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## **Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Bulletin**

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### **HOLY MYSTERIES**

**VISITATIONS OF THE SICK AND INFIRM** - If you are going into the hospital for any reason, please inform Father Stephen at the Rectory. Our hospitalization code for Christiana and Wilmington Hospitals is **UKR**.

**EMERGENCY CALLS** - Please call the Rectory anytime (day or night) in an Emergency!

**BAPTISMS** - Celebrated by appointment.

**CROWNING IN MARRIAGE** - Please discuss timing with Father prior to setting a date. At least six months notice is needed. There are three 2-hour courses that must be attended prior to the Wedding.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** - The deadline for getting information printed in the Weekly Bulletin is Wednesday.

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS** - For the Needs of the Parish; 2<sup>nd</sup> Youth Ministry

**November 01, 2020**  
**Volume 56: Number 43**  
**Schedule of Services and Activities**  
**Week of November 1 - 8, 2020**  
**Celebrating our 93<sup>rd</sup> year of Service to the Lord**

**ALL SERVICES ARE LIVE STREAMED  
ON FACEBOOK & WEBPAGE**

**Sunday, November 1 – 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 4**

**8:30 – 9:00 AM - Confessions**

**9:15 AM – Hours**

**9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful**

**Panakhya: +Helen Lahuta (4 Yr. AN.) – Sonya Patronik**

**Special Coffee Hour**

**THIS IS BAZAAR PREP WEEK – WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!!**

**Monday, November 2**

**7:00 AM – Peeling Potatoes**

**3:00 PM – Making the potato balls**

**Tuesday, November 3 – Election Day – Please Vote**

**Wednesday, November 4**

**7:00 AM – Making the pyrohy**

**Thursday, November 5**

**9:00 AM – Making the holubtsi**

**Cutting up the vegetables for the Mushroom soup**

**Friday, November 6**

**8:00 AM – Making the mushroom soup**

**Setting up the hall**

**Saturday, November 7**

**8:00 AM – Prep**

**10:00 – 3:00 PM – BAZAAR**

Sunday, November 8 – 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 5

8:30 – 9:00 AM - Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Panakhya: +Lori Duncan (7 Yr. An.) +Andrew Duncan (13 Yr. An.) - Family  
Coffee Hour

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### SCRIPTURE READINGS

20<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: John 20:19-31; Galatians 1:11-19; Luke 7:11-16;

Holy Fathers: Hebrews 13:7-16; John 17:1-13

Monday – Philippians 4:10-23; Luke 7:36-50

Tuesday – Colossians 1:1-2, 7-11; Luke 8:1-3

Wednesday – Colossians 1:18-23; Luke 8:22-25

Thursday – Colossians 1:24-29; Luke 9:7-11

Friday – Colossians 2:1-7; Luke 9:12-18

Saturday – 2 Corinthians 3:12-18; Luke 6:1-10

21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: John 21:1-14; Liturgy: Galatians 2:16-20; Luke 8:5-15

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### CANDLES AND THEIR SYMBOLISM

Lit candles and Icon Lamps (lampadas) have a special symbolic meaning in the Christian Church and no Christian service can be held without them. In the Old Testament, when the first Temple of God was built on earth – the Tabernacle – the services were held in it with lamps as the Lord Himself had ordained (Exodus 40: 5-25). Following the example of the Old Testament Church, the lighting of candles and of lampadas was without fail included in the New Testament Church services.

The Acts of the Apostles mentions the lighting of lamps during the services in the time of the Apostles. Thus, in Troas, where Christ's followers used to gather on the first day of the week (Sunday) to break bread, that is to celebrate the Eucharist, **there were many lights in the upper chamber** (Acts 20:8). This reference to the large number of lamps signifies that they were not used simply for lighting, but for their spiritual significance.

The early Christian ritual of carrying a lamp into the evening service led to the present day order of Vespers with its entry and the singing of the ancient hymn, "O Joyful Light..." which expresses the Christian teaching of spiritual light that illumines man – of Christ the Source of the grace-bestowing light. The order of

the morning service of Matins is also linked to the idea of the Uncreated Light of Christ, manifested in His Incarnation and Resurrection.

The Fathers of the Church also witnessed to the spiritual significance of candles. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> Century, Tertullian wrote: "We never hold a service without candles, yet we use them not to just dispel night's gloom – we also hold our services in the daylight – but in order to represent by this Christ, the Uncreated Light, without whom we would in broad daylight wander as if lost in darkness." The Blessed Jerome wrote in the 4<sup>th</sup> Century that "In all the Eastern Churches, candles are lit even in the daytime when one is to read the Gospels, in truth not to dispel the darkness, but as a sign of joy...in order under that factual light to feel that the Light of which we read in the Psalms (119:105): **"Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path"**

St. Sophronius, Patriarch of Jerusalem, wrote in the 7<sup>th</sup> Century: "Lampadas and candles represent the Eternal Light, and also the light that shines from the righteous". The Holy Fathers of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council decreed that in the Orthodox Church, the holy Icons and Relics, the Cross of Christ and the Holy Gospel Book were to be honored by censing and the lighting of candles and the Blessed Simeon of Thessalonica (15<sup>th</sup> Century) wrote that "candles are also lit before the Icons of the Saints, for the sake of their good deeds that shine in this world."

Orthodox faithful light candles before the Icons as a sign of their faith and hope in God's help that is always sent to all who turn to Him and His Saints with faith and prayers. The candle is also a symbol of our burning and grateful love for God. During the reading of the 12 Passion Gospels at Holy Friday Matins the faithful hold candles, re-living our Lord's sufferings and burning with love for Him.

At Vespers on Holy Friday, when the plashchanitsa (Shroud, Epitaphion) is carried out of the Altar and also during the Lamentations (Jerusalem Matins) of Holy Saturday, the faithful stand holding lit candles as a sign of love for Christ Crucified and Dead, showing their faith in His radiant Resurrection. On Pascha itself, from the moment of the procession around the Church, in memory of the Holy Myrrh bearers who proceed with burning lamps to the sepulcher of the Lord, the faithful hold lit candles in their hands until the end of the Paschal Service, expressing their great joy and spiritual triumph.

Holy Baptism is celebrated with the Priest vested and all the candles lit. Three candles are lit before the baptismal font as a sign that the Baptism is

accomplished in the Name of the Holy Trinity; and the person to be baptized (if an adult) or the sponsors hold lit candles in their hands as an expression of joy at the entry of a new member into the Church of Christ.

At the wedding service, the Priest hands the bride and the groom lit candles before they make their new walk around the Tetrapod. Their holding the candles is a symbol of their profound love for each other and their desire to live with the blessing of the Church. (Ed. Note: It also reminds them that if they walk in their marriage with the Light of Christ, there is nothing that they should fear). When the body of a deceased person is brought into the Church, candles are placed around the coffin to show that the deceased was a Christian. During the funeral service, as well as during Memorial Services, the faithful stand with lit candles as a sign that the deceased's soul has left this world and entered the Kingdom of Heaven – the Unwaning Light of God.

During the Presanctified Divine Liturgy, the Priest blesses the faithful with a lit candle and the censer proclaiming: "The Light of Christ, enlightens all who come into the world". On Christmas and Theophany Eve, a lit candle is placed before the festal Icon in the middle of the Church to remind us of the birth and appearance on earth of Christ our Savior, the Giver of Light. At all Divine Liturgies, lit candles are carried in procession at various parts of the services.

Thus candles and lampadas are lit at all Church services, all with a wide variety of spiritual and symbolic meaning; for it is God who said: "Let Light shine out of darkness", and "Who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ (1 Corinthians 4:6). Lit candles in the Church are also an expression of the worshippers' adoration and love for God, their sacrifices to Him, and at the same time of their joy and of the spiritual triumph of the Church. The candles, by their burning, remind one of the Unwaning Light which in the Kingdom of Heaven makes glad the souls of the righteous who have pleased God.

**THESE TRUTHS WE HOLD The Holy Orthodox Church: Her Life and Teachings**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY** - is expressed to the following: Andrew Boitsov, 11/1; Victor Kaliakin, 11/1; Barbara Kirylik, 11/1; Connor Duncan, 11/3 & Andrew Duncan, 11/5. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy and blessed years!

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NEW 2020-2021 UOL BOARD**

Our Prayers and congratulations are expressed to our new officers:

President -	Linda Hnatow
Vice-President -	Andrew Duncan
Secretary -	Jean Roeth
Treasurer -	Nancy Hlywiak
Reporter -	Ann Duncan
Auditor -	Sonya Patronik

They will be installed at today's Divine Liturgy. May the Father bless them and the Holy Spirit guide them as they work for the betterment of the Church of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

**WELCOME PROTODEACON IHOR AND PANI IRYNA** – to our Parish Family. We are truly blessed and are honored to celebrate your 23<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary of Ordination to the Holy Deaconate! We shall have a special coffee hour downstairs after the Divine Liturgy. May God continue to bless and keep you in His tender, loving care for many, happy and blessed years!

**RELIGIOUS BOOK SALE** – We are going to try once again to have the Religious Book Sale on Saturday, November 28 from 10AM – 1PM. We have religious books from many traditions being sold for pennies on the dollar. They make great Christmas gifts (don't tell anyone you didn't pay full price). Please plan to attend and tell your friends.

**UOL PREPARING A MEAL FOR EMMANUEL DINING HALL** – On Saturday, November 21, we shall be preparing a meal for Emmanuel Dining Hall beginning at 10:00 AM (after Liturgy). More as it is available.

**UOL SPECIAL LUNCHEON** – Will be served on Sunday, November 22 to benefit the OCMC (Orthodox Christian Mission Center). More as it is available.

**“PATRONS PATH”: A Tribute to the Faithful Founders, Families, Stewards and Supporters of this Holy Temple and All Who Worship Here.** - Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church is a very special place for many of us. For nearly 93 years, our Parish has served as a spiritual home for generations of Ukrainians, Ukrainian-Americans and Orthodox Christians from around the world. Many of you may have been baptized, married, attended liturgy or simply enjoyed the Bazaars and monthly pyrohy sales, THANK YOU for being part of what makes Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church a unique family gathering place. You now have the opportunity to leave a lasting imprint on our beloved church home. Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church has created, PATRONS PATH, a lasting remembrance to all who have generously built, supported and sustained our little Parish in Wilmington, Delaware over the years. This tribute will be placed in front of the Holodomor Memorial and surrounding area to be admired and added to for generations. The funds generated from the sale of pavers will be used to offset operational and capital improvement costs. These pavers may be imprinted with special messages, dates, names or combination of such. A special presentation may be seen on our Facebook page (SS. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church) and Website ([www.sspeterandpauluoc.org](http://www.sspeterandpauluoc.org)). Please look at the website for the Patron’s Path: <http://polarengraving.com/saintspeterandpaulukrainianorthodoxchurch> It is our hope that you join us and be part of this new foundation on which to build for ages to come.

### **READER MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

November 1 - Jean Roeth  
November 8 - John Plachuta  
November 15 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick  
November 22 - Andrew Duncan  
November 29 - Linda Hnatow

### **CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Week of November 2 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly  
Week of November 9 - Mark & Laura Andreas  
Week of November 16 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson  
Week of November 23 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration  
Week of November 30 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus



**UOL CHRISTMAS COOKIE SALE** – will take place on Sunday, December 13 after Liturgy. **IT WILL BE BY ORDER ONLY.** Please understand the following: **Sonya Patronik** will be coordinating the Bakers. **We need your help.** We need all of our bakers to make at least 60 cookies of a kind. (Please, no chocolate chip). Cookies will be dropped off at the Parish Hall between 9:00 – 9:30 AM on Saturday, December 12. **Linda Hnatow** will be coordinating the orders. The donation is \$13 for one pound and \$25 for a two pound box. You know how delicious they are. Tell your friends.

**PYROHY ORDERS FOR CHRISTMAS** – We shall be taking orders for pyrohy on Monday, November 30 & Tuesday, December 1 from 9-11AM. Pick up will be on Friday, December 18. We will be making pyrohy to fill the orders on Saturday, December 5 and Friday, December 11. All pyrohy will be frozen and vacuum packed.

**PYROHY PRICES HAVE CHANGED** – Due to the rising costs of our supplies, our pyrohy prices have changed: Potato - \$10 Doz.; Sauerkraut \$10 Doz.: Cheese \$13 Doz. Holubtsi \$18 half dozen; \$35 dozen; Kovbassa \$13 a ring.

**ELECTRONIC DONATIONS (CREDIT CARDS) ACCEPTED** – for those who are interested, we can accept donations to the Church through credit cards. See Michael Tilson or Lorraine Neff for details.

### **TRUSTEES MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

(Please find a substitute if you cannot make a given week)

November 1 – Linda Hnatow and Ann Duncan

November 8 – Linda Hnatow and Ann Duncan

November 15 – Victor Kaliakin and Lorraine Neff

November 22 – Victor Kaliakin and Lorraine Neff

November 29 – Thomas Bringle and Linda Hnatow

December 6 – Thomas Bringle and Linda Hnatow

December 13 – Ann Duncan and Victor Kaliakin

### **MEETINGS**

**PARISH BOARD MEETING** – Tuesday, November 10 @ 6:30 PM (Zoom Meeting)

**DO YOU SHOP ON AMAZON?** – Did you know that if you would get on Smile Amazon and choose our Parish as your beneficiary that Amazon would donate a percentage of your purchase to us? Search on Orthodox Wilmington and choose SS Peter & Paul Ukrainiaan (yes it is misspelled and we've tried to correct it). Try it and help our Parish Family benefit from your shopping experience!

**ADOPTING CHILDREN FOR THE NATIVITY – DONATIONS -** We shall be adopting 6 youth for the Nativity Season. They are asking for Gift Cards so that the parents of the youth can go and buy Christmas Gifts for the children in need. We shall be taking financial donations towards this cause. All donations must be submitted by November 15 and we shall go and buy the appropriate gift cards. Please take an envelope from the Christmas Tree. Linda Hnatow is the Chairperson. They have a lot of children in need this year because of many parents being out of work.

### **BAZAAR PREPARATIONS**

Although this year's Bazaar will be take out only, there are still a lot of preparations that have to be made. **We need your help.** Here is the Schedule:

Monday, November 2 – 7:00 AM – Peeling the potatoes

Wednesday, November 4 – 7:00 AM – making pyrohy

Thursday, November 5 – 9:00 AM – Making holubtsi – cutting up vegetables for soup

Friday, November 6 – making the soups

### **RULES FOR ATTENDING ALL SERVICES: \***

Masks **MUST** be worn during the service – if you do not have one, a mask will be provided. \* **PLEASE:** It is crucial for the safety and health of all participants that if you have a fever of over 100°, or have any symptoms **PLEASE STAY HOME!!** For everyone's safety, contact information will be taken at every service so that if someone who attends develops the virus, all attendees will be notified and then would quarantine themselves for 14 days. We shall continue to stream all services until the pandemic is over. **HOLY COMMUNION** – It is imperative that you understand that **YOU CANNOT GET DISEASE FROM HOLY COMMUNION!!!** This is the Body and Blood of Christ. The Communion Cloth is not to be touched. **PLEASE – listen to the instructions. \***

After the Liturgy, each person **MUST** sanitize the area in which he/she is using. \* **AFTER HAVING PARTICIPATED IN THE DIVINE SERVICES AND YOU BECOME SYMPTOMATIC – YOU MUST NOTIFY FATHER STEPHEN AT ONCE SO THAT ALL WHO PARTICIPATED COULD QUARENTINE THEMSELVES!!**

\* If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to **CALL ME (302) 798-4455.** I will be happy to assist you in any way that I can.

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL** – Metropolitan Antony, Archimandrite Raphael, Father Vasili Andrejuk, Father Paul Bigelow, Father John Bohush, Father Vasyl Dovhan, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Mark Leisure, Father Andrew Molewski, Father John Nakonechney, Father James Norton, Father Victor Wronskyj, Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Pani Dobrodyka Lisa Weremedic, Alicia, Nerry, Mykola, Brennan, Deborah, Charles, Galina, Dolores, Julian, Madison, Michele, Mykola, Rita, Ryan, Randy Allen, Paul Andreas, Carolyn Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Stephania Bacha, Joyce Belles, Neil Belles, Ethel Bernhard, Yaroslav Bilinsky, Maria Borowenski Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, Thomas Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, George Burns, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Betty Charney, Mildred (Myrophora) Christo, Erik Colazo, Patricia Crystal, Alex Czernik, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, Peter DiVirgilio, John Dmytryk, James Dudrick, Rose Eldridge, Thomas Fagan, James Garrett, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovnirov, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Rick Hastings, Celeste Heiser, Dolores Helms, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Anthony Hnatow, Daniel Holoviak, Caroline Humphrey, Richard Humphrey, Sally Hutnick, Joette Jago, Stephen Johnson, Linda Josepinson, Rosalie Ann Kane, Sandra Kasch, Thomas Kasprzak, Charles Kaszytski, Julia Kaszytski, Diane Keyser, Barbara Kirylic, Wendy Klinedinst, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Ludmyla Krawchenko, Mykola Krawchenko, Emma Krasnopera, Volodymyr Krasnopera, Sue Kreisa-Christian, Marlene Kuhar, Karen Livick, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Paul Markow, Frederick McCarthy, Victor Melnychenko, Ronald Michel, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Michael Moroz, Linda Muldoon, Karen Needham, Julie Neff, Ann Nester, Laurie Newman, Betty Painter, Anastasios Pantelopulos, Anthony Pantelopulos, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry Pinkowicz, Bernice Pinkowicz, Ryan Pinkowicz, Valentina Plachuta, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, Alla Rudawsky, John Ruczhak, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, Maria Russak, Anthony Saldutti, Dana Sargent, Isaac Schmidt, Doris Scully, Joella Seale, Clay Seman, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Kimberly Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Rich Steinman, Joseph Stevens, Noel Strobino, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Tatiana Szewc, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Lydia Thomas, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, Mark Tomei, Violet Tomei, Aria Tonner, Mariel Trimble, Anna Tur, Richard Twardus, Martha Vignali, Jack Vognetz, Margaret Vognetz, Marilyn Wagner, Olena Wasylevska, James Watts, Chris Way, Leah Way, Barbara Weeks, Peter Weremedic, Stephen Wienkowitz, Laura Worley, & James Zook.

## “TRULY THIS WAS THE SON OF GOD”

**S**aint Mark's account of Christ's Crucifixion introduces us to the saint we examine today: **MARTYR LONGINUS**. Longinus was NOT a follower of Jesus. On the contrary, he was the Roman centurion assigned to keep order at the cruel execution of our Lord.

Undoubtedly, Longinus had been given similar assignments before. But this particular task would change his life forever. It is recorded in Mark's Gospel that this soldier was so moved by the final moments of Christ's life that he uttered the phrase that will keep his memory alive throughout eternity: **“Truly this was the Son of God.”**

The tradition of our Church is that Longinus immediately followed the Apostles, renouncing the Emperor and all that Rome stood for. He remained in the city of Jerusalem, where he was able to win many converts to Christianity. It was powerful testimony indeed for others to hear how a pagan servant of Caesar had come to accept and believe in the one true God at the cross.

It did not take long for Pontius Pilate to learn of the *“treason”* of Longinus. Trained assassins were sent out with orders to bring the head of the former centurion back to the governor! Longinus did not even attempt to flee from his pursuers, for he knew if they failed to carry out their mission, their lives would be taken. So it came to pass that this brave warrior of Christ gave his life for his new-found Master in 36 A.D.

When the head of Longinus was brought back to Pilate, he ordered it to be discarded with the trash as one last act of humiliation. This relic was recovered by the Christian community and given proper burial. Many miraculous healings have been experienced by those who prayed at his tomb.