

Sunday Bulletin ~ February 22nd, 2026
Sunday of Expulsion of Adam from Paradise



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CHANGEABLE PARTS OF THE DIVINE LITURGY

Tone 4 Troparion (*Resurrection*)

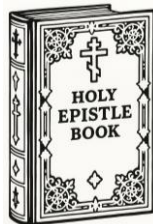
When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Your Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: "Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen,// granting the world great mercy!"

Tone 6 Kontakion (*from the Lenten Triodion*)

O Master, Teacher of wisdom, Bestower of virtue,
Who teach the thoughtless and protect the poor,
strengthen and enlighten my heart! O Word of the Father,
let me not restrain my mouth from crying to You:
"Have mercy on me, a transgressor,//
O merciful Lord!"

Tone 8 Prokeimenon (*from the Lenten Triodion*)

Pray and make your vows / before the Lord, our God!
V. *In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.*



The Reading is from the First Letter of St Paul to Romans 13:11-14:4

And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh. Accept the one whose faith is weak, without quarreling over disputable matters. One person's faith allows them to eat anything, but another, whose faith is weak, eats only vegetables. The one who eats everything must not treat with contempt the one who does not, and the one who does not eat everything must not judge the one who does,

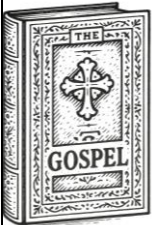
for God has accepted them. Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To their own master, servants stand or fall. And they will stand, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Alleluia and Verses Tone 6

V. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High.

V. To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night. (Ps. 91:2a)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia



The reading is from the Gospel according to St. Matthew 6:14-21

For if you forgive other people when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive others their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins. "When you fast, do not look somber as the hypocrites do, for they disfigure their faces to show others they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward in full. But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, so that it will not be obvious to others that you are fasting, but only to your Father, who is unseen; and your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! (Ps 148:1)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

MEMORY ETERNAL

PLEASE PRAY FOR RESTING OF THE SOULS

Helen Fusco, Maria Koval-Melnykovich, Peter Hucul, Mary Bobersky, Walter Duzzny, Dennis Currie, Julian, Vasyl Zomchak, Heather Rhodes, Joe Zemko, Jeff Ulrich, Judy Cebriak, William Zylka, Serhiy, Pat Mamajack, Arlene Hawryluk, Mary C. Moon, Lidiiia Zabrodina, Metro Senedak, Eleanor K. Laise, Julian Naumenko, Patricia Huly, John Senediak, Ann & George Klein. Victims of the war in Ukraine. In Memory of Mr. Darrel Swartz



PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING, COMFORT, AND SPIRITUAL PEACE

Metropolitan Anthony, Archbishop Daniel, George Demetrius, Beth Zets, Patricia Mogish, Denny Lightner, Kevin Finnerty, Alice Dobransky, Jamie Maluk, Alexandr, Missouri, Jane, Sam, Lorenzo, Lori, Christine Kline, Larry, Soldier Ivan, Dolly Mehalco, Stephen Shonn, Thelma Zemko, Artur Bohuslav, Lori Hayda, Shirley Duffy, Michele (Senediak) Caulder, Dobrodiyka Lilya, Sandy, Marilyn O'Leary, Harold Owens, Marianne Carmack, Nicholas Yurchyk, Pauline Witkowsky, Eileen Maluk, Peter Anderson, Albert Auden, Boris & Kathleen Vuksanovich, Kathy Zebel. People Suffering from any Illnesses. Ukrainian people suffering from war.



Liturgical Schedule & Feast Days



SERVICE AND FEAST DAY SCHEDULE

* (HEARING **CONFESSIONS** ON SUNDAYS BEFORE LITURGY 8:30AM - 9:15AM)

- Sunday, February 22, 9:30AM – Divine Liturgy, Sunday of Expulsion of Adam from Paradise
Cheesefare Sunday (*The Last day before the Great Lent*) (Mt. 6:14-21)
- Monday, February 23 – ** THE BEGINNING OF THE GREAT LENT **
(*spend the first day of Lent reading Psalms*)
- Tuesday, February 24, 7:00 PM – **Night of Prayer for God’s Peace in Ukraine**
4th Anniversary of Russia’s War Against Ukraine Tue, Feb 24 at 7 PM
at Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church at 526 West Rayen Avenue, Youngstown, OH.
- Wednesday, February 25, 6:00 PM – Penitential Canon of St Andrew.
- Thursday, February 26, 6:00 PM – Penitential Canon of St Andrew.
- Friday, February 27, 6:00 PM – Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts. Potluck Dinner
- Sunday, March 1, 9:30AM – Divine Liturgy, Sunday of Triumph of Orthodoxy (Jn. 1:43-51)

Upcoming dates & events

- Sunday, March 15 – Sr UOL Meeting
- Saturday, March 21 – **UOL Lenten Retreat** at Community Resource Center at 320 Shenango Street Pulaski, PA 16143 (724) 652-6184. For registration call Shirley Duffy at (412) 518-0912

Pyrohy Schedule (Updated)

ORDER BY DATE:	WORK DAYS	PICK-UP DAY
March 2	March 3 & 5	March 6
March 16	March 17 & 19	March 20
March 30	March 31 & Apr 2	April 3
April 20	April 21 & 23	April 24
May 4	May 5 & 7	May 8
May 18	May 19 & 20 (Wed)	May 22
June 8	June 9 & 11	June 12



OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD	On February 8	On February 15
General:	\$ 1347.00	\$ 1781.00
Renovation:	\$ 150.00	\$ 115.00
Online Donations on Tithe.ly	\$ 75.00	\$ 25.00

Bulletin Dedication

(in memory of a loved one, or in honor for an anniversary)

Sun Mar 1 1. Dedicated 1. Dedicated	Sun Mar 8 1. Dedicated 2. Available	Sun Mar 15 1. Available 2. Available	Sun Mar 22 Not Available	Sun Mar 29 1. Available 2. Available
Sun Apr 5 1. Dedicated 2. Available	Sun Apr 12 1. Available 2. Available	Sun Apr 19 1. Available 2. Available	Sun Apr 26 Not Available	

Dear Parishioners and Friends, WE NEED HELP!

Please offer your time to help at the Bingo kitchen on available dates (?)

BINGO KITCHEN WORK SCHEDULE 2026 (Updated Feb 14)

Date	Register	Server	Server
Mon., Feb. 23,	Crystal Walkowiec	Jeanna Savastano	Barb Ross
Mon, Mar. 2,	Karen Semchee	Nadiya Lybushka	Barb Ross
Weds., Mar. 4	?	Bobbi Yarosh	Chris Buccino
Mon., Mar. 9	Crystal Walkowiec	?	?

Please call or text Annie Woloschak if you would like to help – 330-766-0182

THIS MONTH OUR PARISH CELEBRATES



FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

February 6, 1971 Gerald & Elizabeth Zets
 February 8, 1969 Patricia & James Nichols
 February 13, 1999 Michael & Theresa Semchee
 February 15, 1975 Peter & Bonnie Borovitcky
 February 27, 1982- Bohdan & Nadiya Lyubuska

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Rich Semchee 1 Avery McCormick 2 Katie & Bernie Rogenski`s 3 James Nichols 7 Gertrude Senediak 10 James Nichols 15 Christina M. Thornton 16 Michael Semchee Sr.	19 Ethan Rhodes 20 Tamara Betts 21 Dee Bralish 23 Carole Senediak 2 Thomas G DeLuca 25 Kyle Crown 26 Walter Malys 27 Irene Hustic 27 Sandy Burlock
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ANNOUNCEMENTS & GREETINGS:

Night of Prayer

for God's Peace in Ukraine

4th Anniversary of Russia's War Against Ukraine

Tuesday, February 24, 2026 at 7 PM

Holy Trinity Ukrainian Catholic Church
526 West Rayen Avenue – Youngstown, OH
330-744-5820 / yngholytrinity@att.net


*Rejoice in hope, be
patient in tribulation,
be constant in prayer.*
— (ROMANS 12:12) —

2026 ANNUAL UOL REGIONAL
Lenten Retreat

Guest Speakers

Rev. Fr. Timothy Paproski
St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, Warren, Oh
Rev. Fr. Yuri Bobko
SS. Peter & Paul UOC, Lyndora, PA

Youth Program

Rev. Fr. John Charest
SS. Peter & Paul UOC, Carnegie, PA

Host Pastors

Rev. Fr. John Charest (*Western, PA*)
Rev. Fr. Mykola Zomchak (*Ohio*)



Saturday, March 21, 2026

Schedule:

8:15 AM Registration & Continental Breakfast
9:15 AM Morning Prayers/Morning Session
12:30 PM Lunch

1:15 PM Afternoon Session,
followed at 3:30 PM with Vespers & Confessions

Children & Youth Program

(*Preschool & Elementary and Middle School & High School Students*)

River Valley

Community Resource Center

320 Shenango Street
Pulaski, Pennsylvania 16143 (724) 652-6184

Registration

Adults \$30.00 ▪ College Students \$20.00
Registration by March 16

Youth (Ages 10 to 18) Free

For more information or request a registration form, call Shirley Duffy
at (412) 518-0912 or send an email to shirleykduffyesq@gmail.com
<https://www.uolofusa.org/>

TO REGISTER, SCAN THE QR CODE



Reflections:



Forgiveness is a path, not a single step. Sometimes it hurts, because we forgive not only a person, but also our broken expectations, our dreams, our hopes. We forgive what will never return. Yet it is in this humility that depth is born. God quietly enters our wounds and transforms them into a source of compassion for others.

And then you no longer judge so easily. You pray. You keep your heart pure. And even if the world remains complicated, within you there appears a quiet confidence that love is stronger than offense, and mercy greater than justice. And this is the true victory of the soul.

And in this victory there is no triumph over anyone — only the quiet joy of reconciliation with God and with oneself. I feel how the heart becomes softer, how there is more light in it and less darkness. By forgiving, I seem to remove from my soul a burden that I myself have carried for years. And then the Lord fills that freed space with a peace that no human victory can give. For true strength is not in proving that you are right, but in preserving love. And when I choose forgiveness, I choose a life of freedom, where the heart is no longer bound by the past, but open to grace and a new beginning.



Offence towards us is inevitable. Christ never promised that we would pass through life without being hurt, misunderstood, or treated unfairly. What He did show us was how to respond when it happens.

The first Christian response to offence is not reaction, but pause. Before words leave our lips, before anger settles in the heart, we step back inwardly. We remember that every person who wounds us is also wounded in ways we may never see. This does not excuse the hurt — but it changes how we hold it.

A Christian does not rush to defend pride. Christ Himself, when insulted, often remained silent. Not out of weakness, but out of strength that did not need to prove itself. There is power in restraint, in refusing to let another person's offence dictate the condition of our soul. Prayer becomes our first refuge. When offence comes, we bring the pain to God before we bring it to others. We say honestly, "This hurt me." And then we ask for the grace not to let that hurt turn into bitterness. Prayer protects the heart from hardening.

Forgiveness, in the Christian life, is not optional. It is commanded — not because the offender always deserves it, but because our hearts need freedom. Christ forgave from the Cross, even while the offence was still happening. That is the measure we are given.

Sometimes the Christian response includes gentle correction or setting boundaries. Meekness is not passivity. Truth can be spoken — but without hatred, without revenge, without the desire to humiliate the other.

In the end, how we respond to offence reveals whose spirit we carry. If we return hurt for hurt, we mirror the world. If we return peace, patience, and prayer, we mirror Christ.

Because the goal is not to win the moment — it is to keep the heart in the light. For in the end, true glory is not to be admired by the world... but to be known by God. And the soul that reflects His light will shine long after earthly praise has fallen silent.

