CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

September 20, 2020

8:40 AM Rosary

9:00 AM Health/Blessings for Holy Ghost Parishioners

Monday, September 21st

NO SERVICES

Tuesday, September 22nd

9:00 AM + Marilyn Mosyjowski – by Michael Mosyjowski

Wednesday, September 23rd

5:00 PM Confessions in the Sacristy (or by appointment)

6:30 PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, September 24th

9:00 AM **H/B for Amber Durkee** – by Ed & Debby Durkee

10:00 AM Book Study

Friday, September 25th

9:00 AM **H/B for Tom & Helen Taras** – by Katherine Taras

Saturday, September 26th

5:00 PM **H/B for Yaga and Dressler Families** – by Annette Dressler

Sunday, September 27th 17th Sunday after Pentecost

8:40 AM Rosary

9:00 AM Health/Blessings for Holy Ghost Parishioners

Regarding masks when attending the Divine Liturgy:

Dear Parishioners,

The wearing of masks has now been mandated by the Governor while in Summit County and when out in public, **including when attending worship services.**

In accordance with this directive and for the safety and comfort of all of our parish family we are asking that you please wear your mask when attending the Divine Liturgy.

We are so blessed to have such a faith filled and loving parish that pulls together in these times of trial and uncertainty. Thank you for your cooperation!

CONGRATULATIONS:

This week **Phoebe Schwager** (9/21) and **Therese Szijarto** (9/27) celebrate their birthdays. May God bless you and grant you **many years**, *Mnohaya i Blahaya Lita!*

SAFE ENVIRONMENT:

Please, be advised that any instance of sexual abuse by a cleric, lay employee or lay volunteer within the boundaries of our parish should be immediately reported to the local police department, child protection services of the county, the pastor of the parish and the Chancery of St. Josaphat Eparchy. A sexual abuser port form is available in the church's vestibule and/or the parish office in English and Ukrainian. The bishop can be reached at the Chancery at 440-888-1522 or by writing to: Most Rev. Bishop Bohdan J. Danylo, Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma, P.O. Box 347180, Parma OH 44134. You may also file a report with Ms. Marika Zaliszczuk, Victim Assistance Coordinator of St. Josaphat Eparchy (412-215-5372). For more information on St. Josaphat Eparchy's safe environment policy and procedures and other pertinent info, please, log onto: http://stjosaphateparchy.com

DIRECTORY FOR THE CATECHISTS OF THE USCCB:

reminds us, "The Catholic Church holds in high esteem the institutions, liturgical rites, ecclesiastical traditions and the established standards of the Christian Life of the Eastern Churches, for in them, distinguished as they are for their venerable antiquity, there remains conspicuous the tradition that has been handed down from the Apostles through the Fathers and that forms part of the divinely revealed and undivided heritage of the universal Church. These treasures have always contributed to evangelization. The Catholic Church affirms repeatedly that the members of the Eastern Churches have the right and the duty to preserve them, to know them, and to live them, doing all they can to avoid losing their identity." 2. The Eastern Churches #290

Choir Members Wanted:

We are looking for new members (especially men!) to join our choir to help lead in the responses to the Divine Services. Rehearsals are held on Thursdays. If interested, please see Greg Jindra.

PILGRIMAGE:

Protection BVM parish is organizing a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch in Burton, OH on Sunday October 4th. Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 4:00pm. If you are interested to join us, please talk to Fr. Sal for more info.

STILL AVAILABLE

Listed here are 10 points for fruitful Scripture reading.

- Bible reading is for Catholics. The Church encourages Catholics to make reading the Bible part of their daily prayer lives. Reading these inspired words, people grow deeper in their relationship with God and come to understand their place in the community God has called them to in himself.
- 2. **Prayer is the beginning and the end.** Reading the Bible is not like reading a novel or a history book. It should begin with a prayer asking the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds to the Word of God. Scripture reading should end with a prayer that this Word will bear fruit in our lives, helping us to become holier and more faithful people.
- 3. **Get the whole story! When selecting a Bible, look for a Catholic edition.** A Catholic edition will include the Church's complete list of sacred books along with introductions and notes for understanding the text. A Catholic edition will have an *imprimatur* notice on the back of the title page. An *imprimatur* indicates that the book is free of errors in Catholic doctrine.
- 4. **The Bible isn't a book. It's a library.** The Bible is a collection of 73 books written over the course of many centuries. The books include royal history, prophecy, poetry, challenging letters to struggling new faith communities, and believers' accounts of the preaching and passion of Jesus. Knowing the genre of the book you are reading will help you understand the literary tools the author is using and the meaning the author is trying to convey.
- 5. **Know what the Bible is and what it isn't.** The Bible is the story of God's relationship with the people he has called to himself. It is not intended to be read as history text, a science book, or a political manifesto. In the Bible, God teaches us the truths that we need for the sake of our salvation.
- 6. **The sum is greater than the parts.** Read the Bible in context. What happens before and after even in other books helps us to understand the true meaning of the text.
- 7. **The Old relates to the New.** The Old Testament and the New Testament shed light on each other. While we read the Old Testament in light of the death and resurrection of Jesus, it has its own value as well. Together, these testaments help us to understand God's plan for human beings.
- 8. **You do not read alone.** By reading and reflecting on Sacred Scripture, Catholics join those faithful men and women who have taken God's Word to heart and put it into practice in their lives. We read the Bible within the tradition of the Church to benefit from the holiness and wisdom of all the faithful.
- 9. What is God saying to me? The Bible is not addressed only to long-dead people in a faraway land. It is addressed to each of us in our own unique situations. When we read, we need to understand what the text says and how the faithful have understood its meaning in the past. In light of this understanding, we then ask: What is God saying to me?
- 10. Reading isn't enough. If Scripture remains just words on a page, our work is not done. We need to meditate on the message and put it into action in our lives. Only then can the word be "living and effective." (Hebrews 4:12).

Catholic Marriage Encounter:

Want to rekindle the passion in your marriage and keep your love growing year after year? An Encounter Weekend is just what you've been looking for! The next Encounter is February 12-14, 2021. Due to Covid-19, it will be a virtual experience. To apply or request information call 330-305-9963.