# Stz. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church

2280 West 7th Street • Cleveland, Ohio 44113

August 18, 2024

# 13th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST VOLUME 7, ISSUE 64

DIRECTORY:

Parish Office: (216) 861-2176 Emergency Sick Call, cell phone: (216) 401-0004 Parish website

sspeterandpaulucc.com

Parish Office Hours: Monday through Friday 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Closed Saturdays & Sundays and all legal holidays)

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wish to see the priest, please call for an appointment.

Confessions:

Monday through Friday before
the Divine Liturgies

Sunday before Divine Liturgies

#### Baptisms:

rrangements must be made by arents through the Rectory Office to chedule baptisms and arrange for re-Baptism classes. All parents xpecting to baptize their first child re to attend Pre-Baptism classes.

#### Weddings:

rrangements should be made with a riest through the Rectory Office at east six months prior to the desired ate. All couples must attend Preana classes which are normally cheduled in March.

#### Funerals:

rrangements are made with the lectory Office through the funeral irector before publication in the ewspapers.

Most Rev. Bohdan J. Danylo, Bishop of St. Josaphat Eparchy in Parma

Very Rev. Canon Andrew G. Hanovsky, Pastor

Mr. Oleh Szwed, Sacristan

#### **DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE:**

Sunday: 10 AM in Ukrainian

Weekdays 10 AM & Holy Days as Scheduled: Please check weekly bulletin



# **DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK**

SUNDAY, August 18th, 2024 - 13th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 AM - Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom - For the Parishioners -



MONDAY, August 19, 2024 (NO SERVICE)

TUESDAY, August 20, 2024

10:00 AM +Maria Nycz (Olena Tarnawsky-Fergurson)

WEDNESDAY, August 21, 2024

10:00 AM +Michael Peluszkewycz (Romana & Peter Peluszkewycz)

THURSDAY, August 22, 2024

10:00 AM +Tatiana Leszczynsky - 40th Day (Children)

FRIDAY, August 23, 2024

10:00 AM +Anne Green (Bill & Daria Lesiw)

SATURDAY, August 24, 2024

9:30 AM +Michael Slaby (Anne Slaby)





SUNDAY, August 25th, 2024 - 14th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom - For the Parishioners -

<u>Ukrainian Village Parade</u> – The United Ukrainian Organizations of Ohio – Ukrainian Village Committee and The City of Parma are excited to announce the annual Ukrainian Independence Day parade will take place on Saturday, August 24, 2024, at 11:00 am in the City of Parma's Ukrainian Village. This year marks the 33rd Anniversary of Ukraine's Independence. All parishioners are invited to participate in the parade (walking with other St. Andrew UCC parishioners) and attending a brief program following the parade. Show your support for Ukraine by participating in this year's parade!

# оголошення 18 серпня 2024 р.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS** August 18th 2024

#### ВІДПУСК ОТЦЯ ПАРОХА

Отець Андрій буде на своїх вакаціях від 26-го серпня до 6-го вересня 2024р.

Отець Василій Петрів відслужить Службу Божу в неділю, 1-го вересня.

В наглих потребах прошу телефонувати до о. Ігора Касіяна, на число телефону 440.391-8500.

#### PASTOR VACATION

Father Andrew will be absent from the parish August 26th until September 6th 2024.

Father Vasyliy Petriv will substitute on Sunday September 1st.

In case of sick call please call Fr. Ihor Kasiyan, phone number 440.391-8500.

# ST JOSAPHAT UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL

5720 State Road, Parma OH 44134

http://stjosaphatcathedral.com/festival





#### МОЛИТВА ЗА СПОКІЙ В УКРАЇНІ:

Отче Небесний, Твій Син учив нас: «Блаженні миротворці, бо вони синами Божими назвуться». У цей час ми гаряче молимося, щоб Твій Дух Святий Надихав щоб припинилися гостра конфронтація та убивства, Щоб на многостраждальній землі України запанував мир в народі, відродилися людські права, принципи демократії та релігійної свободи. Боже, Отче наш, молимо Тебе: заспокой страждання, зціли поранених і прийми душі полеглих у Твоєму Царстві Небесному. Пресвята Мати Божа, накрий своїм благословенним та захисним покровом всю Україну. Нехай життя буде для створення Твого Миру в Україні і світі. Амінь.

#### A PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE:

Heavenly Father, Your Son taught us "Blessed are the Peacemakers for they shall be called Children of God." At this hour, we fervently pray that Your Holy Spirit may inspire an end to the violent confrontation and killing in Ukraine. May they restore tranquility to their nation and restore human rights, democratic principles, and religious liberty to their troubled land. God, our Father, we beseech you to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded and accept the souls of the departed into Your Heavenly Kingdom. And may the Most Holy Mother of God, extend her Blessed Mantle of Protection over Ukraine. And may each of us always live our lives as instruments of Your Peace. Amen.

# GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

### August 18, 2024 Sunday in Ordinary Time

A priest I know was asked by a door-to-door evangelist, "Do you believe in Jesus?" He answered, "Yes, I do. But if I may ask you," he continued, "Where do you experience Jesus' body and blood?" His interlocutor responded somewhat confusedly, "I don't. I just believe in him. That's all that is needed." Later my priest friend would relate to me, "The more I thought about it, that response struck me as totally inadequate. As human beings, we need to encounter Jesus' body and blood, not just hear about him and mentally believe. Otherwise, Jesus is just a ghost."

This week we see this central point as we arrive at the climactic moment of Jesus' teaching on the Eucharist. Jesus has established the importance of believing in him as the "bread of life come down from heaven." Belief deeply matters because it leads to a real, bodily encounter with Jesus through eating and drinking. That's why Jesus emphasizes to an almost outrageous degree the non-metaphorical necessity to "eat my flesh and drink my blood" (John 6:54). The real presence of Jesus' body and blood — he himself, truly, really, substantially — has been the Church's treasure since Holy Thursday. Internal belief in the heart and the ritual act of eating and drinking the Eucharist, the Church has stubbornly insisted on both, not just one or the other.

This is not meant to criticize non-Catholic Christians who deeply trust and love Jesus, nor is it a triumphal elitist claim about the Catholic Mass. Rather it is a humble, trusting acknowledgement that God in Jesus comes to us in a way most proper to human beings: in our hearts *and* our bodies, faith *and* the Eucharist.

— Father John Muir	
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Everyday Stewardship	

We can easily feel obligated to attend a party, wedding, or other event that we find ourselves invited to as a guest. If we want to go, then we get dressed up and rush off with anticipation of fun and good times with friends. If we dread going, we get ourselves together slowly and arrive late, hoping that the event will not be so long and we can then get on with the rest of our day. The difference in our feelings may have to do with many aspects: the host, the attendees, the reason for celebration, or even the venue. Either way, the invitation has been given to us because someone feels that our presence would make a positive difference. Our response is entirely our own. We decide how we will answer the invitation.

Every Sunday, every day in fact, you and I have received an invitation to a banquet more celebratory and grander than any wedding or birthday party. The host is actually Jesus Christ himself, and he has prepared a feast that promises to satisfy. He has prepared for this event by giving all he has to give. No host has ever been more gracious. His hope is that you will be happy to attend for your presence does make a tremendous difference. Would he invite you if attending made no difference at all? Will you RSVP with a sense of joy and anticipation? If this is just another invite that obligates you and you approach the event with indifference, the host wonders if you really comprehend what he went through to make this meal possible. He also wonders if you really understand what is truly being celebrated.

# He Who is not With Me is Against Me

When our Lord spoke in parables, He often used allegory familiar to His listeners. In to-day's Gospel reading, the vineyard represents Israel; the vineyard owner represents God; and, the managers (the tenants) of the vineyard represent the political and religious leaders of the time. Just as the responsibility of the vineyard managers was to produce a profit for the vineyard owner, so was it the responsibility of the religious leaders in the time of Jesus to bring God's people to fruitfulness in knowing, loving and serving God. But, they failed in this, just as the vineyard managers in the parable failed to bring a profit to the vineyard owner.

In response to this, the vineyard owner sent his servants to the vineyard, just as God sent the prophets into the world. However, like the prophets, the servants in the parable were rejected, mistreated, ignored, even killed. Finally, the vineyard owner sent his son to reason with the managers, but they killed him out of jealousy. Jesus, too, was rejected and ultimately crucified at the hands of devious and jealous men.

Are we, at times, like the managers of the vineyard who rejected the Son? How often do we knowingly distance ourselves from God and His commandments? There is a pride in the human heart that urges us to take control of our own lives even if it means disobedience to all that we know to be right and true. Our Lord tells us that "he who is not for Me is against Me." (Matthew 12:30) When we act in such a way we really are no different from the tenant farmers in the parable.