

## Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church

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### Divine Liturgy Schedule

February 19, 2017

**Saturday, February 18**

9:00AM

6:00 PM

**SOROKOUSTY IS CANCELLED**

† Pearl Shalaida- Barno Family

**Sunday, February 19**

10:30 AM

12:30PM

**SUNDAY OF MEATFARE**

God's Blessing & Good Health on All Parishioners

**MYASOPUSNA**

**Tuesday, February 21**

9:00AM

† Wayne & Ivy Duncan- Helen Lipowski

**Friday, February 24**

9:00AM

† Randy Yanoshak- Yanoshak Family

**Saturday, February 25**

6:00 PM

† Russell Yanoshak- Margaret Yanoshak

**Sunday, February 26**

10:30 AM

**SUNDAY OF CHEESEFARE**

God's Blessing & Good Health on All Parishioners

**FORGIVENESS SERVICE**

**Monday, February 27**

**\*\*\*STRICT FAST\*\*\***

**LENT BEGINS**

**Abstinence from Meat & Dairy Products (ages 14-60)**

### **Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)**

**Divine Liturgy: Saturday 4:00PM; Sunday 8:30AM**

**Weekday Liturgy: Thursday 9:00AM**

**20 Nottingham Street, Plymouth, PA**

**SUNDAY OF MEATFARE**  
**February 19, 2017**

**TROPAR:** By your cross you shattered death, and to the thief you opened up paradise. Into joy you turned the wailing of the myrrh-bearing women. You commanded the apostles to preach that you are risen. O Christ, our God, upon the world you bestow great mercy.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever and forever. Amen.**

**KONDAK :** No more can death's power detain humankind, for Christ has gone down, shattering and bringing to naught its might. Hell finds itself in chains. With one accord the prophets sing and rejoice. The Savior is present here, invitingly saying to those in the faith: come, all you faithful, into the resurrection.

**PROKIMEN:** The Lord will give strength to his people; the Lord will bless his people with peace. **Verse:** O bring to the Lord, you children of God, O bring to the Lord young rams.

**A reading from St. Paul's First Epistle to the Corinthians (8:8-9:2)**

Brethren, now food does not bring us closer to God. We suffer no loss through failing to eat, and we gain no favor by eating. Take care, however, lest in exercising your right, you become an occasion of sin to the weak. If someone sees you, with your "knowledge," reclining at the table in the temple of an idol, may not his conscience in its weak state be influenced to the point that he eats the idol offering? Because of your "knowledge" the weak one perishes, that brother for whom Christ died. When you sin thus against your brothers and wound their weak consciences, you are sinning against Christ. Therefore, if food causes my brother to sin I will never eat meat again, so that I may not be an occasion of sin to him. Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? And are you not my work in the Lord? Although I may not be an apostle for others, I certainly am one for You. You are the very seal of my apostolate in the Lord.

**Don't forget, God hears "knee mail."**



**ALLELUIA:** It is good to acknowledge the Lord and sing to your name, O most high. Alleluia (3). To proclaim your mercy in the morning and your truth throughout the night. Alleluia (3).

**GOSPEL Matthew 25:31-46**



The Lord said: "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' "The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.' "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' "He will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."



**COMMUNION VERSE:** Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia. (3).

**CONFESSION:** Let us prepare our souls by making good Confession and receiving Communion. The church prescribes a minimum to make a confession before Christmas and Easter. Holy Confession will be held as normal before all services with Father Walter. Confessions will be heard by visiting priests on march 26 (Stations of the Cross) and on March 18 by Father George Worshak.

## *Spiritual Regulations for the Great Fast*

*Abstinence from meat and all dairy products on the First Day of the Great Fast and on Good Friday.*

*Abstinence from meat at least on all Fridays of the Great Fast as well as Holy Saturday. It is also traditional to abstain from meat on Wednesdays.*

*Reception of the Holy Mysteries of Reconciliation before Ascension Thursday.*

*The Fasting and Abstinence regulations are not binding on people 60 or older, the very poor, sick, nursing or pregnant women, children below the age of 14, and those who engage in very hard labor. All are urged to observe the fasting and abstinence regulations to the best of their abilities.*

*All the faithful are urged to attend the Lenten services and Presanctified Liturgy.*

*Such good deeds as almsgiving, visitation of the sick, Bible reading and praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life are most earnestly recommended to all the Faithful.*

## *Great Fast Liturgical Guidelines*

*The weekdays of the Great Fast are aliturgical, there are no Eucharistic liturgies even for funerals. The sole exception is for the Feast of the Annunciation. On Wednesdays and Fridays the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is to be celebrated. Typika may be used the other days. For funerals, the liturgical text used by the New Jersey Protopresbyterate or St. Michael Church in Frackville may be utilized. The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great is celebrated Sundays.*

*During Holy Week, the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts is to be celebrated Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. There is no Divine Liturgy celebrated on Good Friday and Holy Saturday. On Holy Thursday evening, Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great should be celebrated. On Holy Saturday evening, Vespers with the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great is to be celebrated.*



## *Sunday of the Last Judgment (Meatfare Sunday)*

The Sunday of the Last Judgment is the third Sunday of a three-week period prior to the commencement of Great Lent. During this time, the services of the Church have begun to include hymns from the Triodion, a liturgical book that contains the services from the Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee, the tenth before Pascha (Easter), through Great and Holy Saturday. On this day, focus is placed on the future judgment of all persons who will stand before the throne of God when Christ

returns in His glory.



**Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners:** Please pray for our Parishioners **Nursing Homes:** Catherine Lachowecz, Mary Kozmoski, Theodore Kulmatiski, Dorothy Kopiak **Assisted Living:** Mary Manson, Anna Hopiak **At Home:** John & Mary Hoolick, Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Dorothy Swiderski. Sophie Staronka, Elizabeth Hoover **Away:** Leona Kobela, Irene Diakiw.



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# **The Great Fast 2017**

## **Wyoming Valley Sunday Stations of the Cross**



**March 5 – First Sunday of Lent**

Ss. Peter & Paul, Wilkes-Barre

**March 12 – Second Sunday of Lent**

Ss. Peter & Paul, Plymouth

**March 19 – Third Sunday of Lent**

St. Nicholas, Glen Lyon

**March 26 – Fourth Sunday of Lent**

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**April 2 – Fifth Sunday of Lent**

St. Vladimir, Edwardsville

Confessions at 3:30 p.m. by guest clergy  
Rosary at 3:45 p.m. by all faithful present  
Stations begin at 4 p.m., led by laymen  
Refreshments and Fellowship afterward.

## LOTTERY TICKET WINNERS:

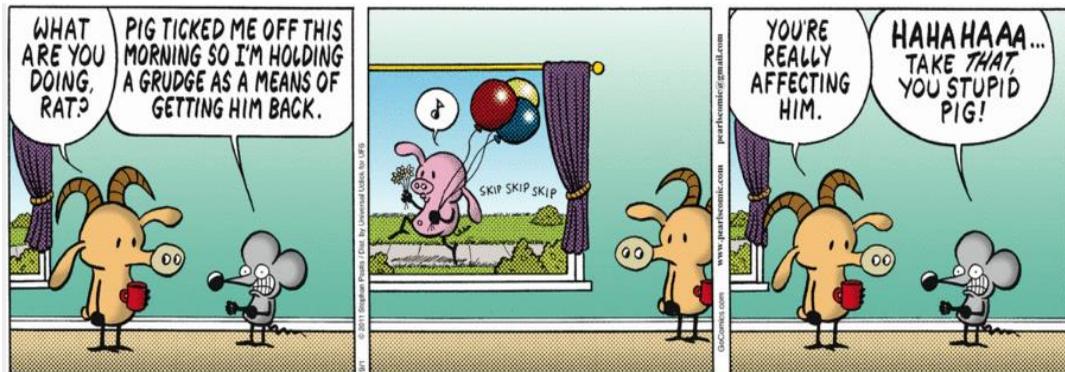
### Winning tickets

February 11, Saturday	482	Not Sold
February 12, Sunday	912	Mary Louise Bailey
February 13, Monday	162	Lisa Placek
February 14, Tuesday	293	Richard Barno
February 15, Wednesday	334	Todd Wood
February 16, Thursday	272	Bobby Miles
February 17, Friday	655	Not Sold

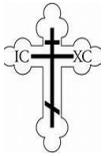


**Congratulations to our Winners!!!!**

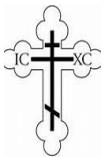
**LOTTERY NEWS:** I have a winning ticket for **Barbara Marsellas**, however I do not have a street address and the phone number hangs up on me. Whoever sold this ticket, can you please contact Lisa Placek at 570-574-1016. I would like to get the check to it's owner.



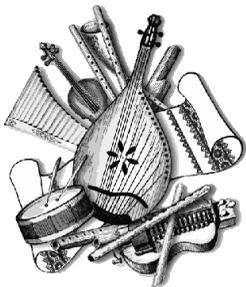
## CHURCH NEWS .....



**SYMPATHY:** Please remember in your prayers the soul of **Mrs. Helen O'Bremski** who fell asleep in the Lord on **Saturday, February 11, 2017**. Mrs. O'Bremski was active member of our Parish participating in the St. Ann's Guild & Mother Seton Guild. She will be best remembered for her baking, her pyrohy-making and her beautiful crochet work. She will be sorely missed by everyone whose life her touched. May Our Lord grant her rest in the bosom of Abraham, may she be numbered among the saints and may her memory be eternal. **Vichnaya pamyat. May Her Memory Be Eternal. Our deepest sympathies are extended to the O'Bremski, Kaminsky, and Dougherty Families.**



**SYMPATHY:** Please remember in your prayers the soul of +Horace Hitchens, beloved father of our priest and Seminary Rector, Father Robert Hitchens, who fell asleep in the Lord, Thursday, February 16, 2017. Vichnaya pamyat. May His Memory Be Eternal. Our deepest sympathies are extended to the Hitchens Family.



**MYASOPUSNA 2017: IT'S THIS SUNDAY! MAKE SURE YOU BUY YOUR TICKETS!** Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church, in the Hanover Section of Nanticoke, invites you to its Myasopusna dinner celebration on **Meatfare Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**, at the church hall, at Bliss and Center Streets. Doors will open at noon, with Ukrainian crafts on display and for sale throughout the event. Dinner will be served at 12:30pm-2:00pm.

**MYASOPUSNA MEMORIAL:** It is with great sadness this year that we once again move forward with our Myasopusna Dinner without the company of our local psanky artist, Mr. Frank Kobela. His presence will be sorely missed. What lovely eggs he would bring, year after year for our Psanky Raffle! He would donate his time and his talents for his church. **Vichnaya Pamyat. May His Memory Be Eternal.**

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:** The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm**. Everyone is invited to participate!

**UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS.....**

**THE ISLAND MOVIE:** On **Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>** we will show the movie, "The Island" at our Parish Coffee Hour. The movie has a penitential theme which we may reflect upon for the lenten season. A light lunch will be served. Please sign up in the back of the church.

**WEEKEND PRESENTATION:** A schedule of **Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> and Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>** is planned for a guest speaker, Hugh Owen from the Kolbe Center for the Study of Creation. He will give a two-part presentation, part one will be at Ss. Peter & Paul Church, Plymouth on Saturday evening and part two at Transfiguration of Our Lord Church on Sunday. Everyone is welcome, invite your neighbors, friends and family members.

**WEEKEND RETREAT ON MARCH 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>:** Father George Worshak will give a retreat **during the liturgies** (for the homily) Saturday and Sunday. You will benefit greatly from attending both liturgies and hearing both parts of his presentation on the Veneration of the Cross. Father George will also be hearing Confessions on Saturday during liturgy.

**MARCH FLEA MARKET SATURDAYS:** Tentatively we will be holding a flea market on Saturdays in the month of March. (Actual dates to be announced.) **Please hang on to your flea market items until Myasopusna is over!!** Storage is limited until then- but start collecting!! **We need merchandise for sale!** If you have any questions, please contact Johanna Longenberger at 570-256-7883.

**SVIACHENNE DINNER:** Sviachenne will be held on Sunday, April 30, 2017.



**Weekly Candle Intentions**

**Candle Before Christ** is given by Mary Ann Jarolen in memory of Hvozda & Frankowski Families.

**Candle Before the Theotokos** is given by Tom & Mary Potsko for a Special Intention.

## LOCAL CHURCH NEWS.....

**LUC MEETING – RESCHEDULED:** Due to inclement weather, the League of Ukrainian Catholics meeting originally **planned for Thursday, February 9, 2017** has been **rescheduled for Thursday, March 2**, at 5:00pm at Grotto Pizza, 36 Gateway Shopping Center, Edwardsville, PA. Main agenda item will be hosting Convention 2017 which will be held the weekend of October 6, 7 and 8 in Wilkes-Barre.

**PIGGIE DINNER:** "Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, Wilkes- Barre will hold a take-out Piggie / Holubtsi Dinner on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Dinners may be picked up between 11:30 am and 2:00 pm at the Parish School Hall, corner of North River and West Chestnut Streets, Wilkes-Barre. Dinner includes Piggies (meat stuffed cabbage), mashed potatoes, vegetable, bread and butter and dessert. Dinners will be \$11.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children (12 and under). Walk-Ins Welcome but Reservations are encouraged, call (570)829-3051."



**LUC BUS TRIP:** Our North Anthracite Council of the League of Ukrainian Catholics has received a good number of inquiries as to a bus trip again this year to New York City for the annual St. George Ukrainian Street Festival and as a result we are now seriously considering such a trip. If we receive sufficient interest we will charter a 55 passenger Martz bus for Sunday, May 21st which will pick up passengers in Edwardsville and Scranton. Please note that it would be a Sunday trip and not Saturday. Of course, passengers are welcome to do their own thing in Manhattan if they so wish. Cost would be \$40.00 per person.

**COLLECTION: Feb. 5; -Total:\$ 896;Weekly:\$348;Candles:\$212;Dues:\$80;Dio.:\$6; Maint.:\$10;HolyDays:\$38;MyasopusnaDonation:\$50;Energy:\$20;BlessedCandles:\$132.**

**DIVINE LITURGIES:** Please consider remembering your loved ones with a memorial liturgy. If you would like a liturgy scheduled on a particular day, even months in advance, contact the rectory at 570-735-2262. *(The liturgy can be scheduled and the donation can be made later.)*

**SOROKOUSTY (Remembrance of our Beloved Deceased) :** Lent will begin on Monday, February 27, the first All Soul's Saturday is the 18<sup>th</sup> of February, and as is the usual custom of our church, we will remember our dearly departed ones by our private prayers and during Sorokousty – a special service for the deceased. Use the special remembrance envelope, submit the names of your deceased and plan on attending Sorokousty services.



## FEBRUARY CANDLES

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Hvozda Family in loving memory of Mike Hvozda.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Mary Ann Jarolen for a Special Intention.

The **Proskomedia Table** is given by Joan Cominsky in loving memory of John Petrochko Jr.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Lisa Placek for Blessings on the Lipowski-Placek Families.