

Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church

2280 West 7th Street • Cleveland, Ohio 44113

March 3, 2024


**THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
- VENERATION OF THE CROSS**

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DIRECTORY:

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

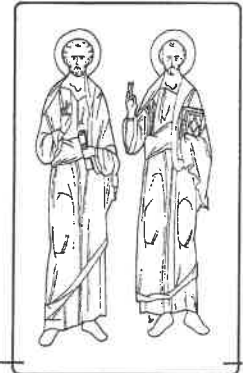
Baptisms:
Arrangements must be made by
parents through the Rectory Office to
schedule baptisms and arrange for
Pre-Baptism classes. All parents
expecting to baptize their first child
are to attend Pre-Baptism classes.

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-
marriage classes which are normally
scheduled in March.

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

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, March 3rd, 2024 - *Third Sunday of the Great Fast*

- *Veneration of the Cross*

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

MONDAY, March 4, 2024
(NO SERVICE)

TUESDAY, March 5, 2024
10:00 AM Lenten Service ()

WEDNESDAY, March 6, 2024
(NO SERVICE)

THURSDAY, March 7, 2024
10:00 AM Lenten Service ()

FRIDAY, March 8, 2024
(NO SERVICE)

SATURDAY, March 9, 2024
10:00 AM +Anne Green - 40th Day (Josephine Michajlenko)
- SOROKOUSTY -

SUNDAY, March 10th, 2024 - *Forth Sunday of the Great Fast*

St. John Climacus

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



Reminder: Daylight Saving Time starts on **Sunday, March 10**. Don't forget to change your clocks next Saturday before going to bed...We "spring forward."
(No change to Liturgy schedule.)

ОГОЛОШЕННЯ**3 березня 2024 р.****ANNOUNCEMENTS****March 3rd 2024****СОРОКОУСТИ**

Кожної суботи під час Великого Посту ми молимося за душі спочилих у Господі. Якщо ви бажаєте подати на Сорокоусти список імен усопших з ваших родин, щоб їх згадувати в поминальному Богослуженні, будь ласка візьміть конверт, який знаходиться в притворі церкви, і напишіть імена померлих. Прошу покласти до збіркового кошика.

SOROKOUSTY

On Saturdays during the Great Fast (Lent), we pray for all those who have fallen asleep in the Lord. If you would like to request that your departed loved ones be remembered by name during the service, special envelopes are available in the church vestibule.

You may drop the envelopes in the collection basket.

ХРЕСТОПОКЛІННА НЕДІЛЯ

"Хресту Твоєму поклоняємося, Владико, і святе Воскресіння Твоє слаavimo".

Час св. Великого Посту це час особливого внутрішнього й зовнішнього вмертвіння і покути. А тому що ця духовна боротьба триває довший час, то звичайно буває так, що перші дні чи тижні посту ми практикуємо його ревно й мужньо, але відтак помалу фізично й душевно вичерпуємося, знеохочуємося. Св. Церква, маючи на увазі неміч і нестійкість людської природи, ставить посеред посту перед нашими очима надзвичайно могутню спонуку до витривалої духовної боротьби, а нею є св. Хрест.

У третю неділю посту, це є в середісті, св. Церква для ободрення і підкріплення нашого духа каже нам в особливіший спосіб почитати св. Господній Хрест. Звідси й назва цієї неділі: Неділя Хрестопоклонна.

Св. Хрест має нам пригадати безконечну Божу любов до нас, Христові страждання задля нас і наш обов'язок мужньо нести свій хрест щоденного життя. До всіх нас кличе Ісус Христос: "Коли хто хоче йти за мною, нехай себе зречеться, візьме щодня на себе свій хрест і йде за мною... Хто не несе свого хреста, і не йде слідом за мною — не може бути моїм учнем" (Лк. 9, 23). Хрестопоклонна Неділя пригадує нам сильну зброю, що її має кожний християнин у боротьбі з ворогами за своє спасіння, а тією зброєю є св. Хрест. І якраз цієї неділі Хрест виступає перед нами, як знамено сили, знамено спасіння та знамено перемоги і триумфу.

The Third Sunday of the Great Fast

The Sunday of the
Veneration of the Precious Cross
Sister Barbara Swindells

"We venerate Your Cross, O Master,
and we glorify Your Holy Resurrection!"

"The message of the cross is complete absurdity to those who are headed for ruin, but to us, who are experiencing salvation, it is the power of God."

I Corinthians 1:18

The Cross this day is placed before me. Its message to contemplate Truth about life, of God's love for me, others, the whole world. What has been and what is yet to be. Christ was born of a Virgin Mother; took on our humanity; graced the world with His presence leading all to salvation by doing the will of the Father. His death He accepted willingly, giving self up for our sake. Becoming our cleansing Pasch. Bringing us life eternal - His Resurrection for all to see. Let us bow before the Cross this day filled with the light of His love. Hearts aglow in gratitude for the life He sacrificed to His Kingdom. He showed us the way. Kiss the life-giving Cross of Glory. Embrace it so lovingly. Taste of the Resurrection - the fullness of life anew. Cry Out: "Rejoice in His victory!" This is the message, so long foretold. Through the Precious Cross comes joy to all the world.



for the salvation of the world, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

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



Everyday Stewardship



PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE YEAR 2023

AS OF DEC.31, 2023
RECONCILIATION:

INCOME	\$ 110,985.00
EXPENSES	\$ 96,437.00

NET INCOME/LOSS	\$ 14,548.00
CARRIED OVER FROM 2022	\$ 49,907.00

NET BALANCE IN CHECKING A/C
\$ 64,455.00 - total cash @ 12-31-2023

Can you recite the Ten Commandments by heart? Several years ago a national US survey found more people could identify the ingredients in a Big Mac and name the children in the Brady Bunch television show than recite the Ten Commandments. Of course, being able to recite them is not nearly as important as living a life in harmony with them. However, if we simply live to not break them then we are only living out half of our discipleship.

Every commandment calls us to action beyond the simplicity of its words. We are not to kill, but we are also called to support life. We are not to steal, but we are also to share what we have freely. We are to have no other Gods before our God, but we also need to actively praise and glorify Him.

To live a moral life is to do more than follow rules and laws. It is to actively live in a way that gives witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ. This way of living is stewardship. As we focus more on the penitential message of Lent, we need to not just reflect on what we have done wrong, but equally what we have failed to do. To be given so much by a loving God and not share those things with God and His people is wrong as well. Perhaps as we reflect on these things we might find ourselves adding something to our lives that will last for many Lenten seasons to come.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

March 3, 2024
3rd Sunday of Lent

I am the Lord your God ... You shall not have other gods beside me. —Ex 20:2-3

One of the greatest golfers of all time — if not the greatest — was Jack Nicklaus. Which is why it is baffling that at the beginning of each season he would return to his childhood coach and re-learn how to grip the golf club. It's like Shakespeare re-learning the alphabet and grammar. Why would he do that? Because Jack knew that the fundamentals are always relevant. Perfecting and obsessing over his grip allowed him to do everything else in the game well. In sports and life, the best ones love the basics.

Similarly, as we begin Lent, we re-learn the spiritual basics in the Ten Commandments. Consider the first, to **“have no other gods besides me.”** This is our “grip.” Is our connection to God one of absolute fidelity and exclusive worship? Am I willing to let go of my precious idols, the things I cling to instead of God? Once we say “yes” to this fundamental question of our spiritual “grip,” then we are ready to properly engage with everything else in life. Watch how beautifully the game of life unfolds in the next nine commandments (numbered in parentheses): how we speak to God and others (2 and 8), how we organize our week (3), how we relate to our family (4) and the wider community (5 and 7), how we live our sexuality (6), and how we order all the other desires of the human heart (9 and 10). But don't rush to these later Commandments too soon! Everything in life is built on the first Commandment. The more we focus on worshipping God alone, the better we navigate the complexity of life with panache, effectiveness, and love.

Lenten challenge: This week, identify what you can do to better worship God alone. If you're not sure, scan the last nine commandments to identify what you are most likely to worship instead of God. Power, pleasure, control of your time, possessions, family, health, reputation, money? Commit to concrete action to help you let go of this “idol” to better hold on to God alone in faithful worship. Remember: the best love the basics.

— *Father John Muir*

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The Cross, Our Victory

Have you seen the wonderful victory? Have you seen the splendid deeds of the Cross? ... Who can tell the Lord's mighty deeds? By death we were made immortal: these are the glorious deeds of the Cross.

Have you understood the victory? Have you grasped how it was wrought? Learn now, how this victory was gained without any sweat or toil of ours. No weapons of ours were stained with blood; our feet did not stand in the front line of battle; we suffered no wounds; witnessed no tumults; and yet we obtained the victory.

The battle was the Lord's, the crown is ours. Since then victory is ours, let us imitate the soldiers, and with joyful voices sing the songs of victory.

Let us praise the Lord and say, “Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?”

The Cross did all these wonderful things for us: the Cross is a war memorial erected against the demons, a sword against sin, the sword with which Christ slew the serpent.

The Cross is the Father's will, the glory of the Only-begotten, the Spirit's exultation, the beauty of the angels, the guardian of the Church. Paul glories in the Cross; it is the rampart of the saints, it is the light of the whole world.

St. John Chrysostom

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