

Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Divine Liturgy Schedule

February 18, 2018

Saturday, February 17

6:00PM

✠Michael Hvozda- MaryAnn Jarolen

Sunday, February 18

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

10:30AM

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners

Wednesday, February 21

4:00PM

Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)

Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

Friday, February 23

6:30PM

Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

Saturday, February 24

6:00PM

✠John Cominsky- Joan Cominsky

Sunday, February 25

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

10:30AM

SUNDAY OF GREGORY PALAMAS

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners

Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)

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

20 Nottingham Street, Plymouth, PA

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY
February 18, 2018

TROPAR: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection and cast off the ancestral condemnation, they proudly told the apostles: "Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen, granting to the world great mercy."

TROPAR: We bow before Your most pure image, O kind Lord, and beg pardon for our sins, O Christ our God. Of Your own will You consented to ascend the Cross in the flesh to free Your handiwork from enslavement to the enemy. In thanksgiving we cry aloud to You: by coming to save the world, our Saviour, You filled all things with joy.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

KONDAK: The uncircumscribed Word of the Father became circumscribed when He took flesh of you, O Mother of God, and when He restored the divine image to its ancient glory, He suffused it with the beauty of God. Therefore, confessing our salvation in deed and word, we portray it in images.

PROKIEMENON: Blessed are You, Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Your Name for ever. *verse:* For You are righteous in everything You have done to us.

A reading from St. Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews (11:24-26.32-40;12:2):

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he had grown up, refused to be known as the son of Pharaoh's daughter; he wished to be ill-treated along with God's people rather than enjoy the fleeting rewards of sin. Moses considered the reproach borne by God's Anointed greater riches than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. What more shall I recount? I have no time to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets, who by faith conquered kingdoms, did what was just, obtained the promises; they broke the jaws of lions, put out raging fires, escaped the devouring sword; though weak they were made powerful, became strong in battle, and turned back foreign invaders. Women received back their dead through resurrection. Others were tortured and would not receive deliverance, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Still others endured mockery, scourging, even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, sawed in two, put to death at sword's point; they went about garbed in the skins of sheep or goats, needy, afflicted, tormented. The world was not worthy of them. They wandered

about in deserts and on mountains, they dwelt in caves and in holes of the earth. Yet despite the fact that all of these were approved because of their faith; they did not obtain what had been promised. God had made a better plan, which included us. Without us, they were not to be made perfect. Therefore, since we for our part, are surrounded by this cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every encumbrance of sin, which clings to us and persevere in running the race which lies ahead.



ALLELUIA: Alleluia(3). Moses and Aaron are among His priests and Samuel among those who call upon His name. Alleluia(3). They called on the Lord, and He heard them. Alleluia(3)

Gospel of John 1:43-51



The next day he wanted to set out for Galilee, but first he came upon Phillip. "Follow me," Jesus said to him. Now Phillip was from Bethsaida, the same town as Andrew and Peter. Phillip sought out Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses spoke of in the law-the prophets too-Jesus, son of Joseph, from Nazareth." Nathanael's response to that was, "Can anything good come from Nazareth?" and Phillip replied, "Come, see for yourself." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he remarked: "This man is a true Israelite. There is no guile in him." "How do you know me?"

Nathanael asked him. "Before Phillip called you," Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree." "Rabbi," said Nathanael, "you are the Son of God; you are the king of Israel." Jesus responded: "Do you believe just because I told you I saw you under the fig tree? You will see much greater things than that." He went on to tell them, "I solemnly assure you, you shall see the sky opened and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."

INSTEAD IF "IT IS TRULY RIGHT...": In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angelic ranks and all the human race. Sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, virgins' pride and boast, from whom God is made flesh and became a little Child; and He who is our God before all ages, He made your womb a throne, and He made it wider than all the heavens. In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory be to you.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

CHURCH NEWS ..

Offering Envelopes



CHURCH ENVELOPES & CALENDARS: Church envelopes and calendars are in the church basement for pick-up. If you don't see your envelopes there, please contact the rectory so that we can arrange to have envelopes for you. **PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME ON EVERY DONATION ENVELOPE AS THE NUMBERS HAVE CHANGED. THANK YOU!**

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION CLASSES: We will have our next class **Saturday, March 3** immediately following Divine Liturgy. In preparation, read Genesis Chapters 7-20. We are continuing with Noah's flood up to God's call of Abraham.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: The next Parish Meeting will be on Tuesday, March 13 at 6:30PM. Some of the topics to be discussed will be the Penguins game on April 7th.

LOTTERY TICKETS: Lottery Tickets are available for sale. Keep an eye out for lottery tickets for the month of June.

JOINT SVIACHENNE: Transfiguration of Our Lord Church and Ss. Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth) have agreed to have a joint Sviachenne. A joint meeting to discuss the particulars will be announced. The date of the Sviachenne will be April 15 at Transfiguration of Our Lord Church Hall.

RETREAT FELLOWSHIP: On Monday, March 5 immediately following Vespers we will have a fellowship in conjunction with our retreat. We are looking for people to organize the fellowship. If you can help, please contact Father Walter at 570-735-2262.

PIZZA OVENS: We have pizza ovens for sale that the church no longer uses. For more information, please contact the rectory. If you know someone that might be interested in a pizza oven, please contact the rectory.

PENGUINS GAME: The official date for our Penguins Game outing is Saturday, April 7. Please save the date.



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners
Nursing Homes: 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 **Away:** Leona Kobela, Peter Slota; Doris Conrad. **Prayer Request:** Mike Sawczuk; Sister Iliana; Father Daniel, Michelle Miller; Father Mark, Deacon Paul, Kerri; Father Mark; Anna Kutsup.

LOCAL CHURCH NEWS...



BUS TRIP: Scranton's St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church is sponsoring a springtime bus trip to New York City on Saturday, May 19, 2018. There will be two stops in Manhattan: the 911 Memorial Museum at Ground Zero and the 42nd annual St. George Ukrainian Street Festival on the Lower East Side. Adults \$70.00; Seniors 65+ \$64.00; Youth 7 to 17 yrs. \$62.00. For additional details and to make reservations contact Dave Pietryka at 570 954-8517 or Paul Ewasko at 570 563-2275.



PSANKY WORKSHOP: Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church, Olyphant, will a psanky workshops on Sundays, March 4, March 11 & March 18 at 2:00pm. The cost of the workshop is \$20-\$25 for more information contact Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church at 570-489-2271 and email: sscyrilmethodius@comcast.net.



FAMILY HAM & CABBAGE DINNER: St Andrew Parish is holding a Family Ham & Cabbage Dinner on Sunday, March 4th, in their Church Hall (St. Patrick's) on Parrish St. in Wilkes-Barre from Noon to 4 PM or until sold out. The dinner will consist of ham, cabbage, potatoes, butter beans, bread, dessert, and beverage. The cost is \$12 for adults, which includes the meal and a complimentary Theme Basket ticket. All tickets will be sold at the door. Take-outs available.



Deanery Stations of the Cross

- February 18 – First Sunday of Lent**
Ss. Peter & Paul, Wilkes-Barre
- February 25 – Second Sunday of Lent**
Ss. Peter & Paul, Plymouth
- March 4 – Third Sunday of Lent**
St. Nicholas, Glen Lyon
- March 11 – Fourth Sunday of Lent**
Transfiguration of Our Lord, Nanticoke
- March 18 – Fifth Sunday of Lent**
St. Vladimir, Edwardsville

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

LENTEN RETREAT:

The week of March 4th to 9th is planned for a Great Fast R etreat Week.



- Sunday, March 4- Stations of the Cross-** St. Nicholas Church (Glen Lyon) 4:00PM
- Monday, March 5- Vespers** at Transfiguration of Our Lord 6:00PM
- Tuesday, March 6- Ss. Peter & Paul (WB)** Akathist to the Passion of Christ 6:00PM
- Wednesday, March 7- Ss. Peter & Paul (Plymouth)** Presanctified Liturgy 6:00PM
- Thursday, March 8- Ss. Cyril & Methodius Church(Berwick)** 6:00PM
- Friday, March 9- St. Vladimir Church (Edwardsville)** 6:00PM

Confessions will begin at 5:30PM on weekdays and 3:30PM on Sunday. Father Deacon Michael Waak, the retreat master, will speak at each service. **EVERYONE IS INVITED!!** The spiritual purpose of the Mission will be that we all learn more together about God and our Faith. After each Lenten service and talk, there will be a reception, during which there will be a question and answer period between the people and the clergy. Bring any questions you may have about Jesus, our Faith, our church, and why we worship the way we do. Remember, there is no "dumb" question, except the one you have but didn't ask. Don't be shy! The more we know about our Jesus Christ and our Faith, the stronger our Faith will become.

Hope to see you at our Mission!

The Beatitudes: Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are the meek: for they shall possess the land. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after justice: for they shall have their fill. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. Blessed are the clean of heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they that suffer persecution for justice' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye when they shall revile you, and persecute you, and speak all that is evil against you, untruly, for my sake: Be glad and rejoice, for your reward is very great in heaven.



FEBRUARY CANDLES

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are
Given by Dr. Richard Barno for the Health of the
Holy Year Choir Members.

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Irene Hvozda
In loving memory of Michael Hvozda.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Lisa Placek
For Special Intention.

Candle Intentions Before the Icon for the Month of February

Candle Before Christ is given by MaryAnn Jarolen in memory of
Hvozda & Frankowski Families.

Candle Before John the Baptist is given by MaryAnn, Jenn & Tom
For God's Blessings & Good Health for Michael Oresick.

Candle Before the Theotokos is given by Anna Kutsup
In loving memory of Peter Kutsup.

**The Church Bulletins for the month of February are donated by the Skordy Family in
loving memory of deceased members of the Yachwan Family.**