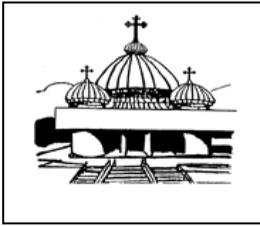


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**DIVINE LITURGY:**

**SUNDAY:** 9:00 a.m. (Ukrainian) **SUNDAY** 10:30 a.m. (English)

**SATURDAY :** 4:00 pm (English)

**Confession:** Before Divine Liturgies 9:00 am and 10:30 am on Sundays or anytime upon request.

**Baptisms & Marriages:** By prior arrangement (at least 1 year before the marriage date), through the parish office.

**Visitations & Anointing of the Sick:** Please notify the office if a member of your family is in need of a visit.

**February 3, 2019 - 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:15-17 see explanation on page 467

Gospel: **Luke 18:35-43** see explanation on page 184

Propers for the Divine Liturgy: ***Tone 3***

**Prayer Intentions February 4-10**

<b>Monday</b>		No Divine Liturgy
<b>Tuesday</b>		No Divine Liturgy
<b>Wednesday</b>		No Divine Liturgy
<b>Thursday</b>		No Divine Liturgy
<b>Friday</b>	5:30 p.m.	Intention of Priests – Barbara-Ann Spak
<b>Saturday</b>	4:00 p.m.	+Margaret (Carol Shyminky's sister)- Mr. & Mrs. Pawluch
<b>Sunday</b>	9:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – Ukrainian – for Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	Health & Salvation of Sonia Hucal- Fr. Peter

**PYROHY WORKSHOP:** Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

**FINANCES:**

Available in the printed version of the bulletin.

**Thank you very much for your generosity!**

**Жертводавцям складаємо щирю подяку!**

**VALENTINE'S DAY BINGO:** Saturday, February 9, 2019. Doors open 11:30 a.m. Admission \$12 includes one bingo card and a delicious lunch and door prizes. Extra cards \$1. On special – winner take all – 2 cards for \$1.

**THANK YOU!** A heartfelt thank you goes to the Kitchen Staff and volunteers for the delicious Jordan Supper they prepared and served. Thank you also to all who attended our Parish community meal together. God bless you!

**EXTREME COLD:** Due to the extreme cold we have had this year a water pipe burst and flooded the hall and adjoining rooms. First General is looking after the clean-up and restoration. Estimate of damages is yet to be determined.

**BLESSING OF HOMES:** Blessing of homes will be by appointment only. If you wish to have your home blessed, please call the parish office at (705) 675-8244.

**HOLY WATER CONTAINER DONATIONS:** St. Mary's would greatly appreciate donations towards the recent purchase of our new large "Stainless Steel Holy Water" container with a spigot. Please bring a jar to take some Holy Water home which was blessed on the Feast of Theophany! May God Bless you abundantly for your generosity in support our church! Fr. Peter

**Donation Envelopes:** Please see Lillian before or after Sunday Divine Liturgy if you wish to start using regular donations using a box of Sunday Donation Envelopes. Donations help to support the expenses of our church.

**He kept calling out all the more. (Luke 18:39)**

Soon-to-be-Blessed Solanus Casey was a Capuchin friar and priest who lived in a friary in Detroit, Michigan. Fr. Casey's job was to be the porter, the man who answered the door and offered hospitality to visitors. This job allowed everyone who came to the friary to come to know this humble, unassuming man.

Over time, the visitors became so comfortable with Fr. Casey that they began sharing their prayer requests with him—some of them quite personal. Fr. Casey assured them that he would pray, and he always told them, "Thank God ahead of time." Such was his faith that God would surely answer their prayers!

Solanus Casey's faith has some similarity to the faith of the blind beggar in today's Gospel. Both had a high degree of confident expectation in the Lord. Despite the crowd urging him to quiet down, the blind man "kept calling out all the more" (Luke 18:39). He was sure that Jesus would help him if he could just get his attention. And that's just what happened. Jesus recognized this man's trust, so he told him, "Have sight; your faith has saved you" (18:42). In some ways, each one of us is like this blind beggar. We all have a certain degree of blindness in that we cannot see precisely how and when God will answer our prayers. Like this man, we may feel we have been crying out to God for a long time but without any answer.

As we continue to call out to the Lord, we have the opportunity to deepen our faith. The "crowd" of our own worry, fear, and doubt may try to make us give up, but we can be sure that our persistence will be rewarded. We can be sure that, just as he did for this blind man, Jesus will hear and answer us.

So go ahead and be like Fr. Casey. Use your gift of faith. Act on it. Persist. Even thank God ahead of time! Follow Jesus' three-step approach to intercession: ask for it in prayer, believe that you will receive it, and "it shall be yours"—according to God's good timing and his great wisdom (Mark 11:24).

"Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me! Lord, I believe that you will never let me down."

**... so that in me, as the foremost [of sinners], Christ Jesus might display all his patience as an example. (1 Timothy 1:16)**

It can be very easy to feel dejected in the Christian life, especially when we struggle with a pattern of sin that is hard to break. And we may very well think that to be a good Christian, we need to be on our best behavior and always appear perfectly holy. Isn't that the way to win people over? But in reality, our witness has the potential to shine even more brightly as we actively engage in the struggle against sin and as we acknowledge our weakness and receive God's mercy.

Look at St. Paul. From the moment of his conversion, he learned that God could take a sinner—whether it's someone battling against sin or even someone completely oblivious to God—and transform him or her. And as Paul demonstrates, that transformed life can be a very compelling testimony! It shows more than just the timeless truths of the gospel; it demonstrates how the gospel is lived out in the rough-and-tumble of everyday life. This is

why Paul told Timothy that in the end, his most powerful testimony was the example of God’s mercy working in him.

So don’t be afraid of your failures! Of course, don’t rejoice in them. But be sure not to let your moments of weakness—past or present—keep you from walking into the future God has for you. It’s the devil’s job to accuse us and to keep us under a cloud of oppression. But it’s the Holy Spirit’s job to convince us that nothing can separate us from the love of God. It’s also the Spirit’s job to take a messy situation and turn it to good—even if that “good” is the witness of your repentance, your growth in humility, or your deepening relationship with the Lord.

At every Easter Vigil, we rejoice in the “happy fault that earned so great, so glorious, a Redeemer.” We rejoice in the fact that Jesus is constantly at work in us, using even our weaknesses to demonstrate his power. May we all embrace our role to be witnesses to the gospel—witnesses of reconciliation and transformation!

“Lord, I trust you to use my weakness to demonstrate your mercy and power!”

## **Молитва 3.02**

Господи, Ти дав мені заповідь Твою – любити, і я приймаю її усім моїм єством; але в собі самому не знаходжу сили цієї любові. Ти єси Любов; тож прийди і сам оселися в мені, і звершуй все те, що Ти заповідав нам, бо заповідь Твоя безмірно перевищує мене. Знемагає ум мій пізнавати Тебе; не може дух мій проникнути в тайни життя Твого. Хочу у всьому творити волю Твою, але дні мої спливають у безвихідних протиріччях. Боюся втратити Тебе через ті злі помисли, що в серці моєму; і страх цей розпинає мене. Тож прийди і спаси мене потопаючого, як спас Ти Петра, який наслідився піти Тобі назустріч по морських водах.

*Молитва Софронія Сахарова*

**Feb 9/10 & 16/17** February Gathering in Preparation for the New Evangelization Summit



**Fanning the Flame: Journey to the New Evangelization Summit** You are invited to join us for an evening of discussion, prayer, fellowship and celebration Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> 7-9 pm.

(Registration starts at 6:30) at Our Lady of Hope Church, 591 Brennan Road. This is a lead-up event in preparation for the May 2019 New Evangelization Summit. Guest speaker is Fr. Raymond Akor, "*Fanning into Flame the Gift of God in Us*". Even though you may not have even thought about the May summit, please join us for the evening. There is no cost to attend any of these events. For more information, contact: [infonesummit@gmail.com](mailto:infonesummit@gmail.com) or 705-566-1876

**Mar 2/3 & 16/17** (every second week) Initial Announcements for the New Evangelization Summit



**Catching the Flame: The 5<sup>th</sup> annual New Evangelization Summit is Back!**

You are invited to join us **Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** -8:45 a.m.- 4:45 p.m. for New Evangelization Summit at **St.**

**Benedict Catholic Separate School.** This year's conference will include 6 world class speakers live-streamed from Ottawa providing inspiration, encouragement, training, practical wisdom and resources on how we as Catholics & Christians can effectively evangelize.

This FREE event includes lunch and light refreshments. Anyone wishing to attend can register at the parish office or on-line at [newevangelization.ca](http://newevangelization.ca)

For more information, visit [www.newevangelization.ca](http://www.newevangelization.ca), email [infonesummit@gmail.com](mailto:infonesummit@gmail.com) or call 705-566-1876.



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