

November 1, 2015

23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost

### *From the Desk of the Pastor*

Dear Friends in Christ,

God's ways are not our ways.

You would think that living in harsh exile would make our souls so thirsty for God that when He finally appeared we would tear a path to Him faster than an antelope to a Sahara watering hole. Once there, we would imbibe the living and pure water forever, turning our backs on that foul habit of eating sand and, resting forever in His all-fulfilling presence, we would at last be at peace. Today when listening to the Gospel you will see that for many of us our hearts grew rock hard in this exile and when the Living Water did appear there were some who preferred eating sand to drinking water. For example, the people who lived in the Gadarenes knew of the possessed man bound with chains and living among the tombs, yet when the Light came among them to disperse this poor man's darkness the people implored the Light to depart from them. Reason would tell us that the people would have welcomed Jesus, but such was not the case. Men's ways are not God's ways.

Is this the only time this happens in the Gospels? No, we see it even with Peter, the first pope. In Luke 5 we encounter the Light of the World, Jesus Christ, performing another prodigious feat, like he did at the Gadarenes and like He did in so many places. Yet, Peter's response is not to follow Him but to push away: "Depart from me, O Lord...." Why do you think this is the case? Pause for a moment and ask yourself why it is that the infected patient pushes the doctor away? Have you done that? Do you continue to do it?

Perhaps, the reason those people in the Gospels pushed Jesus away is the same reason we ourselves do it today. We've become accustomed to sin. We know that He is light. We know that we have sin. We know that the two cannot go together. So, we are faced with a crisis. Invite Him in or invite Him to leave. If we, pray God, invite Him in then we can expect two things. First, He will say to you, "Be not afraid, you are cleansed." Second, He will send you out to tell others about all the good God has done for you.

Are you bold enough to tell others what God has done for you? Do so! Bring them to this watering hole. Let them drink of living water (and some pyrohi, too)!

In Christ with love,

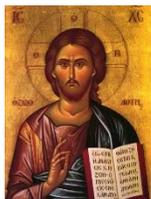
Jason, priest and sinner

## New Things Happening at Holy Trinity:

- **Bible Study:** Each Wednesday in November we'll have "Supplication, Study and Snack Evening." Topic: *Understanding the Adam and Eve of Genesis.* Time: 7pm. We have all had questions about Genesis and the beginning of creation. So, why not come out and see if your questions find accurate answers?
  - **The prayers before Wednesday Bible Study** on Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> will be for healing of souls, bodies, relationships, families. The prayers before Wednesday Bible Study on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> will be the Emmanuel Moleben.
- **HOLY Trinity Directories** have arrived. If you sat for a picture, your directory will be in a white envelope in the back of the church. If you submitted a picture for the directory, please call the rectory for pick up.
- **Important!** Holy Trinity will participate on **Sunday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>** from 3pm to 7pm in 40 Days for Life. Last year our turn out was very disappointing. I hope that this Sunday's participation will be different. Every year baby boys and girls are saved simply by people like you peacefully praying in front of the abortion mill on 933 Liberty Ave, Pittsburgh. If you have not been there before, then come out this Sunday at 3pm.

**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 prayers: Luba and Peter Hlutkowsky, Harry Kohl and Joe Popivchak.

**Holy Trinity's All Saints' Day Party** is **Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>** after the 11am Divine Liturgy in the church hall. All children can dress up as their favorite saint and enjoy an afternoon of fun learning about the saints. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to bring a cover dish for a "pot-luck" lunch.



**Byzantine Spirituality Conference 2015** – "Who do **You** Say I Am?" will take place at **St. John the Baptist Cathedral** (210 Greentree Rd, Munhall, PA 15120), on **Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>**. **Start Time:** 8:30am, at 10am: "*The Ages & Stages of Knowing Jesus*" by **Fr. Jason**, at 11:10am, "*Conversion Comes Through Knowing Jesus*" by **Fr. Mike Lee**, at 1pm "*Discipleship Happens by Knowing Jesus*" by **Fr. Bolls**, & 2:30 *Moleben to Jesus*. Registration Forms

are in the church vestibule. Fee \$35 **includes lunch**. Checks payable to Office of Religious Education. 412-322-8773

**November 19, 2015** –Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church, will hold a prayer service from 6:00pm – 6:15pm in commemoration of the centennial (1915-2015) of **The Armenian Genocide**, with keynote speaker, **Rev. Fr. Hratch Sargsyan**. From 6:15 – 7pm there will be a video and a Q&A session, followed by a reception in the church hall.



**The Myrrh-Streaming Icon of the Mother of God** from Taylor PA will be at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church (903 Ann Street, Homestead-not far from Frick Park) on **Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**. An Akathist Service to the Icon will be at 6pm. Thousands of people have been in the presence of this Icon and each time it is a completely new and unique experience of the grace of Almighty God. Please inform friends, parishioners and relatives!

**Holodomor Memorial Dedication (Ukrainian Genocide 1932-33)** takes place **November 6, 7 and 8** in Washington DC. The Holodomor exhibit will run November 1-14, 2015. May all the souls of those cruelly murdered by hunger at the hands of the communists, rest in peace! You can find more information at [www.ukrainegenocide.com](http://www.ukrainegenocide.com).

**HTUCC's Men Following Jesus Christ** has been asked once again to serve dinners at the Light of Life Rescue Mission (LOLRM) on **Monday November 9<sup>th</sup>**. Please let me know if you &/or your friends are available at that time to help? *Thank you for helping on September 14<sup>th</sup>*. We need at least 7 volunteers to serve dinners (approx. 4:45pm – 6:15pm).

**Dr. Ray Guarendi** will speak on the subject “Standing Strong as a Parent” at St. Mary Byzantine Church (4600 State Rd, Cleveland, OH) on **November 14, 2015**. This will be a day of insight and discussion about Traditional Marriage & Biblical Parenting. For more information: 216-741-7979 or <http://stmarybyz.com>.



**Deadline to BUY and NAME your Horse for Holy Trinity's “Nite at the Races”** is **Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**. Doors/ Buffet opens at 5:30pm on November 14<sup>th</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup> race runs at 7pm. \$10 Admission includes Buffet, Soft Drinks, Beer, Coffee, Tea, Desserts. Also, 50/50 raffle and Ukrainian Auction Raffle. Buy and Name your horse for \$10. Must be 18 years or older to enter. **For Reservations or to Buy and Name your Horse, call the rectory, 412-279-4652.**





The next **Coffee & Catechesis (C&C)** will be Sat., **November 14<sup>th</sup>** from 10:15 – 11:15am. The topic of the last session was “What is Marriage?” & was well discussed with three priests; Fr Jason, Fr Bob and Fr Bryan and an outstanding dialogue with lots of questions— this was our best one yet! When we meet again, please bring your friends, & most certainly keep asking questions. Asking questions, entails putting anonymous questions in the “box” at church, emailing me, or asking questions with the group over coffee.



**HTUCC Homestyle Nut Rolls** for the **Holidays**- All orders need to be placed by **NEXT Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>** by calling 412-276-9897 Price \$12 each. The Pick-up dates are in November and December: November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> and December 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> between 9am-noon in church hall.



**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus’ “Annual Food Drive”** to benefit the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry will take place the **weekend of November 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>**. Please take a bag home (which can be found at all entrances of the church) and leave it in the vestibule the following weekend (Nov 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>). If you wish to make a monetary donation, make checks payable to SEAS SVdP, 330 Third Ave. Carnegie.

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Knights of Columbus** will also have a **Pancake Breakfast, Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup>** from 7:30am to 1pm in St. Luke’s Hall (330 Third Ave). All profits from the breakfast will be donated to the St. Vincent DePaul Food Pantry (which is located at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church). Breakfast includes pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice, coffee or tea. Cost is \$7 for adults, & \$4 for children under 10.



**A Spaghetti Dinner**, will take place at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Ukrainian Catholic Church, (4136 Jacob St. Wheeling) on **Sunday, Nov. 8, 2015**, from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. Menu will consist of spaghetti and meatballs, salad, bread & butter, dessert & coffee or tea. Cost is \$7.00 for Adults, \$3.00 for Children ages 6 to 12 years, & free under 6 years. It will be held in the Church Hall which is handicapped accessible. Carry out available. 304-232-1777.

**On the same day, (Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>) another Spaghetti Dinner** will take place at Ss. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church (404-6<sup>th</sup> Street, Ambridge 15003) from 1:30pm to 3:30pm in the school hall. In addition to the spaghetti dinner, there will be cooked stuffed cabbage and frozen pyrohi available for take-out. Cost: \$8 Adults, \$3 Kids and **Veterans eat for free!!** 724-266-2262



**A Church Bazaar** will be sponsored by St. John the Baptist (109 South 7<sup>th</sup> Street, South Side) on **Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup>** starting at 8am for the flea market. Hot ethnic foods

(holubsti, pyrohi, halushki, kobassi & kraut, hot dogs, hot sausage and baked goods) start at 11am until 6pm. There will also be a basket auction & 50/50 raffle. Free parking in church parking lot of Carson Street-across from the church, (412-431-0430).

**A Christmas Bazaar** will be sponsored by St. Andrew Evangelical Lutheran Church (218 Alter Street, Carnegie) on **November 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>**. Featuring quality homemade savory soups, crafts, decorations, a basket Palooza, door prizes, assorted baked goods and pierogies. Shop for bargains from 11am until 4pm each day. Everyone is Welcome and Eat-In or Take-Out. For more information, call 412-279-3615.

**A Holiday Craft and Vendor Bazaar and Santa's Workshop**, sponsored by Chartiers Valley Primary School takes place on **Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>** from 11am - 4pm at the Chartiers Valley High School Cafeteria. Over 55 craft and vendors and a Santa's Workshop for kids to shop while their parents browse the bazaar.

**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:** \$2,487 was offered in the collection last weekend with another \$122.25 for candles, \$35 for the Eparchy, \$15 for Energy, \$10 for Special Offering, \$5 for Cannonization of Ukrainian Saints, \$25 for the Youth Group "Sandwiches for the Homeless", \$30 for "The Natalia Protynyak in Ukraine Fund", The Pyrohi Project brought in \$1,729 for a grand total of **\$4,458.25. Many blessings to all of our contributors whose sacrificial giving is known by God.**

### **Lector Schedule:**

- Saturday: November 7 at 4pm: Mary Reabe
- Sunday: November 8 at 8:30am: Serhiy Chovnyk; at 11am: Angela Honchar

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

Sat. *The holy apostles Stachys of the 70 apostles*  
10/31

4:00pm Divine Liturgy to mark the 3<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the late Martha Zaletski requested by the children & grandchildren

JC

....also Divine Liturgy for the repose of Leonard Tomczak

requested by Andrew Kurzawski

IS

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Sun *The holy miracleworkers Cosmos and Damian from Asia*

11/1  
8:30am Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish IS

11:00am Divine Liturgy for the repose of Eudokia Kalymon  
requested by Angela Honchar JC

.....also Divine Liturgy for the repose of David  
Hodowanetz requested by Stephen Zinski IS

.....followed by the *All Saints' Day Party in the church hall*

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Mon. *The holy martyrs Acindynus, Pegasus & Elpidophorus*

11/2 The pastor's day off

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Tues *The holy martyrs Asepsimas, Joseph & Aeithalas*

11/3  
8:00am Divine Liturgy for the repose of Mary K. Stein requested  
by Helen Siewny (OLPH) JC

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Wed *Our venerable father Joannicius the great*

11/4  
8:00am Divine Liturgy for the repose of William & Jean Moskal  
requested by an anonymous person JC

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Thurs *The holy martyrs Galacteon & Epistemis, his wife*

11/5

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Fri *Our father among the saints and confessor, Archbishop Paul*

11/6

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Sat. *The holy martyr Hieron & the other 32 with him in Melitina*

11/7  
4:00pm Divine Liturgy to mark the 95<sup>th</sup> birthday of Theophil  
Konecky requested by the Konecky Family IS

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Sun *Synaxis of the holy archangel Michael*

- 8:30am Divine Liturgy for the repose of Sylvester Honchar  
requested by Mike & Jodi Hanczar IS
- 11:00am Divine Liturgy for the people of the parish GA
- .....also Divine Liturgy for the repose of Janet Andrejasik  
requested by Ginny Lee Pilstl Kapeluck IS
- .....with the baptism of Constantine Milligan, infant son of  
John and Nataliya Milligan

### Yiddish Quotes of the Week:

- 1) "Arein iz di tir brait, un arois iz zi shmol."
- 2) "Az a kluger redt tsu a nar, reden tsvai naronim." (If you don't know Yiddish, the answer can be found below in the upside down box...)
- 3) "A guten helft a vort; a shlechten helft afileh kain shteken oich nit"

1) The door to evil-doing is wide, but the return gate is narrow.

2) When a wise man talks to a fool, two fools are talking.

3) A word helps a good person; but even a stick can't help the bad.



### NOVEMBER Birthdays

*If your name is not listed below-call the rectory*

<i>Artinger, Elizabeth</i>	<i>Holowaty, Daniel</i>	<i>Kuzemka, Anna</i>
<i>Bednarchuk, Lyudmyla</i>	<i>Honchar, Angela</i>	<i>Matviiev, Lobow</i>
<i>Besspiata, John</i>	<i>Kincak, Jean</i>	<i>Medwig, Mark</i>
<i>Boyle, Betty</i>	<i>Lernatovych, Voldymyr</i>	<i>Milligan, John</i>
<i>Colaizzi, Karen</i>	<i>Koss, Andrew</i>	<i>Mykhayliv, Oksana</i>
<i>Ostaffe, Carol</i>	<i>Pretka, Alex</i>	<i>Sudiak, Zac</i>
<i>Sushko, Evhen</i>	<i>Sywy, Stephen</i>	<i>Zagorsky, Rosemarie</i>