lead the son to his loving father.

FINISH



START





Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

In support of
Charest Family Summer
Hosting



Where & When

Saturday
March 16, 2019
4pm to 7:30 pm

St. Peter & St. Paul
Ukrainian Orthodox Church
220 Mansfield Blvd
Carnegie, PA



Menu

Spaghetti, Marinara Sauce,
Clam Sauce, Salad,
Bread, Beverage

GLUTEN FREE MENU
AVAILABLE

Donation

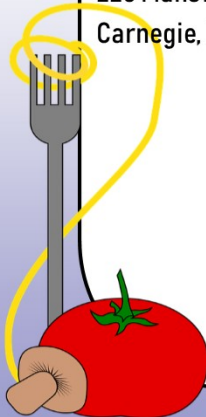
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Events

Dessert Bake Sale
Raffles
And more.....



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CHAREST FAMILY SUMMER HOSTING FUNDRAISER

February 19, 2019

Dear Friends;

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

A year and a half ago we committed to hosting a sibling group of orphans from Ukraine who stole our hearts. We are eager to host them again this summer and begin the adoption procedures. Hosting brings a huge financial burden and we are asking for your help in this endeavor.

A Spaghetti Fundraiser is being held in support of our hosting efforts on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at our parish of St. Peter & St. Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Carnegie, PA. The time will be from 4:00 PM to 7:30 PM. A dessert bake sale and raffles will be held during the time. Please see the enclosed flyer for information or visit www.orthodoxcarnegie.org or the Facebook event page.

If you would like to provide a basket toward a raffle or item for silent auction, please email orthodoxcarnegie@gmail.com.

Any amount of assistance will be greatly appreciated. Donations are tax deductible. Thank you in advance for your financial help and especially your prayers. Let's pray we can bring them home forever!

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. John Charest". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Fr. John Charest & Family