

The Word of Sts. Peter & Paul

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The Great Lent (2018) Epistle of the Permanent Conference
of Ukrainian Orthodox Bishops Beyond the
Borders of Ukraine

To: The Reverend Presbyters, The Honourable
Diaconate in Christ, Venerable Monastics,
and Pious Faithful of our Ukrainian Orthodox
communities Beyond the borders of
our ancestral homeland, Ukraine
Beloved-in-Christ!

We, Orthodox Christian faithful, cry out to
our heavenly Father with the heartfelt plea,
“My compassionate Lord, call me back to
Eden!” at Vespers on the eve of the Sunday
commemorating Adam’s expulsion from
Paradise. We stand together on the threshold
of the Holy & Great Fast, preparing to de-
part on our forty-day sojourn; our collective

gaze is trained on the horizon and on the dawn of the New Day, illumined by the brilliant light of the empty tomb of the New Adam; the light which signifies a promise kept through the act of great sacrificial love, which affords us the possibility of our return to Eden!

In these present days, we find ourselves amid a world saturated with the temptation of pride and conscious, deliberate overconsumption for self-satisfaction and the acquisition of material excess. It is becoming – at a frighteningly rapid rate – ever more devoid of acknowledgement of both God’s law, on the one hand, and the reality of sin, on the other. The deception of the godless idea which attempts to convince us that we can embrace all things that bring us pleasure and satisfaction “so long as no one gets hurt,” is nothing other than a dangerous restating of the serpent’s temptation of Adam and Eve to break their covenant with God by partaking of fruit not created to nourish them, and to acquire knowledge not meant for their comprehension. The result of this initial betrayal of God’s commandments did not limit the “hurt” to Adam and Eve only, but tainted all of humanity with the corruption of sin; for all of us – the fatal consequence of a personal act of betrayal, based on belief in the lie of the evil one that, “You will not surely die” (Genesis 3:4).

We, God’s faithful, need to be vigilant in our daily lives, lest we, too, be tempted to fall for aggressive, secular, atheistic “enlightenment” which is not enlightenment at all! It is, rather, only a symptom of the growing distance between the Lord and His creation and the dangerous comfort with this distance humanity appears to display. Today, arguably, more than ever in the history of our world, the warning of the Psalm to “put not your trust in princes, in the sons of men, in whom there is no salvation,” rings loud and clear.

And so, once again, our precious Mother, the Holy Church, gathers her children, the faithful members of the Body of Christ, into the protective embrace of the Holy and Great Fast. We will enter the spiritual springtime of renewal, refreshing the image of Christ in us by hearing and declaring the unshakeable truths of the Orthodox Christian Faith (1st Sunday). We shall be reminded that this life and its temporary, corruptible pleasures are not our goal, rather it is eternal, joyous communion with God in His Divine Energy (2nd Sunday). We will be witnesses to the victory of sacrificial, selfless love which brings light, life and hope, con-

Liturgical Schedule

The Sunday of Forgiveness. Tone four.

Today

Cheesefare Sunday. Meat is excluded
 Holy Martyr Agatha of Palermo in Sicily (251).
 St. Theodosius, archbishop of Chernigov (1696).
 New Martyrs Matushka Agatha (1938), and with
 her Schemamonk Eugene (1939) and Righteous
 Paramon (1941), of Belorussia., and Evagrius
 (304). St. Polyeuctus, patriarch of Constantinople
 (970) (Greek). New Martyr Anthony of Athens
 (1774) (Greek). St. Theodosius of Skopelos in
 Cilicia (ca. 421). St. Avitus, bishop of Vienne
 (525).



Romans 13:11-14:4

Matthew 6:14-21

Reader of the Hours - Gayle Woloschak

Reader of the Eng. Epist. – Gayle Woloschak

Reader of the Ukr. Epist. – George Cepynsky

Monday, February 19

Canon of St. Andrew of Crete Prostrations at 6:30pm

Wednesday, February 21

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy with Potluck at 6:30pm (Not Pan Orthodox Liturgy)

Friday, February 23

Akathist to the Mother of God at 6:30pm

Saturday, February 24

Vespers & Confessions at 5:00pm

Sunday
 February 25

First Sunday of the Great Lent: Triumph of Orthodoxy. Tone five. Great Lent. Food Oil
 St. Meletius, archbishop of Antioch (381).
 St. Meletius, archbishop of Kharkov (1840).



Hebrews 11:24-26, 11:32-12:2

John 1:43-51

Reader of the Hours - Sandra Hladky

Reader of the Eng. Epist. – Sandra Hladky

Reader of the Ukr. Epist. – Halyna Kashpar

quering darkness, death, and despair (3rd Sunday). We will be encouraged to struggle and battle in spiritual warfare, to ascend the ladder of virtues which reaches up to the Heavenly Kingdom (4th Sunday). Finally, we will be comforted by God's offer to forgive all our sins – as small or as great as they may be – and we will be inspired to repent, reject the temptations of the world, overcome the passions of the flesh, and flee to our desert where there is peace and where we can hear the call to return to communion with Christ and to Paradise (5th Sunday)!

And so, our dear ones, as we prepare to embark on our Lenten sojourn, let us be of good courage and turn our efforts away from satisfying the wants of the flesh and toward good deeds, to recognizing Christ in one-another – especially in those who are in need of our compassion – and let us commit our spiritual efforts toward receiving God's grace. Let us not be distracted by the cynicism and empty promises of the godless, but let us stand together confidently as members of the Body of Christ, the New Israel; let us liken ourselves to Old Israel as they took their first steps in freedom from bondage, and begin our Lenten journey with the joy-filled words of the Holy Church:

Let us begin the all-holy season of fasting with joy; let us shine with the bright radiance of the holy commandments of Christ our God: with the brightness of love and the splendor of prayer, the strength of good courage and the purity of holiness! So, clothed in garments of light, let us hasten to the holy resurrection on the third day, that shines on the world with the glory of eternal life! We, your spiritual fathers, hierarchs, and constant intercessors, bid each one of you a blessed Lenten sojourn, to the glory of God and for our salvation and eternal life!

With love in Christ, the Lord,

+Yurij, Metropolitan - Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada

+Antony, Metropolitan - Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA
and

the Ukrainian Orthodox Church in the Diaspora

+Jeremiah - Archbishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Diocese of Brazil
and Church South America

+Daniel - Archbishop of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the
USA and Western Europe Eparchy

+Ilarion - Bishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada

+Andriy - Bishop, Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada

The Great and Holy Fast - The year of our Lord 2018

General Annual meeting is Sunday March 11, 2018 following the Divine Liturgy.

I ask all of the parish members to mark their calendars and attend the meeting. If the life of our parish community, your parish family is important to you, participate at the meeting!!!

I kindly ask the officers of the parish organizations to submit their reports (preferably electronically) by Sunday February 25, 2018 Fr. Vasyl

Parish Council

Parish Council meeting is every third Sunday of the Month.
Next meeting TODAY after the Coffee Hour.
Representatives from parish organizations must be present.

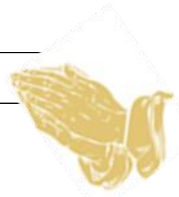
Sisterhood of St. Anne

God bless our volunteers.
We are working in a week again
Pierogy working days are:
Sunday Feb 25 - make cheese balls
Monday February 26-8:00am—Noon
Tuesday February 27- 8:00am—Noon
Wednesday February 28- 8:00am—Noon
Thursday, March 1-Sale Noon—4:00pm



Prayer Corner for the Month of February

We ask all of you to remember in your prayers the following individuals, who are in need of God's healing and grace: Loraine Ehlert, Alla Grzymiski, Margaret, Eleanor, Ethel Smith, Michael P, Stephanie Luchyn, Catherine Hladky, Andrew Hladky, Wally and Ann Podlecki, Valentina Schacht, Susan Hendrixson, Rayan, Dean Manson, Vera Beggs, Pavlo & Polina, Barbara Patronik, Elias, Roxana, Irene, Katheryna Czerniak, Lilian Cepynsky, Josephine Hobert, Anthony Bendy, Katie Bruce, Maria Omelian, Patti Faye, Toni Marie Klavin, Hazel Gardiner, Michael Kimak, Chloe Mckinney, Yuriy Zmysly, Paul Jr & Dorothy Seliga, Wolodymer Kashpar, Nick Kapusta, Priest Vasyl Dovhan, Priest Bazil Zaveruha, Priest David Clooney, Frankie, Zachary, Orest, Alexander, Paul, Dolores.



Seven Day Vigil Candles



For the health of husband, father and grandfather Volodymer on His Birthday by Kashpar Family
For the health of my parents Polina & Pavlo in Ukraine by Halyna Kashpa
For the health and blessings of Ann Podlecki on her 90th Birthday by Stan & Karen Jakubczak
For the health and God's blessing of Family members by Alvine & Mike Gbur
For the health of Alla Grzyski and quick recovery after the surgery by Fr. Vasyl
For the health and healing of Loraine Ehlert by PM Olenka
For the health of Alla Grzyski by Fr. Vasyl

Michael Cheroim and His Family in loving memory of his sister Alexandra Pawlenko
In memory of Maria, Kindrat, Julia, Anna, Oleksander, Vasyl, Efrosinia, Hanna, Ivan, Maria and Anna by Piskoun Family

Due to increase prices on the Candle supplies, to cover the cost of 7 day candles, starting from the January 1, 2018 suggested minimum donation for 7 day candles will be \$4.00



Donations in memory

\$100.00 donation for Ukrainian School Barvinok in memory of Mychailo Czerniak by Peter Czerniak and family

Irene Belkow in memory of Olga Bordner—\$100.00 for building Fund



Sponsored and served by
Sr. UOL Chapter
Lenten Fish Fry

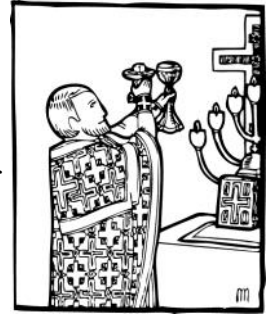


on Friday March 9, 2018
Fried Fish or coconut shrimp or calamari,
tatter tots, great homemade coleslaw, bread,
beverage and desert.

Donation - only \$13.00 adult
Children 10 year & under - Free

Pan Orthodox Pre-Sanctified Liturgies

The Orthodox churches of the Palos area will come together to celebrate the Presanctified Liturgies of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Wednesdays of Lent at 7:00pm. Each parish will take turns to welcome local Orthodox clergy and laity and provide a Lenten potluck dinner after the Liturgy. Also, a brief Lenten reflection will be offered by one of our priests. Please mark your calendars.



Wednesday, February 28th at 7:00 pm
St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church
6330 W. 127th St. Palos Heights, IL 60463
Reflection by Fr. Herman Kincaid

Wednesday, March 7 at 7:00 pm
Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church
8410 W. 131st St. Palos Park, IL 60464
Reflection by Fr. Danial Doss

Wednesday, March 14th at 7:00 pm
Sts. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church
6980 S. County Line Rd.
Burr Ridge, IL 60527
Reflection by Fr. Paul Jannakos

Wednesday, March 21st at 7:00 pm
St. Luke Orthodox Church (OCA)
10700 S. Kean Ave
Palos Hills, IL 60465
Reflection by Fr. Vasyl Sendeha

*Pan-Orthodox Akathist
to the Mother of God*
Tuesday, March 27th
at 7:00 pm
St. Mary Antiochian
Orthodox Church
6330 W. 127th St. Pa-
los Heights, IL 60463

Monthly Memorial Panahyda



March 4: In memory of Olga Kozlow Bordner.
Requested by Jeannette M. Gard.

In memory of Klavin Edward II on the anniversary
of his steeping into eternity. Requested by Klavin
Family.

In memory of Sophie Orich by the Orich and Bart-
lett Families.

Coffee Hour Schedule



We kindly remind to provide and set aside snacks/food/ drinks for our children who attend Sunday School.

Today -- Pancake Flip Cub Scouts 3729

February 25 – Masur Family

March 4 Sr. UOL Lenten Pot Luck

March 11 -- ANNUAL MEETING – Sisterhood Luncheon

March 18 -- Larson, Pierog and Zmysly families (Lenten)

March 25 -- Gordon Family (Lenten)

If you would like to volunteer for the Coffee Hour or need to change your scheduled date, please see Dr. Harry Oryhon call 708-301-5565 or email harrymolars@aol.com

Church Humor

Mischief

An exasperated mother, whose son was always getting into mischief, finally asked him, 'How do you expect to get into Heaven?' The boy thought it over and said, 'Well, I'll run in and out and in and out and keep slamming the door until St. Peter says, 'For Heaven's sake, Jack, come in or stay out.'

Sunday of Orthodoxy

All Orthodox faithful and clergy of Chicago Land area are invited to participate at Pan Orthodox Vespers on Sunday February 25, 2018 at 6:30pm at Ss. Constantine & Helen Church located at 11045 S. Roberts Rd. Palos Hills, IL

Snow Removal Winter 2018

WEEK OF 02/11 THRU 02/17 -- FATHER VASYL
WEEK OF 02/18 THRU 02/24 -- GEORGE CEPYNSKY
WEEK OF 02/25 THRU 03/03 --JOHN GRZYMSKI
WEEK OF 03/04 THRU 03/10 --JULIUS
MACHNIKOWSKI
WEEK OF 03/11 THRU 03/17 --HARRY ORYHON
WEEK OF 03/18 THRU 03/24 -- BRIAN CIAPINSKI
WEEK OF 03/25 THRU 03/31 --TOM GBUR

