



# Holy Trinity and St. Anne Ukrainian Catholic Churches



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Confessions: Every Sunday  
15 minutes prior to Divine Liturgy  
(Other times available by appointment)

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## Sunday, June 11, 2023

Second Sunday After Pentecost; Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas

Tones: **1 and Festive**

Epistles: **Romans 2:10-16; Acts 11:19-30**

Gospels: **Matthew 4:18-23; Luke 10:16-21**

### Liturgical Greetings

#### Greeting:

"Glory to Jesus Christ!"  
"Slava Isusu Khrystu!"

#### Response:

"Glory Forever!"  
"Slava Na Veeky!"



### Next Sunday:

June 18, 2023

Third Sunday  
After Pentecost

Tone: **2**

Epistle: **Romans 5:1-10**  
Gospel: **Matthew 6:22-34**

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**Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas (June 11th)**

Day:	Date:	Place:	Time:	Intention:	Offered/Requested By:	Cantor(s)/Reader(s):
<b>Second Sunday After Pentecost; Holy Apostles Bartholomew and Barnabas</b>						
Sun	Jun 11	SA	8:30a	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom in private intention(s)* <b>preceded</b> by the <b>Moleben to Christ the Lover of Mankind</b> for Peace and Justice in Ukraine @ <b>8:10am</b>		P. Nachim
		HT	10:20a	Praying of the Holy Rosary		J. Bodak
			11:00a	Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom for the Parishioners of Both Churches <b>preceded</b> by the <b>Moleben to Christ the Lover of Mankind</b> for Peace and Justice in Ukraine @ <b>10:40am</b>		M. Marcyszyn
Mon	Jun 12	<b>No Service</b>				
Tue	Jun 13	HT	9:00a	Blessings for Svyatoslav Zhybak followed by the Moleben to Christ the Lover of Mankind for Peace and Justice in Ukraine		J. Bodak
Wed	Jun 14	HT	9:00a	†Mary Yaworsky followed by the Moleben to Christ the Lover of Mankind for Peace and Justice in Ukraine	Rosemary Yaworsky & Family	J. Bodak
Thu	Jun 15	HT	9:00a	†Carol Kaszowski followed by the Moleben to Christ the Lover of Mankind for Peace and Justice in Ukraine	Stella Kaszowski	M. Woloszyn
Fri	Jun 16	HT	9:00a	<b>The Most Sweet Jesus Christ, Our Lord God and Savior, the Loving Friend of All People</b> Divine Liturgy for Peace and Justice in Ukraine followed by the Moleben to Christ the Lover of Mankind for Peace and Justice in Ukraine		J. Bodak/J. Billy
Sat	Jun 17	<b>Remembrance of the Co-Sufferings of the Most Holy Theotokos - No Service</b>				
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\*Fr. Lubomir Zhybak's private intention(s)

### Prayer Requests

**Holy Trinity Church:** Ann Blazina, Andrea Curran, John Fecych, Ann Karnofel, Dan Malarcik, Yvonne Mudryk, James Pirko, Marie Schuller, and *the health of all of our parishioners*

**St. Anne Church:** Joseph Belasco, Joyce Budinsky, Carole Elias, Roger Elias, Susan Kurtiak, Fr. Ignatius, Louis Mancini, Katie Moran, Margaret Rodomsky, Al Stevens, Ann Stevens, Josie Timlin, Helen Yurchison, and *the health of all of our parishioners*

**Clergy:** Bishop Josyf Milyan, Fr. Louis, Fr. Jeff, and Msgr. Martin Canavan

**Non-Parishioners:** Kennedy Eatinger, Mark F., Dawn Howard, Yaroslava, Myroslava, Halyna, Petro, Nadiya, Mylan, Yaremiya, Zoryana, Mariya, Connor, Claire, Mark, Christine, Dave Kishton, Fr. Andrzej, Judy Lepore, Jimi Stevens, Carol Martyn Dow, Tonja Delaine, Joann Panko, Kateryna Bolshahova, William J. Smith, Jim, Ivan M., Nadiya M., Anna F., Alexei Y., Nadiya Y., and Volodymyr Y.

### 2023 Simply Slavic Festival Heritage Booth and Entertainment

The Simply Slavic Festival will be held Friday, June 16th and Saturday, June 17th in Youngstown. We are planning to have a Ukrainian Heritage booth and intend to use this opportunity not only to show our beautiful culture, but to collect donations for Ukraine. We extend the invitation to the parishioners of both of our parishes to bring any items they would like to display as well as help man the booth for donation collection. If you would like to help or have any questions, please contact **Tanya Kowal-Hankavich** (330-755-1842) or **Anna Woak** (252-305-6232). Thank you in advance! Your help will be greatly appreciated!

In addition, the Holy Trinity Church and St. Anne Church joint choir will perform at the official opening event on Saturday, June 17th around the noon hour. Come out and support Ukraine and your fellow parishioners and their musical endeavors!

My dear Friends,

## Glory to Jesus Christ!

Blessed Sunday to all of you! I trust that my message found you and your loved ones all well and sound.

We began **the Apostles Fast** this year on June 5<sup>th</sup> (also known as *Petrivka* in our Church) that will last till June 29<sup>th</sup> – the feast of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul. As we commenced this holy time of fasting, I wholeheartedly wish everyone to have a very blessed and spiritually fruitful fast, and I hope that this year's *Petrivka* will not be for you a pure technicality, but a time to prepare your hearts and minds worthily for the celebration of the feast of Holy Apostles Peter and Paul.

During **the month of June**, we are celebrating **Moleben to Christ the Lover of Mankind in the intention of peace and justice in Ukraine** (please follow the bulletin weekly for details). On Sundays, the Moleben will be celebrated immediately before the Divine Liturgy at each church. If you would like to go to confession on any given Sunday in June, please either let me know after the Liturgy or make an appointment with me.

**We, Ohioans, need to take unwavering action against the proposed pro-abortion amendment to Ohio Constitution and VOTE NO on this amendment on the General Election Day, November 7<sup>th</sup>, or whenever you'll be voting this year! Let's unite in prayer and action, reaffirming our firm YES TO LIFE and NO TO DEATH! IF OUR LORD IS WITH US, WHO COULD BE AGAINST US (cf. Romans 8:31)?!**

**Sadly, the situation in our beloved Ukraine continues to remain grave.** The country is still under a heavy attack from the side of Russia and whoever else sides with it in this horrible war... So many victims, including innocent children... How much longer will this bloodshed last? Right now, the People of Ukraine are being crucified... in fact, it is Christ Himself Who is being crucified again... Yet, life does not end with death! After the crucifixion and death comes resurrection! The resurrection will come for Ukraine as well! Today our risen Lord is embracing all people, who grieve due to having lost their loved ones because of the war in Ukraine, asking them to have faith in Him and not be afraid, for one day they will see their loved ones again, as this is a temporary absence. Today Jesus is telling the whole world just as He addressed His beloved friend Lazarus' sister Martha before Christ brought Lazarus back to life: "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" (John 11:25-26 (NRSVCE)). Lord Jesus, we believe in You, give us life eternal!

In the meantime, let us continue to **pray and act for the end of the war in Ukraine as well as for the conversion of Ukraine's aggressors** and, as a Ukrainian citizen, I'd like to tell all of you: THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR SUFFERING BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN UKRAINE! Ukraine direly needs our help right now! If you would like to **help financially** your brothers and sisters in Ukraine, please **see a separate notice in the bulletin of how you can help**. No amount is too small, yet please be generous, and I thank you in advance for your munificence! May our Good Lord reward you abundantly for it in this life and in the life to come!

- If any of you, who are homebound, would like to partake in the **Holy Sacraments**, kindly call the parish office at 330-744-5820 to make arrangements.
- I would like to encourage you to pray (*daily if you can*) the prayers from the **Prayer Corner**.
- I would like to thank St. Anne Church's sacristan, **Paul Nachim** for having helped me recently to change the altar cloths, etc. at both Holy Trinity and St. Anne Churches. Many thanks to Paul!
- Due to certain circumstance, **between June 11<sup>th</sup> and July 2<sup>nd</sup> of this year, I will have most of the Liturgies on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at Holy Trinity Church instead of St. Anne Church; however, most of the Liturgy intentions on those days will be from St. Anne's.** Thank you for your understanding and sincere apologies for any inconvenience.
- On **June 16-18 of this year** there will take place the **5<sup>th</sup> All American Youth Pilgrimage** themed "**Relationships, Values, and God**" at the **Pokrova Ukrainian Catholic Church in Parma, OH**. The pilgrimage will be in Ukrainian & English, and, if interested, I do encourage our parish youth to attend it (the registration form is available at the following Internet link: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScSUMYPoQekcjvf8-gbxT9qUfO9zWVE4ImpYmQvFI-0h1AxTA/viewform?fbclid=IwAR14eOS1AxKgMH2wqZR0HiRarJbVlcmup5p48pQCTG0v9nw2uT1DYY65wkc&mc\\_cid=be4bbc71cb&mc\\_eid=d5728b89c0](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScSUMYPoQekcjvf8-gbxT9qUfO9zWVE4ImpYmQvFI-0h1AxTA/viewform?fbclid=IwAR14eOS1AxKgMH2wqZR0HiRarJbVlcmup5p48pQCTG0v9nw2uT1DYY65wkc&mc_cid=be4bbc71cb&mc_eid=d5728b89c0)). There is also a promotional video (in Ukrainian) that could be found at the following Facebook link: <https://www.facebook.com/100083052744999/videos/228042009815380/>.

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- Moreover, this year the **Eparchial Youth Days (EYD)** are scheduled to take place on **June 23-24 (Fri. & Sat.)** at the **Breakneck Campground of the Cheeseman Farm in Portersville, PA**. The topic for this year's event is **You Are Not Here by Accident: "You Are the Light of the World,"** and the **main speaker is Father Michael Polosky** who is the Pastor of Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church in Ambridge, PA and the Administrator of Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church in Aliquippa, PA as well as the Protosyncellus (i.e., Vicar General) of our eparchy. I likewise encourage our parish youth to attend this wonderful event that I personally enjoy and that even our bishop usually (or perhaps always) participates in. For more information, please call (330-888-8881) or e-mail me (zhybak@hotmail.com).
- We are continuing collecting certain needed items at both parishes for a local branch of the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul**. You'll find a special box for the items at each church. Please be generous and thank you for your benevolence! **Thank you also to those who already donated the needed items!** If you would like to make a monetary donation, you may do so either online at <https://www.mahoningsvdp.com/product-category/donation-levels/> or by mailing your check to:

Mahoning County St. Vincent de Paul Society, P.O. Box 224, Youngstown, OH 44501

The organization likewise offers volunteering opportunities. For more information, please go to <https://www.mahoningsvdp.com/> or call (330) 333-3601.

- Let us continue to **keep in our prayers all people who are on the prayer lists, especially the sick**. May our Triune God: The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit bless all of them through the intercession of His and our Most Holy Mother and all the Holy Angels and Saints!
- Our weekly bulletins are available online at both churches' websites ([www.holytrinityucc.com](http://www.holytrinityucc.com) and [www.stanneucc.com](http://www.stanneucc.com)). Thank you!
- Furthermore, I would like to thank those of you, who have been sending us your donations. If you still cannot come to your parish church at this time, please continue to support it by sending us your weekly donations to each respectful church (see the church addresses in the bulletin) and I thank you very much for your support of our parishes!
- Should there be anything else that needs my or Dean's attention, please let us know at once.

May our Triune Lord: The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit continue to bless all of us in the world! May He help us stop all wars and conflicts on earth, especially the current war in Ukraine! May He protect everyone who is on the front lines defending his or her country's freedom! May He convert the hearts of all aggressors in the world! May He rest in peace the souls of all people on earth, who already died from these wars and conflicts, giving consolation to the families, relatives, and friends they left behind! Likewise, may our Lord protect each of us from all illnesses, especially the coronavirus disease! May He heal all the people in the world, who are infected with it! May He protect all people on earth who are on the front lines in the fight against it as well as everyone who works in public places! May He rest in peace the souls of all people in the world, who died from this and other diseases, giving consolation to the families, relatives, and friends they left behind! May our Lord our fill your hearts and the hearts of your loved ones with the authentic joy and peace that only He can give and may He always protect all of us here in America as well as our beloved people of Ukraine, helping us to end the war there! Let us present all of these petitions to our Lord through the intercession of the Most Holy Theotokos and all the Holy Angels and Saints!

Have a blessed Sunday, blessed feast of the Most Sweet Jesus Christ, Our Lord God and Savior, the Loving Friend of All People on Friday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, a blessed week, and a spiritually fruitful Apostles Fast! May our Triune Lord: The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit always bless America, Ukraine, and the rest of the world through the intercession of the Most Holy Theotokos and all the Holy Angels and Saints!

Слава Ісусу Христу!

Слава Україні!

With prayers in the Triune Lord and the Theotokos,

*Fr. Lubomir*

**МОЛІТЬСЯ ЗА УКРАЇНУ!**

**PRAY FOR UKRAINE!**

## *Lord's Blessings and Heartfelt Congratulations to All Graduates!*

### **2023 Graduate: Joel Kreuzwieser**

**Parish:** Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church

**College:** The Catholic University of America

**Degrees:** B.S., Physics and B.A., Music (General)

**Joel Kreuzwieser** graduated Summa Cum Laude with a 3.979 GPA from The Catholic University of America in Washington DC with a Bachelor of Science in Physics and a Bachelor of Arts in Music (General). Joel is the son of Kirk and Kit Kreuzwieser and has two sisters, Micaela and Arielle, both graduates of St. Vincent College in Latrobe, Pennsylvania, and a brother, Jeremy, currently a student athlete of St. Vincent College. Joel became a member of Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church in 2012, the same year he began altar serving for the parish. To this day, he and his brother still altar serve on Sundays and on Holy Days. Joel also served for 2 years as a Catechist/Sunday School Teacher for Eastern Christian Formation from 2017-2019.

During his time at The Catholic University of America, Joel took to heart the importance of a good work ethic along with the university's inspirational motto "Deus Lux Mea Est," which means "God is my light," by joining the University Honors Program. He was inspired to pursue physics as his primary degree because of the great minds that contributed to its advancement as well as the many fields in which it is applied such as engineering, medicine, astronomy, biology, and chemistry. To this day, he still looks up to Isaac Newton, Albert Einstein, and Nikola Tesla as inspirational titans of physics. At the same time, Joel believes in the necessity of an artistic influence in one's life. He chose to pursue his secondary degree in music not only to instill within himself and others the value of music, but also to serve as a reminder of the value of balancing one's interests and passions no matter how different or enigmatic they appear to be from each other. Physics and music work hand in hand to please the sinews and faculties of his mind.

Despite the workload that two majors brought him, Joel was quite active on campus. He would regularly attend mass at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Liturgy at the Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine of the Holy Family, and late night mass at St. Vincent Chapel. Joel was also a student athlete. He ran for CUA's Cross Country and Track and Field Teams during his entire time at CUA, posting a personal best of 28:27 at the 8k, a personal best of 2:05 at the 800m, and a personal best of 4:21 at the 1500m. He would also annually participate in Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service with his team, assisting the monks at the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land in America to take down Christmas decorations and pull weeds in the fields. Joel also took up an undergraduate teaching assistantship for Spring 2022 for the Department of Physics at CUA, grading midterms and final exams, assisting other TA's and postdoctorates in setting up lab equipment, and holding tutoring sessions. He was a percussionist for the music school's Wind Ensemble for all 4 years, performing with a wide variety of instruments ranging from mallets, drums, cymbals, etc. He also performed percussion in the CUA orchestra in Fall 2021, Spring 2022, and Fall 2022. To close out his time at CUA, Joel hosted a Senior Piano Recital on April 16, 2023 at Ward Recital Hall. He performed works by Scarlatti, Bach, Barber, Beethoven, Debussy, and debuted two of his own musical compositions. To this day, Joel is very grateful for the help, guidance, and instruction that his piano teacher Dr. Francesca Hurst gave him to improve his piano skills throughout his 4 years at CUA as well as the help, guidance, and instruction that his previous piano teacher Sean Baran gave him that provided the foundation prior to his time at CUA.

The principle by which Joel lives in the field of scientific research is summarized by Johannes Kepler: "O God, I am thinking Thy thoughts after Thee." Joel's experience in the field of research blossomed despite the hardships of the COVID-19 pandemic. He obtained an undergraduate research position for Summer 2021 at the Cleveland Clinic Lerner Research Institute of the Department of Biomedical Engineering in Cleveland, Ohio, working in Dr. Vijay Krishna's Lab on testing a research proposal involving the application of infrared laser lithotripsy and nanotechnology for treating kidney stones. The research produced fruitful results which were presented in April 2022 at CUA's annual University Research Day; it was awarded the Best Undergraduate Poster. The next year, for Summer 2022, Joel took up an undergraduate research position at the Vitreous State Laboratory in Dr. John Philip's Lab on CUA's campus, working in collaboration with the Raub Lab of

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the Department of Biomedical Engineering and the Nehmetallah Lab of the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science on analyzing the polarimetric properties of electrofabricated chitosan membranes using Mueller Matrix Imaging Polarimetry through Matlab. The results were presented at the end of the summer before VSL faculty and REU physics students at the Physics REU/Vitreous State Laboratory Scholars Conference and then presented again in April 2023 at University Research Day.

In the end, Joel was inducted into 3 honors societies. He was inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma National Honors Society in November 2020 for outstanding academic scholarship during freshman year. He was recently inducted this past May into the Phi Beta Kappa Honors Society for high attainments in liberal scholarship and the Sigma Pi Sigma National Physics and Astronomy Honors Society for high scholarship and service in physics and astronomy. Joel made the Dean's List 3 times and made the Dean's List with Distinction 5 times. He was awarded Honors in Liberal Studies at CUA's annual Honors Convocation this past May for completing the University Honors Program Liberal Studies sequence.

The path that God has laid out for Joel takes him to Vanderbilt University School of Medicine in Nashville, Tennessee, where he will begin working towards his Doctorate in Medical Physics this Fall. Joel credits his family, friends old and new, teachers, professors, priests, and fellow colleagues throughout the years for the impact they had on him because he truly believes that the Holy Trinity was working through them to guide him on his spiritual journey through life. Glory to Jesus Christ!

### **2023 Graduate: Tyler McBride**

**Parish:** Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church

**College:** Youngstown State University

**Degree:** B.S., Education

**Tyler Forest McBride** is a graduate of Youngstown State University with a Bachelor of Science in Education, specializing in Primary Education and Intervention Specialist. The students he has taught and tutored during his university years range from Youngstown to Champion school districts.

He attributes his love for teaching to his mother, Alanna, and her love of the library sciences and English Language arts, his grandmother Ingeborg's love of math, and his father John's love of music and problem solving. As eldest of his siblings and the second eldest in his extended family, he thanks all of his 20+ cousins for helping him practice his teaching abilities.

He is grateful for his fiancée, Micaela, who first encouraged him to go back to school in the first place, and her family, the Kreuzwiesers, who acted as a stable foundation for the both of them and reinvigorated his faith which helped him persevere.

Tyler plans to continue working in Youngstown City Schools and has already had prospective job offers from multiple districts. Tyler would like to extend his gratitude to the church family, and his humble apologies for not being in as frequent attendance due to the academic pressures. He wants to reassure you, his church family, that you were in his thoughts and prayers each and every day.

### **Society of St. Vincent de Paul Collection**

Both Holy Trinity and St. Anne Churches are continuing to take collections for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul's soup kitchen. Bins with appropriate signage are located near the atriums of each church. While all items are acceptable and appreciated, high-use items sought by the kitchen are *canned vegetables, instant mashed potatoes, peanut butter, grape jelly, and crackers of any type*. This collection will continue indefinitely. For those with questions or seeking more information, collection representatives at Holy Trinity Church are **Tyler McBride** and **Jonie Bodak** while **Brian Chadwick** and **Michael Jordon** are leading the drive at St. Anne Church.

### **Prayer Group Welcomes the Public to Pray for Ukraine**

A prayer group praying for Ukraine, which involves several individuals from our parishes, continues to meet weekly on Tuesdays at the Shrine of Our Lady Comforter of the Afflicted from 9:15-10:15a. You are both welcome and strongly encouraged to attend this group's weekly event. As a reminder, the Shrine is located at 517 S. Belle Vista Ave. in Youngstown.



## DONATE TO HELP WAR VICTIMS IN **Ukraine**

By donating to Ukraine through Grace Tea, you can make a meaningful impact on the lives of those affected by the ongoing crisis. Join us in supporting Ukraine's future and rebuilding efforts. Every contribution counts, no matter how small. Together, we can bring hope and healing to those in need. Your generous gift today will provide crucial support, including food, water, and emergency aid, to the victims living in Ukraine's conflict zones.



## Make a difference

Your donations can provide vital support to communities affected by wars, disasters, and conflicts. By donating to World Central Kitchen, you can help provide food and aid to those in need, offering a glimmer of hope in times of darkness.



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donation for candle.**

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**Scan the QR code or visit  
GraceTea.org to donate today.**



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# UNITING FOR UKRAINE WELCOME CIRCLES

## UKRAINIANS NEED YOUR HELP!

USCCB's Department of Migration and Refugee Services is launching a new initiative to support Ukrainians -- **Welcome Circles**.

Across the country, we hope to see Catholic parishes, other houses of worship, and local organizations meet the needs of displaced Ukrainians through collective action.

Welcome Circles are groups of 5 or more adults who agree to financially support Ukrainians through the U4U program and to help them navigate their new community in the US.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:**

- <https://www.uscis.gov/ukraine>
- <https://ukraine.welcome.us>
- <https://www.sponsorcircles.org/program>

## FASTING & ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS FOR THE UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

In accordance with statute 403 of *The Statutes of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma*, "As each Christian is called to ongoing repentance and amendment of life, the ancient practice of fasting is to be maintained. All those from 14 to 59 years of age, inclusively, must abstain from meat on Holy Saturday and each and every Friday of Lent (the Great Fast), as well as Christmas Eve, December 24 and Theophany Eve, January 5. These faithful must also abstain from meat and all dairy food (including milk, eggs, cheese, etc.) on the first day of the Great Fast (the Monday which follows Cheesefare Sunday) and on Holy and Great Friday. Pregnant and nursing mothers, the ill and infirm, those who work at hard physical labor and the very poor are excused" (statute 403, *The Statutes of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma*, 19 August 1994). The statute continues: "The eparch can dispense all the faithful of the eparchy as well as any individuals for a good reason from any of these fasting prescriptions. A pastor may also dispense individual parishioners for a good reason. He cannot, however, dispense the entire parish" (ibid.). Moreover, according the article 472 of the 1999 *Pastoral Guide of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the United States of America* (the guide that "supplements the Statutes of the Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma" in our eparchy (see article 4 of the *Pastoral Guide*); the guide's revised version is forthcoming), "[t]he periods of penitence and their respective duration are:

Great Lent, extending from the Monday after Cheesefare Sunday to the Saturday of Lazarus. And Great and Holy Week, extending from Great Monday to Great and Holy Saturday inclusively.

The preparation for the Birth of Jesus Christ in the Flesh (*Pylypivka*) begins on the day... " after "... the feast of St. Philip (November 15), and lasts until the Eve of the Nativity of Christ (December 24) inclusively.

The Apostles' Fast (*[P]etrivka*) extends from the Monday following the Sunday of All Saints, and continues through to the day preceding the Feast of SS. Peter and Paul (June 28), inclusively.

The Dormition Fast (*Spasivka*) begins on August [1] and lasts until the eve of the Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary (August 14), inclusively"

(article 472, *Pastoral Guide of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the United States of America* (Philadelphia, PA, 1999)).

Furthermore, the "[g]eneral rules governing abstinence [are]:

Meat is to be understood as including not only the flesh but also those parts of warm-blooded animals that cannot be melted down, e.g., the liver, lungs, blood, graves, etc. Although it is not the authentic practice of the Tradition[,] the meat of fish and crustaceans may be eaten, as well of those mammals, that live constantly in water, as, e.g., whales.

Dairy Products are to be understood as comprising products derived from mammals and birds, but not regarded as meat, e.g., cheese, lard, butter, milk, and its by-products, eggs, etc.

Fats of plant origin, e.g., those derived from olives, coconuts, seeds of the sunflower and of the pumpkin, may be used.

Voluntary penance, prayers for the intentions of the hierarchs of the Church, Bishop of Rome, the Major Archbishop, the Metropolitan, and the Eparchial Bishop; voluntary offerings to the Church, the seminaries, the Church in Ukraine, self-denial of alcohol, smoking, attendance at entertainment, etc., may be supplementary only with permission of a confessor. Bread and water alone [are] a good fast.

Priests who possess a pastoral assignment are empowered to grant dispensations or relaxation from the laws of abstinence to individual persons as well as to individual families.

The following are exempt from abstinence:

- (1) the poor who live on alms;
- (2) sick and frail persons;
- (3) convalescents who are returning to their strength;
- (4) pregnant women, and mothers who are nursing their children;
- (5) persons who perform hard labor;
- (6) children who have not completed their seventh [currently, fourteenth] year of age;

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(7) [p]ersons have completed their 59th year of age” with permission of their pastor or confessor” [the clause “with permission of their pastor or confessor” is no longer valid... it could have been an original error, too...] (article 474, *Pastoral Guide of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the United States of America* (Philadelphia, PA, 1999)).

Furthermore, in accordance with article 475 of the *Pastoral Guide*, “In virtue of rules enacted by the Synod of Bishops under the presidency of the Major Archbishop in 1969 the following rules of abstinence oblige in the United States:

Abstinence from meat on all Fridays of the year except those which occur in privileged weeks and on holydays of Our Lord and of the Mother of God.

Abstinence from meat and all dairy products on the first day of the Great Fast (Lent) and on Good Friday.

Abstinence from meat, in addition to eating only one full meal and a smaller snack, milk products being permitted in accordance with local custom: on Christmas Eve, Epiphany Eve, Exaltation of the Holy Cross (September 14) and Beheading of St. John the Baptist (August 29).

During the Great Fast, the faithful may also maintain the tradition of abstaining from meat on Wednesdays” (ibid., article 475).

Compiled by Fr. Lubomir Zhybak on March 3, 2022 and revised on February 20, 2023.

**St. Anne Church Financials for the Weeks Ending June 4, 2023**

	5/21/23	5/28/23	6/4/23
Loose Offering:	\$5.00	\$1.00	
Weekly Offerings:	\$590.00	\$290.00	\$315.00
Energy Needs:	\$10.00		\$30.00
Pyrohy:			\$2,250.00
Pyrohy (non-Fri Sales):	\$1,484.00		
Ukr. Don - Pyrohy:	\$43.00		
Donation:			\$50.00
Gas Royalty:			\$51.18
Initial Offering:			\$10.00
Dues:			\$30.00
Ascension:	\$45.00		
Descent/Holy Spirit:		\$15.00	\$5.00
Mission Sunday:		\$10.00	
<b>Deposit:</b>	<b>\$2,177.00</b>	<b>\$316.00</b>	<b>\$2,741.18</b>
Attendance:	31	27	33

**Holy Trinity Church Financials for the Week Ending June 4, 2023**

Candle/Offering:	\$100.00	Ss. Peter & Paul:	\$10.00
Weekly Offering:	\$1,180.00	Repairs/Maint:	\$30.00
Dues:	\$45.00	50/50:	\$20.00
Diocesan:	\$25.00	<b>Deposit:</b>	<b>\$1,465.00</b>
Mission Fund:	\$20.00	Attendance:	37
Nativity/St. John:	\$5.00	June 50/50:	\$20.00
Peter's Pence:	\$30.00		



**Change a Life.**

BECOME A SPONSOR

**SPONSORS PROVIDE**

- signatures on an I-134
- housing and transportation
- access to food, basic needs, and benefits
- supports the transition to independence
- assist with school enrollment, healthcare, etc.
- help to identify employment opportunities
- community and hospitality

**REASONS TO SPONSOR**

- save lives
- one-on-one personal matching with the aid of an experienced NA4U Sponsor Coordinator
- no legal liability for signing the I-134
- expedited access to work authorizations and state benefits like healthcare and food assistance
- NA4U's partnership with SP4U (Safe Passage for Ukraine) to provide free flights for women and children

*"Last week, my daughter and I flew to America. We found our sponsor thanks to your group, and we are sincerely grateful to everyone that supported us on this difficult path."*

*-Elena T.*

# Dignity of Life Threatened in Ohio

A Catholic perspective on the proposed constitutional amendment to expand and enshrine abortion in our state.

## WHAT IS HAPPENING?

A proposed amendment to Ohio's Constitution claims to recognize reproductive freedoms, but it furthers a culture of death and removes current safeguards for women. As Catholics, we find the proposed amendment dangerous, unjust, and contrary to our belief in the sacredness of all life.

## WHAT CAN I DO NOW?

Groups are currently collecting citizen signatures to add the amendment to the November 2023 ballot. More informational resources are coming, but in the meantime:

- Decline to sign any petition to put this amendment on the November ballot
- Pray, Learn, and Volunteer by visiting the "Protect Them Both" resource center at [www.ohiocathconf.org/protect](http://www.ohiocathconf.org/protect)



## OUR CONCERNS

1 PUTS WOMEN AT RISK

2 ENDANGERS  
PREBORN CHILDREN

3 ENABLES THOSE WHO  
PRESSURE WOMEN

See Back for Details

## Prayer for Ohio

Ever-living God, you give life and desire a future for all your children. Take hold of our nation, state, and community and awaken in every heart awe for the gift of life. Send your Spirit to strengthen us with wisdom and fortitude as we defend mothers and children in Ohio from laws that disregard their health and safety.

Mary and Joseph trusted in you and welcomed Jesus into our broken world. Father, we ask their intercession to protect the preborn and their mothers, and to guide all parents in raising their children. May they help us build a civilization of love by upholding the sacredness of life, preserving parental rights, and accompanying pregnant women in need. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Our Lady, Mother of the Family,  
pray for us!

St. Joseph, Protector of the Unborn,  
pray for us!

Source: Catholic Conference of Ohio ([www.ohiocathconf.org/protect](http://www.ohiocathconf.org/protect))



The official voice of the Catholic Church in Ohio on public policy, advocating for the dignity of life at all stages, immigrants, Ohioans in need, and Catholic education.

[www.ohiocathconf.org](http://www.ohiocathconf.org)

## EXHIBIT GUIDE



### A Tribute

May 1, 2023 through June 30, 2023



UKRAINIAN MUSEUM-ARCHIVES  
Український Музей-Архів



LAKEWOOD  
PUBLIC LIBRARY

### VISIT THE EXHIBIT

Monday through Saturday

9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Sunday

1:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Main Library

15425 Detroit Avenue

Lakewood, Ohio 44107-3829

(216) 226-8275

[lakewoodpubliclibrary.org](http://lakewoodpubliclibrary.org)

*Our very Best Wishes and Blessings to our dear Parishioners celebrating their life milestones this week.*

**Holy Trinity Church**

Jun 13: Svyatoslav Zhybak Jun 16: Kit Kreuzwieser

Jun 18: Kathy Terlecky

*Na Mnohaya ee Blahaya Leeta!*

## UTS Scholarship Opportunity

Dear Reverend Clergy, UTS Members, and Friends of the Scholarship Program:

Please advise Ukrainian youth of graduating high-school age or older that the 2023 Ukrainian Technological Society Scholarship Application Form and directions are now available at [www.utspgh.org](http://www.utspgh.org). The scholarships are available to students of Ukrainian heritage domiciled in the tri-state PA, OH, WV area around Pittsburgh, PA. This year, in a trial, the Society is opening up the scholarship awards to Ukrainian youth seeking or continuing a post high-school education (i.e., college, trade school, nursing, business school, law school, medical school, etc.). The deadline for submitting completed applications and official course transcripts is July 6, 2023.

This year, the Society will make its 51st presentation of scholarship awards. In the prior 50 presentations, 563 scholarships totaling \$273,200 to 325 different students have been awarded. *The Society is the sponsoring organization, but it is really the Ukrainian Community that is providing these scholarships to our young people.*

Please consider joining others in the Ukrainian Community in donating to the 2023 campaign. **We especially appeal to former scholarship awardees and their families to donate, in order to carry forward the UTS Scholarship Program into the future.** The Society has IRC 501(c)(3) status and your donation is federal income tax deductible as a charitable contribution as the law allows. Please make your check payable to the Ukrainian Technological Society Scholarship Fund (or UTS Scholarship Fund) and mail it to the Society in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope before July 10, 2023. However, donations are gladly accepted throughout the year. You may also donate by PAYPAL by using the Support Button on the Society's website, [www.utspgh.org](http://www.utspgh.org).

The presentation of the 2023 scholarship awards is scheduled for Sunday, August 6, 2023, beginning at 3:00 PM at Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church hall in Carnegie, PA. Please check the website [www.pittsburghukrainians.com](http://www.pittsburghukrainians.com) for the final announcement, or contact me.

Sincerely,

Nickolas C. Kotow  
Chairman, Scholarship Committee  
412-835-8714

The official registration and financial information of Ukrainian Technological Society may be obtained from the Pennsylvania Department of State by calling toll-free, within Pennsylvania, 1-800-732-0999. Registration does not imply endorsement.

## Kevin Murphy Benefit Golf Open

Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
8:00 AM Shotgun Start  
4-person scramble

Sponsored by  
**President Charity Foundation**

**Olde Dutch Mill Golf Course**  
2745 Grandview Rd.  
Lake Milton, OH 44429  
330-654-4100

Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma

"YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD."

Matthew 5:14 (NRSVCE)

2023

EPARCHIAL YOUTH DAYS

*You Are Not Here by Accident:*

*"YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD"*

Friday, June 23 [5 pm] to Saturday, June 24 [8 pm]

Registration Fee: \$30/person [Sat. stay only]  
\$50/person [Fri. & Sat. stay]

Cheeseman Farm  
Breakneck Campground  
1757 Cheeseman Road  
Portersville, PA 16051  
724-368-3405

RSVP by Monday, June 19th

Contact: Joseph Levy 724-910-1619  
[jlevy8777@gmail.com](mailto:jlevy8777@gmail.com)

## NOTE ON SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION

Under ordinary circumstances, the faithful in St. Josaphat Eparchy (baptized adults and children) have the obligation to attend a Catholic Church service on the following days, participating in a Divine Liturgy or Vespers the night before or a Roman Mass if need be (including vigil services in all three instances) unless absent due to a legitimate reason (if a person, for example, sings in the choir of a non-Catholic church on Sunday and/or holy day of obligation, this is not considered a legitimate reason not to attend a Catholic Church service on that day, hence, the person still has to fulfill his or her Sunday/holy day obligation on that day):

- all Sundays of the entire year;
- Theophany of Our Lord (January 6th);
- Annunciation of the Most Holy Theotokos (March 25th);
- Ascension of Our Lord (40th day (Thursday) after Easter);
- Holy Apostles Peter & Paul (June 29th);
- Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos (August 15th);
- Nativity of Our Lord (December 25th).

Please also keep in mind that if a person does not attend church on these days, he or she commits a mortal sin (with the exception of children who did not reach the age of reason yet and hence cannot commit a sin), provided of course all three conditions for a mortal sin are present: grave matter (Ten Commandments), which it is, full knowledge, and deliberate consent, and, hence, is forbidden to receive Holy Communion until the person goes to confession, which is applicable to any mortal sin. On all other feast days, the faithful are encouraged to attend church service(s).

## \*\*\*Important\*\*\*

In cases of an imminent death of a family member, please do not wait until the last minute for the pastor to administer last rites to the dying. Please call immediately.

Thank you!

## NOTE ON HOLY SACRAMENTS OF THE EUCHARIST & RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Generally, Catholics (and some non-Catholics under certain conditions) receive Holy Communion worthily if they do not have even one mortal sin on his/her soul (one sins mortally when all of the following three conditions are present: grave matter (10 Commandments), full knowledge, and deliberate consent), and, usually, these are people who go to confession more or less frequently; one is permitted to receive Holy Communion with the venial sins on his/her soul. Otherwise, if one receives Holy Communion unworthily, namely with mortal sin(s) on his/her soul and is aware of it, committing it with deliberate consent, one commits another mortal sin. Although, certainly, it is possible to live one's life without committing even one mortal sin for a long time and, hence, have no need for confession for a long time, such people could be considered exceptions. Also, in accordance with the Church Commandments (also known as the Church Precepts), a minimal requirement is for a person to go to confession at least once a year as well as to receive Holy Communion at least during the Easter season: to go to confession provided one committed at least one mortal sin and to receive Holy Communion provided one did not commit even one mortal sin.

Revised on April 4, 2023.

## Notes of Support from the Seventh and Eighth Grade Students of Saint John School in Ashtabula, OH



Dear Ukraine,

We all supporting and praying for you guys in this war. We are so sorry you guys have to go through this.

I can't imagine having to go through this.

-bella boyd



**PLEASE HELP**

**UKRAINE!**

**БУДЬ-ЛАСКА, ДОПОМОЖІТЬ**

**УКРАЇНІ!**

**\*\*\*PLEASE HELP US SPREAD THE WORD\*\*\***

**\*\*\*PLEASE SHARE THIS INFO WITH OTHER PEOPLE\*\*\***

**\*\*\*THANK YOU VERY MUCH\*\*\***

Here are a couple of ways of how you could help the People of Ukraine. First of all, through daily PRAYER. Secondly, you can HELP FINANCIALLY THROUGH DONATIONS by USING ONE OR BOTH OF THE OPTIONS below.

### **OPTION 1**

You can make your donations to the Humanitarian Aid Fund for Ukraine online via the website of the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma at <http://stjosaphateparchy.com/support-ukraine/> (once on the webpage, please scroll down and click the Donate button (PayPal)).

If you would like to donate by check, please send your donations to the following address (please write out your checks to St. Josaphat Eparchy indicating clearly on the check that the donation is for the Humanitarian Aid Fund):

Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma  
Humanitarian Aid Fund  
5720 State Rd.  
P.O. Box 347180  
Parma, Ohio 44134

### **OPTION 2**

You can also send your donations to help Ukraine's Armed Forces through the National Bank of Ukraine, which would be greatly appreciated. This can be done online or through an international wire transfer via a local U.S. bank. All the info at the following official link:

<https://bank.gov.ua/en/news/all/natsionalniy-bank-vidkriv-spetsrahunok-dlya-zboru-koshtiv-na-potrebi-armiyi>

Here are the bank requisites base on the aforementioned link of the National Bank of Ukraine for making an international wire transfer via a local U.S. bank (in this case, a person would need to got o his/her bank and do it personally there on location):

**BENEFICIARY: National Bank of Ukraine**

**BENEFICIARY ACCOUNT NUMBER: 4330992708**

**BENEFICIARY BIC: NBUA UA UX**

**BENEFICIARY ADDRESS: 9 Instytutska St., Kyiv, 01601, Ukraine**

**INTERMEDIARY BANK NAME: JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, New York**

**INTERMEDIARY BANK ACCOUNT NUMBER: 80490258**

**INTERMEDIARY BANK BIC: CHASUS33**

**ABA: 0210 0002 1**

**INTERMEDIARY BANK ADDRESS: 383 Madison Ave, New York, NY 10017, USA**

**PURPOSE OF PAYMENT: for crediting account 47330992708**

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF UKRAINE! MAY OUR GOOD LORD REWARD YOU AND MAY HE BLESS UKRAINE, THE UNITED STATES, AND THE REST OF THE WORLD!**

For more information, please feel free to contact the parish office of Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church (Youngstown, Ohio) and St. Anne Ukrainian Catholic Church (Austintown, Ohio) at 330-744-5820/[yngholytrinity@att.net](mailto:yngholytrinity@att.net)

# Prayer Corner

**+ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Most Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we adore You, we praise You, we worship You, and we love You! We thank You for Your gift of life to us! We thank You for the overabundance of blessings that You bestow on us every day! We thank You for the gift of salvation that we received from You! We humbly ask You to help us to love You wholeheartedly and to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. We ask You to continue to bless us and to help us to be Your authentic adopted children. We ask You to have mercy on us, to cleanse us of our sins, and to fill our hearts with Your life-giving grace. In Your immense kindness, please heed these petitions that we present to You:

- for the end of the war in Ukraine, for all died during it, for the loved ones they left behind as well as for the enlightenment and conversion of the hearts and minds of Ukraine's aggressors, so that a sincere and truthful dialogue may lead to an authentic and lasting peace and reconciliation, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the end of all abortions in the world, for all the aborted and miscarried babies, for the healing of those who committed or assisted with abortions, for the conversion of all who are planning to commit abortions as well as for all the unborn babies in the world and their parents, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the end of the child slavery, child abuse, domestic abuse, gender ideology, prostitution, and human trafficking in the world, for all the victims both living and deceased as well as for the conversion of all who perpetrate these grave and heinous sins, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the vocations to the diaconate, sacred priesthood, and religious life, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the conversion to the true faith of all people in the world, who did not embrace the light of the Triune God yet, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the conversion of all sinners in the world, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the consolation of all persecuted Christians in the world, especially the ones in Asia, Middle East, and Africa and for the conversion of hearts and minds of those, who persecute them, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the end of all wars, conflicts, and violence in the world, especially for the establishment of the authentic and lasting peace, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all the refugees, the migrants, the poor, the hungry, the orphans, the half-orphans, and the homeless throughout the world – especially those who are children – we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all prisoners in the world, especially the ones on death row, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the liberation of all people in the world who are addicted to drugs, alcohol, smoking, and pornography, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the conversion of all people in the world, who have difficulty telling the truth and acting truthfully, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all people in the world, who are hopeless as well as those, who contemplate suicide, that their hearts may be filled with hope, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all widows and widowers in the world, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the healing of all sick people in the world, especially for the ones infected with the coronavirus, for the protection against it, for all people who are on the front lines in the fight against it, for all people who are working in public places, for the repose of the souls of all, who died from the virus as well as for the loved ones they left behind, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all unemployed people in the world and their families that they may find work soon, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for all faithful of the Catholic Church, especially all members of St. Josaphat Eparchy, as well as for all our families, relatives, friends, and acquaintances, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!
- for the deliverance of all souls from the Purgatory, we pray to You, O Lord! Lord, have mercy!

Most Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, we humbly ask You to grant all of these petitions in accordance with Your most holy will through the intercession of the Most Holy Theotokos and all the Angels and Saints and may You be praised forever and ever! Amen.

**+ In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Originally composed by Fr. Lubomir Zhybak in 2020 and revised on June 1, 2023.

Image: icon of the Most Holy Trinity, written by Mr. Dennis Bell in 2010, at Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church in Youngstown, OH (2014) [photo of the icon taken and edited by Luba Horsky].