

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

February 26, 2023

8:40 AM Rosary
9:00 AM **Health/Blessings for all Parishioners**

Monday, February 27

Tuesday, February 28

10:30 AM Book Study

Wednesday, March 1

5:00 PM Confessions in the Sacristy (or by appointment)
5:30 PM Rosary
6:00 PM **Moleben in Times of War: For the Suffering Land of Ukraine and her Children**

Thursday, March 2 NO SERVICES

Friday, March 3

6:00 PM LITURGY OF THE PRESANCTIFIED GIFTS

Saturday, March 4

9:00 AM **ALL SOULS SATURDAY – Liturgy with Panachyda for Our Deceased Loved Ones**
10-1pm PARISH RETREAT
5:00 PM + **Joseph and Catherine Taras – by the Taras Family**

Sunday, March 5 2nd Sunday of the Great Fast

8:40 AM Rosary
9:00 AM **Health/Blessings for all Parishioners**

MOLEBEN FOR VICTORY & PEACE IN UKRAINE On Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 5:00 PM, the Ukrainian Community of the Greater Cleveland Area will hold a Moleben Service for Victory and Peace in Ukraine. The service will take place at St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral. You are all cordially invited to come and pray together for peace in Ukraine.

COMMEMORATION OF THE DECEASED:SOROKOUSTY On Saturdays during the Great Fast (Lent), we pray for all those who have fallen asleep in the Lord. If you would like to request that your departed loved ones be remembered by name during the services, there is no need to write all the names on the envelope since we have the lists from last year. If all the names are the same, please print “SAME AS LAST YEAR” and add any additional names you wish.

DONATIONS – February 19:

Sunday: \$804
Pyrohy: \$1,591
Ukrainian Aid: \$99
Relief for priests: \$20
Total: \$2,514

CONGRATULATIONS:

This week **Joel Lehner (3/05)** celebrates his birthday. We wish you a wonderful celebration, and a year of health and blessings flavored with pure joy, and **many blessed years... mnohaya i blahaya lita!**

A PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE:

Heavenly Father, Your Son taught us “Blessed are the Peacemakers for they shall be called Children of God.” At this hour, we fervently pray that Your Holy Spirit may inspire an end to the violent confrontation and killing in Ukraine. May they restore tranquility to their nation and restore human rights, democratic principles, and religious liberty to their troubled land. God, our Father, we beseech you to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded and accept the souls of the departed into Your Heavenly Kingdom. And may the Most Holy Mother of God, extend her Blessed Mantle of Protection over Ukraine. And may each of us always live our lives as instruments of Your Peace. Amen

PARISH RETREAT:

Saturday March 4th from 10-1pm
Mark your calendar!
Signup sheet available.

THE GREAT FAST:

Let us make every deliberate effort to be more prayerful, humble, merciful and forgiving, abstaining from both food and sin during the next forty days “for now is the season of repentance. Let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.”

May our journey through the Great Fast be a true experience of spiritual growth and communion with our God who anxiously awaits our response to his love and forgiveness. Although our Church traditionally prescribed abstention from meat and dairy products in days gone by for the entire duration of Lent, the following minimal Lenten regulations are in force in our Eparchy:

1. Abstinence from meat and all dairy products for the First Day of The Great Fast, February 20, 2023 and on Good Friday, April 7, 2023.
2. Abstinence from meat only on all Wednesdays & Fridays of Lent as well as Holy Saturday, April 8, 2023.
3. Reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist during the Pascal season (from the onset of Lent to the Wednesday before Ascension Thursday).

Fasting and Abstinence regulations are not binding on persons 60 or older, the very poor, sick, nursing or pregnant women, children before the age of 14, and those who engage in physically very hard labor. **Prayer and almsgiving oblige all!**

SAFE ENVIRONMENT:

Please, be advised that any instance of sexual abuse by a cleric, lay employee or lay volunteer within the boundaries of our parish should be immediately reported to the local police department, child protection services of the county, the pastor of the parish and the Chancery of St. Josaphat Eparchy. A sexual abuser report form is available in the church's vestibule and/or the parish office in English and Ukrainian. The bishop can be reached at the Chancery at 440-888-1522 or by writing to: Most Rev. Bishop Bohdan J. Danylo, Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat in Parma, P.O. Box 347180, Parma OH 44134. You may also file a report with Ms. Marika Zaliszczuk, Victim Assistance Coordinator of St. Josaphat Eparchy (412-215-5372). For more information on St. Josaphat Eparchy's safe environment policy and procedures and other pertinent info, please, log onto: <http://stjosaphateparchy.com/safe-environment/>