

June 29th, 2025

Third Sunday After Pentecost

SUNDAY, 6/29

9:00 am Divine Liturgy (English) for all parishioners

10:15 am Divine Liturgy (Ukrainian) with Baptism

MONDAY, 6/30

8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

TUESDAY, 7/1

NO Divine Liturgy

WEDNESDAY, 7/2

8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

THURSDAY, 7/3

NO Divine Liturgy

FRIDAY, 7/4

8:00 am Divine Liturgy for special intention

Night Time Prayers

9:00pm Confession

9:30pm Akaphist

10:00pm Divine Liturgy

11:00pm Healing Service

SATURDAY, 7/5

5:00 pm Divine Liturgy for special intention

SUNDAY, 7/6

9:00 am Divine Liturgy (English) for all parishioners

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

Announcements

1-Independence Day Blessing — July 4th

As we prepare to celebrate the gift of freedom this July 4th, we give thanks to God for the many blessings He has poured out upon our country. May we remember that true freedom is not doing whatever we please, but living in the truth that sets us free (cf. Jn 8:32). We honor the sacrifices of those who defended this freedom, and we pray for wisdom and courage to use it well — in service of God, one another, and the common good.

Heavenly Father, bless our nation.
Renew us in faith, heal our divisions, and guide our leaders.
Make us a people who seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with You.
Amen.

Wishing all our parishioners a joyful and grace-filled Independence Day.
May our freedom always lead us closer to Christ — the source of all true liberty.

2-Nighttime Prayers

Join us for Nighttime Prayers on July 4th, from 9:30 PM to Midnight, in our church. These prayers are a powerful offering to the Lord, as we set aside time normally reserved for rest to unite in sacrifice and devotion. Let us come together in prayer, seeking God's grace and blessings.

Upcoming Events
in Parish & Eparchy

June. 29th – Peter & Paul Feast

July 5th – First Friday Vigil

Reflection: Anchored in Faith, Focused on the Kingdom

This Sunday brings together two powerful themes: clarity of vision and firmness of faith. In the Sunday Gospel (Mt. 6:22–33), Jesus calls us to an undivided heart — one that seeks first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. He reminds us not to be consumed by the worries of the world, but to trust that the Father knows all we need. And on this same day, we honor Saints Peter and Paul, pillars of the Church, whose lives embodied this Gospel truth. Despite their very different paths, both apostles placed Christ at the center — Peter with his confession of faith, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God,” and Paul who declared, “For me, to live is Christ.” Jesus' words to Peter — “Upon this rock I will build my Church” — are not just about leadership, but about faith that does not shift, even when challenged. It is this unshakable faith that allows us, like Peter and Paul, to be instruments of grace in a trembling world. Today we are called to reexamine what our hearts are truly focused on. Are our “eyes” — the eyes of the soul — filled with light, or are they clouded by fear, worry, or distraction? As Jesus says, “If your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light.” (Mt. 6:22) The example of Peter and Paul encourages us: To live with clarity of purpose, To be courageous in confessing Christ, And to walk boldly in trust, knowing that when we seek the Kingdom first, everything else will fall into its proper place.

Prayer Thought:

Lord, grant us the vision to see Your Kingdom clearly, the courage to confess You boldly, and the trust to follow You completely — as Peter and Paul did. May our lives reflect Your light, and our hearts remain steadfast in faith.

Quotes On Peter, Paul & the Foundation of the Church

1. "You are Peter, and on this rock I will build My Church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." *Matthew 16:18*

2. "Faith is not a light that scatters all our darkness, but a lamp that guides our steps in the night." *Pope Francis*

3. "The Church stands firm not on human wisdom, but on the confession of Christ." *St. Leo the Great*

4. "Paul was the teacher, Peter the shepherd — together they built the household of faith." *Liturgy of the Hours*

5. "Let us not be afraid to become the saints of the new millennium." *St. John Paul II*

THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Sunday collections for the weekend of 6/22/25, including envelope offerings - \$890, donations -\$210, candle -\$35, online giving - \$160

Weekly budget: \$1250, Income \$1295

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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 REMEMBER YOUR PARISH AND THE EPARCHY OF SAINT JOSAPHAT IN PARMA IN
YOUR LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT.***