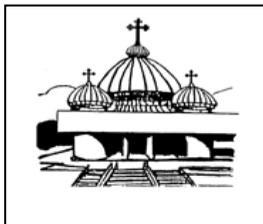


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**DIVINE LITURGY:**

**SUNDAY:** 9:00 a.m. (Ukrainian) **SUNDAY** 10:30 a.m. (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 14, 2021**

**Cheesefare 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 4***

**Prayer Intentions February 14 – February 21**

**Saturday:** 4:00 pm Priests vocation – Barbara-Ann Spak

**Sunday:** 9:00 am For Parishioners

10:30 am +John Wasylycia – George Demchuk

**Wednesday:** 4:00 pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

**Friday:** 4:00 pm Prayers for the deceased - Sorokousty

**Saturday:** 4:00 p.m. Thanksgiving and Health of Bill Kukurudz – Fr. Peter

**Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. +Monsignor T. Pryjma (Anniv)

10:30 a.m. Parishioners

**Sincerest Prayers & Condolences** – We extend our sincerest prayers and condolences to the Ushick family on the passing away of +Rose Ushick. May her memory be eternal in God!

**ВІЧНАЯ ПАМ'ЯТ** – Відійшла у вічність наша дорога парафіянка Rose Ushick. Родині складаємо наші співчуття. Вічна Її Пам'ять.

**Furnace Replacement** – we had to replace 1 out of 8 furnaces due to prohibiting cost of repair. The new commercial furnace was \$5600.00

**Thank You** – we would like express our heart felt **Thank You** to Helen Woloshyn for donating \$5000.00 in memory of +Peter Woloshyn, towards the new furnace.

**Family Day.** On this family day, I hope Lord bless you with every ounce of happiness. Wishing you a thrilling and prosperous family day.

**Lent begins this week – The Lenten fasting regulations are as follows:**

Simple Fasting requires the faithful not to consume meat, during all Fridays throughout the year, including the Holy Season of Great Lent, with certain exceptions. Simple Fasting is recommended on Wednesdays, during the Holy Season of Great Lent for the intention of world peace, gratitude for the gift of life and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Strict Fasting requires the faithful not to consume meat, eggs and dairy products. Strict Fasting occurs on the first day of Great Lent, February 15th and on Good Friday, April 2nd. The following have been given a general dispensation from fasting: - persons who are spiritually or physically ill - sick and convalescent - pregnant women and nursing mothers - those who work strenuously - those who have reached the age of 60 years Bishops, pastors and confessors may grant a dispensation from the fasting guidelines in case of necessity, in conformity with the spirit of our Church

## DAILY MEDITATION: GENESIS 2:18-25

*It is not good for the man to be alone. (Genesis 2:18)*

From childhood, we have heard the story of how God took a rib from Adam's side and fashioned Eve from that rib. "It is not good for the man to be alone," God says (Genesis 2:18). God knew Adam's need, as a human creature, for a suitable partner, a companion and equal, and he satisfied that need. But he did a lot of creating before he fashioned Eve. He made all kinds of birds and animals as well.

Now surely God knew that the rhinoceros and the ostrich would not make suitable partners for man; that sheep, goats, and oxen, however useful, were not actually the kind of companion Adam would need most. Adam's longing was for someone like himself who could offer friendship and human companionship. But God knew that Adam would need all kinds of help in order to cultivate and care for the garden. And so he went above and beyond Adam's primary need and gave him far more than he asked for or imagined.

This is how God deals with us too. Sometimes you ask God to provide for something you need—something powerful like a horse or nutritious like a bunch of fruit trees—and you find a rhino on your doorstep instead, or maybe a sweet woolly lamb. Did God get confused? Is he refusing the good thing you asked for and giving you something else? Of course not. God knows what you need before you ask him (Matthew 6:8). It's quite possible he is giving you something he knows that you need even before you know to ask for it.

Tell God today that you believe in his love and care for you. He knows all your needs, and he wants to give you every good thing to meet those needs. If you have asked him for something and think he hasn't answered you, reread today's first reading. Ponder God's response to Adam's need for a suitable companion, and then ask the Holy Spirit to show you how he is answering you. Refuse to entertain thoughts that say God doesn't hear, doesn't care, or won't respond. Declare aloud your trust in his wisdom and timing for your life. (Then ask him what to do with the rhinoceros!)

*"Father, I believe in your perfect love for me!"*

Eastern Christians call the forty days of preparation Great Lent or the Great Fast. These forty days start on the Monday after Cheesefare Sunday. Great Lent includes Sundays, and refers to the period of preparation leading up to Holy Week. Holy Week is not a part of Lent for the Eastern Catholics or Orthodox. Except for special feast days, Divine Liturgy is not celebrated during Lenten weekdays. During the week priests wear purple or wine-red vestments for liturgical services such as Vespers.

Gold is still worn on Sundays for Divine Liturgy; however, it is a dark gold rather than the usual bright gold. In the West, Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. The forty days do not include Sundays but do include the days of Holy Week through to Holy Saturday. Priests in the Western Rites wear purple for all of Lent including Sundays.

**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.

**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.