

SUNDAY OF CHEESEFARE
SUNDAY OF FORGIVENESS



Icon of the the Ladder of Divine Ascent

Readiness to Forgive

Nothing makes us so like God as our readiness to forgive the wicked and wrongdoer. For it is God who has made “the sun to shine on the evil and on the good.”

For this same reason again in every one of the clauses Jesus commands us to make our prayers together in one voice, saying, “Our Father,” and “thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven,” and “give us the bread, and forgive us our debts,” and “lead us not into temptation,” and “deliver us.” So everywhere he is teaching us to use this plural word that we may not retain so much as a vestige of resentment against our neighbor.

How great a reproof then must they de-

serve, who, after all this, still do not forgive and even ask God’s vengeance on their enemies. In doing so, they diametrically transgress this command. Meanwhile Christ is seeking in every way possible to hinder our conflicts with one another. For since love is the root of all that is good, by removing from all quarters whatever mars it he brings us together and cements us to each other. For there is not one, not a single one, whether father or mother or friend, who loves us as much as the God who created us.

St. John Chrysostom

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Feb. 18-19, 2023
Cheese-Fare Week

NEXT WEEKEND our parish will mark the First Anniversary of the Invasion of Russia into Ukraine. On Saturday evening and Sunday morning we will celebrate the Divine Liturgy and Panachyda Service for Ukraine, our Brothers and Sisters, Soldiers and non-combatants who have given their lives for a free Ukraine. We will live-stream the Sunday service all over the world. Please tell all your friends and neighbors about this prayerful remembrance to be with us in person next weekend and fill our church with our praying faithful.

THIS WEEKEND WE WILL LIVESTREAM THE Liturgy on Saturday, the 18th and next weekend we will again livestream on YOUTUBE on Sunday, the 26th. Be sure to inform one and all about this schedule.

ALSO THIS WEEKEND WE WILL DISTRIBUTE COPIES OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT for last year, 2022. Please take home a copy and share with one and all. We thank Zenny and Dorrie Martyniuk for compiling this report.

NEXT FRIDAY, THE 24th, THE Metropolitan Opera Co. of New York will dedicate their program to Ukraine. Some 200 voices will open the program by singing the Ukrainian National Anthem. Also next Friday, the 24th, a prayer vigil will be held at 6 pm, at the Ukrainian Center in Fox Chase. If we don't support Ukraine, then who will...?

THE GREAT FAST (Veliky Pist) begins on Monday, as we prepare ourselves for the celebrate Easter (Velykden). We are obliged to fast from both cheese and meat on Monday, and from meat alone every Friday of the Fast. We fast now so that we can feast, along with our dear Ukrainians, on Easter Sunday this year.

2022 DONATION REPORTS USEFUL FOR TAX PURPOSES ARE NOW AVAILABLE. Just give your name(s) to the ushers and Father will prepare a confidential report by the following weekend.

PLEASE CHECK OUT THE envelope donation boxes in the church basement and take home those belonging to you and your family, for the new year. Also, be sure you have a church calendar or two for your family and friends. There are both Ukrainian and English calendars.

AND PLEASE REMEMBER ALL OUR PARISH SICK AND INFIRM: Gina Plisiewicz, John morenko, Jim patżuk, Jim Deskiewicz, Vera Tryciecky, Olga Danko, Dottie Dolgash, Luba jackson, the Katarynick Fam., the Tomchick Family.

DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, Feb. 18, 6 pm	+Marie Finnin (Maruszczak Fam.)
Sunday, Feb. 19, 9 am	+Lubomyr Tryciecky (Vera, Girls)
Saturday, Feb. 25, 6 pm	Brothers, Sisters in Ukraine
Sunday, Feb. 26, 9 am	Peace, Freedom in Ukraine

TODAY'S TROPAR:

When the women disciples of the Lord heard the glad tidings of the Resurrection, and had cast aside the curse of their Forefathers, they called out to the Apostles: Death is overthrown, Christ is risen giving mercy to the world.

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER AND THE SON AND...

TODAY'S KONTAK:

O Teacher of wisdom, Giver of knowledge, Protector of the Poor, strengthen my Heart, O Master give me the Word of Wisdom, O Word of the Father, for I will not cease crying out to You: O Merciful One, have mercy on me, Amen.

TODAY'S PROKIMEN:

Pray and give glory to the Lord, my God, AMEN.

Слава Україні!
O. P. H. G. G.