

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**Sunday of Cheese-Fare, February 19, 2023**

9:00 AM - Lit For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

11:30 AM - Lit. Special Intention Sophie Wutkowski

On her 104th Birthday r/by Elizabeth Wutkowski**Tuesday, February 21, 2023**

6:30 PM - Stations of the Cross (English)

Wednesday, February 22, 2023

8:45 AM - Lit. + Ihor Chobit

r/by Wife Alla, Children and Korostil Family

6:30 PM - Stations of the Cross (Ukrainian)

Friday, February 24, 2023

6:30 PM - Stations of the Cross - One year of war in Ukraine

Saturday, February 25, 2023

9:00 AM - Divine Liturgy and Lenten Commemoration

5:00 PM - Lit. + Charles Biloholowski r/by Son & Family

1st Sunday of the Great Fast, February 26, 2023

Epistle - Heb 11:24-26, 32-12:2; Gospel - Mt 6:14-21

9:00 AM - Lit. + Olga M. Yurechko (1st Anniversary)

11:30 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

Gift Auction

St. Ann Society will be having their Spring Garden Tea Party Gift Auction on Sunday, March 5, 2023. Doors open at 12:00 PM and the auction starts at 2:00 PM. Many fabulous prizes, money raffle, gift card raffle, Lottery ticket raffle, and more. Complimentary cake and coffee. Tickets are \$20. See any St. Ann member or call the Rectory for tickets.

Sorokousty Memorial Services

As in the past, we will honor the memory of our beloved deceased with Sorokousty Memorial Services at 9 a.m. on all Saturdays of Lent beginning Saturday, February 25. If you would like your deceased family members commemorated during these services, please write their names on the envelope available in the back of the church, and give it to Fr. Ivan for remembrance.

Lenten Reminder

In keeping with the practice of the entire Eastern Catholic Church, Divine Liturgy is not celebrated on weekdays of Great Lent. In our church we will have an exception with the school liturgy on Wednesdays during Lent. The Divine Liturgy is a celebration of Pascha, and such a celebration is not in keeping with the somber, penitential character of the Lenten weekdays.

Donations to School

- \$3,000.00 - Andrei Kachala
- \$1,000.00 - Ukrainian National Federal Credit Union, Perth Amboy, NJ

Lenten Obligations

So that our church may be spiritually one in a common observance of Lent, the following obligations are to be observed by all Catholics who enjoy the blessings of good health:

- The days of fast and abstinence are Clean Monday, the first day of Lent and Good Friday.
- All other Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence.
- The obligation of fast applies only to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.
- Fasting in the Catholic tradition means to limit oneself to one full meal and two smaller meals which together are not equal to a full meal, so as to experience hunger.
- The obligation of abstinence applies to all Catholics who have reached the age of 14. Abstinence in the Catholic tradition means to abstain from meat.

School and Parish CLOTHING Drive

You can drop off your clothes at school or in the church basement on Saturday and Sundays after Liturgies. Our School will earn \$\$\$\$ for your gently used Men's, Women's and Children's Clothing & Coats, Sheets, Blankets, Bed Spreads, Quilts, and so on.

TODAY: Forgiveness Sunday

This is the last Sunday before the Great Lent, is also the last day of preparation. An important theme of this day is the Expulsion of Adam from Paradise, which reminds us of that from which we have fallen. Another theme is forgiveness, since we cannot even begin our spiritual journey without granting forgiveness to those who have offended us and asking forgiveness of those whom we have offended. A special feature of this day is the very moving Rite of Forgiveness ceremony at the conclusion of each Liturgy, at which we all ask and grant mutual forgiveness.

Stations of the Cross for Ukraine: God of Peace, rescue your children. Unite our family. End this war.

This year, on February 24, Ukrainians all over the world will gather to commemorate the most difficult year in recent modern history for our Ukrainian Motherland, when an unprovoked, genocidal military attack was launched against Ukraine, in direct violation of all international law. As a form of solidarity with all living in Ukraine and a prayer for all deceased, our parish will gather on Friday, February 24, at 6:30 in the evening to Pray the Stations of the Cross.

- *Loving God, in the Stations of the Cross you show your faithfulness to us, faithfulness even to your death on the cross. Be faithful now to all living in Ukraine. Grant them the salvation you revealed at Easter. Bring us all closer to your kingdom.*

The Providence Association of Ukrainian Catholics of America is a Ukrainian fraternal benefit society and life insurance company.

Today, Sunday, February 19, 2023 following 9:00 a.m. liturgy, the Providence Association will present a short lecture about financial products they provide, which will increase your wealth and provide security for your family in the future. As in 1912, our mission is to support and guide our Ukrainian community to financial security and wealth. All are invited to the church downstairs hall for the coffee and a light refreshments.

Love one another, as I have loved you.

Last Saturday, 28 young people from our parish attended the Youth Gathering at the convent of Sisters Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará, to talk about the Christian faith and consider the meaning of friendship today. Sisters prepared a talk for the youth that helped them to explore the qualities of true friendship, encounter Christ's teaching on friendship in the Bible and grow in their friendship with Him. Fr. Ivan Turyk in his talk used two balloons and static electricity to show how the true and committed friends stick together. All participants also played games, while enjoying slices of pizza, shared their teenage interests and hobbies and have formed new friendships rooted in their common love for Jesus Christ. They also surprised Sr. Svitanku with wishing her good health on her upcoming birthday.

- Dear parish youth, please come for our next gathering on Saturday, March 4 at 6:30 p.m. Laughter, conversation, food, God's word and a good time guaranteed!

Adult Faith Formation for Women.

Sisters continue their apostolic mission through the Christian education and formation of parish women. Please them at the convent for another faith formation class on Tuesday, February 22 (in Ukrainian) at 7:30 pm following the Stations of the Cross.

Invitation to the Youth of the Parish.

Sisters extend a friendly invitation to the young people up to 13 years old on Saturday, February 25 to join them at their convent at 6:30 pm.

Request - Home caregiver jobs needed.

Many Ukrainian Ladies that just recently arrived to our parish are seeking work with the elderly or children, and are able to live in or out. Please call the rectory if you know someone who needs help, 732-826-0767.