

Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church

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DIRECTORY:

Parish Office:
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Parish Office Hours:
Monday through Friday
11:00 AM - 1:00 PM
Closed Saturdays & Sundays
and all legal holidays)

If you wish to see the priest, please call for an appointment.

Confessions:
Monday through Friday before
the Divine Liturgies
Sunday before Divine Liturgies

Baptisms:
Arrangements must be made by
parents through the Rectory Office to
schedule baptisms and arrange for
Pre-Baptism classes. All parents
expecting to baptize their first child
are to attend Pre-Baptism classes.

Weddings:
Arrangements should be made with a
priest through the Rectory Office at
least six months prior to the desired
date. All couples must attend Pre-
marriage classes which are normally
scheduled in March.

Funerals:
Arrangements are made with the
Rectory Office through the funeral
director before publication in the
newspapers.

Most Rev. Bohdan J. Danylo,
Bishop of St. Josaphat Eparchy in Parma

Very Rev. Canon Andrew G. Hanovsky, Pastor

Mr. Oleh Szwed, Sacristan

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sunday: 10 AM in Ukrainian

Weekdays 10 AM & Holy Days as Scheduled: Please check weekly bulletin



DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, August 11th, 2024 - 12th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM - Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
- For the Parishioners -

MONDAY, August 12, 2024

(NO SERVICE)

TUESDAY, August 13, 2024

10:00 AM +Anne Green (Bill & Daria Lesiw)

WEDNESDAY, August 14, 2024

10:00 AM +Tatiana Leszczynsky (R. & M. Drozd)

6:00 PM +Ivan Martynyszyn (V. & H. Martinichin)

THURSDAY, August 15, 2024 DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS

Holy Day of Obligation

10:00 AM For the Parishioners ()

FRIDAY, August 16, 2024

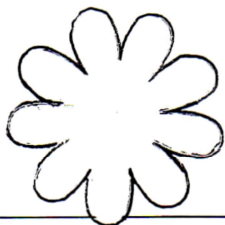
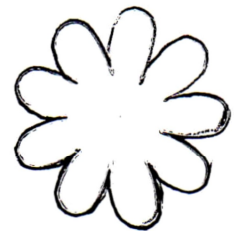
10:00 AM +Peter +Hildegard Bubna (Walter Bubna)

SATURDAY, August 17, 2024

(NO SERVICE)

SUNDAY, August 18th, 2024 - 13th Sunday after Pentecost

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
- For the Parishioners -



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ANNOUNCEMENTS
August 11th 2024

A PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE:

Heavenly Father, Your Son taught us "Blessed are the Peacemakers for they shall be called Children of God." At this hour, we fervently pray that Your Holy Spirit may inspire an end to the violent confrontation and killing in Ukraine. May they restore tranquility to their nation and restore human rights, democratic principles, and religious liberty to their troubled land. God, our Father, we beseech you to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded and accept the souls of the departed into Your Heavenly Kingdom. And may the Most Holy Mother of God, extend her Blessed Mantle of Protection over Ukraine. And may each of us always live our lives as instruments of Your Peace. Amen

Ukrainian Village Parade – The United Ukrainian Organizations of Ohio – Ukrainian Village Committee and The City of Parma are excited to announce the annual Ukrainian Independence Day parade will take place on Saturday, August 24 2024, at 11:00 am in the City of Parma's Ukrainian Village. This year marks the 33rd Anniversary of Ukraine's Independence. All parishioners are invited to participate in the parade (walking with other St. Andrew UCC parishioners) and attending a brief program following the parade. Show your support for Ukraine by participating in this year's parade!

The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary

This Feast, which falls on August 28 (corresponds to August 15 on the Julian Calendar) is of such great significance that it is preceded by a Fast which lasts for thirteen days. It is called the Dormition Fast. In Ukrainian it is commonly called "Spasivka" since the Feast of the Lord's Transfiguration ("Spasa") falls during this time.

We fast to show solidarity with the Apostles and the other Christians of the first century A.D. who were greatly sustained, guided and encouraged by the dear Lady, who not only gave birth to the Lord, but also accompanied Him in all His earthly ministry, and at last joined Him in the passage from earthly to celestial life. The Apostles and early Christians mourned the passing of their firm Support, the Theotokos, and so do we.

Like them we also rejoice in the wonderful news that her tomb was found to be empty when the Apostle Thomas came three days after her falling asleep and wished to see her most precious Body. Shortly after she appeared to her beloved ones as they gathered to break bread together and said: "Rejoice I am with you all the days of your lives!"

From those early days the Church has been convinced that the Lord shared with Mary His victory over death by raising her from the tomb and taking her to be in the heavenly mansions with Him. At the same time we also believe that she is indeed ever with us in her intercessions and her constant example (which is also a challenge for us) of complete and total submission to God.

As with all the godly who repose in the Lord, time and space are no longer a barrier to their perfect unity with all those who love and honour them. Thus we proclaim that the Most Holy Theotokos ever rejoices in Heaven with her Son and all the Blessed, and also that she is always with us who still struggle to do the Lord's will here upon earth.

The Dormition Fast also reminds us of the necessity of preparing for our own departure from this earth. Since even the Most Holy Theotokos had to pass through the portals of death, we must also prepare to do so with humility and penitence, with gratitude to the Lord for all of His gifts, including repose, and with faith and love.

We recall that our passing will not sunder our unity with those beloved whom we leave to continue the earthly path for in Christ we shall always be together.

Because life in Christ is lovely and fragrant, we also bless flowers and herbs on this Day of the Dormition. And we prepare to greet the new Church year which will come in just a little over two weeks, September 1.

Our Precious and Beloved Mother, keep us ever near to You and to Your Son towards Whom You continually direct our attention in the thousands of Holy Icons in which You hold Him close. Most Holy Theotokos, save us.

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

August 11, 2024

Sunday in Ordinary Time

This week we hear Jesus say, “**He that believes in me, has eternal life**” (John 6:47). These straightforward words, uttered by human lips, sound — how to put this? — insane. Who could possibly say such a thing? Jesus says things that are so high, so demanding, so beyond our capacity to fathom, we hardly know what to do with them and (if you’re like me), they usually go in one ear and out the other. So, let us ask: how can believing in him lead to eternal life?

To believe in something means not just to acknowledge its existence, but also to orient yourself entirely to it. If a football player believes in his team, it means he puts his life totally at the service of that goal. If a student believes in her dream to become a doctor, she gives everything she has to her studies and preparation for her MCAT test. Belief means to move boldly toward something we love, and trust is possible to attain.

What is the highest possible good at which we can aim? It is God himself, the gift of eternal life without end. Jesus has made this “good” possible in and through his human nature. To believe in him means to have him as our ultimate goal. This week let’s believe the truth of these words and make practical decisions to orient ourselves toward what we see available in him: eternal life.

— *Father John Muir*

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Everyday Stewardship

What else is there to give when one has already given away their body and their life? What more can one say or do to demonstrate love for another when all they have has been given to another? This total giving of self to loved ones cannot be trumped by flowery words or material gifts that are fleeting. This is the ultimate in love. This is the love Jesus had for us on the way to his passion, at the institution of the Holy Eucharist. This is the love he has for us daily in the celebration of the Mass on altars in every church, in every city, in every nation on earth. No one can give more. No one can ask for more. This is the true heart of Christian stewardship.

If you take the time to gaze upon your God in the simplest of forms and begin to reflect on what has actually taken place with bread and wine becoming the presence of the Divine, then you can begin to understand true humility, sacrifice, and love. And when you have the privilege to take that Real Presence into your body at the meal where you are an honored guest, you become one with the One who is the embodiment of stewardship. Then, you must ask the question of yourself, "How can I even begin to reflect the love that I have encountered at this feast?" The answer is you can begin with the simple actions of the day: where will you go, whom will you meet, and in what work will you partake? Jesus Christ has shown that the greatest gift ever given can be disguised in this world in a piece of bread. By joining your body to his, he can now transform human hearts, not by grand acts, but by everyday acts, by everyday people practicing Everyday Stewardship.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

"Fallen Asleep"

Today the Holy Church solemnly glorifies the honorable Dormition or translation of the Mother of God from earth to heaven. A wonderful translation - she died without serious illness, peacefully. Her soul is taken up in the divine hands of Her Son and carried up into the heavenly abode, accompanied by the sweet singing of angels. And then, her most pure body is transferred by the apostles to Gethsemane where it is honorably buried, and on the third day it is resurrected and taken up to heaven. You see this on the icon of the Dormition of the Theotokos. On it is represented the life-bearing body of the Theotokos laying on a bier, surrounded by the apostles and hierarchs, and in the center of the icon the Lord holding in His hands the most pure soul of the Theotokos. The translation of the Mother of God is a paradigm of the translation in general of the souls of Christians to the other world.

We say that our dead have "fallen asleep" or "passed away." What does this mean? This means that for the true Christian there is no death. Death was conquered by Christ on the cross. But there is a translation, i.e. a rearrangement of his condition, i.e. his soul is in another place, in another age, in another world beyond the grave, eternal, without end, that is what is meant by "falling asleep". It is as if it were a temporary dream after which, by the voice of the Lord and the fearful yet wonderful trumpet of the Archangel, all the dead shall live and come forth each to his place: either to the resurrection of life or to the resurrection of condemnation (John 5:29). This is what the Christian means by translation. We should be ready for this translation, for the day of the general resurrection and judgment, for this indescribable world event, recorded in the Holy Scriptures..

St. John of Kronstadt