

November 6, 2016

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

## From the Desk of the Pastor

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Christ is in our midst! He is and will be!

Allow me to share a cute joke with you. A father was at the beach with his children. Then the four-year-old son ran up to him, grabbed his hand, and led him to the shore where a seagull lay dead in the sand... “Daddy, what happened to him?” the son asked. ‘He died and went to Heaven,’ the Dad replied. The boy thought a moment and then said, “Did God throw him back down?”

Addressing a similar idea, many years ago a movie name Jurassic Park came out in theaters across the country. The plot of the movie is that scientists are able to revive samples of ancient DNA found in rocks in order to bring Dinosaurs back to life in our world today. The point shared by both the joke and the movie is that there exists *something* inside us that makes us alive. Atheistic materialists would have us believe it is *only* a sequence of chemicals in DNA. The father in the joke is assuming the boy knows the difference between a soul and a body. For our part, in reply to the little boy in the joke we can say that after we die God will not throw our bodies down. Rather, He will raise us up in glory, free of defect, disease and any vestige of death.

For you and me living in 2016 here in Carnegie, Pa., there is something that makes us alive, and will prevent our bodies from being thrown down after death. It is faith! Having a daily, strong and deep faith in the God-Man Jesus Christ revives us and sets us apart from the *walking dead*, those poor souls who stumble through life without meaning and mission. One way to bring life into their lives is to share with them in conversation how Jesus gives you happiness and meaning.

In today’s Gospel we hear of a possessed boy who was restored and brought back to a healthy life by the word of Jesus Christ. Why couldn’t the disciples clean the boy? Jesus gives us the answer, “O faithless generation!” You see, faith is the ultimate ingredient that can revive us, but without it things lose their pizzazz. Our faith must be our roadmap in making decisions in life. Our faith is the yeast that raises the dough of our existence. So, what is your mission? Spread this faith! Spread the faith by voting with your Christian convictions foremost in your mind. That will restore life to our nation.

In order to help you live this faith mission in the coming week, as your pastor I place before you the official party platforms of both parties on that most fundamental issue

of life. There is no perfect candidate, no perfect party. God alone is perfect. So, let's start at the basics:

*Democrat Party Platform: "We will appoint judges who defend the constitutional principles of liberty and equality for all, and will protect a woman's right to safe and legal abortion."*

*Republican Party Platform: "We oppose the use of public funds to perform or promote abortion or to fund organizations, like Planned Parenthood, so long as they provide or refer for elective abortions or sell fetal body parts ..."*

Clearly, we will be rescued not by political powers, but by divine powers, if we put our trust in Him. That doesn't mean we abstain from contributing to the nation and her political process. No! We are to act as yeast in the dough by transforming it from good, to better, to best. Get involved! But, if we cannot in good conscience vote for either candidate because of concerns over character/integrity (or lack thereof!), then let us vote according to party platform. If we do that on Tuesday, when we come out of the ballot box, what will the words of Jesus be to our hearts? I assure you that if you vote with your faith first, believing God is the giver of life, then His words to you will not be those he spoke to his disciples in today's Gospel: "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you?" Rather, we will hear these words, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

In Christ,

Jason, priest and sinner

## New Things Happening at Holy Trinity:

- **Renovation updates:** This past week we had two leaks on the church roof repaired, a new rectory door installed, as well as the wall extended between the office space and living space at the rectory so that a privacy door could be installed.
- **Wine and Cheese Bible Study!** Wednesday evenings in November from 7-8pm in Church Hall. Topic: *The Book of James* Class limit: 10 people. Register by email: [holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com) or call the office.
- **A Special Thank you** goes to Frances Yuschak for coming up with the great idea to collect Vintage clothing and to sell the clothing at a store in Pittsburgh, and also to the parishioners who donated the clothing. The church made \$300 on this project!!!
- **Mark your calendars:** Our St. Nicholas Party will be on **Sunday, December 4.**

**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 Holdcroft, Rich Hurey, Eugene Szeszak, Theodore Hritzko, and John Yenchik.

**HTUCC "Nite at the Races"** will be Saturday, **Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>** in the church hall. Doors/Buffer opens at 5:30pm \* 1<sup>st</sup> race runs at 7pm \* **\$12 Admission** includes Buffet – Soft Drinks – Beer – Coffee – Tea – Desserts \* 50/50 raffle \* Ukrainian Auction \* For more information: Call the rectory: 412-279-4652, go to our website: [www.htucc.com](http://www.htucc.com), or call Rebecca at 412-956-3771 or [Rebecca.Zaletski@hotmail.com](mailto:Rebecca.Zaletski@hotmail.com). **Deadline to Name a horse is NOON, Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>!!!**



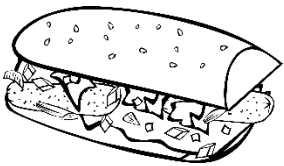
**English & Ukrainian Choir Practice** will be Tuesday, **November 15<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>** (skipping the 22<sup>nd</sup> before Thanksgiving) at 7:30pm in the church to practice for Christmas.



**HTUCC Homemade Bread** for Thanksgiving – **Orders must be placed by this Friday, November 11<sup>th</sup>**. Call the rectory (412-279-4652) or the Pyrohi Kitchen (412-276-9897). **Plain loaf:** \$8.00, **Raisin loaf:** \$8.50 **PICK UP** during Pyrohi Sales, Thurs., Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> (9am - 12pm) & Fri., Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> (9am - 2pm).

**Spiritually Adopt a Priest Program.** Our priests are indispensable. They give their lives to their saving mission of Christ and His church. It is our duty to pray for our priests. And so we are officially starting our "Adopt a Priest Program." We will send interested parishioners a prayer card with the specific name of a priest, bishop or seminarian for whom to pray. And each year thereafter, at the beginning of our church year, September 1<sup>st</sup>, we will send a different priest to include in your prayers. To participate, please e-mail your name and address to: [spirituallyadoptapriest@gmail.com](mailto:spirituallyadoptapriest@gmail.com). Indicate your preference for an English or Ukrainian prayer card. Thank you for interceding on behalf of our priests.

**ПРОГРАМА ДУХОВНОЇ ПІДТРИМКИ СВЯЩЕНИКІВ**  
Наші священники незамінні. Вони присвятили своє життя для спасительної місії Христа і Його Церкви. Наш обов'язок молитися за наших священників. І тому ми офіційно починаємо програму духовної підтримки священників. Ми направимо зацікавленим парафіянам молитовну картку з ім'ям певного священника, єпископа або семінарста, за кого слід молитися. Щороку на початку нашого церковного року, 1 вересня, ми будемо посилати Вам ім'я іншого священника, щоб додати його до Ваших молитов. Для участі надішліть будь-ласка своє ім'я та адресу на електронну пошту: [spirituallyadoptapriest@gmail.com](mailto:spirituallyadoptapriest@gmail.com). Складаємо щирю подяку від імені наших священників за Вашу турботу.



**Want a good hoagie to help you enjoy the November 20<sup>th</sup> Steeler game?** The CCD Program is selling hoagies to benefit our Building Fund. Hoagie order forms /envelopes will be in the church bulletin starting next Saturday & Sunday. You can also obtain an order form by calling the church rectory. **Each hoagie is \$7. *The Ham, Turkey, Italian or Cheese hoagies will be made by Produce Plus with Breadworks hoagie buns!!!*** You can drop your order form/envelope in the church collection basket, or bring to the church rectory, or mail it in by **November 17<sup>th</sup>**! The hoagies will be delivered after all of the divine liturgies on November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

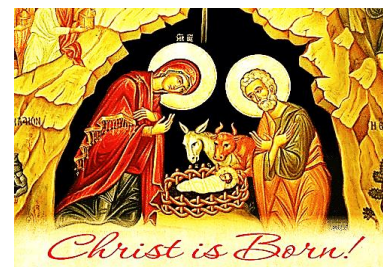
**Homemade Nut Rolls for CHRISTMAS!** Our HTUCC Ladies are baking Nut Rolls for Christmas. Deadline to order is Friday, **November 18<sup>th</sup>**. *For anyone who has already placed their order for Thanksgiving nut rolls, the price is \$13 a roll. PICK UP: Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>.* For information, call the rectory: 412-279-4652, or Pyrohi Kitchen: 412-276-9897.



The next **Coffee & Catechesis** is **November 19<sup>th</sup>** from 10:15 to 11:15am at the Carnegie Coffee Company. Please submit your questions via the wood box near the last pew of the church or via email to either [holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com) or [mjspak@verizon.net](mailto:mjspak@verizon.net).



**Christmas Cards** are on sale to raise money for Holy Trinity's general fund. Cost: \$16 for a pack of 15 beautiful gold & red colored cards. HTUCC 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!* To purchase the cards: Call the rectory or send an email: to [holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com](mailto:holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com).



**A Slavic Dinner & Slavjane Concert** will take place at St. Gregory Byzantine Catholic Church, {2005 Mohawk Rd. (Brookside Farms), Upper St. Clair} on Saturday, **November 12<sup>th</sup>**, starting at 6:30 p.m. with a traditional Slavic dinner, followed by the concert at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are Adults: \$20.00, Students & Children: \$10.00. Make Checks Payable to St. Gregory Church. No tickets will be sold at the door due to limited seating. For more information and directions, call the parish office at [412-835-7800](tel:412-835-7800) or visit: [www.stgregoryuysc.org](http://www.stgregoryuysc.org).

**A Pork Chop Dinner** will be sponsored by Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Ukrainian Catholic Church, (4136 Jacob Street, Wheeling, WV) on **Sunday, Nov. 20, 2016** from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Menu will consist of a pork chop, mashed potatoes, green beans, cole slaw, applesauce, and dessert. The cost will be \$8.00 for Adults and \$4.00 for children 12 and under. Free for children 6 and under. It will be held in the Church Annex which is now handicapped accessible. Call 304-232-1777. Carry out available.



**“Pierogie Fest”** will take place at St. George Ukr. Cath.Church (3455 California Ave, North Side, Pgh) on **Saturday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>** from 11am to 6pm. **Seven(7) varieties:** potato & cheese, sauerkraut, half & half, loaded potato, jalapeno, farmer's cheese and lekvar (prune plum), plus **Three(3) kinds of soup:** borscht, chicken noodle & mushroom barley. PLUS baked goods \* For more information call 412-766-8800.

**St. Andrew Lutheran Church** (218 Alter St. East Carnegie) will hold its annual **Christmas Bazaar on Friday & Saturday, November 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>**. The Bazaar will feature *quality homemade savory soups*, crafts, decorations, assorted baked goods and

pierogies. Shop for bargains and don't forget to bring your Christmas list! The Bazaar opens from 11am until 3pm each day. Everyone is Welcome!

**Eleventh Annual Gathering of Catholic Men** will take place **Sat., Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>** at the Pittsburgh Convention Center. **Topic: "Difficult Times, Looking for Answers?"**  
**Program Speakers:** Matthew Leonard, Ennie Hickman, Bob Rice, Bishop David Zubik, Greg Willits; *Doors open* at 8:00AM. *Program starts* at 9:00AM. All day admission. First come first serve open seating \* Disability seating available \* Sacrament of Penance available 10:30am until 2:30pm. **Ticket Pricing:** Early Bird Adult (until 10/29): \$35; Regular Advanced: \$40; At the Door: \$50; Youth /Student [13 to 22): \$10; Power of 3: \$99; Father & Teenage Son: \$45 (\$40 early bird). Priests, deacons & religious are free. For those men in the parish that would like to attend this event as a group, contact Deacon Myron @412-303-9086 or [mjspak@verizon.net](mailto:mjspak@verizon.net).

**Bishop Canevin High School** (2700 Morange Rd. Pgh. 15205) will hold their 15<sup>th</sup> annual **Holiday Craft Show on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>** from 10am until 3pm. Over 150 crafters – Lunch – Baked Goods – Gift Auction – 50/50 raffle – “Crafts with Katie” and a free shuttle. Contact Vera 412-922-7400 x 224 for more information.

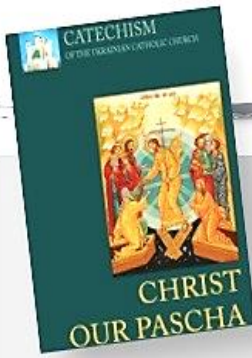
**Ukrainian Selfreliance Credit Union- Promotional Loan Offer:** Between Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> and Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, the credit union is offering “*Triple Play*” {*\$1,000 \* 1% \* 1 Year*}. The monthly payment is \$83.79. Use this for gifts, car repairs, tires, kitchen appliances, home furnishing, payoff bills, etc. Rate is APR-annual percentage rate. Loan is for qualified member with proof of income, credit report & completed loan application. Call for additional information: 412-481-1865

**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 \$ \_\_\_\_].”

**Quarterly Reminder:** Our Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma is obligated to remind its members that they, especially the victims, have a right and duty to report any incident of the sexual abuse of a minor by the clergy, or by an employee or a volunteer. One should come forward and make that known to his or her pastor or to the bishop or to one of those who assist him in this regard. Our current Bishop Bohdan Danylo can be reached at his Chancery at 440-888-1522 or by writing to him at P.O. Box 347180, Parma, OH 44134-7180. The Victim Assistance Coordinator, Marika Zaliszczuk can be reached on her cell 412-215-5372. You may view the Policies & Procedures at [www.stjosaphateparchy.com](http://www.stjosaphateparchy.com).





Excerpt from *Christ Our Pascha*

"I strongly reminded the priest -- pastors about this great and holy application before God (to teach catechism), and now I come to you, dear brothers and sisters, to you, fathers of Christian families, to you Christian mothers, to you brothers and sisters, members of various church brotherhoods. Help our priests, help me, your Bishop - Pastor, to spread among the people, But especially among the youth, a knowledge of the holy faith, a knowledge of the catechism. This is the best way to contribute according to your abilities to the pastoral work in the church, this is the best way to fulfill in concrete action the Christian commandment to love one's neighbor, and thus you will also show the best and greatest love to you own people... and make almighty God bless you I hope you understand the importance of catechetical teaching, and that you must do everything, in order to know the catechism well personally, and teach it to your children."

Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky - *On Knowledge of the Catechism* (1937)




**Vital Stats for Sunday Oct 30<sup>th</sup>:** \$1,704 was offered in the collection with another \$154 for candles, \$67 for the Eparchy, \$12 for Utilities, \$221 for Canonization of Ukrainian Saints, \$73 for the Natalia Protynyak in Ukraine Fund, \$139 for CCD Book money, and a \$200 unrestricted donation, all for a grand total of \$2,570. The Pyrohi Project brought in a “*net amount*” of \$1,163. Many blessings to all of our contributors whose sacrificial giving is known by God.

**Lector Schedule:**

- Saturday, Nov. 12 at 4pm: Helen Zaletski
- Sunday, Nov. 13 at 8:30am: Serhiy Chovnyk, and later at 11am: Cantor

**What’s happening in our parish this week....**

Sat. *The holy martyrs Galacteon & Epistemis, his wife*   
 11/5  
 4:00pm Divine Liturgy to mark the 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Tom & Ming Medwig requested by the Medwig Family JC  
 ....also Divine Liturgy to mark the 4<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the late Martha Zaletski requested by Rebecca Zaletski IS

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Sun. *Our father Paul, archbishop of Constantinople*  
 11/6  
 8:30am Divine Liturgy to mark the 44<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the late Sylvester Hanczar requested by grandson Michael and Jodi Hanczar IS

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| 11:00am         | Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish  | JC |
|                 | ....also Divine Liturgy for the repose of Anna Szmul requested by the Hlutkowsky Family  | IS |
| Mon.<br>11/7    | <i>The holy martyr Hieron &amp; the other 32 with him in Melitina</i><br>The pastor's day off                                    |    |
| Tues.<br>11/8   | <i>Synaxis of holy archangel Michael &amp; all angels</i>  |    |
| 8:00am          | Divine Liturgy for the health of Donald Schultz requested by the St. Josaphat Society  | JC |
| Wed.<br>11/9    | <i>The holy martyrs Onesiphorus &amp; Porphyrius</i>   |    |
| 8:00am          | Divine Liturgy for the repose of Mary K. Stein (OLPH) requested by Steve & Sharon Kanick   | JC |
| Thurs.<br>11/10 | <i>The holy apostles Erastus and others of the 70 apostles</i>   |    |
| Fri.<br>11/11   | <i>The holy martyr Mennas, Vincent &amp; Victor</i>  |    |
| Sat.<br>11/12   | <i>The holy priest-martyr Archbishop Josaphat of Polotsk</i>   |    |
| 4:00pm          | Divine Liturgy to mark the 38 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the late Steve Kerchansky requested by Tom Kerchansky                 | JC |
|                 | ....also Divine Liturgy to mark the 2 <sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the late Janet Andrejasik requested by Carol Ostaffe & Family | IS |
| 5:30pm          | <i>Doors open for Nite at the Races</i>  |    |
| Sun.<br>11/13   | <i>Our father among the saints, John Chrysostom</i>  |    |
| 8:30am          | Divine Liturgy for the repose of Pete Wheat requested by Helen Koss  | IS |
| 11:00am         | Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish  | JC |
|                 | ....also Divine Liturgy for the repose of Theresa Zozula requested by Charles & Donna Sradomski                                  | JC |



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**NOVEMBER**  
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**BIRTHDAYS** *If we have missed any birthdays,  
please call the rectory!*

Mark Medwig  
Carol Ostaffe  
Jean Kincak  
Karen Colaizzi  
Volodymyr Lernatovych  
Elizabeth Artinger  
Lubow Matviiev  
Helen Koss

John Milligan  
Oksana Mykhayliv  
Jia Kohl  
Anna Kohl  
Evhen Sushko  
Stephen Sywy  
Zach Sudiak  
Frances Ingram

Rosemarie Zagorsky  
Ludmyla Kalachuk  
Betty Bolye  
John Besspiata  
Daniel Holowaty  
Angela Honchar  
Anna Kuzemka  
Alex Pretka

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**Pyrohi Volunteers are NEEDED!!!**

**Any Time between our work hours!!!**

**Work Hours: Thurs & Fri. 7:30 – 11am**

**We'll supply the coffee, snacks & one dozen  
free pyrohi...**

**You supply the pinches...or if you prefer kitchen duty, dough  
rolling, pyrohi packing etc. You name it, there's a job for you!!!**

**Hours open to the Public: Thurs. 9am - Noon; Fri. 9am - 2pm**

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