

February 5, 2017

Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee

## From the Desk of the Pastor

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Dear Friends in Christ,

What made the Publican righteous in God's sight rather than the Pharisee? He repented and allowed his real self to be seen before God and men! The Pharisee, on the other hand, was pretending to be something he wasn't: perfect.

Recently, reading about General Patton (a.k.a. "Old Blood and Guts") made me think of this enduring quality of truthfulness. Mind you, he was no saint, but to his credit he didn't hide behind a false piety, nor did he hide behind brazen machismo. He didn't hide the fire in the heart and he didn't hide the icy-cold stare. When he died in a car accident in 1945 the New York Times wrote the following:

"Patton was a legend. Spectacular, swaggering, pistol-packing, deeply religious and violently profane, easily moved to tears because ...he had a kind heart, he was a strange combination of fire and ice." Describing his burial, his biographer Ladislav Farago wrote, "Patton was sent on his long journey with the Psalm David had sung in the wilderness of Judah...Patton's own favorite Psalm 63."

Perhaps, as we move closer to the season of the Great Fast (Lent), we should each take a moment and ask ourselves if we can honestly pray from our deepest heart Patton's favorite Psalm. Why? Why not?

"O God, you are my God, for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. So I gaze on you in the sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.

So I will bless you all my life, in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet, my mouth shall praise you with joy. On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. My soul clings to you; your right hand holds me fast."

*We gain more by letting our real selves to be seen, than by pretending to be what we are not.*

•François De La Rochefoucauld


In Christ,

Jason, priest and sinner

## New Things Happening at Holy Trinity:


● \*\*\*\***Diakonia – Serving one’s neighbor** is one of the most important aspects of our Christian Life. The Gospel reading on the Meatfare Sunday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> recalls the scene of the Last Judgement: Did you offer me something to eat when I was hungry? To read more about this, please pick up Most Rev. Bohdan Danylo’ letter in the church vestibule. Friday’s in Lent after Presanctified Liturgy we’ll be having soup meals in the Church Hall. I would like to open this up to the needy in the area. **Please call Fr Jason to offer your much needed assistance. 412 279-4652.**

● **Bookkeeping**-Please note that our Divine Liturgy account is a separate account from our general account which receives all church offerings from your envelope box. Please make a separate check for all liturgy requests. Thank you.

● **Your 2016 Substantiation of Charitable Contributions letter** has been mailed  to your home address 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.

● **An FYI....**This year the St. Josaphat Society will NOT be having their annual Pre-Lenten Spaghetti Dinner. If all goes well, see you next year!!!


● **Small prosphoras** 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 prosphora. 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. 15<sup>th</sup>**. 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](mailto:holytrinitycarnegie@gmail.com). Thank you!

• **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).

• 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](mailto:mayda_y@yahoo.com).

**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, Jeanie Kincak, Kerrie Zorey and Mary Anne Szestak.

Please pray for the soul of  **Pauline J. Danesky** who died on Tuesday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at the age of 88. She is survived by many nieces and nephews. Her blessing service took place on Saturday, January 28, with interment at Holy Trinity Cemetery. May her memory be eternal!



**-Sunday, June 25, 2017** – St. Anne's Church in Austintown, OH is celebrating its Golden Jubilee-50 years since the church was officially blessed by late Archbishop Ambrose Senyshyn on 6-25-67. More information will follow in the upcoming weeks.

**Bi-Lingual Choir & Krylos Practice** will take place the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month, at 10 am in the church. If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Zinski at 412-276-2259 or [shzmusic@aol.com](mailto:shzmusic@aol.com).



**Homemade Soups** will be available at Holy Trinity, during pyrohi hours, (Thursdays: 9am-Noon & Fridays: 9am – 2pm). There will be 2 kinds of soup: Borscht (Vegetarian) and Chicken Noodle for \$8/qt.

**What is Live Streaming?** Cut 'N' Run Studios will do a **training session on Live Streaming** at Holy Trinity on **February 18<sup>th</sup>**. 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](mailto:sranl@aol.com) or call 412-260-1607.

**Christ –Our Pascha** Workshop will take place Saturday, **March 25<sup>th</sup>** at Pokrova Church (6790 Broadview Road) in Parma Ohio, beginning at 9:30am and ending at 4pm with a Divine Liturgy. **For information and registration** call or email Sr. Ann Laszok 412-260-1607 or

[srannl@aol.com](mailto:srannl@aol.com). **There will be another Workshop** on Saturday, **April 1<sup>st</sup>** at Sts. Peter and Paul Church (404 Sixth Street, Ambridge) same times. 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, February 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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!*

**Slightly used Infant –Age 14 children clothing** is needed to send to orphanages & the needy in Ukraine. During February & 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 18<sup>th</sup> -19<sup>th</sup>. Please place your items in the boxes “MARKED” Food Drive in the church vestibule and side parking lot entrance.



**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. 25<sup>th</sup>**. ***They will prepare them on Friday, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> at 7pm*** 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](mailto: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](http://www.pennsylvaniaamwater.com). **Deadline is March 24, 2017.**



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:** \$1,388 was offered in the collection with another \$146 for candles, \$257 for Eparchy, \$20 for utilities, \$10 for Presentation of Our Lord, \$40 for Initial Offering, \$10 for Theophany, \$10 for Circumcision of Our Lord, \$11 for Natalia Protynyak in Ukraine Fund, \$50 unrestricted donation, and \$8 from the Soup Project, all for a grand total of \$1,950. Many blessings to all of our contributors whose sacrificial giving is known by God.

### Lector Schedule for Next Weekend:

- Saturday, February 11 - 4pm: Sandy Krivonyak
- Sunday, February 12 - 8:30am: Serhiy Chovnyk, and later at 11am: Cantor

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

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 <sup>th</sup> 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 Theophil Konecky requested by Ron and Joanne Swantek	IS
		Divine Liturgy for the late Catherine Mishtal requested by Jim and Mary Rose McLaren and Family	JC
	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

Mon. 2/6	<i>Our venerable father Boukolus, bishop of Smyrna</i> The pastor's day off		
Tues. 2/7	<i>Our venerable father Parthenius, bishop of Lampsacus</i>		
	8:00am	Divine Liturgy for the repose of Karen Tagliaferri requested by Russ & Donna Zorey	JC
Wed. 2/8	<i>The great martyr Theodore, the general of Heraclea</i>		
	8:00am	Divine Liturgy for the repose of Jim Birch requested by friends at Our Lady of Perpetual Help	JC
Sat. 2/11	<i>The holy father Meletius, archbishop of Antioch</i>		
	4:00pm	Divine Liturgy for the People	JC
		....also Divine Liturgy for the repose of Ted Konecky requested by Ron & Joanne Swantek	IS
Sun 2/12	<i>The holy father Meletius, archbishop of Antioch</i>		
	8:30am	Divine Liturgy for the repose of Emily Stecko requested by Lubi & Tetyana Chubko & Family	IS
	11:00am	Divine Liturgy for the repose of Theresa Zozula requested by Pat McGuire	JC
		....also Divine Liturgy to mark the 2 <sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the late John Shiwarski requested by his wife, Mary & family	IS

## **FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS**

Ivan Slota	Donna Sradomski	Ted Sywy
Halyna Mykhailiv	Cesare Ulrich	Mary Kurzawski
Maria Hanzel	Vivian Ulrich	Loretta Luebbert
Olga Konecky	Heidi Sciulli	Bruce Alstad
Pat Baessler	Mathilda Volanski	Alex Konecky
Anne Konecky	Mark Popivchak	Chris Kohl
Rebecca Zaletski	Gabrielle Blythe	Alice Johnson
Natalia Lutsiv	Maxim Milligan	Daniel Saad
Joseph Wowczuk		

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## **HISTORY QUIZ**

1. The Patriarch of Antioch and the Pope of Rome both trace their apostolic successions back to which Apostle?  
a. Thaddeus b. Thomas c. Peter d. Andrew
2. Tradition holds that this early Church father is the child who Jesus set in the midst of the disciples, and held in his arms:  
a. Ireneus b. Ignatius c. Clement d. Severus
3. The heresy that taught 'Jesus did not have a natural flesh during his life on earth and that it only seemed to others that He was born, lived and died in the flesh of a man.'  
a. Nestorianism b. Arianism c. Docetism d. Gnosticism
4. 2nd Century Bishop of Lyons who authored "Against Heresies" and "Demonstration of Apostolic Preaching":  
a. Justin Martyr b. Ireneus c. Polycarp d. Ignatius
5. Also known as the "Doctrine of the Twelve Apostles":  
a. "Apologies" b. "On the Incarnation" c. "Adversus haereses" d. "Didache"
6. Heresy that taught that the God of the Old Testament and the God of the New Testament were distinct from one another:  
a. Marcionism b. Arianism c. Docetism d. Duophysitism
7. Ancient canon of the Old Testament written in Greek which was used by the Apostles and the Church, books of which are not contained in many Protestant Bibles:  
a. Peshitta b. Septuagint c. Vulgate d. Didache
8. Most Ancient Liturgy used prominently in the Syriac and Malankara Orthodox Churches:  
a. Liturgy of the Twelve Apostles b. Liturgy of St. Basil c. Liturgy of St. James d. Lit. of St. Cyril
9. Commonly referred to as the founder of Christian Monasticism:  
a. St. Basil b. St. Athanasius c. St. Dioscorus d. St. Anthony