

Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church

2280 West 7th Street • Cleveland, Ohio 44113

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SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

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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)

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

Confessions:

Monday through Friday before
the Divine Liturgies

Sunday before Divine Liturgies

Baptisms:

Arrangements must be made by parents through the Rectory Office to schedule baptisms and arrange for re-Baptism classes. All parents expecting to baptize their first child are to attend Pre-Baptism classes.

Weddings:

Arrangements should be made with a priest through the Rectory Office at least six months prior to the desired date. All couples must attend Pre-nuptial classes which are normally scheduled in March.

Funerals:

Arrangements are made with the Rectory Office through the funeral director before publication in the newspapers.

CHRIST IS BORN



GLORIFY HIM

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, January 7th, 2024 - Sunday after Theophany

**10:00 AM - Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
- For the Parishioners -**

MONDAY, January 8, 2024

(NO SERVICE)

TUESDAY, January 9, 2024

(NO SERVICE)

WEDNESDAY, January 10, 2024

10:00 AM Health and Blessings for Zenon and Myroslawa Holubec ()

THURSDAY, January 11, 2024

10:00 AM Rt. Rev. Msgr +Michael B. Rewtiuk (Motria Stachur)

FRIDAY, January 12, 2024

10:00 AM Health and Blessings for Tatiana Leszczynsky (Children)

SATURDAY, January 13, 2024

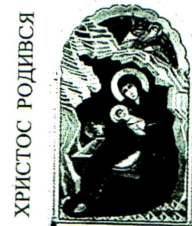
10:00 AM +Ivan Nycz (Family)

SUNDAY, January 14th, 2024 - Sunday of the Zaccheus

**10:00 AM Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
- For the Parishioners -**

Blessing of Homes - Fr. Andrew will begin the blessing of parishioners homes January 8, 2024. If you would like to have your home blessed, please call 216.401-0004.

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ОГОЛОШЕННЯ
7 січня 2024 р.

ХРИСТОС РОДИВСЯ!

ANNOUNCEMENTS
January 7th 2024

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ПАРАФІЯЛЬНА ЯЛИНКА

ANNUAL PARISH YALYNKA

Sts. Peter and Paul will be having their ANNUAL PARISH YALYNKA on Sunday, January 21, 2024. Mass will be held at 11:00 a.m. followed by the Yalynka luncheon around 12:30 p.m. Bring your family and friends and join us for delicious Ukrainian food, live entertainment and a Christmas Raffle. Donations at the Door: Adults \$30, Children 6-12 \$15. Please send an email to motherchurch008@gmail.com or call Fr. Andrew at 216-401-0004 to make your reservation before January 16, 2024. *Please note that reservations are required.*



Цвинтар – Повіdomляємо усю нашу Українську громаду про те, що згідно з рішенням нашого цвинтарного комітету, який існує при церкві "Св.Андрія", наш цвинтар "Св.Ап.Петра і Павла" буде закритий для відвідування на протязі двох місяців (Січень і Лютий) і в будь-який час цієї зими під час негоди. З цією метою на цвинтарі будуть встановлені спеціальні знаки, які будуть вас про це інформувати. Просимо вас пам'ятати, що все це робиться, тільки, виключно для вашої безпеки. Дякуємо за ваше розуміння і терпеливість.

Sts Peter & Paul / St Andrew Eparchial Cemetery (7700 Hoertz Rd) Winter Access Notification: For safety reasons, the Cemetery Committee will be closing the Cemetery grounds for visitation during the winter months of January and February (and any time this winter during inclement weather). Signs will be posted and gates will be locked. Thank you for your cooperation and again, this is for your safety.

Required Quarterly Announcement: Please, be advised that any instance of sexual abuse by a cleric, lay employee or lay volunteer within the boundaries of our parish, should be immediately reported to the local police department, child protection services of the county, the pastor of the parish and the Chancery of St. Josaphat Eparchy. A sexual abuse report form is available in the church's vestibule and/or the parish office in English and Ukrainian. The bishop can be reached at the Chancery at 440-888-1522 or by writing to: Most Rev. Bishop Bohdan J. Danylo, Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma, P.O. Box 347180, Parma OH 44134. You may also file a report with Ms. Marika Zaliszczuk, Victim Assistance Coordinator of St. Josaphat Eparchy (412-215-5372). For more information on St. Josaphat Eparchy's safe environment policy and procedures and other pertinent info, please, log onto: <http://stjosaphateparchy.com/> and go to "Information" and then "Safe Environment" tabs. *Please note: this policy was revised November 15, 2023.*



PRAYER REQUESTS: At this time, we ask that you remember to pray for our friends and family members who are home-bound, ill, recovering from surgery or receiving treatment. O God, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness or disease realize that they are chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

January 7, 2024

The Epiphany of the Lord

A stranger in a foreign land, I was exhausted and homesick as my summer Spanish immersion ended in Guatemala. The rusty minivan arriving outside my small residence filled me with joyful hope. I was flying home to the U.S. and would be, at long last, completely happy. Or so I thought. After about half an hour of being home, I thought to myself, "This place is boring. I want to go somewhere." So, I hopped in my car and left to see my friends. As I drove, I wistfully wondered, "Where am I *truly* at home?"

The feast of Epiphany has a lot to do with our notion of home. Where is our origin? Where are we going? When is our wandering done? Saint Matthew tells us of the Magi, **“They were overjoyed at seeing the star.”** This star will bring them *home*, to a place where their questing will end, and they will be satisfied. Their real home is neither in the East nor in the earthly Jerusalem. Somehow, their home is wherever this boy and his parents are.

If you're a teenager or older, you probably know by now that every physical home we have is temporary. So, we look up at the countless stars in our proverbial skies: things which bedazzle and beckon us to follow toward peace. The Gospel invites us to behold that — at long last — God has sent us a star to follow home, one that whispers, “Follow me! I will take you home!” Perhaps that star is your spouse. A friend. An opportunity. A cause. An intuition about a new direction. A prayer group. What is it for you? How will you know? It will lead you to Mary and Joseph and their son, and you will be home.

— *Father John Muir*

Everyday Stewardship

My mother-in-law was the best gift-giver I ever knew. One could say my parents spoiled me growing up, but there was something about her gifts to me that made me feel overwhelmed. I guess it was that after several years I still was surprised that she would think enough of me to get me something no one else would. She was able to make me feel special every time. Of course, I believe she honored me in this way because I accepted her greatest gift to me, her daughter.

Sadly, my mother-in-law did not live long in this world. She passed away over a decade ago due to an aggressive cancer. Some of her material gifts to me remain, while others are long gone. But the memories and the effect of those gifts remain because it was never all about the gifts themselves. It was about relationship. It was about her and me. It was about love.

What we offer Jesus is never about the gift itself. It is about the motivation behind the action and the effect that action has on the body of Christ. Many of the gifts we give today to God and his people will fade away like the mist of the early morning, but the effects of those actions will last forever. It is about relationship. It is about God and us. It is about love.

— *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS*

Let Us Venerate Today the Baptism of Christ ... Wash Yourselves and Be Clean

I cannot restrain my joy; my heart is deeply moved and filled with delight. Forgetting my weakness, I long to undertake the mission of the great John the Baptist; though I am not the Forerunner, I have indeed come from the desert!

Christ receives the sacrament of enlightenment, or rather He enlightens us with His brilliance. He is baptized; let us go down into the water with Him so that we may also come up with Him. John is baptizing, and Jesus comes to him. Christ certainly sanctifies the man who now baptizes Him, but His purpose is chiefly to bury the old Adam in the waters and, above all, to sanctify the waters of the Jordan by His baptism in them so that just as He was spirit and flesh, those who would later be baptized might be sanctified by the power of the Spirit and by water.

John refuses; Jesus insists. “It is you that should be baptizing me!” says John. The torch addresses the Sun, the voice speaks to the Word. Jesus comes out of the water, drawing the world with Him, as it were, and raising it up when it had hitherto been sunk in the abyss. He sees the heavens not being rent, but opening of their own accord.

The first Adam had of old closed heaven to himself and us, just as he had seen the earthly paradise being closed to him, with a fiery sword barring access. The Holy Spirit bears witness. Here all is in perfect harmony, for the testimony comes from heaven, just as He to whom the Spirit bears witness has come from heaven.

St. Gregory the Theologian