



ST. GEORGE'S DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, Mar. 18

Third All Souls Saturday

Readings: Heb 11:24-26.32-12:2; Jn: 1:43-51

9:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy/Hramotky

6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, March 19

Third Sunday of the Great Fast/Veneration of the Cross

Readings: Heb. 1:10-2:3; Mk. 2:1-12

9:10 A.M. Third Hour;

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for **+Olech & +Peter Baran (by David & Orysia Barshowski)**

Wednesday, March 22

St. Basil of Ancyra, Priest-Martyr/Mid-Lent

Readings: Gen. 9:18-10:1; Prov. 12:23-13:9

7:00 P. M. Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts (North side, Pittsburgh)

Thursday, March 23

St. Nicon & other venerable-martyrs

Readings: Gen. 10:32-11:9; Prov. 13:19-14:6

7:00 P. M. Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts (McKees Rocks)

Saturday, Mar. 25

Annunciation of the Theotokos

Readings: Heb 2:11-18; Lk: 1:24-38

9:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Supplications will be offered for **+Antony, Anthony, Kateryna Fedyna**

6:30 P.M. Vigil Divine Liturgy (McKees Rocks)

Sunday, March 26

Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast

Readings: Heb. 6:13-20; Mk. 9:17-31

9:40 A.M. Third Hour;

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy for both parishes and Reception at St. John's hall

Supplications will be offered for **+Walter Dziadyk (by wife Kateryna Dziadyk)**

Supplications will be offered for **+Stella Shedno (by Myron & Patty Rodzay)**

Jesus taught His disciples about what would happen to Him in the future.

They didn't like what they heard!

What would Jesus do?



Answer each problem, then fill in the spaces using this code.

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CROSS.



**Third Sunday of the Great Fast
Veneration of the Cross**

Today we have reached the midpoint of the Great Fast-Lent; we have travelled half of our path to the Holy Pascha of Our Lord. Having come to the center of Lent, we piously venerate the Life-giving Cross of Christ. In the Synaxarion for today we read that since the Cross is the Tree of Life, and this tree was planted in the center of the Garden of Eden, in the same way the holy fathers placed the Tree of the Cross in the middle of Great Lent, reminding us of Adam's fall. At the same time we are delivered from the fall through the tree, for partaking of it we no longer die, but inherit life. In the services for this day, the Cross of Christ is hailed as the "invincible weapon, door to Paradise, succor of the faithful," and the "rampart set about the

Church" (verses for "Lord, I have cried..."). Why is this so? Why is the tool of a torturous death sentence hailed by the Church as a banner of victory? Why do Christians wear that, which the world sees as a symbol of shameful death, with such piety?

The Cross of Christ is dear to us because without it there is no Resurrection. And only he, who is ready to be crucified with Christ, can become an heir in the resurrection in Christ. We glorify the Cross of Our Lord today because, having been watered with the Savior's Blood, the Cross is no longer a tool of death but the Tree of Life. Saint Theophan the Recluse writes "that where there is a Christian, there is the cross, and where there is no cross, there is no Christian." Today, at the half-point of the Great Fast-Lent, let us examine ourselves: do we crucify the sins of our flesh, do we carry the cross in our hearts, is there in our souls a denial of self and of worldly passions? If not - neither is there a Christian there.

March Birthdays



Rebecca Mikovitz – 3

Linda Smith (Kerelitch) - 12

Jenna Parks – 8, Donald Hall – 18

Faith Kelly - 21



March 19, 2017

Third Sunday of the Great Fast – Veneration of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross; Holy Martyrs Chrysanthus and Daria

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Changeable Part: Pages 10-12 in the Booklet of Changeable Parts (Small white book)

Announcements:

Today: Third Sunday of the Great Fast

On this Third Sunday of the Great Fast we honor and venerate the Holy and Life-giving Cross of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. In the beginning of the Divine Liturgy the Cross adorned with flowers will be brought out in procession and placed on the Tetrapod in the center of the Church. During the entire week the Cross will remain in the center of our Church, not merely to remind us of Christ's redemption and for us to keep the goal of their Lenten efforts, but also as a reminder: "He who does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me" (Mt 10:38). Following the Divine Liturgy, please come forward to venerate the Cross of Our Lord as we continue our journey of the Great Fast.

Thank You!

Sincere thanks to all who participated in our Lenten Mission here at St. George's. In a special way I wish to thank our parishioners who helped prepare this event: members of our Chant Group, those who participated in the preparation and serving the food, set-up of the Church hall and our Acolytes. Thank you!

This Sunday Soup Sale

The upcoming fundraiser a Soup Sale which will be held on this Sunday, March 19th, following the Divine Liturgy in our Church hall. You will have the opportunity to purchase Lenten soups: Borsch, Barley etc. The price for a 16 ounce container is \$3.00. Thank you for support of our parish.

Easter Bread-Paska

On Saturday, April 8th, we will prepare Easter Bread (Paska) in our Church hall. The price per a loaf is \$8.00. In the Church vestibule we have a sign-up sheet for placing your orders. I ask you to write down your name and amount of Paska Bread (plain or raisin) you wish to order. You may pick-up your order on Palm Sunday, April 9st, following the Divine Liturgy.

Pyrohy Production During this Lenten Season we are very-very busy with our pyrohy production. Help is very much needed on Wednesday morning at 7:00 a.m. with scooping and again on Thursday morning starting at 7:00 a.m. we will need your help with the production itself. Please come and give us a hand during the Great Fast with this important parish fundraiser.

Christ Our Pascha, English Edition Price Reduction to \$24.95!!! It is back in stock on our eparchial web site. Follow the link to purchase: <http://stjosaphateparchy.com/product/christ-our-pascha/>

Christ –Our Pascha Workshop will take place Saturday, **March 25th** at Pokrova Church (6790 Broadview Road) in Parma Ohio, beginning at 9:30am and ending at 4pm with a Divine Liturgy. **For information and registration** call or email Sr. Ann Laszok 412-260-1607 or srannl@aol.com. **There will be another Workshop** on Saturday, **April 1st** at Sts. Peter and Paul Church (404 Sixth Street, Ambridge) same times. Everyone is Welcome!

“Martyrdom Redefined”- Symposium on the 100th anniversary of the passing of Bishop Stephen Soter Ortynsky, OSBM, first bishop of Ukrainian Catholics in the U.S. (1907-16) will be presented at Manor College, Fox chase, PA on **Saturday, April 1**, from 2pm-5pm. Some of the guest speakers include Most Rev. Stefan Soroka, Metropolitan Archbishop (benediction), and Sister Ann Laszok, OSBM.

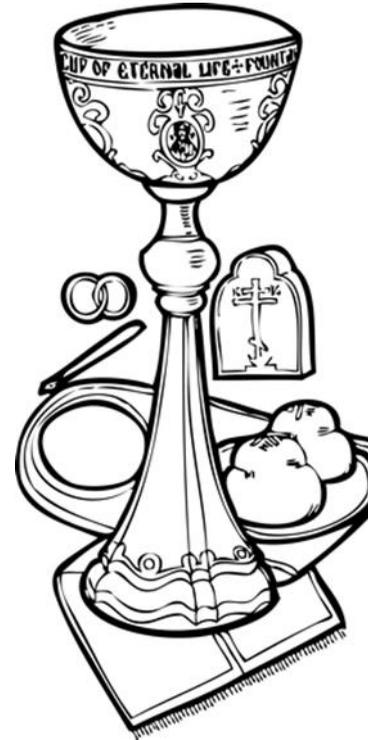
“Rediscovering Your Family Stories” Spring 2017 Genealogy Workshop will take place at the Ukrainian American Citizen’s Club in Carnegie on May 6th from 8am – 4:30pm. If you register by March 31st, the cost is \$45, which includes the workshop, breakfast and lunch. (\$55 after March 31st). Register online: <https://www.ukrhec.org/workshop/family-history-group>.

Collection- May God bless you...

The grand total for Sunday of March 12, 2017 was **\$2,621.00**

(Collection: \$828.00, Loose & candles: \$518.00, Pyrohy: \$1275.00)

Sincere thanks to all of you for your kindness and generosity!



10th Ordination Anniversary of Father Ihor Hohosha on Sunday, March 26, 2017

After the consecration of the Eucharist, the bishop places the body of Christ into the new priest’s hands with the following admonition:

Bishop: Receive this Divine Trust, and guard it until the Second Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, at which time He will demand it from you.

Dear Parishioners:

On March 25th, 2007, through the Laying-on of Hands (Cheirotonia) of His Grace Bishop Robert M. Moskal I was ordained to the Holy Priesthood for our Eparchy of St. Josaphat. The ordination took place on the Feast of Annunciation at the St. Josaphat Cathedral, Parma, OH.

Being ordained to the Holy Priesthood, your life is “transfigured” and you are sent by the Eparchial Bishop to continue this “transfiguration” in the midst of our faithful, through the administration of the Holy Mysteries and preaching/teaching the Word of God.

*Every day I give thanks for this great gift of the Holy Priesthood, but in a particular way on Sunday, March 26th, I wish to give thanks for this great gift with you. Ten years is not a long time but I wish to share with you this journey as an opportunity to pray for vocations and to pray for all priests and monastics in our Holy Church. **As part of this celebration, following the Divine Liturgy (10:00A.M.at St. George Church for both parishes) we will have refreshments in St. John The Baptist Church hall.***

Fr. Ihor Hohosha

Therefore, I implore You, look upon me, Your sinful and unworthy servant, and cleanse my soul and heart from evil consciousness. Enable me by the power of Your Holy Spirit so that, vested with the grace of priesthood, I may stand before Your holy Table and celebrate the mystery of Your holy and pure Body and Your precious Blood. To You I come with bowed head and pray: do not turn Your face away from me or reject me from among Your children, but make me, Your sinful and unworthy servant, worthy to offer to You these gifts.

-Prayer of the Priest before the Great Entrance