June 15th, 2025 Sunday of All Saints

SUNDAY, 6/15 9:00 am Divine Liturgy (English) for all parishioners

10:30 am Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian) for special intention

MONDAY, 6/16 8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention TUESDAY, 6/17 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy for special intention WEDNESDAY, 6/18 8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

THURSDAY, 6/19 *NO* Divine Liturgy

FRIDAY, 6/20 <u>8:00 am</u> Divine Liturgy for special intention SATURDAY, 6/21 5:00 pm Divine Liturgy for special intention

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Announcements

1 – St. Peter Pence collection

On Sunday, June 29, we will take up the annual Peter's Pence Collection at the request of the Holy Father. This special offering supports the charitable works of the Pope and aids those suffering from poverty, conflict, or natural disasters around the world.

Upcoming Events in Parish & Eparchy

<u>June.</u> 16th – Peter Fast begins <u>June.</u> 29th – Peter & Paul Feast

2-Bible Study

Join us for our next **Bible Study session** on **Wednesday**, **June 18th at 7:00 PM** online. Let's grow in faith together through the Word of God!

3-Sincere Gratitude for The Support of The UGCC Mission Fund

We sincerely thank all the parishioners who contributed to this year's collection for the Mission Fund of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church.

Thanks to your generosity and sacrifice, our parish collected and sent \$205 to support the missionary ministry of the UGCC in the world.

May the Lord bless everyone who supported this initiative and give strength and inspiration to the missionaries who bring the light of the Gospel where it is most needed.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will find mercy."

(Matthew 5:7)

Reflection on The Sunday of All Saints

The Sunday of All Saints, celebrated on the first Sunday after Pentecost, reminds us that holiness is not reserved for the few, but is the universal calling of every Christian.

After the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the Church presents to us a living testimony of the Spirit's work — the Saints. They are men and women, known and unknown,

from every walk of life, who responded to God's grace with love, courage, humility, and perseverance. "Be holy, for I am holy," says the Lord (1 Peter 1:16). This is not a suggestion — it is a vocation.

The Saints were not perfect, but they were faithful. Their lives were rooted in prayer, nourished by the sacraments, and guided by trust in God. They struggled, repented, and stood firm in the face of trials. And now they stand in glory as witnesses that God's grace is stronger than human weakness.

Today, we are reminded that the path of holiness is open to each of us: parents and children, clergy and laity, students, workers, and retirees. We are called to become saints — not necessarily canonized or celebrated, but holy in our homes, our parishes, and our daily lives. Let us ask the intercession of all the Saints, that we may walk boldly on the path of holiness, inspired by their example and strengthened by their prayers.

All you Saints of God, pray to God for us!

Catechetical Instruction from We Walk with Christ: Part-2

There is no divorce in the Church. There are times, however, when a man or a woman become married without the proper understanding or commitment, or when there is an impediment to marriage that was hidden. One cannot be forced to enter into a marriage. Nor can one enter a marriage and hide an illness or an addiction. One cannot enter a marriage and be opposed to conceiving a child.

Under this commandment, it is a sin to lust after your spouse and it is a also a sin to avoid marital intimacy. Natural, divinely blessed sexual relations between spouses contain two integral components -- intimate union and the possibility of bearing a child. The selfish separation of these components is a sin against marital love. The possibility of conceiving a child can be increased by understanding when the wife is fertile.

Sins against this commandment include: the use of contraceptives; unnatural sexual intercourse; wasting time on vulgar and lewd thoughts, fantasies, flirtations, seductions, and anything that inflames the passions and carnal desires; jealousy and resentment. Cohabitation of an unmarried couple or civil marriage or common law marriage are also sins.

Marriage is a gift of God. The Holy Mystery of Marriage offers a man and a woman as husband and wife a way to attain holiness and heaven.

We Walk with Christ: Youth Catechism, Chapter Three, We Love, Theme 10, "You Shall Not Covet Your Neighbor's Wife," amended. You can purchase copies through the Eparchy's website.

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Sunday collections for the weekend of <u>6/8/25</u>, including envelope offerings - \$860,

donations -\$503, candle -\$66, online giving - \$30

Weekly budget: \$1250, Income \$1459

Mission Fund: \$205

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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.