

Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church

2280 West 7th Street • Cleveland, Ohio 44113

January 19, 2025

35th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST VOLUME 3, ISSUE 66

DIRECTORY:

Parish Office:
(216) 861-2176

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(216) 401-0004

Parish website

sspeterandpaulucc.com

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.

CHRIST IS BORN

ХРИСТОС ПОДІВСЯ



СЛАВИМ ЙОГО

GLORIFY HIM

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, January 19th, 2025 - 35th Sunday after Pentecost

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

MONDAY, January 20th, 2025

(NO SERVICE)

TUESDAY, January 21st, 2025

10:00 AM +John +Alice Olenchuk (M. & C. Poston)

WEDNESDAY, January 22nd, 2025

10:00 AM +Oleh Tarnawsky (Olena Tarnawsky-Ferguson)

THURSDAY, January 23rd, 2025

10:00 AM +John +Alice Olenchuk (M. & C. Poston)

FRIDAY, January 24th, 2025

10:00 AM +John +Alice Olenchuk (M. & C. Poston)

SATURDAY, January 25th, 2025

(NO SERVICE)

SUNDAY, January 26th, 2024 - 36th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 AM Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

- For the Parishioners -

- Parish Yalyuka -



Blessings of Homes - Fr. Andrew will begin the blessing of parishioners homes January 8th, 2025. If you would like to have your home blessed, please call 216.401-0004.

ОГОЛОШЕННЯ
19 січня 2025 р.

ХРИСТОС РОДИВСЯ !
З НОВИМ РОКОМ !



ANNOUNCEMENTS
January 19th 2025

Merry Christmas !
Happy New Year !

STS. PETER AND PAUL WILL BE HAVING THEIR ANNUAL PARISH YALYNKA

On Sunday, January 26th, 2025, Divine Liturgy will be held at 11:00 A.M. followed by the Yalynka luncheon around 12:30 P.M. Bring your family and friends and join us for delicious Ukrainian food, live entertainment.

Donation at the Door: Adults \$ 35.00, Young Adults 13-18 \$ 20.00 Children 12 and under free. Please send an Email to motherchurch008@gmail.com or call Fr. Andrew at 216.401-0004 make reservation before January 20, 2025. ***Please note that reservations are required.***

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC – DO WHATEVER HE TELLS YOU

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Mini Reflection: Sometimes we forget, or even refuse, to bring small concerns and inconveniences to God because we think we should be able to handle them on our own. What a ridiculous attitude that is — as if we could handle anything on our own.

Do Whatever He Tells You

I once ran out of pizza at my kid's birthday party.

Everyone told me it wasn't a big deal but come *on*. It was a disaster. I had invited all these people over. They showed up with presents and sang "Happy Birthday" and stood around patiently while my kid ripped through his cache of gifts. The very least they were expecting was to be fed sufficiently.

I'll tell you what, I sure could have used the Blessed Mother that night.

I love the story of the wedding at Cana because it's such a silly little miracle. I don't mean to be disrespectful — of course it's an incredibly important moment in Christ's public life. But it's not healing a leper. It's not raising the dead. It's not even walking on water. It's saving a young couple from embarrassment.

I think sometimes we forget, or even refuse, to bring small concerns and inconveniences to God because we think we should be able to handle them on our own. What a ridiculous attitude that is — as if we could handle anything on our own. It's so fitting that Mary, ever the observant Mother, is the one to bring the matter to Jesus' attention. He asks her what this problem has to do with him. She doesn't answer him, because, between you and me, I don't think he's asking her. I think he's asking us. All she does is tell the waiters what I consider to be the best piece of advice in all of Scripture: "Do whatever he tells you."

I'm so quick to throw up my hands and feel sorry for myself when I encounter a barrier in my life. What I should be doing is taking the matter to God, and then doing whatever He tells me.

From Smuggler to Saint

Saint Macarius the Great was born in Upper Egypt. A later tradition places his birthplace in the village of Shabsheer (Shanshour), in Al Minufiyah Governorate, Egypt around 300 A.D. At some point before his pursuit of asceticism, it is said that Macarius made his living smuggling potassium nitrate in the vicinity of Nitria, a life which taught him how to survive in and travel across the wasteland in that area. At a young age, Macarius was forced to get married against his will. Thus, he pretended to be sick and ask for his parents' permission to go to the wilderness to recoup. At his return, he found that his wife had died, and shortly after, his parents departed as well. Macarius subsequently distributed all his money among the poor and needy.

Seeing his virtues, the people of his village brought him to the bishop of Ashmoun who ordained him priest. Falsely accused of defiling a woman, the woman recanted and confessed Macarius' innocence. A multitude of people then came asking for his forgiveness, but he fled to the Nitrian Desert to escape all mundane glory. While at the desert, he visited St. Anthony the Great and learned from him the laws and rules of monasticism. When he returned to the Scetic Desert at the age of forty, he presided over its monastic community for the rest of his life. Macarius died in the year 391. Today, the body of Saint Macarius is found in his monastery, the Monastery of Saint Macarius the Great in Scetes, Egypt.

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2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

John 2:1-12

A friend invited me to an invitation-only wine-tasting event. There were over two hundred varieties of wine. Having no idea how to approach such a massive selection, I wandered aimlessly among the tables, sipping this and that. At the end of the evening my friend asked if I had tried some of the exceptionally expensive wines. I hadn't. "The really good stuff disappears first," he said. "My man, you missed out on some amazing vino." I was so disappointed. I wasted my chance for amazing once-in-a-lifetime wine. The wine I tasted was, well, *blah*.

Don't we often feel a similar disappointment in life? I missed this or that opportunity. If only I had known. Optimism sputters and fades. The glory days are gone. The chances, it seems, for the really great things in life come and go so quickly. Then they are gone forever. The good stuff goes first. Then life is just *blah*.

Not so with the Lord Jesus. In Jesus' miracle at the wedding at Cana, the steward of the feast says, "**Everyone serves good wine first, and then...an inferior one**" (John 2:10). That's the natural downward progression of life. The good stuff disappears quickly. But he says of the groom (who symbolizes Jesus), "**But you have kept the good wine until now.**" This is the ever-improving trajectory of the realm of God's grace. With Jesus, the "good wine" of divine love, hope and peace gets better as our journey of faith progresses. Where are your greatest disappointments? Don't give in to the lie that the really good stuff is gone. Tell Jesus you've run out. Then learn how to taste *that* amazingly good wine, because he saves the best until now.

— *Father John Muir*

Everyday Stewardship

There are close to 7.6 billion people currently on earth. That is a lot of people! If you try to estimate how many people have collectively been born since the beginning of time, a good guess is 108 billion! It is hard to contemplate that many distinctly different human beings created by our God. In the midst of all those people, where do you and I fit? Can we really be created to make a difference in the world? One can feel very small and insignificant when reflecting on the numbers.

We render ourselves insignificant when we make the mistake of seeing ourselves as being just like everybody else. However, when looking at the numbers, how can one honestly think we are all the same? Another way we become insignificant is believing the lie that one person in the midst of so many does not have the power to make an impact. However, we all spend time reading books, watching movies, or listening to news about singular people who made all the difference in some part of the world. Imagine your own world without a few key people who have touched you and made a difference.

We are all created with unique gifts. We have those gifts that have been part of us from birth and those that have been imparted to us by the Holy Spirit. St. Paul tried to get the Corinthians to understand that reality when he explained to them the many gifts of the Spirit. Perhaps some of his audience back then thought they were insignificant. The message then remains the message today: God is counting on you to use what He has given you. If you don't, who will?

—*Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*