

January 29, 2017

Sunday of Zacchaeus

From the Desk of the Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,

As I write this letter hundreds of thousands of people, the vast majority of them under 30 years of age, are converging on our nation's capital to deliver one message: "life is sacred!" If you have never been to the Annual March for Life, then you may wish to take it in at least once in your life. It is a powerful boost to the faith life and the morale of every person I've ever met who attended.

In case you are not aware of what the March for Life is, you will find here five quick facts about it. Now, the main media networks don't report on it, but that just makes our case for life even more compelling: Without media publicity the crowds get larger and younger, year after years! It shows that the strength of the pro-life, pro-God position is winning souls and minds over without the advantage of publicity and exposure. So, without further delay here are some quick facts about this weekend's March for Life that you can share with those you meet.

1. The March for Life is an annual pro-life event held in Washington, D.C., on or around the anniversary of the United States Supreme Court's decision legalizing abortion in the case *Roe v. Wade*. The overall goal of the march is to overturn the *Roe* decision.
2. The first March for Life was held in the nation's capital on Jan. 22, 1974 — exactly one year after the *Roe* decision was announced.
3. The annual event was started by Nellie Gray. Following the Supreme Court decision in *Roe* in 1973, Gray retired from her federal career and dedicated the remainder of her life to the protection of the unborn. Before her death in 2012, Gray had attended all 38 rallies.
4. The March for Life is one of only two protest marches and demonstrations that are held annually on the National Mall. The other one is "Rolling Thunder," a demonstration of bikers for the benefit of American POWs held every year on Memorial Day.
5. The original March in 1974 was attended by 20,000 pro-lifers. By 2003, the March for Life brought in around 250,000 attendees each year. In the past few years, however, an estimated 300,000-400,000 people have attended the D.C march.

In Christ,

Jason, priest and sinner

New Things Happening at Holy Trinity:

• Please continue to pass on your ideas for the Church Hall Kitchen renovation to Mayda by calling the rectory or emailing her directly at mayda_y@yahoo.com.


• **House Blessings:** If you wish to have your house blessed, please sign the sheet at the entrance of the church. Indicate your name, address and date/time and Fr. Jason will arrive at that time. If you do not sign up the presumption is that you don't wish for your house to be blessed at this time.




• **Your 2016 Substantiation of Charitable Contributions letter** will be mailed to your home address postmarked by Jan 31st for church offerings \$250 and greater. If your offerings were less than \$250 and you would still like a letter, just call the rectory. Also, if you see any corrections to your letter, just call the rectory and a new one will be mailed out to you.



• **Small proshoras** are available in the alcove near where confessions are heard. If you have a prayer request for the liturgy you are attending (for someone in need of prayers, for health, for the deceased, for anything), simply write it on the slip of paper provided and place it under a proshora. Someone will give it to the priest before the reading of the epistle so he will remember to include that intention in his prayers at the altar.

• **Deadline to turn in your names for the First All Souls Day**  is Wednesday, **Feb. 15th**. You can use your (Blue Envelope)-“Remembrance of our Beloved Dead” found in your box of church offering envelopes, and/or pick up a Sorokousti sheet from the church vestibule. You can simply place your names in the church basket, stop by the rectory or email the list; holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com. Thank you!

• **Blessing of Candles**  takes place this **Wed., Feb. 1st** at the 7pm vigil of the Encounter of Our Lord with Simeon. There will be candles to purchase for \$5 *prior to having them blessed*. You will find these candles in the church vestibule and the side parking lot entrance.

• **Julian Michael Chubko**, infant son of Nazar and Katrina Chubko will be presented for baptism on Saturday, February 25, 2017 after the 4pm Liturgy. He will be sponsored by Borys Wowczuk and Helena Malyarsky (Olenka).

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 & Peter Hlutkowsky, Daniel Holowaty, John Maslany, Helen Novak, Joe Popivchak, Mary Simek, Tillie Volanski, Donald Schultz, Dr. Justine Perhosky, James Holdcroft, Rich Hurey, Theodore Hritzko, John Yenchik, Frances Ingram, John Mosur, Zac Sudiak, baby Jason & Family and Jeanie Kincak.



The Annual Pre-Lenten ZABAVA Dance, sponsored by our Youth Group will take place Sat., Feb. 4th from 7pm – Midnight in the Church Hall. Price is \$7 per person or \$10 a group of two. Age 11 & under are free. Ukrainian food for sale, live music and of course, dancing. Contact Vasyl: 412-245-6424 or Bohdan: 412-726-8309 **by Feb. 1st to make reservations. ALL ARE WELCOME!!!**

Bi-Lingual Choir & Krylos Practice will take place the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month, at 10 am in the church beginning Sunday, February 5th. If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Zinski at 412-276-2259 or shzmusic@aol.com.



Homemade Soups will be available at Holy Trinity, starting Feb. 2nd during pyrohi hours, (Thursdays: 9am-Noon & Fridays: 9am – 2pm). There will be 2 kinds of soup: Borscht (Vegetarian) and Chicken Noodle for \$8/qt. Some soup has already been made and is in the freezer. If you are interested to obtain these prior to Feb. 2nd, please call the rectory 412-279-4652.

A Meat Loaf Dinner will be sponsored by the Apostleship of Prayer of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ukrainian Catholic Church, (4136 Jacob St., Wheeling, WV) on **Sunday, Feb. 12** from 11:00 am until 4:00 pm. The menu will consist of meat loaf, mashed potatoes, gravy, vegetable, cole slaw, dessert, and coffee & iced tea. The cost will be \$7.00 for Adults & \$3.50 for children ages 6 to 12 years, free under 6 years. It will be held in the Church Annex which is handicapped accessible. Carryout available. Telephone 304-232-1777. *Everyone is welcome!*

FREE TICKETS (\$5 value) to the 2017 Pittsburgh Remodeling Expo are available first come first serve. We have **7 free** admission tickets to this event on February 10th – 12th at the Heinz Field in the UPMC Club East Lounge. Please either call the rectory or Fr. Jason to obtain the tickets. If you have questions about the Expo, call 800-374-6463.

What is Live Streaming? Cut 'N' Run Studios will do a training session on Live Streaming at Holy Trinity on February 18th. There will be pizza at 5pm, followed by the 1 hour training starting at 5:30pm. After the training there will be Youth Choir Practice with Nick Hladio as the Choir Director. Please register for the Live Streaming with Sister Ann at sranl@aol.com or call 412-260-1607.

Slightly used Infant –Age 14 children clothing is needed to send to orphanages and the needy in Ukraine. During February and March, please bring in slightly used or new clothes as well as **only** new toys and place them in the collection boxes in the church vestibule and side entrance, marked “Children Clothing – Ukraine” Also, any monetary donation would greatly be appreciated to help in the cost of shipping. Please put your monetary donation in the collection basket and mark “Children Clothing –Ukraine” on the outside of the envelope. Thank you!!



A “**SOUPER Bowl**” **Food Drive** is being sponsored by our CCD Program to benefit a local food bank. Please bring in your food donations over the first 3 weekends in February. The last weekend is Feb 18th -19th. Please place your items in the boxes “**MARKED**” Food Drive in the church vestibule.



A **Pasta Dinner** will be sponsored by the Ukrainian American Citizens Club on **Sunday, January 29th** from Noon – 6pm. Adult Tickets are \$10 and children under 12 are \$5. Eat in or Take out. *Please support* the Ukrainian American Citizens Club (302 Mansfield Blvd., Carnegie). Thank you.



The Parish Youth Group will be assembling 130 lunches (260 sandwiches) for distribution to homeless and less fortunate in Pittsburgh’s Hill District on Saturday, Feb. 18th. ***They will prepare them on Friday, Feb. 17th*** at 6pm in the church hall. The total cost of this project is approximately \$300. If you would like to support the Youth Group with this project, please contact Bohdan Mykhailiv 412-726-8309 or bohdanmykhailiv@yahoo.com.

Applying for Scholarships is upon us! Pennsylvania American Water is offering the *Stream of Learning Scholarship Program* to support outstanding student in our area who are charting a course of study that is critical to the water and wastewater industry. To apply for the \$1,000 scholarship go to www.pennsylvaniaamwater.com. **Deadline is March 24, 2017.**



Quarterly Reminder (1st qrt. 2017): 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.

Do you need Estate Planning, Last Will and Testament, Living Will? If so, consider giving John Sembrat a call. His number is: 412-260-8605

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: \$2,189.75 was offered in the collection with another \$102 for candles, \$40 for Eparchy, \$30 for utilities, \$20 for Christmas, \$50 for Initial Offering, \$35 for Theophany, \$20 for Circumcision of Our Lord, \$35 for Natalia Protynyak in Ukraine Fund, \$50 Altar Wine Donation, \$30 Youth Group Sandwich Project Donation, \$3,656.57 reimbursement from eparchy for Diocesan Newsletter mailings, all for a grand total of \$6,258.32. Many blessings to all of our contributors whose sacrificial giving is known by God.

Lector Schedule for Wednesday and Next Weekend:

- Wednesday, February 1 – 7pm: Cantor
- Saturday, February 4 - 4pm: Helen Zaletski
- Sunday, February 5 - 8:30am: Terry Styran
- Sunday, February 5 – 11am: Sophia Charron

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

Sat. *Our venerable father Ephraim the Syrian*

1/28
4:00pm Divine Liturgy for the People JC
....also Divine Liturgy for the repose of Helen Musiol requested by Helen Koss IS

Sun *Transferral of the relics of Igantius, archbishop of Antioch*

1/29
8:30am Divine Liturgy for the repose of Larry Byerly requested by Angela Honchar IS
11:00am Divine Liturgy for the repose of Theresa Zozula requested by Pat McGuire JC
....also Divine Liturgy for the health and birthday of Bohdan Mykhailiv requested by his parents, Halyna & Bernard IS

Mon. **Three Holy Hierarchs**

1/30
12:00pm Divine Liturgy for the repose of Ted Konecky requested by Bohdan Bohonok JC

Tues. 1/31	<i>The holy miracleworkers & unmercenaries Cyrus & John</i>		
	The Pastor's Day Off		
Wed. 2/1	<i>The holy martyr Tryphon</i>		
	7:00pm	Vigil and Divine Liturgy for the repose of Emily Stecko requested by Jean Daniels Family	JC
		<i>.....with the blessing of candles</i>	
Thurs. 2/2	Encounter of Our Lord with Simeon		
Fri. 2/3	<i>The holy and just Simeon & the prophetess Anna</i>		
Sat. 2/4	<i>Our venerable father Isidore of Pelusium</i>		
	4:00pm	Divine Liturgy for the People	JC
	also Divine Liturgy to mark the 15 th anniversary of the late Nicholas Volanski requested by Katherine Volanski and Family	IS
Sun 2/5	<i>The holy martyr Agatha</i>		
	8:30am	Divine Liturgy for the late Catherine Mishtal requested by Jim & MaryRose McLaren & Family	IS
	11:00am	Divine Liturgy for the health of Eleanor Patross requested by Bob & Eileen Stovash	JC
	also Divine Liturgy for the repose of Emily Stecko requested by Mike Makar	IS



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Lubomyr Chubko
Nataliya Milligan
Ronald Artinger
James Bogdon
July Krisovenski
Yuri Wowczuk
Sophia Chubko
Nestor Lernatovych
Nadia Kazitska

Luba Hlutkowsky
Volodymyr Sapuzhak
Anastasia Chruszcz
Jonathan Hoover
Adrienne English
Volodymyr Matviiev
Braden Hoover
Stephen Medwig
Andrew Sywy

Dan Pituch
Roman Lutsiv
Vasyl Zhurybida
Sheerena Zaletski
Bohdan Mykhailiv
Natalia Charron
Roman Konecky
Jessica Petrovych