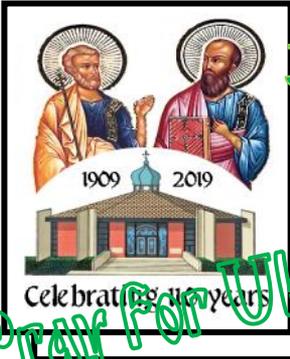


The Word of Sts. Peter & Paul



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Beacon of faith

Sunday, July 17, 2022 was indeed a blessed day for our parish family of Sts. Peter and Paul. Our community celebrated another successful year in the life of the parish.

The parish has survived a pandemic and continues to breath more and more freely on fully open lungs. Services are back to normal, social activities are lining up on the calendar. Quite a few special events have taken place on this Sunday of mid July.

For one of these occasions, parish family have been waiting for three and a half years.

On Sunday morning, the sky over the shiny dome of the parish temple was covered in dark gloomy clouds, but it didn't stop parishioner and visitors to fill the church to the brim for special Sunday worship.

His Eminence Archbishop Daniel was led to the church by eager children showering his path with rose petals. His Eminence was greeted at the church entrance by parish president Mrs. Mary Wisniowski and parish priest Fr. Vasyl Sendeha. Archbishop Daniel started the service with the blessing of the newly installed chandelier. This is the moment everyone in the parish was waiting with anticipation for over three years. Almost a year before the beginning of pandemic, we have decided to upgrade lights in the Church temple. All of the lighting fixtures were pretty quickly upgraded besides the main Chandelier.

Unfortunately, due to accidents during shipping

as well as the Covid pandemic it took over three years for custom made chandelier to finally make it from Greece to Palos Park. "Wow" could be heard over and over in the church once the blessed chandelier lit up the whole temple. It's not just a pretty decorated piece of art. It's not just a light fixture. It's a beacon of light that has truly brightened up the church temple as well as our souls. This project of upgrading the main chandelier brought people together to raise funds, to be persistent in working out the unfortunate events and to follow our common goal. It turned into another uplifting success. After blessing of the chandelier, His Eminence read special prayer for our newest and youngest altar server Sviatoslav Kulyk and gave him His blessing to start wearing a stiharion. As six year old Sviatoslav faced His Eminence holding folded stiharion in his arms, his eyes lit up with anticipation. A bit shaking hands didn't stop him from looking straight at Archbishop as he was being received into the lines of altar servers. Determination and a strong faith of a child was in his brave look. He was definitely ready to go on a new journey in his young life of assisting clergy at the Holy altar.

The prayerful celebration of special day was continued with ordination to the order of readers of David Arute and Antony Sendeha in the Holy Ukrainian Church.

The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy followed.

His Eminence was assisted by the newly enlisted altar server Sviatoslav Kulyk as well as newly ordained readers Antony and David and by the seminarian Reader Maksym Zhuravchyk, Subdeacon Jeremy Oryhon, Subdeacon Dennis Rehr, Subdeacon James Nevels and Altar servers David Sendeha, Michael Supilowski, Nazariy and Mykola Bryndzia. The choir led by Subdeacon George Cepynsky sounded extraordinary, beautifying the service with their beautiful voices.

It was a joy to hear the restless kids in the arms of their parents. Their noise was adding up to the prayerful celebration of the life of the parish. These sounds were the proof of the living faith of generations.

When the time has come for the sermon and the first words were spoken by His Eminence Archbishop Daniel, silence took over the whole place. You could hear a pin drop. Even the restless kids quieted down as they felt it was the time to listen to the teachings of Our Spiritual Father. His Eminence urged the congregation to live even more fully their Christian faith on a daily basis as our society is going through some troubling times. The world as never before needs action, action on behalf of those who believe in one true God Jesus Christ. We, as Christians, simply cannot be bystanders as the evil actions are portrayed as totally normal in our society according to His Eminence.

It was heartwarming to see so many faithful approach the chalice to receive the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. It has shown that parish family has come back from the pandemic living a full Liturgical life.

Liturgical Schedule

6th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 5

Sunday
July 24

Commemoration of the Miracle (451) of Great-martyr Euphemia the All-praised, of Chalcedon (+304). Hieromartyr Cindeus of Pamphylia (3rd-4th c.). Blessed Equal-to-the-Apostles Olha, princess of Kyiv, in holy baptism called Helen (969).



Rom. 12:6-14; Mt. 9:1-8 To Equal-to-the-Apostles: 2 Cor. 6:1-10; Lk. 7:36-50

Saturday
July 30

No vespers Fr. Vasyl at UOL Convention

Sunday
July 31

7th Sunday after Pentecost. Tone 6 Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the First Six Councils (movable holiday on Sunday closest to July 29). Martyr Emilian of Silistra in Bulgaria (363). Martyr Hyacinth of Amastris (4th c.). Ven. Pambo, hermit of Egypt (386). Ven. John the Long-suffering of the Kyiv Caves (1160). Ven. Pambo, recluse of the Kyiv Caves (1241).



Holy Fathers - Heb. 13:7-16 Jn. 17:1-13
To Saint: Gal. 5:22-6:2; Lk. 6:17-23

Following the Divine Liturgy, His Eminence Daniel has recognized three ladies of our parish Mary Wisniowski, Patricia Beck and PM Olenka for years of outstanding work and dedication to the parish, especially during the times of pandemic and awarded them Centennial medal of the UOC of USA.

The new beautiful chandelier of the church with its 136 lightbulbs is not just an update and improvement of the church temple. It has become a symbol of a new life after our community along with the whole world went through the unprecedented times of the pandemic. Shiny and decorative light fixture is a beacon of hope in the Lord who protects and guides His faithful people.

Now our church temple is well lit even on the dark and gloomy days. The soft pleasant physical light of the chandelier would definitely brighten the day of those who come to worship and uplift them to leave the service carrying the light of Christ in their hearts to their homes, places they work or visit to enlighten there those who seek Christ.

The society we live in needs to reflect more on something more spiritual, something more detached from materialistic and hedonistic views. The church temple with its appearance now preaches to the community.

The celebration continued in the church hall and on parish grounds as faithful enjoyed the exclusive meal prepared by parish chefs Albert Turiy, John Jaksich, Yuriy Korolyk, Ivan Bryndzia and their crew. The meal was truly a feast.

Priests of the neighboring parishes, honorable guests expressed their greetings as well as gave gifts to the parish on the occasion of the Feast Day.

Representative from Selfreliance Federal Credit Union, Mr. Walter Tun greeted the parish family and presented a gift in the amount of five thousand dollars.

Parish family enjoyed the celebration and the fellowship until the sun was ready to put the day to rest and was about to roll behind the hills of the west.

Thank you to all of those who have come and shared in the celebration of our parish Feast day.

Thank you to the set up crew the day before and the clean up crew after the event.

Thank you to Feast Day committee for organizing the event.

We express our gratitude to John Grzymiski and Pat Beck - chairs of the Cash Raffle

Special thank you to PM Olenka for selling this year 96 tickets.

Thank you to Donna Nevels for capturing the moments in beautiful photographs.

Fr. Vasyl

Announcements



Our parish is starting a new social

event. On Friday August 19, 2022 we will have our first Bingo night. This time Bingo night will be held at our Church Hall jointly with parishioners of All Saints Lutheran Church of Orland Park. Their Men's club will run the bingo for us. Please join. The doors will open at 5:00pm Games start at 6:00pm. Hot food would be offered. All proceeds to Charity.



English as a
Second
Language

Our Parish is offering ESL (English as a Second Language) classes in the evenings for

adults as well as children free of charge. If you know someone who immigrated to the United States and would like to learn English please let them know of the opportunity. For more info, please see Ray Fischer. *Classes: Thursdays at 6:00pm and Sundays at 11:30 am at the Church hall.*

Jr. UOL Chapter

Our Chapter is going to UOL Convention in Carnegie PA.

All of the arrangements have been made. Seven children and 5 adults/chaperons. We leave on Wednesday July 27 and will be back on Sunday July 31. We were able to afford Convention for all of the members thanks to fundraisers we have held at the parish and thanks to your generosity.

TODAY

Sunday July 24 following Divine Liturgy Brunch at the Church hall.

Antony Sendeha—president



Eternal Light

In memory of Helen Trigg & Peter Bruce
by Barbara & Katie Bruce



Seven Day Vigil Candles

New friends seeking refuge and love and prayer from
Ukraine. Cucci-Fischer Family
For the health of Iryna on her 16th birthday. Many Years!
Kashpar Family
For the health of my daughter Iryna on her birthday by Hal-
yna Kashpar
For the health and God's blessings of family members by Mike
& Alvine Gbur
For the health of Bob Lewandowski by Fr. Vasyl
For the health of my nephew Mykola who is defending Ukrain-
ian freedom by Halyna Kashpar
For the health of Patti Faye by John Batura
For the health and God's blessings of the people of Ukraine by
PM Olenka



In memory of my parent Polina and Pavlo. Memory Eternal
Heavenly Kingdom by Halyna Kashpar
IN memory of Anthony Kaczor by Michael Supilowski
In memory of Tony Kovco by Michael Supilowski
In memory of George & Emilia (Lukich) LaBuda by Judy Rock
(daughter)

Bible Study

Next Bible Study group meeting is
Tuesday July 26, 2022 at 6:30 pm.
Via zoom

If you are interested in joining the study, please see Fr. Vasyl



Prayer Corner for the Month of July

We ask all of you to remember in your prayers the following individuals, who are in need of God's healing and grace: Tina Palasti, Donna Nevels, Ralph Palm, Patricia & Bob Lewandowski, Nikolai, Andriy, Irina, Karoline, David, Irine, Zoriana, Lev, Nina, Kathryn, Louise Podlecki, Andy, Irene, Bohdan, Pavlo, Kevin & Polina, Borislav, Irene Belkow, Alla Grzymiski, Kathy Grzymiski, Jeanne Maack, Pani Mary Donahue, Tony Zerebny, Nicole, Elena, John & Patti, Michael, Barbara Patronik, Katie Bruce, Michael Kimak, Chloe McKinney, Yuriy Zmysly, Dorothy Seliga, Halyna & Wolodymer Kashpar, Priest Vasyl Dovhan, Priest Petro, PM Maria, Frankie, Zachary, Orest, Alexander, Anatoli & Pamela, Paul & Melissa, Olga, Janet and Natalia.

Pray for Our expecting mothers:

Iryna, Oksana

Parish Annual Cash Raffle

Thank you to all of those who were selling tickets as well as participated in the annul raffle.

We sold all 200 tickets!

Congratulation to the winners of the Cash Raffle

Easy Fresh Inc (Julia Yakubchuk) - \$5,000.00

Michael Supilowski- \$1,000.00

Ronnie Colosimo - \$500.00

Memorial Service August 7



In memory of George Podlecki, Ann Podlecki and Sabina Redmerski.

Requested by Carol Redmerski

In loving memory of Helen Trigg & Peter Bruce
by Barbara & Katie Bruce

Coffee Hour Schedule



We are back to sponsored coffee hours

If you would like to volunteer, please let Mary Wisniowski or Fr. Vasyl know.

You can sponsor coffee hour monetary by donating \$25.00 to cover the cost of one coffee hour.

July 3 —Elias Gordan — *thank you for volunteering*

July 10 — *Lidia Cepynsky— thank you for volunteering*

July 17—Parish Feast Day

July 24— *Jr. UOL Pancakes*

July 31— *Nevels Family*

Humanitarian Aid

We have a number of young families who would like to escape the war in Ukraine and come to the USA. All they need is a sponsor in the USA. They do not need financial assistance.

If you would like to help those people please see Fr. Vasyl or PM Olenka

We continue to collect Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine and Ukrainian Refugees who are in the US.

We are in need of NEW baby and kids clothes for boys and girls:

Ages:

6 month old boy

18 month old boy and girl

6 year old boy and girl

Also: Diapers # 5 and Pull ups - # 2T

Please bring the clothes and drop them off at the church entrance.