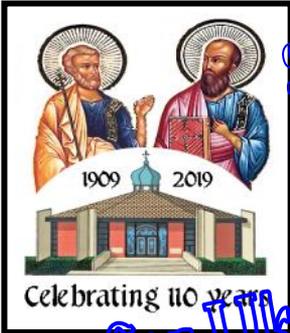


The Word of Sts. Peter & Paul



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Pray For Ukraine

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Parish family.

I like to describe parish family as a community who prays, works and celebrates together.

We are all different in the parish but we are all united through Christ in following a common goal.

We are all blessed with particular talents which we implement in our life here on earth to make a living.

We also utilize those talents to benefit the parish community.

People might ask; "what is it for me in all of this?"

Well. Being a part of the parish community has great benefits for everyone.

Community of Christians were established from the very beginning of the church. They were called local churches.

It was much more easier to practice faith and to follow the commandments together with your neighbors. It was comforting to share the sadness and loss of a loved one as well as to celebrate a happy occasions together with the parish family.

Christian communities brought something

totally different into the world of that time.

They introduced unconditional love, kindness and care for one another. Therefore, people were attracted to them.

This is what they continue to be.

Yes one can pray and be in touch with God on his or her own, but to pray together in a Common worship makes a difference. Common gathering for prayer changes us. Besides, being united with one another through Christ in the Holy Eucharist, we are also changed to be better through staying together, accepting one another the way we are with our imperfections. There is something about giving a kiss of peace, embracing one another, getting inspired from each other and even getting frustrated with one another makes a difference. It changed us to be better if we are persistent in perfecting ourselves.

Just like in the regular families there are people who love you dearly and you love them, and the people who test your love. All of it makes you a better person.

We are called to perfection by Christ.

Parish community provides the best ground for this kind of work by practicing patience, forgiveness and love.

I'm blessed to be the part of Sts. Peter and Paul parish family

Kind people

I've met some amazing people in my life.

They would love without measure. They would show unbelievable in this world kindness. It would even make me feel a bit uncomfortable at first. However, after it would sink in It would make me feel really good.

Sometimes I wonder if this is how God works in people? Does this happen because they allow the Holy Spirit to work through them? It certainly looks like. Because if it does then I know how heaven feels, at least a little bit. The feeling is amazing!

We have the ability to be the moving vessels of Christ's love. All we have to do is to be open to Him and have our hearts be cleared from any guile or anything that doesn't belong there. Moreover, simple simplicity. Approaching everything God sends our way simply and in humbleness. This will allow us to truly be able to accept God's love into our hearts and be able to let it grow there so we can spread it to the others.

Liturgical Schedule

Today

12th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 3 *After-feast of the Dormition.* Martyrs Agathonicus, Zoticus, Theoprepius, Acindynus, Severian, Zeno, and others (4th c.). Hieromartyr Athanasius (270-275), bishop of Tarsus in Cilicia, St. Anthusa of Syria (298) and Martyrs Charesimus and Neophytus (270-275). Virgin-martyr Eulalia of Barcelona (303).



1 Cor. 15:1-11
Mt. 19:16-26

Saturday
September
10

No Vespers

Sunday
September 11

13th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 4 The Beheading of the Glorious Prophet, Forerunner, and Baptist John. Strict Fast Day
9/11 Memorial service outside



1 Cor. 16:13-24; Mt. 21:33-42
To Forerunner : Acts 13:25-32; Mk. 6:14-30

It is really powerful and it can spread very fast.

It works just like a ripple affect from a thrown pebble at a lake. Of course it needs a good environment for it.

This is why we need to clear our hearts from unnecessary stuff.

The calmer the water the better the effects. To be calm, we have to make some pauses in our busy lives to reflect on His love and to let His peace abide in our hearts.

Be calm and let the Holy Spirit work through you.

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

Fr. Vasyl

Church Humor

John 13:35 *By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if you have love for one another.* One day, a man was walking across a bridge and saw another man standing on the edge, about to jump off. He immediately ran to him and said, "Stop! Don't do it!" "Well, why shouldn't I?" he replied. The other said, "Well, there's so much to live for!" "Like what?" "Well ... are you religious or atheist?" "Religious." "Me too! And are you Christian or Jewish?" "Christian." "Me too! Are you Catholic or Protestant?" "Protestant." "Me too! Are you Episcopalian or Baptist?" "Baptist." "Wow! Me too! Are you Baptist Church of God or Baptist Church of the Lord?" "Baptist Church of God." "Me too! Are you Original Baptist Church of God, or are you Reformed Baptist Church of God?" "Reformed Baptist Church of God." "Me too! Are you Reformed Baptist Church of God, reformation of 1879, or Reformed Baptist Church of God, reformation of 1915?" "Reformed Baptist Church of God, reformation of 1915!" To which he said, "Die, you heretic!" and pushed him off the bridge.

When we get together with our family or parish family for Holydays or Holidays or social events at the church hall or work in the kitchen, we often find ourselves discussing and even arguing our views on various topics, political, spiritual, etc. You've heard the phrase where two Ukrainians , there are five opinions? That's our family. At the end, we all *should* laugh about who argued best and try to learn from one another. The body of the Lord is one big family. Yes, we differ in opinion on some issues. But we are going to be together for eternity and we must learn to live in peace with one another! In order for us to make a real difference in the world, the world needs to see us loving each other. Let's not be like the man who pushed the other off the bridge. Let's laugh about our discussions/arguments and try to learn from one another.

Announcements

Parish Council

Parish Council meets once a month on the second Sunday of the month. Next meeting is this Sunday September 11, 2022 after the Divine Liturgy. Guests are welcome.

Keys

President of the parish council— Mary Wisniowski is working on taking the inventory of the keys to parish buildings. If you have any keys to the doors at the parish facilities please report to Mary Wishniowski.

Sunday School

Join us for Great Learning about God and Orthodox Faith

First day of Sunday School is September 18, 2022

- ◆ Learning the Basics of Faith Ages 4-6
- ◆ Preparation for the Sacrament of First Confession Ages 6-8
- ◆ Learning about Christian Virtues Ages 8 & up

Please fill out registration form located at the entrance of the church and return it to Pat Wolsko or Janet Milton



Seraphim Group

SERAPHIM MEETING : Tuesday, September 13th, 2022

12:00 in the Church Hall

Please bring snacks, desserts or drinks to share...

We will be watching a movie "Heavens to Betsy" as well games, socializing and having fun!!

Let's plan an outing for October ...bring your ideas.



Thanks and Blessings to All, Debbie
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Seven Day Vigil Candles

For the health of my husband Volodimir by Halyna Kashpar

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

For the health of cousin Sherry Sum by Tom Gbur

For the health of my daughter Iryna on the anniversary of her Baptism by Halyna Kashpar

For the health and quick recovery

of Dr. Gayle Woloschak by Fr. Vasyl

For the health of Patti Faye by John Batura

For the health of Fr. Vasyl by Parish



In memory of my father Pavlo on the 6th month anniversary of his passing. Halyna Kashpar

In memory of my mother Polina. Memory Eternal Heavenly Kingdom by Halyna Kashpar

In memory of sisters Joan Yateczyshyn Kelly and Betty Grega by John Yateczyshyn



English as a
Second
Language

Безкоштовні уроки

Англійської мови кожний

Четвер о 6:30 вечора і кожну

Неділю після Служби Божої.

Служба Божа о 9:30 ранку.

Our Parish is offering ESL (English as a Second Language) classes in the evenings for adults as well as children free of charge. If you know someone who immigrated to the United States and would like to learn English please let them know of the opportunity. For more information, please see Ray Fischer or Pat Wolsko

Classes: Thursdays at 6:30pm and Sundays at 11:30 am at the Church hall.

Prayer Corner for the Month of September

We ask all of you to remember in your prayers the following individuals, who are in need of God's healing and grace: Andy, Irene, Bohdan, Ralph Palm, Patricia & Bob Lewandowski, Nikolai, Karoline, David, Irine, Zoriana, Lev, Anatoliy, Louise Podlecki, Kevin & Polina, Borislav, Irene Belkow, Alla Grzymyski, Kathy Grzymyski, Jeanne Maack, Pani Mary Donahue, Tony Zerebny, Nicole, Elena, John & Patti, Michael, Barbara Patronik, Katie Bruce, Michael Kimak, Chloe McKinney, Yuriy Zmysly, Dorothy Seliga, Halyna & Wolodymer Kashpar, Priest Vasyl Dovhan, Priest Petro, PM Maria, Frankie, Zachary, Orest, Alexander, Anatoli & Pamela, Paul & Melissa, Olga, Janet and Natalia.

Pray for soldiers in Ukraine: Yuriy, Stepan, Volodimer, Mykola, Svitlana, medic Stella, Oleg, Yuriy, Dmitro

Pray for Our expecting mothers:

Iryna, Oksana

If there is anyone who is in need of prayers, and you want to add them to the prayer corner, please notify Fr. Vasyl 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.

Fr. Vasyl

Bible Study

Next Bible Study group meeting is
Tuesday September 6, 2022 at 6:30 pm.
Via zoom

If you are interested in joining the study, please see Fr. Vasyl



**Bible
STUDY**
Join us!

Memorial Services

September 11, 2022



Memorial Service in memory of Tom Grzymyski on the 9th anniversary of passing into eternal life. Requested by Alla Grzymyski

Memorial service outside commemorating all of the victims of terrorist attack of 9/11

Coffee Hour Schedule



We are back to sponsored coffee hours

If you would like to volunteer, please let Mary Wisniowski or Fr. Vasyi know.

You can sponsor coffee hour monetary by donating \$25.00 to cover the cost of one coffee hour.

August 28 — Mary Wisniowski, Tina Palasti and John Jaksich
— *thank you for volunteering*

September 4 — *volunteers needed*

September 11 — *Coffee Hour by Alla Grzynski*

September 18 — *volunteers needed*

September 25 — *volunteers needed*

Annual Pork and Chicken Roast

Parish Chicken and Pork Roast Dinner is
Sunday September 18, 2022
after the Divine Liturgy.

Please make reservations

Tickets: Adults — \$25.00

10 – 18 Years old — \$15.00

10 and under — Free

To buy tickets please see Pat Back or Mary Wisniowski



Humanitarian Aid

We continue to collect Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine and Ukrainian Refugees who are in the US.

We are in need of NEW baby and kids clothes for boys and girls:

Ages:

6 month old boy

18 month old boy and girl

6 year old boy and girl

Also: Diapers # 5 and Pull ups - # 2T