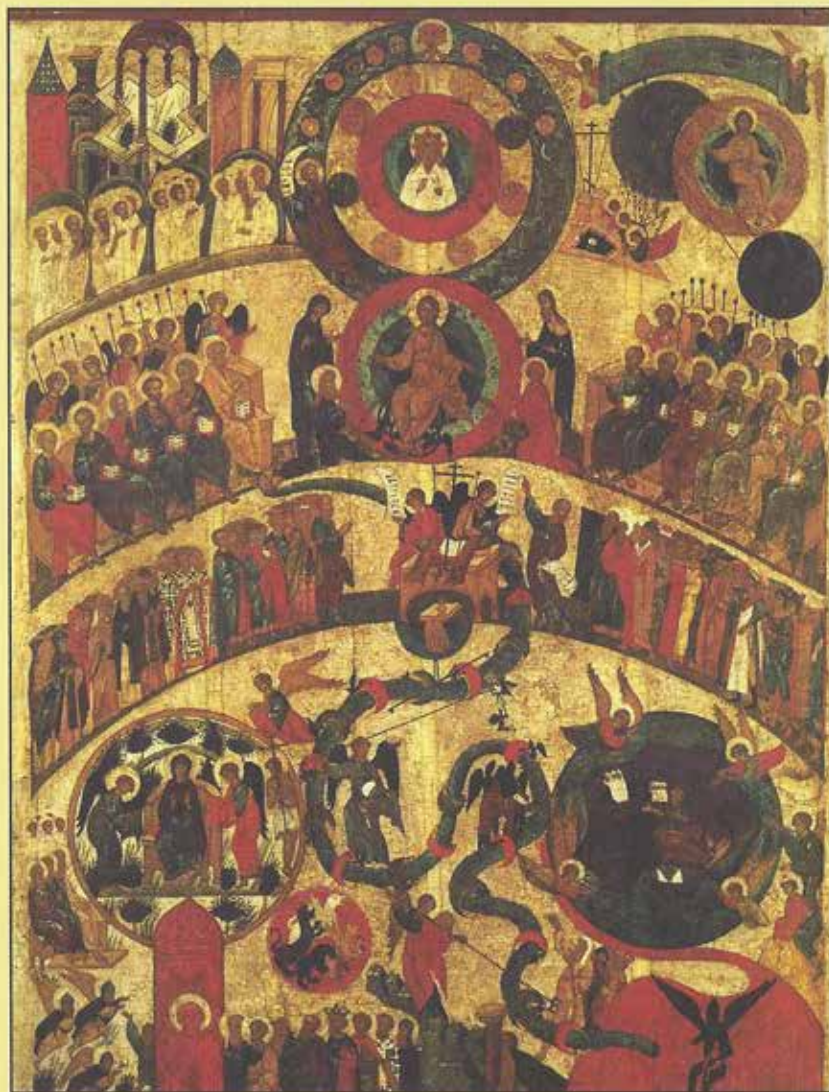


MEATFARE SUNDAY  
SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGMENT



*Icon of the Last Judgment*

## February 4, 2018: Sunday of Meat Fare

Epistle: 1 Cor. 8:8 - 9:2

Gospel: Mt. 25: 31-46

<b>Mon., Feb. 5</b>	8:00	+ Francis Cunion (Marcella & Family)
<b>Tues., Feb. 6</b>	8:00	+ Mary Zenzel (Theresa Hanichak)
<b>Wed., Feb. 7</b>	8:00	+ Rose Marie Kordish (Jerry & Penny Kowalski)
<b>Thurs., Feb. 8</b>	8:00	+ Olga E. Telep (Daughter Lauren Telep)
<b>Fri., Feb. 9</b>	8:00	+ Pearl Kostic (Emil & Mary Ann Pieski)
<b>Sat., Feb. 10</b>	<b>No Morning Divine Liturgy</b> 10:30 Confessions 2:00 pm Confessions 4:00 pm + Joseph Muchisky (Wife Pauline & Sons)	
<b>Sun., Feb. 11</b>	9:00	+ Francis Cunion (St. Cyril's Choir)
	11:30	For Our Parishioners

### Today Is the Sunday of the Last Judgment

Today's Gospel reading is Matthew 25:31-46, the parable of the Last Judgment. It reminds us that while trusting in Christ's love and mercy, we must not forget His righteous judgment when He comes again in glory. Because He is a good and loving God who does not desire the death of a sinner, He calls us to turn from our wickedness and live (Ezek. 33:11). The time for repentance and forgiveness is now.

As Father +Alexander Schmemmann reminds us in his book GREAT LENT (Ch. 1:4) that sin is the absence of love,

it is separation and isolation. We shall be judged on whether we have loved, or not loved, our neighbor. We show Christian love when we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, visit those who are sick or in prison. If we did such things for the least of Christ's brethren, then we also did them for Christ (Mt. 25:40).

Today is also known as the Sunday of Meat-Fare... That means that Great Lent begins next Sunday afternoon. In this final week of preparation for the Great Lent, the traditional discipline

suggests that we bid farewell to meat in our diet after today until Pascha, though eggs and dairy products are permitted every day during the coming week. This limited fasting prepares us gradually for the more intense fasting of Great Lent.

The way we decide to adapt this discipline to our own situation is a matter of individual choice. Of greater importance is the need to formulate a spiritual plan for the coming Holy Season.

## The Super Bowl LII Wager



Champion and perennial powerhouse New England Patriots.

To show their confidence in their respective home teams, the bishops have placed a friendly wager on the ultimate outcome of the game.

**Philadelphia, Pa.** -- Metropolitan Stefan Soroka, Ukrainian Catholic Archbishop of Philadelphia and Bishop Paul Chomnycky, OSBM, bishop of Stamford, Ct. are rooting for different teams during the NFL Super Bowl LII on Sunday, February 4, 2018. This annual sporting event of the year will feature the Philadelphia Eagles, in their first appearance since 2005 and the returning Super Bowl

come of the game. The beneficiaries will be either the chancery staff in Philadelphia or the chancery staff in Stamford, Ct.

Metropolitan Soroka stated, "If the Eagles do not fly high on Sunday, we will provide a luncheon for the Stamford Chancery staff highlighted with Philadelphia cheese steaks. However, I do not suspect I will have to do so."

While Bishop Paul and his chancery staff are looking forward to the Philly Cheese Steak luncheon, the bishop states, “If the Eagles fly high and the Patriots experience a rare defeat, he will provide the Philadelphia Chancery staff with a luncheon with Boston Cream Pie as the dessert.”

The Philadelphia Cheese Steak and the Boston Cream Pie are local favorites of their respective cities that have become nationally and even internationally known.

The Philly cheese steak was developed in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century “by combining frizzled beef, onions, and cheese in a small loaf of bread”, according to a 1987 exhibition catalog published by the Library Company of Philadelphia and the Historical Society of Pennsylvania.

Philadelphians Pat and Harry Olivieri are often credited with inventing the sandwich by serving chopped steak on an Italian roll in the early 1930s.

According to the owners of the Parker House Hotel in Boston, the Boston cream pie was first created at the hotel by Armenian-French chef M. Sanzian in 1856 and originally called a “Chocolate Cream Pie. While other custard cakes may have existed at this time baking chocolate as a coating was a new process, making it unique and a popular

choice on the menu.

The name “Boston Cream Pie” first appeared in the 1872 Methodist Almanac. The Boston cream pie is the official dessert of Massachusetts, declared as such on December 12, 1996.

While both bishops are rooting for their respective home teams, they see this event as an American tradition that brings the nation together on Super Bowl Sunday.

“It is amazing how on this one Sunday, people throughout the nation, indeed throughout the world, come together to watch a game played by grown men. Families, neighbors and organizations have parties and socials to enjoy this American classic. It is a unifying event,” Archbishop Soroka said.

Bishop Paul commented, “While we all hope for an exciting and competitive football game on Sunday, we also look forward to good sportsmanship and camaraderie among the players and fans both on and off the field. For a few hours, we are able to forget about the many problems throughout the world.”

Depending on the outcome, in the near future either the Philadelphia Chancery staff will be enjoying Boston Cream Pie or the Stamford Chancery staff will be feasting on Philadelphia Cheese Steaks.

## **Myasopusna 2018**

Transfiguration of Our Lord Church is pleased to announce that dinner tickets are now available for our Annual Myasopusna Festival, held at the church's banquet hall at 240 Center Street, Nanticoke, on Sunday, February 4, from noon to 4 pm. The Myasopusna (Meat-fare) Festival is the parish's pre-lenten celebration, preceding the Great Fast. Dinner (a platter of holuptsi, kobasi, py-

rohy, borscht, black bread and butter, and a homemade dessert) will be served from 12:30 to 2:00 pm, followed by live Ukrainian dance performances by Saint Mary's Ukrainian Dancers. A variety of Ukrainian crafts will be on display and for sale. Dinner tickets are \$13 if purchased by January 29 (\$15 at the door). Tickets can be purchased by calling Helen (735-4654) or Geri (824-3880).

## **Pre-Lenten Pork and Sauerkraut Dinner**

Father Myron Myronyuk and his parish family of Scranton's St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church cordially invite you to join us for our annual Pre-Lenten PORK & SAUERKRAUT/KAPUSTA DINNER on Sunday, February 4, 2018, beginning at 12:15 pm at St. Vladimir Parish Center, 428 North Seventh Avenue - between West Lackawanna Avenue and West Linden Street.

Menu: slow roasted pork loin, gravy, Ukrainian kapusta (sweet and

sour cabbage), mashed potatoes, vegetable, bread and rolls, dessert, coffee, tea, beverages. Adults \$13.00; Students \$8.00 (age 6-12); Age 5 and under free. Advance reservations for both sit-down and take-out are required and can be made with Maria at 570 503-1514 no later than Tuesday, January 30th. Take-outs available between 11:30 a.m. and 12 noon only. Door prizes will be awarded along with a 50/50 drawing.

## **Piggie Dinner**

Saints Peter & Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, Wilkes-Barre will hold a take-out Piggie / Holubtsi Dinner on Sunday, February 11, 2018. Dinners may be picked up between 11:30 am and 2:00

pm at the Parish School Hall, corner of North River and West Chestnut Streets, Wilkes-Barre. Dinner includes Piggies (meat stuffed cabbage), mashed potatoes, vegetable, bread and butter and dessert.

Dinners will be \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children (12 and under).

Walk-Ins Welcome but Reservations are encouraged, call (570)829-3051.”

## **Pyrohy/Pierogi for Lent**

St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic parish is sponsoring a freshly made Lenten pyrohy/pierogi sale on Saturday, February 17, 2018 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the parish center, 428

North Seventh Avenue. Cost is \$7.00 per dozen and must be ordered in advance no later than Tuesday, February 13 by phoning Leslie at 570 342-3749.

## **Spaghetti Dinner**

The Annual “All You Eat Spaghetti Dinner “ sponsored by Eureka Hose Co. No. 4 will be held Saturday March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Fire Station #717 East Grant St. Olyphant. Dinner includes pasta,salad, bread and butter, dessert

and beverage. Take will be from 3 :00 to 5:00 pm and sit down dinners from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. Tickets can be obtained from any member or at the door. Donation is \$10.00.

## **Ukrainian Easter Egg Workshop**

Ss. Cyril and Methodius Ukrainian Catholic Church in Olyphant will again be offering Pysanky Classes. At this time there will be three dates, March 4, 11, & 18, 2018, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. The beginner class is approximately two hours long. The

cost will be \$20 and includes the supplies needed to make your egg. For more information or to sign up for the class, please call Sonia Maslar at 570-489-9608 or Tammy Budnovitch at 570-766-1919 (after 5 pm).

## **Bus Trip**

Scranton’s St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church is sponsoring a springtime bus trip to New York City on Saturday, May 19, 2018. There will be two stops in Manhattan: the

911 Memorial Museum at Ground Zero and the 42nd annual St. George Ukrainian Street Festival on the Lower East Side. Adults \$70.00; Seniors 65+ \$64.00; Youth 7 to 17 yrs. \$62.00. Par-

ticipants can follow the above two-stop itinerary or are free to do their own thing for part or all of the day. For those not visiting the Museum, the cost is \$44.00. Departure from St. Vladimir Church, 428 North Seventh Avenue will be at 8:00 am and departure from New York City for home will be at 8:30 pm. For additional details and to make reservations con-

tact Dave Pietryka at 570 954-8517 or Paul Ewasko at 570 563-2275. Due to the large number of visitors, Museum staff strongly recommends early confirmation of number of tickets to be ordered, therefore we ask that reservations and nonrefundable payment be made preferably before April 1. Check should be made out to St. Vladimir Church.

## **2018 Ukrainian Catholic Pilgrimage to the Holy Land**

You are cordially invited to join St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, Passaic, NJ, on a once-in-a-lifetime journey following in the footsteps of Jesus with an opportunity to celebrate our Divine Liturgy at sacred places

along the way. Trip dates: October 14 – 23, 2018. For a brochure or further information contact Annette@select-intl.com, by phone 1-800-842-4842, 973-471-9727 or on Facebook, St. Nicholas Ukrainian Passaic.

## **Collection Processing Team...**

The Collection Processing Team for the month of February 2018 is Team #2: Eugene Zinsky, John Turko,

Jr., Leonard Mitchko, and Michael Shumek.

## **Sunday Collection for January 27 & 28, 2018: \$**

### **Altar Boy and Lector Schedule for February 10 & 11, 2018**

	<b>Altar Boys</b>	<b>Lectors</b>
4:00 pm	Nicholas Borowski -- Nicholas Muchisky	Andrew Augustine
9:00 am	Cole Marcinko -- John Nasevich	Pat Marcinko
11:30 am	Jordan Radle -- Brian Radle	Frank Lesnefsky

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### *Abundant Rewards of His Love*

We ought never to forget, beloved, that we have renounced the world. We are living here now as aliens and only for a time. When the day of our homecoming puts an end to our exile, frees us from the bonds of the world, and restores us to paradise and to a kingdom, we should welcome it. What man, stationed in a foreign land, would not want to return to his own country as soon as possible? Well, we look upon paradise as our country, and a great crowd of our loved ones awaits us there, a countless throng of parents, brothers and children longs for us to join them. Assured though they are of their own salvation, they are still concerned about ours. What joy both for them and for us to see one another and embrace! O the delight of that heavenly kingdom where there is no fear of death! O the supreme and endless bliss of everlasting life!

There is the glorious band of apostles, there, the exultant assembly of prophets, there, the innumer-

able host of martyrs, crowned for their glorious victory in combat and in death. There, in triumph, are the virgins who subdued their passions by the strength of continence. There the merciful are rewarded, those who fulfilled the demands of justice by providing for the poor. In obedience to the Lord's command, they turned their earthly patrimony into heavenly treasure.

My dear brothers, let all our longing be to join them as soon as we may. May God see our desire, may Christ see this resolve that springs from faith, for He will give the rewards of His love more abundantly to those who have longed for Him more fervently.

*St. Cyprian of Carthage*

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