

MEATFARE SUNDAY
SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGMENT



Icon of the Last Judgment

HOLY GHOST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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January 28-February 4 , 2018

Sunday of The Prodigal Son

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20

Gospel: Luke 15: 11-32

SATURDAY 6:00PM (English) +Helen Terleski- Jane Atherholt

SUNDAY OF MEAT FARE: February 4

9:30AM (Ukrainian)+Olga Kucynda – Michael Kucynda Jr

11:00AM (English) For the Parishioners

Daily Divine Liturgies are celebrated at 9:00AM. Please join us in supporting the prayer life of our parish community.

MONDAY Health of Fr Mark Fesniak – Parishioners of Holy Ghost Church

TUESDAY Health of Joseph Bodnar – Dan & Loretta Bodnar

WEDNESDAY No Divine Liturgy

THURSDAY Health of Mary Heverling – Sarah Shanks

FRIDAY No Divine Liturgy

SATURDAY 6:00PM (English) +Helen Terlesky – Stoken Family

SUNDAY OF CHEESE FARE: February 11, 2018

9:30AM (Ukrainian) For the People

11:00AM (English) +Anna Drozd – Pyrohy Workers

Blessing of Lenten Vestments in Memory of +Anna Drozd

3:00PM Deanery Lenten Vespers : Beginning of Lent 2018

Holy Ghost West Easton PA

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Eternal Light & Altar Candles : Health and Salvation Fr Mark Fesniak : recovering from liver transplant surgery.

Please remember to pray for the sick and all those who have requested our prayers

Betty Terleski

Paul Ridilla

Catherine Kutzler

Olga Turczyn

Mae Kulczykcki

Sophie Troyan

Claudette Kemmerer

Iryna Stefurak

Melvane Thatcher

Craig Stoken

Richard Suter

Cindy Cawley

Olga Bryksa

Julian Trusz

Michael Sidlar

Fr Dan Gurovich

Joseph Bodnar

Lillian Opp

Frank & Betty Maitiski

Sarah Shanks

Kim Lightcap

Gregory & Dot Neff

John Wolfgang

Fr Mark Fesniak

Margaret Dashe

Helen Potak

Kathleen Cremone

Olga Trusz

Mary Heverling

Frieda Lubosky

Barbara Hacker

Fr. David Clooney

Delbert Atherholt

Harold Osmun

Michael Brodt

Paulette Bellis

Stefania Trusz

Marlene Lightcap

Bryant Pfaff

Archbishop Stefan

Jean Lakomski

Timothy Kohutka

Joseph Liptock

Linda Szuler

THE BEGINNING OF THE GREAT LENT
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2018
HOLY GHOST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
315 FOURTH STREET
WEST EASTON PA. 18042



3:00 PM



Join us along with all of the Ukrainian
Catholic Parishes of the Lehigh Valley
as we gather to
**BEGIN THE JOURNEY OF
REPENTENCE LEADING TO THE
GLORIOUS RESURRECTION.**

**LET US BEGIN THE LENTEN SEASON
TOGETHER AND PRAY THE FIRST LENTEN PRAYER
SERVICE, THIS YEAR AT
HOLY GHOST UKRAINAIN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

*St. Josaphat Church, Bethlehem, PA.
St. John the Baptist Church, Northampton, PA.
Holy Ghost Church, West Easton, PA.
St. Vladimir Church, Palmerton, PA.*



SOROKOUSTY: Remembrance of the Dead

During Lent we celebrate the commemoration of our ancestors in the service of Sorokousty Saturdays. The names of the deceased of our church, our families and friends are remembered on these days during Lent., There are envelopes in your church envelope box for this purpose. Please print the names clearly and return by February 4. The SOROKOUSTY BOOK will be available in the vestibule of the church for you to check your family names. Thank you

LIVER TRANSPLANT FOR FR MARK FESNIAK

Fr Mark Fesniak, a former pastor of Holy Ghost, underwent surgery on Wednesday for a liver transplant. He is recuperating with family and is progressing well. If you would like to send a card with prayers and greetings his address is:

Fr Mark Fesniak 252 Melrose Street Marion Heights PA 17832 Po Box 335

May our Lord grant him his healing graces and may the Mother of God comfort and hold him in her tender loving embrace! MNOHAYA LITA Fr Mark!

PYROHY SALE THIS WEEK

We will be making pyrohy again this Tuesday and Wednesday in the church hall. Tuesday from 9:00AM- 6:00PM and Wednesday from 9:00AM till finish. Please join with us if you can. If you need a ride please contact the rectory office and transportation will be provided. Thank you for you help and support of this project.

INTERIOR PAINTING OF THE CHURCH APPROVED

We have received approval from the Archbishop to proceed with the renovations and painting of the interior of Holy Ghost Church. It has been over 30 years since the interior has been painted . We have contracted Gordon Bennett Company of Easton to do the repairing of the cracks in the ceiling and walls, repair the plaster damaged from the leaks in the tower, and paint the interior of the church. The estimate for the repair and painting is \$25, 465.00.

We have also been in consultation with Christina Dochwat an renowned iconographer and artist who has worked on over 80 churches in her career to assist us in color choices and stenciling.

During the project we will be having services in the chapel across the street using the same weekly schedule. The project is expected to run between 2-3 weeks. Your building fund donations, your support of our pyrohy projects etc, and your weekly donations help us to meet our financial obligations and to maintain the integrity and beauty of our church for generations to come. Thank you for your continued support.

Once the insurances, artist and preparations have been accomplished we will be able to give you the definite starting time for this project. We pray for all involved.

LEAGUE OF UKRAINIAN CATHOLICS RETREAT

The LUC will be holding its annual Lenten Retreat at the Sister Servants of Mary Immaculate in Sloatsburg NY March 16, 17, 18. Most Rev. John Bura, auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia will be conducting the retreat, using the theme "The Road to Repentance". The retreat is \$175.00 per person which includes room and board. Deadline for registration is March 3, 2018. Please use the registration form in the vestibule of the church.

SUNDAY OF MEATFARE

POSTFEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE

Troparion (2):

When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You!

Troparion (1):Hail, Mother of God, Virgin full of grace. From you has shown forth the Son of Justice, Christ our God, shining upon those who are in darkness.

Rejoice also, you just Elder, Simeon; for you received in your arms the Redeemer of our souls, Who has given us Resurrection.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and for ever and ever: Amen.

Kontakion (1):When You will come to earth in glory, O God, and all creatures will tremble before You, the river of fire will flow before Your judgment seat, and the books will be opened and all hidden things revealed; deliver me from the unquenchable fire and make me worthy to stand at Your right hand, O righteous Judge.

Prokimenon (3):

Great is our Lord and mighty in strength, and His wisdom is without measure.

Verse:Praise the Lord for He is good. Sing to our God for He is loving; to Him our praise is due.

Epistle:Reading of the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians.(1Cor 8,8-13;9,1-2) Brethren: Now food will not bring us closer to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, nor are we better off if we do. But make sure that this liberty of yours in no way becomes a stumbling block to the weak. If someone sees you, with your knowledge, reclining at table in the temple of an idol, may not his conscience too, weak as it is, be "built up" to eat the meat sacrificed to idols? Thus, through your knowledge, the weak person is brought to destruction, the brother for whom Christ died. When you sin in this way against your brothers and wound their consciences, weak as they are, you are sinning against Christ. Therefore, if food causes my brother to sin, I will never eat meat again, so that

I may not cause my brother to sin. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? Although I may not be an apostle for others, certainly I am for you, for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

Alleluia Verses:

Verse: Come, ring out your joy to the Lord; hail God Who is our Savior.

Verse: Let us come before Him, giving thanks; with songs let us hail the Lord.

Gospel: (Mt 25,31-46)

The Lord said, When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit upon his glorious throne, and all the nations will be assembled before him. And he will separate them one from another, as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right. 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me, naked and you clothed me, ill and you cared for me, in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? When did we see you ill or in prison, and visit you?' And the king will say to them in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers of mine, you did for me.' Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you accursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, a stranger and you gave me no welcome, naked and you gave me no clothing, ill and in prison, and you did not care for me.' Then they will answer and say, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or ill or in prison, and not minister to your needs?' He will answer them, 'Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me.' And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.

It is truly right... (Or the Hirmos of the Feast):

O Virgin Mother of God, hope of Christians, protect, watch, and save those who have placed their hope in you. We, the faithful, see the figure of Christ in the shadow and the letter of the law which says: Every male who opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord. Therefore, we extol the first-born of the Eternal Father and the Virgin Mother.

THE CHAPEL SCHEDULE

- Alcoholics Anonymous Every Monday at 7:00AM there is an open meeting for those interested in learning more about alcoholism and alcoholics.
- Ukrainian American Veterans Post 42 meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at 7:00PM for their business & Post meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 4 : Children's Religious Education Classes: 12:15-1:00PM
- February 5: Adult Religious Education Classes 5:30PM Chapel
- February 7: PYROHY SALE Place your order in the vestibule of the church or call 610-252 -4266 to place your order.
- February 11 3:00PM Lenten Vespers for the churches of the Lehigh Valley at Holy Ghost Church
- February 12: FIRST DAY OF LENT: STRICT FASTING: No meat or dairy products

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES TO RESUME

Religious education classes for our children will resume on Sunday February 4 From 12:15-1:00Pm on Sundays for our children. All children who will be receiving First Penance on May 20th should attend these classes. There will be three age groups: Preschool to 1st grade/ 2nd grade to 5th grade, and 5th grade to 9th grade. Please support our effort to help our children learn to pray, learn about God and his love for them, and the opportunity to have friends in their church. Help them make church a priority in their life.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Adult Religious Education classes will resume on Mondays at 5:30PM in the chapel. We invite all teenage and adult members to join with us. We will be showing several films as well as covering the roots of our faith. Please join with us. It's an awesome group!

LENTEN VESPERS AT HOLY GHOST

Our parish of Holy Ghost will be hosting the Ukrainian Catholic parishes of the Lehigh Valley for the celebration of the Lenten Vespers at 3:00PM on Sunday February 11, 2018. We will gather with the churches of St Josaphat Bethlehem, St John the Baptist, Northampton, Holy Ghost West Easton and St Vladimir's Palmerton to welcome in the time of the Great Fast:Lent. Please join with us as we prepare to welcome our neighbors and friends to begin the Lenten Journey!

SCOUT SUNDAY

Sunday February 4 is **Scout Sunday**, which is the primary date recognizing the contributions of youth to the Boys Scouts of America. Scout Sunday was added to the Scout celebration to bring greater awareness to Scouting and to allow scouts to live out their "duty to God" pledged each week.

The **Scout Law** says that a "Scout is reverent" and the Scouts of all ages promise to do their "Duty to God". These values strengthen youth character in their family, community and faith.

Garrett Stoken who has thus far attained the rank of Life Scout, is an active member of Troop 141 in Belvidere NJ. Garrett is currently working with Fr Dan to identify the scope of his **Eagle Scout Project** which will encompass improvements with Holy Ghost Church and the church grounds in preparation for our church's centennial.

Once the project plans are finalized, we will be providing the details to the parish for support and prayers. We are excited and looking forward to the dedication that Garrett will be putting into his Eagle Scout Project.

May God grant them many healthy happy years! MNOHAYA LITA TO GARRETT AND THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Abundant Rewards of His Love

We ought never to forget, beloved, that we have renounced the world. We are living here now as aliens and only for a time. When the day of our homecoming puts an end to our exile, frees us from the bonds of the world, and restores us to paradise and to a kingdom, we should welcome it. What man, stationed in a foreign land, would not want to return to his own country as soon as possible? Well, we look upon paradise as our country, and a great crowd of our loved ones awaits us there, a countless throng of parents, brothers and children longs for us to join them. Assured though they are of their own salvation, they are still concerned about ours. What joy both for them and for us to see one another and embrace! O the delight of that heavenly kingdom where there is no fear of death! O the supreme and endless bliss of everlasting life!

There is the glorious band of apostles, there, the exultant assembly of prophets, there, the innumer-

able host of martyrs, crowned for their glorious victory in combat and in death. There, in triumph, are the virgins who subdued their passions by the strength of continence. There the merciful are rewarded, those who fulfilled the demands of justice by providing for the poor. In obedience to the Lord's command, they turned their earthly patrimony into heavenly treasure.

My dear brothers, let all our longing be to join them as soon as we may. May God see our desire, may Christ see this resolve that springs from faith, for He will give the rewards of His love more abundantly to those who have longed for Him more fervently.

St. Cyprian of Carthage

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