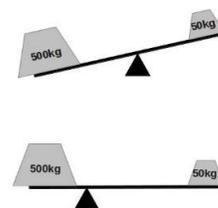


FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

Our Bishops Conference, the USCCB, for a number of years now has designated October as “Respect Life Month.” This also happens to coincide with the *40 Days for Life* campaign, in which our parish annually participates. As the Holy Mother of God, the Blessed and Ever-Virgin Mary, cherished our Savior--the Lord of all life -- in her womb, she draws us to honor the great gift of God that is each human life that has been conceived, whatever the circumstances. Prayer inspires us and strengthens us to defend life in our words and works, even on the small points.

“Small points” reminds me of the word, “fulcrum.” If you’re not sure what that is, then this image may help illustrate the meaning for you:



A fulcrum is the point on which a lever rests. In this image the fulcrum is located at the intersection of the beam and the black triangle. If you ever had to move a massive weight or pull a nail out of wood, then you know the importance of a good fulcrum. Passersby may laugh at the man who fusses over the details of the fulcrum being one inch more to the right or left, but that man knows the long-term importance these details will have. My friends, the point is that great things depend on the little things. For example, before the 7th Ecumenical Council the Byzantine Empire suffered a bloody division over the apparently small issue of icons; nuns and monks were maimed and disfigured simply for showing veneration to an image of Our Lord. Yet, behind this “small” matter of wooden icons laid a universal truth important for all humanity: God truly took on matter in order to totally transform matter, that at the end of time Christ may be all in all (1 Cor. 15:28). If we love the *great* things, then we must protect the *small* things.

What life is smaller than the life in the womb? If we love humanity, if we love our bodies, if we love life itself, then surely we must love the very beginning of life, even at its most delicate and hidden point. This is the fulcrum upon which humanity now swings. Human life either is sacred or it is not. If it is not sacred, then we are like the gas chambers of the Nazi era. However, if it is sacred, then we should cherish it right

from its starting point. Finding this point creates balance on the “beam of life” because all who possess this gift of life are equally in possession of the divine image of the God who made them. Yet, what happens when men begin to move that fulcrum? When that happens the balance in society is lost and those who move the fulcrum have a huge say in whose lives are important and whose are not.

Now, we are not living in the 7th century AD and the controversy surrounding us is not the veneration of wooden icons painted by human hands. But, we are living in the 21st century AD and the controversy surrounding us most definitely is the veneration of the icon of the human person, the greatest icon painted by the divine hand! Not angels, not Solomon’s Temple, not anything in the universe is created in His image, but only you and me. We are precious in His eyes! Each baby is custom-wrapped in the warmth of a mother’s womb by His strong, fatherly hands; designed for greatness by his artistic genius; specifically known, loved and willed into existence.

For this reason, when somebody uses the term “single-issue” voter during election cycles my loud and proud answer is: “Yes!”☺ The single issue for followers of Christ is the basic, foundational issue of protecting human life. If a candidate can pass that test, then we go on to the second, third and fourth issues.

A case in point of how to follow your Christian conscience is that of our bishops. In 2011, the Federal government revoked a grant to the USCCB which had used the funds over a ten-year period to effectively combat human sex trafficking. The reason? This was done because of the bishops’ objections to abortion. Yet, they stayed true to the fulcrum of our faith and said that human life must be respected, even at the cost of losing millions of dollars and closing a project. The point? So much of our work is based upon a hidden point we don’t always remember: the dignity of human life. We have to stand on that sacred principle, or else the balance we strive for will be lost. Make a special effort this month to pray and practice our Christian duty of Respect for Life!

In Christ,

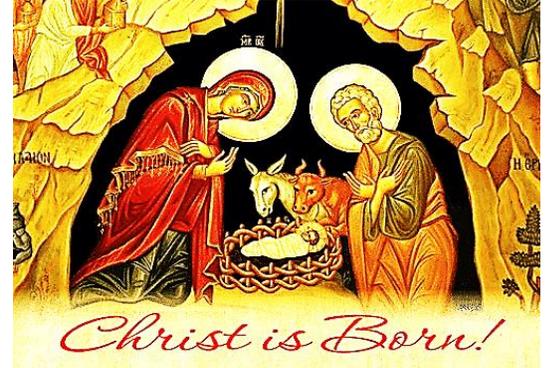
Jason, priest and sinner

New Things Happening at Holy Trinity:

- **Next Sunday, October 23rd** will be a combined, bi-lingual Divine Liturgy (Wedding Anniversary Celebration) at 10:15 AM, and later that evening will be the Bishop's Dinner Dance at the Airport Marriott Hotel.



- **Christmas Cards** are on sale to raise money for Holy Trinity's general fund. A pack of 15 beautiful gold and red colored cards costs \$16. Holy Trinity will profit \$8 per pack. Inside message: *Behold a mighty wonder! In Bethlehem, in a manger of dumb beasts, a young Child is born who is the eternal God! Glorify Him!* You can purchase your cards by calling the rectory at 412-279-4652 or send an email: to holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com. We have **24** packs available.



- **Renovation:** This past week the driveway foundation wall between the rectory and the church was repaired by a concrete team led by Charles Matthews. If any parishioners are looking for an honest handyman with years of experience, quality workmanship and reliability, then consider giving him a call. Next project will be the peeling paint in the choir loft. Please consider making an extra donation to help with this cost of keeping our church beautiful. Doing so is a reflection not only of our faith in God, but also of our respect for our parents, who labored so hard and sacrificed so much to make this church possible.

Prayer List: Make a point of praying for everyone on the prayer list. If you don't have a prayer list, contact the office and we'll send you one. **Keep in your prayers:** Anastasia Chruszcz, Stephanya Borszcz, Pauline Danesky, Alice Haritan, Luba and Peter Hlutkowsky, Daniel Holowaty, John Maslany, Helen Novak, Joe Popivchak, Mary Simek, Tillie Volanski, Donald Schultz, Dr. Justine Perhosky, James P. Holdcroft, Rich Hurey, Eugene Szestak, Theodore Hritzko, John Yenchik and Barbara Spak.

***Trinity Acres: PAC** met this past Wednesday and together with our pastor decided that at this point the financial burden of replacing the barn would be too great to place on the parish. Perhaps, with a good fundraiser in the future we could re-open the question, but, unfortunately, at present it would place a financial burden which wouldn't be justified by the returns. For example, the cost of bringing a sewage line to the place of the barn is \$100,000. That wouldn't include the cost of hooking it up to a building.



The Ukrainian Technological Society will hold its Dinner Dance at The Club at Nevillewood on **Saturday, November 5th** beginning at 6:00pm celebrating the 25th anniversary of Ukrainian Independence. Congressman Timothy F. Murphy will be presented the Friendship Award. For reservations at \$75 per person, please call 412-771-0336 or e-mail motriah@gmail.com, or call George Honchar 412-215-3303 or visit their website at www.utsphg.org.

HTUCC “Nite at the Races” will be Saturday, **Nov. 12th** in the church hall.

Doors/Buffer opens at 5:30pm * 1st race runs at 7pm * \$12 Admission includes Buffet – Soft Drinks – Beer – Coffee – Tea - Desserts * \$10 for each horse * 50/50 raffle * Ukrainian Auction * For more information:



Call the rectory: 412-279-4652, go to our website: www.htucc.com.



The next Coffee & Catechesis (C&C) is scheduled for next **Sat., Oct. 22nd** from 10:15 – 11:15am at Carnegie Coffee Company (Old Carnegie Post Office Building). *This is an Adult Apologetics Class.* Asking questions and being open to the truth allows our faith to deepen, and better enables us to defend the faith to others. Please bring your friends, & most certainly ask questions. To submit questions simply put anonymous questions in the "Natalia Fund box" in the church vestibule, or by email or just by asking questions with the group over coffee. For more information or to RSVP please contact Deacon Myron @ [412-303-9086](tel:412-303-9086) or mjspak@verizon.net

HTUCC’s Art, Crafts & Food Bazaar will be on **Sat., Nov 5th** in the church hall from

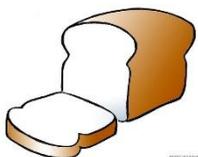


9am – 1pm. *Vendor Table Cost: \$30.* Take-Out Food, Baked Sale and much more! If you plan to donate any items for the HTUCC vendor table, bring them to the rectory by Mon., Oct. 31st. If you plan to donate any baked items, contact Veronica Alstad at 724-443-7132 or veronica_alstad@yahoo.com. For more information, contact Mayda Medwig at 412-722-2050, or go to our website: www.htucc.com.

English & Ukrainian Choir Practice has changed to

Thursday **October 20th** at 7:30pm in the church for the

Bi-Lingual Bishop’s Divine Liturgy to be held on Oct. 23rd.



HTUCC Homemade Bread for Thanksgiving – **Orders must be placed by November 11th** by calling the Church Rectory (412-279-4652) or the Pyrohi Kitchen (412-276-9897). **Plain loaf: \$8.00, Raisin loaf: \$8.50**
PICK UP during Pyrohi Sales, Thursday, Nov. 17th (9am until Noon) and Friday, Nov. 18th (9am until 2pm).

Homemade Nut Rolls –Our Holy Trinity Ladies are baking Nut Rolls for Thanksgiving. You need to *place your order by October 21st*. The price is \$13 a roll. You can place your order by calling Holy Trinity Rectory: 412-279-4652, or Holy Trinity Pyrohi Kitchen: 412-276-9897. Pick up will be Nov. 10th & 11th and Nov. 17th & 18th.



Bishop's Charity Dinner Dance will be on **Sunday, Oct. 23, 2016** at The Airport Marriott Hotel (777 Aten Drive, Coraopolis, 15108). *Time:* 5pm Cocktail Hour; 6pm Dinner Served. *Cost:* \$75 per adult and **\$15 for children ages 4-12. The child's meal will be chicken fingers, macaroni & cheese, fruit cup.** Contact Luba Hlutkowsky at poltava1@gmail.com or 412-519-7087 or 412-275-3975. *Please make checks payable to: Diocesan Resource Committee*, mail to DRC, Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma, P.O. Box 16319, Pittsburgh, PA 15242-0319. For each \$250 in donation amount, the donor will receive one (1) dinner reservation. For a \$500 donation, the donor will receive two (2) dinner reservations.



The Magic Boots will be presented by the Kyiv Ukrainian Dance Ensemble on **Sat, October 29th** at 3pm at the Andrew Carnegie Music Hall (300 Beechwood Ave, Carnegie). At 12pm - a Ukrainian Market Place with traditional foods & merchandice, at 6pm - Reception with Kyiv (refreshments and music). Tickets: \$15 Adult, \$12 Seniors & Students, Reception: \$10 Adult, \$5 Students, Children under 12 Free. Ticket information: 412-527-5359 or www.kyivdance.net.

Annual Yard Sale takes place on next Saturday, Oct 22nd at Our Lady of Victory Maronite Church from 8:30am until 6pm. (1000 Lindsay Road, Carnegie). Proceeds benefit the Maronite Youth Organization.

Bishop Canevin High School will host their Fall Open House next Sunday, October 23rd from 12pm to 3pm. Families and students in grades 6-11 are invited to tour the school, meet current students and faculty, and learn more about Bishop Canevin's Jesuit-inspired education. For more information, please contact Marianne Reinhart, Dir. of Admissions & Enrollment, 412-922-7400 ext. 228 or reinhartm@bishopcanevin.org.

Mediterranean Food Festival takes place at St. George Orthodox Church, (610 Dewey Ave., Bridgeville) on **Fri., Oct 28th, Sat., Oct 29th and Sun., Oct 30th** from Noon – 8pm (Fri & Sat) and Noon – 6pm (Sun). Family recipes prepared by hand! Dine in or Carry Out. Shish Kabob Lamb, Baked Kibbee, Mediterranean Chicken, Spinach pies, just to name a few!! Order by phone or online. 412-221-2277; www.stgeorgebridgeville.org.

Autumn Tea @ Atonement (618 Washington Ave., Carnegie) will be next Sat. Oct. 22 at 1pm. Doors open 12:15. Spend the Saturday afternoon in their dining room filled with fine china and savor the delicious tastes of homemade crumpets while enjoying a fall fashion show. Tickets are \$25. *Advanced ticket sales only.* Call Tonnie 724-693-2660 to reserve your tickets before Oct. 15th.

The Patriotic Rosary will be sponsored by the Father Denys Assembly 0939 Knights of Columbus and the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Contemporary Choir on **November 7th** at 6:30pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church (330 Third Ave, Carnegie). We will be presenting and praying this most unique and inspiring rosary for our beloved country's return to the principles and values of our founding fathers.

Fr. Alex Wroblicky will be one of the presenters at the first Eastern Catholic Bible Conference to be held at St. John the Baptist Cathedral in Munhall on **Nov. 4 & 5**, 8:30am – 4:30pm. This conference is a joint effort by several Eastern Catholic Jurisdictions to help our faithful become more acquainted with the Scriptures. Register and pay online at www.eparchyofpassaic.com. \$30 per participant, includes lunch.

The Church was a Mother to you in Life, providing for your Spiritual Needs: Please Remember the Eparchy of St. 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 \$_____].”

Vital Stats for Sunday Oct 9th: \$2,830 was offered in the collection with another \$120 for candles, \$10 for the Eparchy, \$101 for Utilities, \$50 for the Youth Group Sandwich Project, \$32 for the Natalia Protynyak in Ukraine Fund, \$15 for Feast Days, \$5 for Dormition, \$253.30 for World Wide Mission, \$500 memorial donation for Pete Wheat, \$100 donation for church or barn renovations, \$10 for prosphora, \$25 donation for clergy wives retreat, and \$96 in holuptsi sales, for a grand total of \$4,147.30. The Pyrohi Project brought in a “*net amount*” of \$1,191. Many blessings to all of our contributors whose sacrificial giving is known by God.

Lector Schedule:

- Saturday, Oct. 22 at 4pm: Veronica Alstad
- Sunday, Oct. 23 at 10:15am: Sophia Charron

What's happening in our parish this week....

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| Sat. 10/15 | <i>Our venerable father Euthymius the younger</i> | | |
| 4:00pm | Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish | | JC |
| |also Divine Liturgy for the repose of Anne & Metro Kulik requested by Karen & Peter Colaizzi | | IS |
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| Sun. 10/16 | <i>The holy martyr Longinus the centurion</i> | | |
| 8:30am | Divine Liturgy for Emily Stecko requested by Arlene Dorn | | IS |
| 11:00am | Divine Liturgy God's blessings on the newly married couple, Eryna Honchar & Joseph Sanetrick requested by George Honchar Family | | JC |
| |also Divine Liturgy for George & Anna Basick requested by Eleanor Patross | | IS |
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| Mon. 10/17 | <i>The holy prophet Hosea</i> | | |
| | The pastor's day off | | |
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| Tues. 10/18 | <i>The holy apostle and evangelist Luke</i> | | |
| 8:00am | Divine Liturgy for the repose of Mary K. Stein requested by Carolyn Kacsmar (OLPH) | | JC |
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| Wed. 10/19 | <i>The holy prophet Joel</i> | | |
| 8:00am | Divine Liturgy for the repose of Emily Stecko requested by Daniel, Cindy, Ryan & Ulric Kulick | | JC |
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| Thurs. 10/20 | <i>The holy great martyr Artemius of Antioch</i> | | |
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| Fri. 10/21 | <i>Our venerable father Hilarion the great of Palestine</i> | | |
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| Sat. 10/22 | <i>The holy, equal to the apostles, Bishop Abercius</i> | | |

4:00pm Divine Liturgy for the repose of George & Catherine
Mishtal requested by Stephen P. Zaletski JC

....also Divine Liturgy to mark the 27th anniversary of the
late Eugene Czuczman IS

Sun.
10/23

The holy apostle James, brother of our Lord in the flesh



10:15am Bi-Lingual Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish and
couples celebrating their wedding anniversaries JC

.....*followed by a reception in the church hall*

5:00pm *Bishop's Dinner Dance –Pittsburgh Airport Marriott*



BIRTHDAYS

Tom Kerchansky
Olga Gonskyi
Stephanie Fedora
Volodymyr Petrovych
Mary Pietrantonio
Maranda Kuzemka

Carola Medwig
Borys Bednarchuk
Zoryana Petrovych
Dennis Kurzawski
Maria Bagmet

Michalina Pituch
Stephen H. Zinski
Ming Medwig
Christine Kalymon
Maribel Medwig