

From the Desk of the Pastor

Dear Friends in Christ,
Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!

Every year I have to work myself up for the Great Fast. By the time Holy Week arrives I'm in the swing of it, but getting me to that point takes some motivation. Where to turn for motivation? My favorite source for motivation is reading what the Saints have said. So, for the triad of Lent (Prayer, Fasting, Charity) I would like to offer you this week a collection of wisdom from these great models of sanctity.

If you are experiencing dryness in prayer, then you may want to read this:

- “You don't need to use many or high-sounding words. Just repeat often, ‘Lord, show me your mercy as you know best.’ Or, ‘God, come to my assistance.’” St. Marcarius
- “Seek God in all things and we shall find God by our side.” St. Peter Claver
- “You don't know how to pray? Put yourself in the presence of God, and as soon as you have said, ‘Lord, I don't know how to pray!’ you can be sure you've already begun.” Saint Josemaría Escrivá
- “Seek a relationship when you pray, not answers. You won't always find answers, but you will always find Jesus.” Father Mike Schmitz

If you are experiencing difficulty fasting and almsgiving, then read this:

- “Do that which is good, and no evil shall touch you. Prayer is good with fasting and alms and righteousness. A little with righteousness is better than much with unrighteousness. It is better to give alms than to lay up gold: For alms doth deliver from death, and shall purge away all sin. Those that exercise alms and righteousness shall be filled with life: But they that sin are enemies to their own life.” St. Raphael the Archangel, (Tobit 12:7-10)
- No one whose stomach is full can fight mentally against the demon of unchastity. Our initial struggle therefore must be to gain control of our stomach and to bring our body into subjection not only through fasting but also through vigils, labors and spiritual, reading, and through concentrating our heart on fear of Gehenna and on longing for the kingdom of heaven. ” St. John Cassian

In Christ,

Jason, priest and sinner

New Things Happening at Holy Trinity:



- **PAC Final Elections** deadline will be *extended* to **Noon, Monday, March 20th**. If you have any questions, please contact the rectory 412-279-4652. You will find a ballot within this bulletin.

- **Mark your Calendars: HTUCC 2017 Sviachene** will be on St. Thomas Sunday, April 23rd, after the combined Liturgy at 10am.

- **Make special note of the Fundraising “thermometer”** in the front vestibule of the church!

- **Mission Trip to Ukraine Video Presentation** by Michael Haritan will take place at Holy Trinity after the 11am Divine Liturgy **next Sunday, March 19th**. Michael, a professional photographer was a volunteer for the Sisters of St. Basil mission trip to Ukraine. He attended all 4 English camps, as well as the visits to the orphanages, psychiatric institutions, halfway houses & foster homes with the Sisters. Other dates are March 26 (Wheeling-after 8am DL), April 9 (Ramey-after 10am DL), April 23 (Youngstown –St. Anne Sviachene) and April 30 (Northside-after 9:30am DL).

- **Youth Group Summer Camp and Adventure to the Adirondacks!** Book your spot now by emailing or calling the rectory. June 11-17, 2017 Camp Guggenheim

- **Rosary Every Tuesday** here at noon during Lent for those who are sick and suffering. We have many on our sick list in need of prayers, support them by your prayers!

- **HTUCC’s Pysanka Workshop for ages 8 and over** will take place for 3 Sundays: March 12th, March 26th and April 9th in the church hall from 2-4pm. More details to follow!



Another Pysanka Workshop will be sponsored by Sts. Peter & Paul. Saturday, March 25th, Thursday, March 30th and Saturday, April 1st. Reservations must be made for all classes. Class size is limited. For the 1st two dates, call Donna at 412-833-5585. <https://www.facebook.com/events/628405970676897/>.

A Lenten Mission will take place at Sts. Peter & Paul (Ambridge) Mon., April 3, Tues., April 4, and Wed., April 5 from 6:30-7:30pm. Guest speaker is Fr. Joseph Freedy, S.T.L. (Vocations Director for the Diocese of Pgh). Confessions will be available each day at 6pm and after the presentation.



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, 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, 3 month old baby Jason & Family, Jeanie Kincak, Kerrie Zorey, Mary Anne Szestak, Tom Kerchansky, Fr. Ivan Smereka, Martha Bright and Lesya (Alice) Haritan.

PYROHI Deadline to order for Easter is **Friday, March 31st**. Pyrohi Marathon will be April 3-7. **Pick up** Thurs & Fri of that week. Call the Pyrohi Kitchen line to order 412-276-9897 and include your name, phone number, and date to pick up with your order.



NUT ROLLS –\$13 each - Orders must be in by Monday, **March 20th** by calling 412-276-9897 (The Pyrohi Kitchen phone), or signing the order sheet in the church hall. **Pick up** will be on Thursday, March 30th (9am-Noon) and Friday March 31st (9am – 2pm).



PASKA Bread Order Deadline is Friday, **April 7th**. Cost: Plain: \$8, Raisin \$9. Pick up: April 11, & 12 from 2pm -5pm. Sign up in church hall, call the pyrohi kitchen (412-276-9897) or rectory (412-279-4652).

Stuffed Cabbage Rolls (Holubtsi) \$12 / tray of 4- Orders must be in by Friday, **March 17th** by stopping by the church hall during pyrohi hours or calling the rectory 412-279-4652. **Pick up** will be on Thurs. March 23rd (9am-Noon) and Fri., March 24th (9am – 2pm).



Homemade Soups during lent will be available at Holy Trinity during pyrohi hours, (*Thursdays: 9am-Noon & Fridays: 9am – 2pm*). There will be 3 kinds of soup: **Borscht** (Vegetarian), **Cream of Cauliflower** (Vegetarian) and **Chicken Noodle**. Each soup is \$8/qt. If you would like to order ahead of time, call 412-279-4652, otherwise just come to the church hall.



will be sold again this year to help underwrite some Parish Youth Group Activities. Order forms are available in the church vestibule. Please make checks payable to “Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church Youth”. Orders can be submitted by completing an order form and leaving it in the “box” in the vestibule. **Orders can be submitted up to Sunday, March 26th**. Orders will be

available for pick-up on Palm Sunday, April 9th. For more information please contact Ostap Lutsiv at [412-760-1844](tel:412-760-1844) or ostap.lutsiv@yahoo.com.

EASTER Kolbassi is being sold by the Men's Club of St. Gregory Byzantine Catholic Church. Price is \$6 per pound sold in two (2) pound packages. Call Mike Kranack at 412-276-1370 to place your order. If no one answers, please leave your order information with your message. You can also email orders to: mpkranack@yahoo.com. Pick up is at 1pm on Saturday, April 8th in the church parking lot. Note: **ALL ORDERS must be received by Wed. April 5th**.

A Premier of a movie about Patriarch Josyf Slipyj, (born 2-17-1893 in Zazdrist Ukraine, died 9-7-1984 in Rome Italy at age 92) will be *held at our Church* on **Saturday, March 25 at 6pm**. He was the Patriarch of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, & spent 18 years in Soviet prison camps until the Vatican obtained his release from the godless Soviets. This film will be in Ukrainian. Fr. Ihor Yatsiv is travelling all the way from Ukraine to show this. *Please, please, make a special effort to attend!!!*

NEEDED: Volunteers to fill our time slot on Sunday, April 2nd from 3 - 7:00pm for the **40 Days for Life Vigil** at Planned Parenthood Clinic (933 Liberty Avenue). *Two vigil participants per hour is what is recommended.* Depending upon interest, carpooling from Carnegie may be available, & there is free on-street parking in Pittsburgh on Sundays! This will be a peaceful, prayerful & rewarding experience. <http://www.40daysforlife.com/pittsburgh>. If you have any questions, call Dcn. Myron 412-303-9086 or mjspark@verizon.net.



Christ Our Pascha, English Edition Price Reduction to \$24.95!!!



<http://stjosaphateparchy.com/product/christ-our-pascha/>

Christ –Our Pascha Workshop will take place Saturday, **March 25th** 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. **Another Workshop is on Sat., April 1st** at Sts. Peter and Paul Church (404 Sixth Street, Ambridge), same times. Everyone is Welcome!

“Martyrdom Redefined”- Symposium on the 100th anniversary of the passing of Bishop Stephen Soter Ortynsky, OSBM, first bishop of Ukrainian Catholics in the U.S. (1907-16) will be presented at Manor College, Fox chase, PA on **Saturday, April 1**, from 2pm-5pm. Some of the guest speakers include Most Rev. Stefan Soroka, Metropolitan Archbishop (benediction), and Sister Ann Laszok, OSBM.

“Rediscovering Your Family Stories” Spring 2017 Genealogy Workshop will take place at the Ukrainian American Citizen's Club in Carnegie on May 6th from 8am – 4:30pm. If you register

by March 31st, the cost is \$45, which includes the workshop, breakfast and lunch. (\$55 after March 31st). Register online: <https://www.ukrhec.org/workshop/family-history-group>

Slightly used Infant –Age 14 children clothing is needed to send to orphanages & the needy in Ukraine. During 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 & side entrance. *Also, any monetary donation* will help towards the cost of shipping. Please put your monetary donation in the collection basket and mark “Children Clothing –Ukraine” on the outside of the envelope.



A “**Princess Tea Party**” will take place on Saturday, March 25th at Bishop Canevin School – Gym (2700 Morange Rd, Pittsburgh 15205) from 10:30 – 11:30am. Donation: \$25 per Princess (cash or check only). This includes: Ticket for a door prize, hair styled, make-up & a jewel, make your own Fairy Princes Wand, nails, painted, & Tea (Pink Lemonade), Tea sandwiches & cookie. *Reservations are a MUST by March 20th*. Call Cindy: 724-888-2723 or mahaloteaparty2011@gmail.com. All proceeds benefit Curesearch (fighting childhood cancer).

The 14th annual “Protect our Watersheds Art Contest” is open to **4th, 5th and 6th grade students** in schools served by PA American Water. All entries must be **postmarked by March 31st**. 1st Place winners: \$100 gift card to Barnes & Noble, 2nd Place: \$50 gift card to B&N & 3rd Place: \$25 gift card to B&N. Grand Prize: his/her artwork will be printed on unique see-filled cards. www.pennsylvaniaamwater.com

\$1000 Scholarship: PA American Water is also offering the *Stream of Learning Scholarship Program* to support outstanding students in our area who are charting a course of study that is critical to the water & wastewater industry. To apply, go to: www.pennsylvaniaamwater.com. **Deadline is March 24, 2017.**

Scholarships: Go to www.Carlynton.org to see the “Maggie Scholarship Fund”. The scholarship fund was created to provide financial assistance to Carlynton High School graduating seniors. There will be **(4) \$5,000 scholarships** and can be used to pay for tuition at any post-secondary school. You will complete the application on line. Completed applications should be e-mailed to lisa.rowley@carlynton.k12.pa.us by March 31st.

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: \$2,521 was offered in the collection with another \$90 for candles, \$55 for the Eparchy, \$294 for utilities, \$33 for Natalia Protynyak in Ukraine Fund, \$8 from the

Soup Project, \$84 Stuffed Cabbage Project, \$200 Kitchen Renovation donations, \$75 hall rental, \$800 grave purchase, and \$36.09 postage reimbursement, all for a grand total of \$4,196.09. The pyrohi project brought in a “net amount” of \$3,243. Many blessings to all of our contributors whose sacrificial giving is known by God.

Lector Schedule for Next Weekend:

- Wednesday, March 15 (pre-sanctified liturgy) – 7pm: Angela Honchar
- Friday, March 17 (pre-sanctified liturgy) - 5pm: Cantor
- Saturday, March 18 - 4pm: Veronica Alstad
- Sunday, March 19 - 8:30am: George Honchar, & later at 11am: Sophia Charron

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

Sat. 3/11	2nd All Souls Day: <i>Our father among the saints, Sophronius</i>	
	4:00pm	Divine Liturgy for the health of Lisa Gogal & Bill Prince requested by Gemma (OLPH) JC
	also Divine Liturgy for the repose of Kathleen Ramsey requested by Rich & Joanne Hurey & Family IS
	with Parastas for all those enrolled in Sorokousti
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Sun 3/12	2nd Sunday of the Great Lent: <i>Our venerable father Theophanes</i>	
	8:30am	Divine Liturgy for the repose of Stephen (48 th anniversary) & Anastasia Zinski requested by Stephen Zinski IS
	11:00am	Divine Liturgy for the people JC
	2:00pm	<i>Pysanka Workshop in church hall until 4pm</i>
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Mon 3/13	<i>Transferral of the relics of Nicephorus, patriarch-Contantinople</i> The Pastor’s day off	
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Wed. 3/15	<i>The holy martyr Agapius & the 6 martyrs with him</i> 7:00pm Pre-Sanctified Liturgy	
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Fri. 3/17	St. Patrick’s Day: <i>Our venerable father Alexius, man of God</i> 5:00pm Pre-Sanctified Liturgy	
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Sat. 3/18	3rd All Souls Saturday: Archbishop Cyril of Jerusalem	
1:00pm	<i>Lock-in-Retreat –Austintown OH until 1pm tomorrow</i>	
4:00pm	40 th Divine Liturgy for Mary Chervon, requested by Katherine & MaryAnn Volanski	IS
also Divine Liturgy for the people	JC
with Parastas for all those enrolled in Sorokousti	
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Sun 3/19	Veneration of the Holy Cross: holy martyrs Chrysanthus & Daria, his wife	
8:30am	Divine Liturgy for the health & well-being of Maria & Victor requested by their daughter, Lyudmyla Bednarchuk	IS
11:00am	Divine Liturgy for the repose of Anna Zaletski requested by Eleanor Patross	JC
12:30pm	<i>Mission to Ukraine Video in church hall</i>	
3:00pm	<i>Ukrainian Selfreliance Meeting in church hall</i>	

LENTEN PREVIEW:

Do Good, Avoid Evil, Pray, Hope, Do Not Worry

PRAYER - In church:

Wednesday and Friday evenings : Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

Some Saturdays (10 am) – Memorial Services for the Dead

Fifth Thursday (7 pm): Canon of St. Andrew of Crete (Poklony) (complete)

Regular Weekend Liturgies.

At home:

Prayer of St. Ephraim of Syria with poklony before retiring

Spiritual reading and Devotional prayers

FASTING – (Does not apply to those 65 and older, those on medication, pregnant or nursing mothers)

According to your ability, No meat, no milk, or dairy products

No television, movies, worldly music and entertainment.

No idle talk. (God help us!)

ALMSGIVING

In church and at home



The Holy Trinity Children's Herald

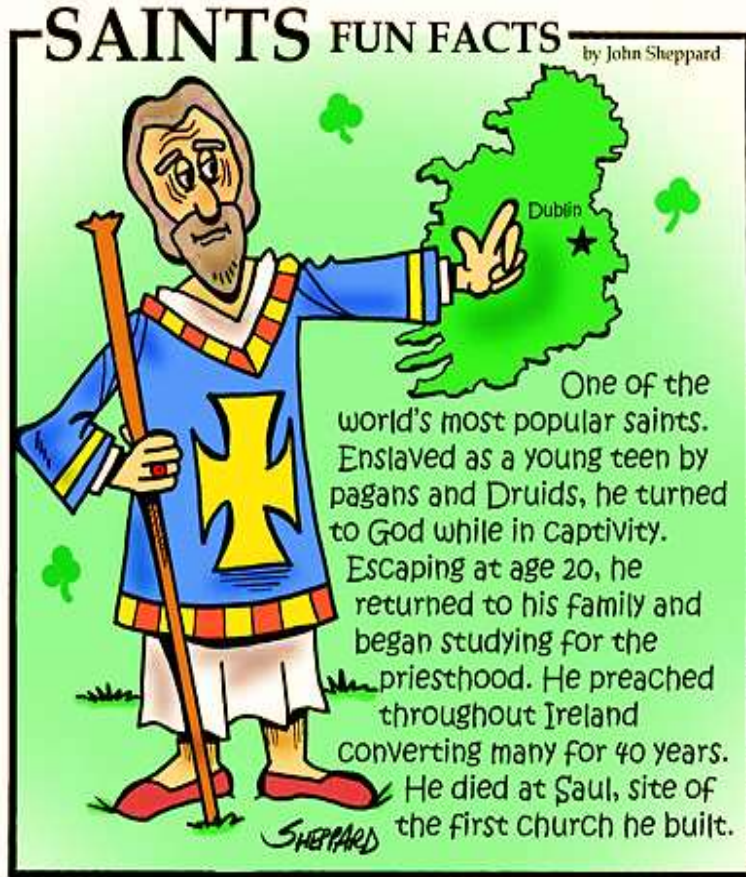
Jesus Loves All His Little Children

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**St. Patrick's Day is Friday, March 17th.
Did you know that St. Patrick was.....**

SAINTS FUN FACTS by John Sheppard



One of the world's most popular saints. Enslaved as a young teen by pagans and Druids, he turned to God while in captivity. Escaping at age 20, he returned to his family and began studying for the priesthood. He preached throughout Ireland converting many for 40 years. He died at Saul, site of the first church he built.

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Shamrock:

Father, Son, Holy Spirit

3 persons in 1 God

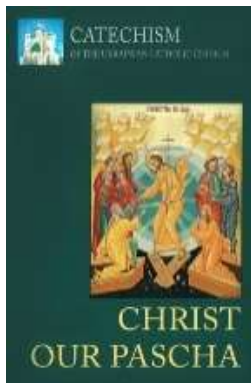


An icon of St. Patrick:



March #1 & #2 Excerpt from **Christ Our Pascha**:

The Three Orders of the Divine Liturgy In our Church, the Divine Liturgy is served according to three orders, those of the bishops, Saint John Chrysostom and St. Basil the Great, and that of the Presanctified Gifts. Ordinarily it is the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom that is celebrated. The liturgy of St. Basil the Great is celebrated 10 times a year, namely: on all five Sundays of Great Lent, on Great and Holy Thursday, on Great and Holy Saturday and on the feast of St. Basil the Great. From Monday to Friday during Lent, as a sign of the anticipation of Christ's Pascha and the glorious second coming, the Church does not offer the Eucharistic oblation, that is, the Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom or St. Basil the Great. (#393)



The Three Orders of the Divine Liturgy In order to sustain the faithful in the spiritual effort of fasting during Lent, the Church celebrates the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts. At this Liturgy, the faithful partake of the Holy Gifts that were consecrated the previous Sunday. No Divine Liturgy is celebrated on the Wednesday and Friday of Cheesefare Week, Monday and Tuesday of the first week of Lent, or on Good Friday, which is why according to tradition these are non-liturgical days. It is customary to celebrate the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on the Wednesdays and Fridays of Great Lent, which is why they call all the Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays of Lent non-liturgical. The Church maintains the practice of non-liturgical days in order to remind us that we are only approaching the fullness of the kingdom of God, and in order that the Eucharist not become for us just a habit, but that it may always be a dynamic event. (#394)



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

If we missed any birthdays, please call the rectory!

Jo Ann Pretka	Olga Medwig	Rich Hurey Sr.
Peter Hlutkowsky	Anna Karpa	Frank Zuk
Evhen Czuczman	Mary Ann Volanski	Arlene Esterburg
Mary Suzanne Dennis	Veronica Alstad	Frances Wengryn
Janet Dupilka	Tim Davis	Irene Was
Pat McGuire	Roseann Duhig	Tetyana Chubko
Katherine Volanski	John Maslany	Helen Marie Zaletski
Andriy Kazitskyi	Trenton Davis	Stanislav Davyda
Carson Joller	Thomas Medwig	Victoria Ulrich

FINAL
2017 PAC ELECTION BALLOT
(Pastor's Advisory Council)

The Primary Election is over.

Please vote the Final Election.

Household Church Envelope Number: _____
(If you do not have a number, you must list your name)

Please vote for a maximum of 3 names.

A household comprised of 2 people can use the same ballot.

	<u>Household Member #1</u>	<u>Household Member #2</u>
Arlene Esterburg	_____	_____
Stephanie Fedora	_____	_____
Zac Sudiak	_____	_____
Marika Zaliszczuk	_____	_____

NEW DEADLINE

ALL BALLOTS MUST BE RETURNED
BEFORE

Noon on MONDAY, MARCH 20TH