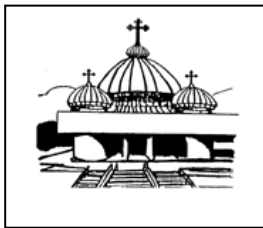


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DIVINE LITURGY:

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.

March 10, 2019 - Cheese Fare Sunday

Epistle: **Romans 13:11-14:4** see explanation on page 368

Gospel: **Matthew 6:14-21** see explanation on page 19

Propers for the Divine Liturgy: ***Tone 8***

Prayer Intentions March 11-17

Monday		No Divine Liturgy
Tuesday		No Divine Liturgy
Wednesday	5:30 p.m.	Presanctified Liturgy
Thursday	5:00 p.m.	Special Intention for Donald Robert Checalosky – Anne (sister)
Friday	5:30 p.m.	Sorokousty
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+ Nellie Yaroshchak – Fr. Peter
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy – Ukrainian
	10:30 a.m.	In thanksgiving Pauline Yawney – Mr. & Mrs. S. Yawney

PYROHY WORKSHOP: Thursday, March 14th, 9:00 a.m. Everyone welcome!



“Raise Gold for Hunter”

Hunter, the son of our parishioners, was diagnosed with brain cancer on April 5, 2018 and has been travelling back and forth to Sick Kids in Toronto for both chemo therapy and radiation treatments. Although Hunter has been supported through OHIP for most of the costs associated with his treatments, equipment and other medical necessities are not covered and are extremely costly for the family.

Anyone wishing to make a donation to help the family, please make a donation payable to St. Mary’s Church. Please, keep Hunter and his family in your prayers and ask our Good Lord to heal Hunter from this illness. On behalf of the family, I thank you in advance for your gift from the heart. Fr. Peter

PYSANKA (EASTER EGG) WORKSHOP: Saturday, March 16th at 11 a.m. Everyone is welcome!

YARD SALE: May 25th. Donations of new or gently used items will be greatly appreciated. They can be dropped off at the Parish off.

GREAT LENT- will begin TOMORROW, Monday, March 11th. A reminder that our faithful are obligated to observe a strict fast on this day. This means that NO DAIRY AND MEAT products are allowed.

CHALLENGE FOR GREAT LENT – Again, I invite you to put a Bible Book on your kitchen table for the time of the Great Lent (40days). Every time when you sit to eat, open the Bible and nourish your soul before you eat.

Prayer before reading Bible

Illuminate our hearts, O Master Who lovest mankind, with the pure light of Thy divine knowledge. Open the eyes of our mind to the understanding of Thy gospel teachings. Implant also in us the fear of Thy blessed commandments, that trampling down all carnal desires, we may enter upon a spiritual manner of living, both thinking and doing such things as are well-

pleasing unto Thee. For Thou art the illumination of our souls and bodies, O Christ our God, and unto Thee we ascribe glory, together with Thy Father, Who is from everlasting, and Thine all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

REMEMBERING OF THE DECEASED – in our tradition, during the great lent, we have a special prayer service called, **“Parastas – Sorokousty”**. During the great lent, every Friday and on All Souls Saturdays, the names of deceased persons submitted to the priest will be read aloud and prayed for. Please update your Family Memorial List and return them to the parish office. Also, please use blue special offering envelop for your offering. One offering for Sorokousty suffices for the year’s services. May the memory of our ancestors be everlasting

СОРОКОУСТИ – просимо хто має бажання, щоб ми поминали померлих з ваших родин, повідомити канцелярію або покласти список імен в конверті на особисті потреби і покласти на тацу. Поминання помершив будуть у кожную п’ятницю.

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Thank you very much for your generosity! Жертводавцям складаємо щиру подяку!

EASTER FLOWERS DONATIONS: Donations for St. Mary’s Easter Flowers may be made, “In Memory,” of your loved deceased family members by using a blue Special Donation envelope. The names will be published, **“In Memory in St Mary’s Easter Bulletin.”** Please indicate “Easter Flowers” on the envelope.

ПОЖЕРТВИ НА ЦВІТИ ДО БОЖОГО ГРОБУ – запрошуємо парафіян пожертвувати на квіти до Божого Гробу. Можна це зробити в пам’ять тих що відійшли у вічність. Список жертводавців буде поданий у Великодньому віснику. Просимо вживати сині конвертки на ту ціль і підписати на Цвіти до Божого Гробу Широ Дякуємо за вашу щедрість!

SPIRITUAL RETREAT – this year, Dr. Fr. Roman Rytsar again will be our retreat master. The retreat starts on Saturday, March 23 and concludes on Sunday 24, 2019. We invite all to participate and take this opportunity to receive a sacrament of reconciliation (confession).

This year theme will be: The Beatitudes (Matthew 5:1-12) The Beatitudes are eight blessings recounted by Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount in the Gospel of Matthew. Each is a proverb-like proclamation, without narrative. Four of the blessings also appear in the Sermon on the Plain in the Gospel of Luke, followed by four woes which mirror the blessings.

THE PRAYER OF ST. EPHREM - A PRAYER FOR LENT The Prayer of Saint Ephraim the Syrian is traditionally said many times throughout each day during Great Lent, in addition to our daily prayers.

O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, faintheartedness, lust of power, and idle talk. (+)

But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience and love to your servant. (+)

Yes, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own sin and not to judge my brother, for You are blessed from all ages to all ages. Amen. (+)

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Yes, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own sin and not to judge my brother, for You are blessed from all ages to all ages.

O God, be merciful to me, a sinner; O God, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy on me.

I have sinned without number, forgive me, O Lord!

Молитва св. Єфрема

Господи і Владико життя мого! Духа лінивства, недбайливости, властолюб'я і пустомбства віджени від мене. *(Доземний поклін).*

Духа чистоти, покори, терпелйвости й любови даруй мені, слугі твоему. *(Доземний поклін).*

Так, Господи, Царю! Дай мені бачити гріхи мої і не осуджувати брата мого, бо ти благословенний на віки вічні. Амінь. *(Доземний поклін).*

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Боже, милостивий будь мені грішному! Боже, очисти гріхи мої і помилуй мене! Без числа нагрішив я, Господи, прости мені! *(12 малих поклонів).*

*Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth. . . . But store up treasures in heaven.
(Matthew 6:19-20)*

Earthly treasures—we all know what those are. We can see and touch the shiny sports car, the elegant evening dress, the big new home, and all the other creature comforts that

money can buy. Compared to vague and elusive heavenly treasures, these things seem so real and attractive, especially when a neighbor has them, and we long for the money to "have it all" too.

Why would Jesus warn us about these earthly treasures that seem to make so many people happy? The answer to this may be summed up in two words—temporary and shortsighted. We are destined for eternity, but the treasures of the world are not. It's shortsighted to set our hearts on things that will fade away. What will last forever, Jesus says, is the treasure of heaven. This treasure really is worth seeking, because it's the only one that will truly satisfy and will last forever.

The heavenly treasure Jesus promises has two aspects. First, there are the rewards waiting for us at the end of time. At the Last Judgment, we will each receive our recompense for every act of love and obedience to Christ—every cup of water for the thirsty, every sinful thought brought captive to Christ, every moment submitted to his will. Jesus has prepared a place for us in the beautiful new Jerusalem, where there is no darkness, sickness, or pain. He will reign there as Lord, and we will see him face to face! The second aspect of heavenly treasure is what we can experience here and now. For those submitted to Christ, life on earth is filled with glimpses of heaven: freedom from crushing guilt, power over persistent sin, a dynamic, personal relationship with the Creator of the universe, clarity and purpose for living, deep friendships with brothers and sisters in the Lord, conviction of the truth and clarity about right and wrong, the ability to forgive, strength in weakness, peace in times of trial, joy in the knowledge of salvation, hope for the future, divine wisdom for everyday situations, healing, even miracles. When you stop to think about it, no luxury car or mansion can possibly compare!

"Jesus, thank you for so extravagantly lavishing on me the good gifts of your kingdom."

Forgiveness

By: Benedict Groeschel, CFR, and Bert Ghezzi

Bear with one another; forgive each other if one of you has a complaint against another. The Lord has forgiven you; now you must do the same. —Colossians 3:13 (NJB)

If mercy were a sin, I believe I could not keep from committing it.—St. Bernard of Clairvaux
Revenge comes easy to us. We chuckle at the bumper sticker that says, "I don't get mad. I get even." We like it because it expresses feelings that run deep in our disordered human natures. We often want to damage a person who damages us. When someone cuts us off in traffic, it's easier to wish him a flat tire than a blessing. Maybe even four flat tires.

But God says no to our desires for vengeance. "For my thoughts are not your thoughts," he says, "nor are your ways my ways" (Isaiah 55:8). And his thoughts and ways are rich in forgiveness (55:7), which he freely offers and prescribes for us as well. That's why Jesus required that we forgive those who trespass against us in the prayer he taught us and warned that if we did not forgive them, his Father would not forgive us (see Matthew 6:12, 14-15).

Okay. We can meet this requirement when the offense is trivial. God bless that nasty person who keyed the fender of my new car. But when the offense seems unbearably big, we wonder if we can manage to forgive. I know the Christian teaching on forgiveness. I pray the Lord's Prayer often, forgiving those who have trespassed against me. But when someone offends me, I need something to prompt me to do it. I hope that in the heat of anger and pain, I let God touch me with the grace to forgive.

Наставнику, Учителю, Захиснику, Милостивий, помилуй мене, падшого

Премудрости наставнику, розуму подателю, немудрих учителю і нищих захиснику, утверди, врозуми серце моє, Владико. Ти дай мені слово, Отче Слово, бо оце устам моїм не забороню, щоб звали Тобі: Милостивий, помилуй мене, падшого. Такими словами молимося у Сиропусну неділю, яка вводить нас у святу Чотиридесятницю. Слова ці звернені до Христа Спасителя – Він бо є Наставник (Учитель) правдивої мудрости, не людської, але вишньої, яку звемо премудрістю, тобто найбільшою мудрістю; Він є водночас Податель розуму або ж второпності – життєвої мудрости; Христос – Наставник для немудрих і Захисник нищих, тобто *наш* Наставник і Захисник – ми ж бо немудрі і нищі. Немудрі через те, що часто грішимо, і нищі через те, що часто окрадені хитрістю дреннього змія. Господь, отже, є Учителем вічної премудрости і Подателем життєвої мудрости. І щедро вділяє знання мудрости тим, які її шукають.

У цю неділю ми просимо Господа, щоби утвердив і врозумив наші серця – бо ж серця наші хиткі, непостійні у доброму та невторопні у задумах. Ми просимо Христа – Слово Отця – щоби Він дав нам слово, тобто мудрість слова: мудрість молитися, промовляти, розмовляти, свідчити словом.

Чому саме у цю неділю звертаємося до Христа такими словами? Бо Сиропусна неділя спогадує нам вигнання прародичів з раю. Ці слова наче відображають взивання Адама і Єви до Бога після того, як вони згрішили. Адже згрішивши, стали вони немудрими і нищими та в жалі потребували звернутися до Наставника і Подателя розуму, щоби утвердив серця їх і врозумив. Ми ж, часто грішивши, невпинно покликані взивати разом з Адамом та Євою: *Милостивий, помилуй нас, ладших!* Натомість нерідко нам бракує мудрости бодай звернутися до Бога як до Наставника і Подателя. Найперше подекуди нам бракує мудрости побачити власну немудрість та духовне вбожество. А подекуди, навіть відчуваючи оцю немудрість та вбожество, нам бракує второпності взивати про порятунок до Бога. Якось вважаємо себе наче самодостатніми чи волаємо про допомогу до людей, нехтуючи Єдиним, Хто володіє премудрістю.

Тож не забороняймо нашим устам волати до Бога і взиваймо у цю неділю, у цьому пості, у цьому житті: *Премудрости наставнику, розуму подателю, немудрих учителю і нищих захиснику, утверди, врозуми серце моє, Владико. Ти дай мені слово, Отче Слово, бо оце устам моїм не забороню, щоб звали Тобі: Милостивий, помилуй мене, падшого.*

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