

St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner

Featuring Vox Violins
Saturday March 11th, 2017
Buffet Dinner – 6 p.m.

Tickets are \$20 per person and can be purchased through the parish office during the week or from the store.

Lenten prayers for the departed (Sorokousty) will be held every Wednesday morning at 10:00 a.m., beginning March 1st. If you wish to include any names of any departed relatives in this year's services, please return an envelope marked "Sorokousty" with your list of names of the departed you wish to pray for. If you already have a list and have no new names to submit, please write "Same as last year" on your envelope when you return it. Special marked envelopes can be found in the church vestibule.

Stations of the Cross will be every Friday at 7:00 p.m. beginning March 3rd.

This is a popular devotion used by individuals who, through prayer and reflection wish to follow Jesus Christ on his way to Calvary. It is a wonderful way to pray and meditate to help deepen our understanding of the way of the Cross.

Please join us Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent for any or both services.

Parish Lenten Mission

Given by Fr. Anton

Thursday March 16th and Friday March 17th
Sessions begin at 7 p.m.

Come out to lighten the load of your journey!

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Cheesefare Sunday



Let us begin the time of fasting in light!
Preparing ourselves for the spiritual efforts.
Let us purify our soul; Let us purify our body.
As from food, let us abstain from all passion
And enjoy the virtues of the spirit,
So that perfected in time by love
We may all be made worthy to see
The Passion of Christ and the Holy Pascha in spiritual joy!

Pastor: Rt. Rev. Msgr. Anton Szymychalski – Mitred Archbishop
In retirement: Rev. Basil Kondusky
Parish Secretary – Mrs. Chrystyna Tymczynszyn
Parish office is open Tuesday – Friday from 8:30 a.m.- 12:00 noon
after hour EMERGENCIES ONLY please call (905) 327-3563

Divine Liturgy:

Saturday 4:15 p.m. (Eng.)
Sunday 10:00 a.m. (Ukr. & Eng.)
Weekdays & Holy Days: see bulletin

Sacraments:

Confession – Before or after Liturgy; anytime by request
Baptism, Marriage – Please contact the parish office
Sacrament of the Sick, nursing home or hospital visit - Please call the office to request a visit. Due to strict regulations at hospitals and care homes, the individual, immediate family member or power of attorney must do requests.

February 25, 2017 - Cheese-Fare Sunday
Epistle: Rm. 13:11-14:4 Gospel: Mt. 6:14-2
Reader J. Luciw (Ukr.) Next week: G. Barton (Eng.)

DIVINE LITURGY SERVICES:

Wednesday March 1st: 10:00 a.m. Sorokousty with Pre-Sanctified Gifts (Eng.)
Thursday March 2nd: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Eng.) deceased family and friends
Req. by Anastasia Montel
Friday March 3rd: 7:00 p.m. Stations of the Cross (Eng.)
Saturday March 4th: 4:15 p.m. Divine Liturgy (Eng.) +Wasył & +Anna Yurenko and
+Jane Yurenko-Rokicki
Req. by the LaCombe and Yurenko families
Sunday March 5th : 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy (Ukr. & Eng.)

*THIS WEEK OUR SANCTUARY CANDLES BURN FOR
GOD'S BLESSINGS AND GOOD HEALTH UPON OUR PATRIARCH SVITOSLAV SHEVCHUK.*

OFFERINGS:

Feb. 19th:1,065.00
Church donations in memory of +Paul Ternowski: M. & C. Dzugan \$25.00; B. & A. Pidzamecky \$40.00; W. & N. Matwijow \$25.00; N. Konyt \$100.00; M. Lewicki \$25.00;
E. Ternowski \$100.00; G. Waud \$50.00; B. & A. Walters \$15.00; N. Siolkowsky \$25.00; I. Kobil \$60.00
Development donations: P. Gerelus \$50.00; T. & S. Lee \$50.00
Church Donation: E. Ternowski (in memory of +Mary Panchuk; H. Brodoway (in memory of +Roman Skypka) \$25.00:
Errors or omissions? Please call the office. - **THANK YOU!**

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT-IN:

Kateryna Dacko, Alexandra Matychuk, Becky Mussat, Lesia Melnyk, Olga Onyschuk, Stephania Zubatiuk, Fran Chayka, Helen Brodoway, Rose Kondusky, Matteo Niickolai Grochowina-Totolo, Sharon Cybulak, Josifa Cuipka, Greg Kondusky, Nadia Storoschuk, Cecilia Osczypko, Alexandra Bucciarelli, Heidi Walters, Bob French, Fr. Basil Kondusky, Mary March, Tena Wowchuck, Art Holowachuk, Diana Seniuk, Jean Diggins, Sharon Hudgen, Michael Kozachenko, Paula Kozachenko, Sharon Dohan, Slava Kozela, Sawyer Christie, Bette Johnson, Val Runduns, John Hamm, Phyllis & John Romak

Lord, Jesus Christ, You who traveled throughout Galilee healing the sick, enabling the blind to see and the lame to walk, bring healing to Your people who need it this day. Give peace to the minds of those who are tortured by mental illness and anxiety. Comfort those who are alone in their illness. May Your people reach out to them and all who are in need this day. Send grace to the caregivers, that they might be effective and gentle agents of Your loving mercy. May our sufferings be united with Yours to bring healing to people throughout the world. Amen.

Announcements:

Choir Practice – Tuesday March 14th at 7 p.m.

Prizes are needed for our Annual Big-A-Bucks raffles. If you are able to donate a new item, please bring it into the parish office during the week. Donations must be new items and be accompanied with a receipt, to be eligible for income tax purposes.

q Congratulations to our 2017 Malanka Committee for putting on a very successful Malanka (Ukrainian New Years Dance) in January. We had great attendance and very positive feedback. Proceeds received from this event were \$4,000.00. A very sincere thank you to the sponsors of this event: Andrew Peller Ltd, Fairview Mall Dentistry, Trius Winery, Five Rows Winery, Leaning Post Winery, Ukrainian Credit Union, Shumka Dance Ensemble & the Bandurist Chorus and the Ukrainian National Federation. Mark your calendars for next years Malanka – January 13th, 2018!
10:00 A.M.

PYSANKA BINGO – will be held on Wednesday March 22nd at 7 p.m. Admission is \$10 and includes, refreshments, 1 card and a chance to win a door prize!

Big-A-Bucks will be held on Saturday April 1st, 2017. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. Raffles begin at noon until 3 p.m. Tickets are \$25. As of right now we have a waiting list for tickets. Please call Christine at the office during the week to add your name if you still are in need of tickets.

PLEASE WISH THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS A HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

28th: Stefan Chornopysky

1st: Bob French, Kailey McKimm 4th: Mitchell Armstrong

God Grant Them Many Years! Mnohaya Lita!

WHAT TO GIVE UP FOR LENT

Give up complaining. focus on gratitude.
Give up pessimism. become an optimist.
Give up harsh judgments . . . think kindly thoughts.
Give up worry. trust Divine Providence.
Give up discouragement. . . . be full of hope.
Give up bitterness. turn to forgiveness.
Give up hatred. return good for evil.
Give up negativism be positive.
Give up anger. be more patient.
Give up pettiness. become mature.
Give up gloom. enjoy the beauty that is all around you.
Give up jealousy. pray for trust.
Give up gossiping. control your tongue.
Give up sin. turn to virtue.
Give up giving up. hang in there!

Malanka