



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; 2nd Youth Ministry

July 7, 2019
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Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of July 7 - 14, 2019
Celebrating our 92nd year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, July 7– 3rd Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 2

8:30 – 9:00 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Coffee Hour

Monday, July 8

6:30 PM – Sisterhood Board Meeting

Tuesday, July 9

6:30 PM – Parish Board Meeting

Thursday, July 11

6:00 PM – Vespers Liturgy for the Feast (St. Nicholas – Dover, DE)

Friday, July 12 – Patronal Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul

8:00 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Sunday, July 14– 4th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 3

8:30 – 9:00 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Panakhida: +Estelle Hlywiak (9 Yr. An.) – Family

Patronal Feast Dinner

SCRIPTURE READING

3rd Sunday after Pentecost – Nativity of St. John the Baptist – Matins: Mark 16:9-20; Liturgy: Romans 5:1-10; Matthew 6:22-33; To St. John: Romans 13:12-14:4; Luke 1:1-25, 57-68, 76, 80

Monday – Romans 9:18-33; Matthew 11:2-15

Tuesday – Romans 10:11-11:2; Matthew 11:16-20

Wednesday – Romans 11:2-12; Matthew 11:20-26

Thursday – Romans 11:13-24; Matthew 11:27-30; Great Vespers: 1) 1 Peter 1:3-9; 2) 1 Peter 1:13-19; 3) 1 Peter 2:11-24.

Friday – Feast of Saints Peter and Paul: Matins: John 21:15-25; Liturgy: 2 Corinthians 11:21-12:9; Matthew 16:13-19. Day: Romans 11:25-36; Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday – Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles – 1 Corinthians 4:9-16; Mark 3:13-19; Day: Romans 6:11-17; Matthew 8:14-23

4th Sunday after Pentecost – Matins: Luke 24:1-12; Liturgy: Romans 6:18-23; Matthew 8:5-13

Gospel Meditation 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Today's Gospel illustrates the loving concern God has for His creation. As you listen to it, you can close your eyes and almost feel Christ take your hand and tell you there is nothing to worry about. Nothing happens without His knowledge.

Jesus was probably sitting in a field with His apostles, trying to get them to understand that if God is first in your life, there is nothing else to worry about. He looked around, pointed out the tall grass, the wild flowers, the birds in the air, and asked: "Are not you of much more value than they?" Jesus tells us that there is much more to life than food, clothing, and material things. Of course, be concerned with life! But don't worry yourself sick about how you are going to pay the bills this week and still have enough money left for grocery shopping. Don't worry about where the money is going to come for school clothes in September. "Your Heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But seek first the Kingdom of God and His justice." He explained: "...and all these things will be given you besides."

This calls for confidence and trust in God. This does not mean that we can be idle, and do nothing, and expect God to provide us with everything we need and want. God doesn't directly feed birds nor nurture wild flowers. He does provide for them indirectly. He does not give it to them directly and immediately.

We are by nature different from the birds and flowers. We have talents, energies, and capabilities which they lack. It is natural for us to work and live by our work. But we must remember God's ways are not our ways. He brings good out of everything for our sake. The mistake we make is to think that what we need, when we need it and what is best for us.

God also uses people as His instruments to help one another. We are His hands, His feet, His mouth, and His presence of love among people. We should strive to be good helpers.

Have faith, confidence, and trust in God. "Seek first the Kingdom of God....and all these other things shall be given you besides."

**June 29th (July 12) OCHRID PROLOGUE:
The Holy Apostle Peter.**

The son of Jonah and brother of Andrew the First-Called, of the tribe of Simeon and the town of Bethsaida, he was a fisherman and was at first called Simon, but the Lord was pleased to call him Cephas, or Peter (Jn 1:42). He was the first of the disciples to give clear expression to his faith in the Lord Jesus, saying: 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God' (Mt. 16:16). His love for the Lord was very strong, and his faith in Him went from strength to strength. When the Lord was put on trial, Peter denied Him three times, but it needed only one look into the face of the Lord, and Peter's soul was filled with shame and repentance. After the descent of the Holy Spirit, Peter became a fearless and powerful preacher of the Gospel. After his first sermon in Jerusalem, about 3,000 souls were converted to the Faith. He preached the Gospel throughout Palestine and Asia Minor, in Italy and in Illyria. He performed many wonders, healing the sick and raising the dead, and even his shadow had the power of healing the sick. He had a major struggle with Simon the Magician, who declared himself to be from God but was actually a servant of the devil. He finally put him to shame and overcame him. Peter was condemned to death on the order of the wicked Emperor Nero, a friend of Simon's. After installing Linus as Bishop of Rome and exhorting and encouraging the flock of Christ there, Peter went to his death with joy. When he saw the cross before him, he asked the executioner to crucify him upside-down, because he felt himself to be unworthy to die in the same way as his Lord. And so this great servant of the greatest Master went to his rest and received a crown of eternal glory.

The Holy Apostle Paul.

Born in Tarsus and of the tribe of Benjamin, he was formerly called Saul and studied under Gamaliel. He was a Pharisee and a persecutor of Christians. He was wondrously converted to the Christian faith by the Lord Himself, who appeared to him on the road to Damascus. He was baptized by the Apostle Ananias, named Paul and enrolled in the work of the Great Apostles. He preached the Gospel everywhere with burning zeal, from the borders of Arabia to the land of Spain, among both the Jews and the heathen, and receiving the title of 'the Apostle to the Gentiles'. His fearful sufferings were matched only by his superhuman endurance. Through all the years of his preaching, he hung from day to day like a thread between life and death. Filling his days and nights with toil and suffering for Christ, organizing the Church in many places and reaching a high level of perfection, he was able to say: 'I live; yet not I but Christ who lives in me' (Gal. 2:20). He was beheaded in Rome in the reign of Nero. at the same time as St Peter.

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL

The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul came to be observed early in the history of the Church. Although they died at different times and places in the city of Rome, their commemoration has universally been kept on the same day to highlight the central role they had in the foundation of the early Church. It is for this same reason that they are called the "Leaders of the Apostles" in the Liturgy.

Saint Peter who original name was Simon, was a fisherman in Galilee when Jesus called him to be His disciple. "Come after Me and I will make you fishers of men" (Matthew 4:19). After Jesus' Ascension, Peter was the spokesman of the Apostles and a witness of Christ's divinity. He delivered the first sermon on Pentecost and received the first Gentiles into the Church. From Jerusalem He went to preach the Gospel in Asia at Antioch (Galatians 2:11), then to Cappadocia, Galatia, Pontus and finally Rome. He was crucified head downward, most probably in 67 AD.

Saint Paul, known as Saul before his conversion, was born at Tarsus in the Roman province of Cilicia. As a youth, he went to Jerusalem to receive his education in Judaism from the celebrated Rabbi, Gamaliel (Acts 22:3). At the time of Jesus' ministry he had already left Jerusalem. Saul did not see the Lord during His earthly ministry. By the grace of God, Saul was miraculously converted on the way to Damascus around the year 34 AD. After receiving Baptism, Paul left for a long retreat in Arabia to prepare for his future mission. He was most zealous to preach the Gospel of Christ to the world. He established many

churches and visited many others. To these he wrote numerous letters which form a significant part of the New Testament canonical writings.

The Liturgy hails the chief Apostles with beautifully composed hymns. Peter is called the "rock of faith" and Paul "pride of the universe". Together they are celebrated as "luminaries of those in darkness, two rays of the sun, pillars of divine doctrines and friends of Christ." (Matins Hymn)

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Gospel: Matthew 6:24-34

Do not worry about tomorrow.

Commentary: Attributed to St. Macarius of Egypt

Wishing to lead his disciples to perfect faith, the Lord said in the gospel: Whoever is unbelieving in a small matter will be unbelieving also when it comes to something important; and whoever believes in a small matter will believe also when it comes to something important. What are the small matters, and what the important ones?

The small matters are things offered by this world, which the Lord has promised to provide for those who believe in him—things such as food, clothing, and whatever else is necessary for the body's well-being, health, and the like. About these he commanded us not to have the slightest anxiety but confidently to trust him, for he will supply all the needs of those who make him their refuge. On the other hand, the important matters are the gifts pertaining to the eternal and incorruptible world, which he has promised to provide for those who believe in him, and who are ceaselessly concerned about these things and ask him for them as he commanded.

The Lord said: Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be yours as well. Thus each person is to be tested by these trivial and transitory things to see whether he or she believes that God will supply them. We are to have no anxiety about such things, but are to be concerned solely with the eternal blessings to come. It will then be obvious that one believes in the incorruptible things and really does seek the eternal blessings, if one preserves a strong faith concerning the things we have spoken of.

All who submit to the word of truth should test and examine themselves, or else be tested and examined by spiritual counselors, as to the way they live out their

belief and surrender themselves to God. Are they really living by God's word, or only by an imaginary belief based on a false notion of righteousness and faith?

It is regarding his faith in small matters, that is to day, in temporal matters, that each person is examined and tested. Hear how this is done. Do you say you believe that you have been deemed worthy of the kingdom of heaven, that you have been born from above as a child of God, that you are a co-heir with Christ, and that you will reign with him for ever, rejoicing like God in light brilliant beyond description throughout the untold ages of eternity? No doubt you will answer, "Yes, that is the very reason why I left the world and gave myself to the Lord."

Examine yourself, then, to see whether worldly cares may still have a hold on you; whether you are very preoccupied with feeding clothing your body, and with your other pursuits and your recreation, as though your own power kept you alive, and you were obliged to make provision for yourself, when you have been commanded to have no anxiety whatever concerning yourself. If you believe that you will receive everlasting, eternal, abiding, and bounteous blessings, how much more should you not believe that God will provide you with these transitory, earthly benefits, which he has given even to impious people and to beasts and birds?

You who have become a stranger to the world ought to possess a faith, an outlook, and a manner of life which has about it something unusual, something different from that of all worldly people. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

(Homily 48, 1-6: PG 34, 807-811)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PATRONAL FEAST DAY DINNER– will be celebrated on Sunday, July 14. Please come and celebrate our 92nd year of service to the Lord.

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to the following: Josephine Kapelus, 7/8 & Ryan Pinkowicz, 7/10. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy and blessed years!

MEETINGS – MINISTRIES

SISTERHOOD BOARD MEETING - Monday, July 8 @ 6:30 PM

PARISH BOARD MEETING – Tuesday, July 9 @ 6:30 PM

SUMMER CAMP – will be held from Monday, July 15 – Friday, 19 from 10AM – 2PM for our youth from grades kindergarten to high school. Please call Father Stephen to register (302) 798-4455.

THE POWER OF PRAYER – Please remember your daily prayer for our country. Today, we begin Day 34.

TRUSTEES MINISTRY SCHEDULE

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

July 7 – Thomas Bringle and Linda Hnatow

July 14 – Lorraine Neff and Victor Kaliakin

July 21 – Lorraine Neff and Victor Kaliakin

July 28 – Ann Duncan and Thomas Bringle

August 4 – Ann Duncan and Thomas Bringle

August 11 – Linda Hnatow and Lorraine Neff

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 7 - John and Sandy Cramer

July 14 - David & Eve Lazaration

July 21 - Lorraine Neff, Sonya Patronik & Alexander Smith

July 28 - Nancy Tur, Zina Twardus

READER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

July 7 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick

July 14 - Jean Roeth

July 21 - Thomas Kasprzak

July 28 - John Plachuta

August 5 - Irene Maskaly

August 12 - Andrew Duncan

August 19 - Jean Roeth

August 26 - Linda Hnatow

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!

UOL FLEA MARKET

Our UOL is sponsoring their annual Flea Market on Saturday, August 3 from 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. All donations of your treasures will be graciously accepted. **Please note that all donations of clothing must be clean and only gently worn.**

All donations will be accepted on the following days:

Sunday, July 28 after the Divine Liturgy
Tuesday, July 30 - Drop off 6:00 -8:00 PM
Wednesday, July 31 Drop off 6:00 -8:00 PM
Thursday, August 1 - Drop off 6:00 -8:00 PM

Also, any finger snacks like cupcakes, brownies, etc. will be graciously accepted. Our UOL has graciously donated twice this year full mortgage payments. Please support this event!!!

HALL USAGE

Saturday, July 27 - Troop #70 1-4 PM – Eagle Scout Court of Honor

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week of July 8 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson
Week of July 15 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus
Week of July 22 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly
Week of July 29 - Dawn Daniels, David Duncan & Kathy Duncan
Week of August 5 - John Plachuta and David Lazaration
Week of August 12 - Mark & Laura Andreas, Paul Andreas
Week of Aug. 19 - John Cramer, Sandy Cramer, Victor Melnychenko & Joseph Thurstlic

Tentative 2019 Schedule

Sunday, July 14 – Patronal Feast Dinner
Monday, July 15 – 19 – Summer Camp
Saturday, August 3 – UOL Flea Market
Saturday, October 12 – UOL Retreat
Wednesday, October 16 – Saturday, October 19 –XXII SOBOR
Saturday, November 2 – Fall Bazaar
Tuesday, November 26 – Community Thanksgiving Service (Holy Rosary)
Sunday, December 15 – UOL Cookie Sale

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL – Metropolitan Antony, Archimandrite Raphael, Father Vasili Andrejuk, Father Paul Bigelow, Father John Bohush, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Nestor Kowal, Father Mark Leisure, Father Andrew Molewski, Father John Nakonechney, Father James Norton, Father Victor Wronskyj, Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Pani Dobrodyka Lisa Weremedic, Mykola Brennan, Deborah, Charles, Galina, Dolores, Krystyna, Julian, Madison, Mykola, Rita, Ryan, Randy Allen, Carolyn Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Stephania Bacha, Joyce Belles, Neil Belles, Ethel Bernhard, Yaroslav Bilinsky, Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, George Burns, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Betty Charney, Mildred (Myrophora) Christo, Erik Colazo, Mary Crystal, Patricia Crystal, Alex Czernik, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, Peter DiVirgilio, John Dmytryk, James Dudrick, David Duncan, Rose Eldridge, Thomas Fagan, James Garrett, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovniow, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Mary Eleanor Hamilton, Rick Hastings, Dolores Helms, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Anthony Hnatow, Betty Hnatow, Daniel Holoviak, Caroline Humphrey, Richard Humphrey, Sally Hutnick, Joette Jago, Stephen Johnson, Linda Josepinson, Rosalie Ann Kane, Josephine Kapelus, Sandra Kasch, Thomas Kasprzak, Charles Kaszytski, Julia Kaszytski, Diane Keyser, Barbara Kirylic, Wendy Klinedinst, Judith Kocinski, 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, Natalia McDonough, 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, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry Pinkowicz, Bernice Pinkowicz, Ryan Pinkowicz, Valentina Plachuta, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Lynn Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, Fred Royer, Alla Rudawsky, John Ruczhak, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, Maria Russak, Dana Sargent, Charles Scully, Doris Scully, Joella Seale, Clay Seman, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Rich Steinman, Joseph Stevens, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Wasyl Szeremeta, Tatiana Swec, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Lydia Thomas, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, Mark Tomei, Violet Tomei, Aria Tonner, Anna Tur, Charles Tyrawsky, Richard Twardus, Martha Vignali, Jack Vognetz, Margaret Vognetz, Marilyn Wagner, John Wardigo, Olena Wasylevska, James Watts, Chris Way, Leah Way, Barbara Weeks, Peter Weremedic, Stephen Wienkowitz, Laura Worley, & James Zook.

PLANTING THE SEEDS FOR THE KINGDOM OF GOD

In the fertile region surrounding the Sea of Galilee, the mustard plant was a familiar form of vegetation. Properly nourished, its seeds, which were widely used for seasoning and medicinal purposes, would commonly grow into a sturdy tree that normally measured about fifteen feet in height.

The imagery of great abundance rising from humble beginnings was not lost on our Lord, as evidenced by His famous Parable of the Mustard Seed. "The kingdom of Heaven is like a grain of mustard seed, which a man took and sowed in his field, which indeed, is the least of all seeds, but when it is grown, it is the greatest among herbs and becomes a tree." (Matt 13:31-32)

This parable is not meant to provide us with a glimpse of heaven, but rather its purpose is to explain the process of growth involved with spreading the word of God so that we may, one day, be part of God's heavenly kingdom. Christ's ministry began in a small way, with poor, uneducated fishermen serving as His messengers. In no time at all, they spread the Christian faith throughout the Roman Empire and beyond. The work of the Lord often involves seemingly insignificant people and circumstances, but the possibilities for growth are endless because of God's power. Many in Christ's time fully expected God's kingdom to be revealed immediately. Church Fathers remind us, however, that all the glory that awaits us will take time to grow and mature through adversity. Still, when the kingdom of Heaven is fully formed, it will be more wonderful and bountiful than we can imagine!