

**February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

**Meatfare Sunday**

**SUNDAY, 2/12** 9:00 am Divine Liturgy (English) for all parishioners  
10:30 am Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian) for special intention

**MONDAY, 2/13** 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy for special intention

**TUESDAY, 2/14** NO Divine Liturgy

**WEDNESDAY, 2/15** 8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

**THURSDAY, 2/16** 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy for special intention

**FRIDAY, 2/17** 8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

**SATURDAY, 2/18** 4:00 pm Divine Liturgy for special intention

**SUNDAY, 2/19** 9:00 am Divine Liturgy (English) for all parishioners  
10:30 am Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian) for special intention

**Announcements**

**1-SERVICE OF FORGIVENESS**

According to the tradition of our church, on Sunday before the Great Lent we usually have the special service of “Forgiveness”. Therefore, **On February 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>** after the Divine Liturgy we will have this service of “Forgiveness”.

**2-Bishop’s Visitation**

On **March 25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>** our Bishop Bohdan J. Danyo will be visiting our parish.

**PRAYER FOR MARRIED COUPLES**

Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of husband and wife so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant. Increase your love in them and strengthen their bond of peace so that they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing. For You are a merciful and loving God and we give glory to You, Father Son and Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen

**Sunday Readings**

**Holy Gospel**

**Matthew 25: 31 – 46**

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. 32 All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, 33 and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. 34 Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 35 for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you

gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36 I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ 37 Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? 38 And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? 39 And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ 40 And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family,[g] you did it to me.’ 41 Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; 42 for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43 I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ 44 Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ 45 Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ 46 And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

***National Marriage Week takes place February 7-14, 2023 and World Marriage Day on Sunday, February 12. These events, promoted by the Bishops of the United States, provide an opportunity to celebrate the vocation of marriage and to focus on the importance of family life. This year’s theme: “Called to the Joy of Love”***

The Christian proclamation on the family is good news indeed!

God’s plan for marriage and family life corresponds to the deepest desires of men and women for lasting happiness and true joy. As sons and daughters of God, we are made for love, for God is love. The family, whose mission is “to guard, reveal and communicate love,” is the common place where God’s love is first experienced and the joy of love is made present. The Holy Father, Pope Francis, reminds us that, “The joy of love experienced by families is also the joy of the Church.”

The Catechism of the Ukrainian Catholic Church gives us this beautiful definition of marriage:

“In the Holy Mystery of Marriage ..., the Christian receives the grace of the Holy Spirit for the building up of the Church, the Body of Christ. In the Holy Mystery of Marriage, the Church blesses a man and woman called by Christ to create a domestic church—a Christian family.”

-Office of Family and Sanctity of Life

Ukrainian Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma’

**THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

**Sunday collections for the weekend of 2/5/23, including envelope offerings - \$555, donations -\$446, candle -\$134, annual parishioner’s contribution -\$300  
Weekly budget: \$1250, Income \$1435**

***Upcoming Events  
in Parish & Eparchy***

***Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>*** – Great Lent begins  
***Mar. 25<sup>th</sup>*** – Feast of Annunciation  
***Apr. 2<sup>nd</sup>*** – Palm Sunday  
***Apr. 7<sup>th</sup>*** – Good Friday  
***Apr. 9<sup>th</sup>*** – Easter

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**Confession before or after Divine Liturgy.**

Confession is recommended as a regular monthly practice. The graces received from confession are an excellent way to help us become closer to Jesus.

*THE CHURCH WAS A MOTHER TO YOU IN LIFE, PROVIDING FOR YOUR SPIRITUAL NEEDS;  
PLEASE REMEMBE YOUR PARISH AND THE EPARCHY OF SAINT JOSAPHAT IN PARMA IN  
YOUR LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT.*