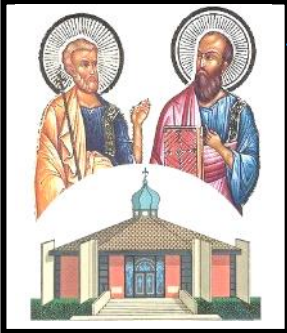


The Word of Sts. Peter & Paul



February 10, 2019

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My dear parish family,
Christ is among us!
What an amazing day!
Soup-er Bowl Sunday.
I have to confess to you
I was a bit down that Sunday morning.
Dealing with the broken

heater on Saturday and having to bring things over to the hall from Church to have a service there again, gloomy overcast weather in the morning, got to me.

However, things have changed rather quickly.

As the hall was filling up with fellow parishioners, choir started caroling, soup chefs were bringing their soup creations, many others were bringing bread, bagels, sweets, drinks and supplies for the soup party, altar

servers were busy with setting up for the service, the sun came out.

Not only outside but also inside the church hall were the parish family and their friends (some did brought their friends for the occasion) were setting up to celebrate God's day - Sunday and Soup er Bowl!

I am immensely thankful to all of you who have made this day they way it turned out!

Soup chefs, who have created and donated 16 soups!

Donors of bread, dessert, drinks and paper products.

Volunteers who stepped in to set up, collect the donations, heat the soups and clean up after the event!

Last but not least, thank you to all of those who have come to share a bowl of soup or came over to take out a few containers of soup for a good cause!

You have made a difference in the life of many people who are in need.

We have raised \$785.00 for St. Andrew's Soup kitchen in Kiev, Ukraine.

We had a great time enjoying all of the tasty soups.

The cold and wet Sunday morning turned into a Sunny warm, spring like day in the middle of winter.

I'm thankful to God who have blessed me with such parish family.

*Remaining in the Love of Our Lord and God Jesus Christ,
Fr. Vasył*

Food for thought

It is frustrating for a shepherd of the souls to see a sheep stuck in a brush and not being able to get out of it , because it is being so stubborn and it keeps going into a wrong direction.

Sometimes I wonder; do people listen?

Do they listen what is being preached to them over and over again?

I am not even talking here about my sermons. I don't want to sound here selfish looking for personal satisfaction that I have achieved something by preaching. Whatever I do I do for Christ and the souls who listen and not for personal satisfactions.

I am not a Savior. I am as other priests am servant who tries to lead people to the Savior.

Do people listen? Do they really believe in what they confess

Liturgical Schedule

Today

37th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone four.

Venerable Ephraim the Syrian (373).

Venerable Ephraim, bishop of Pereyaslav (Kiev Caves) (1098).

Venerable Palladius the Hermit of Antioch (4th c.). Venerable Isaac the Syrian, bishop of Nineveh (ascetic writer) (7th c.).

"Sumorin Totma" Icon of the Mother of God (16th c.). Venerable John of Reomans (544) (Gaul). Venerable James the Ascetic of Porphyreon in Palestine (Greek).



1 Timothy 4:9-15

Luke 19:1-10

Reader of the Hours - Peter Gordon

Reader of the Eng. Epist.– Peter Gordon

Reader of the Ukr. Epist.– Olena Pawluk-Fitza

Saturday, February 16 No Vespers

Sunday
February 17

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee.

Tone five. Venerable Isidore of Pelusium, monk (436-440). New Hieromartyrs Eustaphius, John, Alexander, Sergius, John, Theodora, Aleksander, Nicholas, Alexis, Martyrs Jadorus and Isidore who suffered under Decius (249-251). Hieromartyr Abramius, bishop of Arbela in Assyria (ca. 344-347). Venerable Nicholas the Confessor, abbot of the Studion (868). St. John, of Irenopolis (325). Venerable Aldate, hieromartyr of Gloucester, England (6th c.) (Celtic & British). St. Modan, abbot of Stirling and Falkirk. Martyr Theoctistus (1686) (Greek). St. Jasim the Wonderworker (1686) (Greek). New Martyr Joseph of Aleppo (1686) (Greek).



2 Timothy 3:10-15

Luke 18:10-14

Reader of the Hours - Karen Jakubczak

Reader of the Eng. Epist.– Karen Jakubczak

Reader of the Ukr. Epist.– Halyna Kashpar

with lips?

Do they listen to the Holy Scripture that is read in Church?

It's all about love.

Christianity is built on Love. It's love that Christ brought into the darkened by sin world and there is no love without forgiveness.

Stubborn sheep don't want to forgive

Stubborn sheep want to continue to hold a grudge.

Why?

Maybe it is hard for some people to forgive and move on?

I can't hold a grudge.

To me it is insane to do so. Why would I want to hold a pain in my heart?

Why would I want to feel hurt over and over again by not forgiving my neighbor? Why would I want to harvest all that negativity in my soul?

Maybe I just don't understand those people. Maybe it is really hard for some people to forgive others for one or another reason?

What is insane for me is that... I'm not judging here but just express priestly frustration. What is insane for me is that people hold a grudge not for a day or a few days, not for weeks or months but for years!!!

Why torture your soul that way? Is there a personal satisfaction in it? I don't see it.

How about Christ's "forgive and be forgiven"?

Or if you don't forgive, your Heavenly Father won't forgive you?

Or the prayer of Our Father, which we Christians should pray every day?

If we haven't forgiven our brother or sister and are saying this prayer, we are basically condemning ourselves!

"And forgive our trespasses as we forgive those who have trespassed against us!"

And don't forgive us, because we haven't forgiven those who offended us...

Remaining in the Love of Our Lord and God Jesus Christ,

Fr. Vasyl

Announcements

Annual Parish Meeting

Parish Annual meeting is Sunday March 10, 2019 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 24, 2019 Fr. Vasy!

Seraphim Group



Ready for some "Polish Fusion Cuisine"? If so, please join the Seraphim Group on **Tuesday, February 12 at 12:00** at TRADYCJA RESTAURANT

located at 14478 So. LaGrange Road, Orland Park. They have a very nice lunch menu, prices range from \$9 for appetizers to \$16 for larger portions.

Please let Father or me know if you are coming so we can make reservations!!

Thank You and God Bless, Debbie
 Deb12153@aol.com
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Sunday School Teachers' Corner



This past Sunday School lesson was tied in with the "Souper-Bowl" theme. We focused on caring and sharing and ways that the children could share with others in their life in the week to come. We read an Orthodox take on the story of Stone Soup. We made a tasty trail-mix "soup" which the children divided into individual bags to pass out after the lesson.

We'll go over the church greetings and miss manners installment in the coming weeks:

Blessings, Ms. Karen and Ms. Debbie

Seven Day Vigil Candles

For God's blessings of wife and mother Ann Podlecki on her 91st Birthday by Wally, Stan & Karen

For the health of my mother Polina by Halyna Kashpar

For the health of my father Pavlo on his birthday by Halyna Kashpar

For the health and God's blessings of the family members by Alvine & Mike Gbur



In loving memory of my father, Stephen Kuzemka, on the anniversary of his stepping into eternity. ~Karen Larson

For my grandparents, Wasyl & Anna Kuzemka and Raymond & Anna Arendt—Memory Eternal and Love Everlasting! ~Karen Larson

Sunday Services in two Languages

Every First Sunday of the Month there will be All English Divine Liturgy at 9:30am followed by All Ukrainian Pro-Liturgy at 11:30am.

Next Special Sunday is March 3, 2019.

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: Donna Nevels, Maria, Andrew J, Tony Zerebny, Maria Savoy, Nicole, Victoria, Barbara, Tom Macauliffe, John, Margaret, Eleanor, Ethel Smith, Michael P, Anthony, Catherine Hladky, Andrew Hladky, Wally and Ann Podlecki, Valentina Schacht, Susan Hendrixson, Rayan, Dean Manson, Pavlo & Polina, Barbara Patronik, Elias, Roxana, Anthony Bendy, Katie Bruce, Patti Faye, Toni Marie Klavin, Michael Kimak, Chloe Mckinney, Yuriy Zmysly, Paul Jr & Dorothy Seliga, Wolodymer Kashpar, Priest Vasyl Dovhan, Priest David Clooney, Priest Petro, PM Maria, Frankie, Zachary, Orest, Oksana, Alexander, Paul. *If there is anyone who is in need of prayers, and you want to add them to the prayer corner, please notify Fr. Vasyl.*

If you would like me to visit with the Sacraments of the Holy Confession and Eucharist, please call the rectory to set up an appointment. I will gladly visit everyone.

Pan Orthodox Pre-Sanctified Liturgies

The Orthodox churches of the Palos area will come together to celebrate 4 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 provided Lenten potluck dinners after the Liturgy. Brief Lenten reflection will be offered by one of our priests. *Encourage you to participate and bring a dish to share. The first Pan Orthodox prayer service will take place at our parish*

Wednesday, March 20th at 7:00 pm

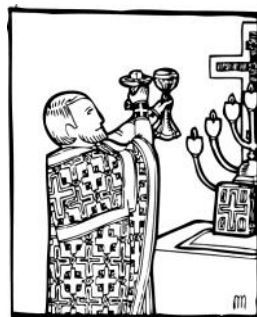
Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church
8410 W. 131st St. Palos Park, IL 60464
Reflection by Fr. Herman Kincaid

Wednesday, March 27th at 7:00 pm

Sts. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church
6980 S. County Line Rd.
Burr Ridge, IL 60527
Reflection by Fr. Mousa Haddad

Wednesday, April 3rd at 7:00 pm

St. Luke Orthodox Church (OCA)
10700 S. Kean Ave
Palos Hills, IL 60465
Reflection by Fr. Vasyl Sendeha



Wednesday, April 10th at 7:00 pm

St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church
6330 W. 127th St. Palos Heights, IL 60463
Reflection by Fr. Paul Jannakos

Monthly Memorial Service



Today: In memory of Miroslav Pawluk by Olena Fitza on the 21st anniversary of passing into eternal life.

In memory of Dido Nicholas by Sandra Hladky

In memory of Dad Juriy on the 40th day of passing into eternal life by Olenka Bondar Tvorovska
Memory Eternal

Coffee Hour Schedule



Today — Donna & Jim Nevels — English service
— Korolik Family — Ukrainian Service

02/17/2019 *open volunteers needed*

02/24/2019 *Machnikowski family & Sendeha Family*
— thank you for volunteering

03/03/2019 Gordon Family — English Swervice
Open - Ukrainian Service

03/10/2019 **Annual Meeting- Sisterhood Luncheon**

03/17/2019 Dr. Gayle Woloschak

Please remember the dates you are signed up to do the coffee hour
*If you would like to volunteer for the Coffee Hour or need to
change your scheduled date, please see Olga Piskoun*

Save the Date

Saturday, March 2, 2019 - Dinner & Dance MardiGrass 2019

Sunday, March 10, 2019 — Annual Parish Meeting Forgiveness

Sunday

Church Humor

The Rule

A man who had climbed up a chestnut tree had by carelessness missed his hold of one of the boughs and fell to the ground with such violence as to break one of his ribs. A neighbor coming to his assistance remarked to him dryly that had he followed “the rule” in such cases, he would have avoided this accident.

“What rule do you mean?”

“This,” replied the philosopher. “Never come down a place faster than you can go up.”

Snow Removal Winter 2018-2019



WEEK OF 02/10 THRU 02/16 ----- TED LARSON

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WEEK OF 02/17 THRU 02/23 ----- GEORGE CEPYNSKY

WEEK OF 02/24 THRU 03/02 ----- TOM GBUR

WEEK OF 03/03 THRU 03/09 ----- JOHN GRZYMSKI

WEEK OF 03/10 THRU 03/16 ----- BRIAN CIAPINSKI

WEEK OF 03/17 THRU 03/23 ----- TOM GBUR

WEEK OF 03/24 THRU 03/30 ----- RICH GANSKE