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June 16, 2024
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Very Rev. Archpriest Edward Canon Young, Pastor
FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST Feast Of All The Saints Of Rus-Ukraine.

Apostles Fast

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE
WEEKDAYS: Non at this time

SUNDAY: 8:30 AM (Ukr.) & 10:00 AM (Eng.)
Confessions are heard before each Divine
Liturgy: Sunday 8:00AM to 8:30AM and
9:30AM until 10:00AM
Religious Education – Saturday 10:00AM –
11:00AM
Sunday After 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Call Audrey Sokol 203-924-1184 for more
information.

Preservation – Please use the form in church
vestibule, mail it to the church or bring it to Michael
Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young
Address or Name Change/New Phone Number –
Please update your records. See Michael
Wysowski, Jr. to update this info.
Returned checks are subject to a $35.00 fee
per check.

Bulletin Notices – Notices for the bulletin must be
in writing by Wednesday @6PM to be included in
that week’s bulletin.

Parish Council meets every 3rd Wednesday of
every month @7:15pm in the church hall.
Rectory Office Hours - Thursday 1:00 to 3:00
PM or by Appointment on other days

Baptism Arrangement for baptism is to be made
personally at the Parish Office. Please call the rectory for an
appointment.

Marriage – Arrangements for marriage are to be
made at least 6 months prior to the Wedding date.
Please call rectory for an appointment.

Sick Calls – To arrange for Sacraments for the elderly
and sick at home, please call Parish Office Fr. Young
at 203-734-3895. Please advise the rectory of any
hospitalization.

In your Estate planning – Remember Sts. Peter & Paul Church in your
will.
Stewardship - "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve
one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10). All
Catholics, should give generous support—time, money, prayers, and
personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan
programs and to the universal Church

Special Share in the Eucharist *— Bread & Wine
offered for a week, month, or year. Donations: one week - $20.00
Donors/intentions will be listed.
Michael Wysowski, Jr or Fr. Edward Young
Eternal Light *— offered to light for a week $10.00.
Michael Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young
Virgin Mary's Lamp and Sacred Heart Lamp* also available for offering!
Offered to light for a week is 10.00, each. Michael Wysowski, Jr. or
Fr. Edward Young

All start on Monday to Sunday!
*Offering must be made when dates
are reserved on a first come first served basis !!!!

A Welcome to St. Peter and St. Paul Parish to all who are worshipping with us today. If you are over twenty-one years of age and have not
yet registered, have moved or will be moving, or have a new telephone number, please fill out the form below. Each household must be
registered at St. Peter and St. Paul and every adult receives a set of stewardship envelopes. Registration also entails an annual dues t o the
parish. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for church authorities to issue him or her a sponsor certificate, reference, or any other
certification.

From Vespers of the Feast: Venerable fathers of the Monastery of the Caves, Anthony and Theodosius,* the first flowers of
the Ukrainian Church,* and all the countless righteous ones who followed after their steps,* dedicating their lives to God!* You
shine forth as an example of Christian perfection,* and you teach us by prayer and self-denial* to configure ourselves to Christ
God for the salvation of our souls.* Therefore, implore the good God, that we may be made worthy of your intercession,* and that together with you, through prayer and sacrifice,* we may obtain for Christ’s Church and our Ukrainian nation* mercy and God’s bountiful blessings. O Martyrs and confessors, hierarchs and priests, religious and laity,* who, for the sake of Christ, suffered in prisons and labor camps,* and were broken in spirit and wasted by beatings, starvation, and cold!* Your numbers and your names are known only to the all-knowing God.* You shed rivers of righteous blood,* and with your tears bedewed the prison cells and torture chambers.* Your martyrs’ blood testifies to your unwavering faith in God before heaven and earth.* You are our powerful intercessors before the throne of the Most High.* Therefore, with the Mother of God, implore the heavenly Father,* the Savior Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit, the Advocate,* a continuous blessing upon our Church and nation,* so that they could joyfully and freely glorify your holy names.

### Bread and Wine: Non Offered

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**ETERNAL LIGHT**

In loving memory of +Earl B. Holtz by Patricia Holtz & Family

**BLESSèD VIRGIN MARY LAMP**

Given for the Good Health of Stefan Gebuza from Wasyl & Jaroslawa Sembrat & Family

**SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP**

Offered for the Good Health of Iryna Kardash req. by Roma Kardash & Family

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**BREAD & WINE OFFERING RESERVED DATES**

8/5/24-8/11/24

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**ETERNAL LIGHT LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES**

3/11/24-3/17/24
3/18/24-3/24/24
3/25/24-3/31/24
4/8/24-4/14/24

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**BLESSèD VIRGIN MARY LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES**

3/11/24-3/17/24
3/18/24-3/31/24
4/8/24-4/15/24
5/6/24-5/12/24

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**SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES**

3/18/24-3/24/24
4/29/24-5/5/24
10/28/24-11/3/24
2024 STAMFORD CHARITIES DIOCESE APPEAL

The month of May starts the Stamford Diocese Charities Appeal for 2024. This fund provides support for many programs in the Diocese as indicated in the Sower, offering reminds us that we are members of a greater body of the Church that operates beyond the barriers of our local parish.
and that each one of us has a role to play in the Church’s mission of evangelization and sanctification. You will be receiving the appeal this week for support. Please help this fund as you have in the past.

The 2024 goal is $7,500.00 set by Stamford.

**Please do not send your donation to Stamford!!!**

**We did not meet our goal in 2023 short by $3,405.00**

There will be collectors to take your donation for 2024 in the church hall!

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**PRAYER FOR OUR NATION** Lord, we pray for peace and unity in our nation today. Keep us in peace, O Christ our God, under the protection of your Holy Cross; save us from our enemies, visible and invisible, that we may glorify You with thanksgiving, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. We pray that You would inspire this nation to be a nation under God. Give us your hope. Give us your peace. Amen

The Light of God ~ surround us.
Wherever we are God ~ be our strength.

**PRAY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE AND THE WORLD: MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS, THROUGH THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL, SPREAD YOUR OMOPHOR ~ WE IMPLORE YOUR PROTECTION OVER UKRAINE AND BEG THAT YOU INTERCEDE WITH OUR LORD TO GRANT PEACE.**

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**PARISH COUNCIL Meeting**

**June 19, 2024**

**Monthly Meeting of St Peter & St Paul Board of Directors**

**Wednesday evening June 19th, 2024**

**@ 7:15 pm in the church hall**

**All Board members are requested to attend!!!!!!**

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**THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST FATHER’S DAY**

**EPISTLE - Romans 6:18-23**

**GOSPEL - Matthew 8:5-13**

**TONE 3**

In the Gospel of Matthew we hear about the healing of the centurion’s servant. A Roman soldier
comes to Christ and asks for Christ to heal his servant who has been paralyzed. Christ responds asking for the centurion to take him to his servant so that he could heal him. The centurion replies that he is not worthy for Christ to enter his house and that he is a man of authority. The centurion knows by his word alone, Christ can heal his servant. Christ calls out this man of great faith and says; “And I say to you that many will come from east and west, and sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven. But the sons of the kingdom will be cast out into outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” (Matt. 8:11-12).

Too often we can feel justified because we call ourselves Christian. Christ reminds us that many will come from east and west to sit down in heaven but many who believed they were saved just because of their ancestry will not. We can easily fall into this trap of pride. A true Christian is humble and meek, putting all his trust in God and not himself. It doesn’t matter what our parents or those before us did but what matters is what we do and believe. Being a Christian is not just something we call ourselves but it is something we do and how we live. Ignatius of Antioch, who was the third bishop of Antioch around 66 AD says this: “It is not that I want to merely to be called a Christian, but actually to be one. Yes, if I prove to be one, then I can have the name.” Being Christian is a life and not just something we call ourselves. To be a Christian means to put all our trust in God which means putting away our pride and our own wants, to “deny ourselves” as Christ says. It is a life lived following Christ.

One area we can see that America is struggling at is one of love. We lack love and compassion. We cannot be Christians if we do not love our enemies. Christ showed compassion and love to “enemies” of the Jews such as the centurion and even the Samaritans. It is easy to love those who are kind to us but to love our enemies is difficult and often people are our enemies because our pride gets in the way. They said or did something to hurt us. We are called to love them and forgive and put our pride away. Humility is the tool that opens up our hearts to truly accept Christ and allows Christ to dwell in it. If there is no room in our hearts for someone, even one person, then there is no room for Christ.

There is so much turmoil in our world and it all comes down to one thing, and that is our pride. Our pride is what blinds us from Christ and to see every person made in his image. We want things done our way, whatever spectrum that is, instead of how Christ calls us to be. We don’t forgive because our pride was hurt. Change in the world begins with each individual. It begins with an open heart and love for God. It happens when we focus more on doing the will of God and completing every task in the glory of God instead of our own glory. We do not like to humble ourselves and we end up looking for success in the secular sense instead of the Christian sense. We want to do things our way instead of the way Christ intends for it to be. The centurion came to Christ with humility. He was a man of power and authority but came on behalf of his servant for Christ to heal him. Christ’s word alone heals the man. Christ, who is our maker and redeemer, saves us but we must come to him in humility. It may not always be in the way we want but He gives us what we need for our salvation. Just as a parent doesn’t always give their children what they want but gives them what they need, Christ does the same. We are children to God and the reality is we do not know what we need or want. God knows what we need and he gives it to us when we call upon him. Do we receive whatever he gives us with gratitude and joy, including trials and difficulties, or do we get upset and angry. For this centurion, Christ healed his servant because it was what was needed for his salvation at that time. We may not always get physical healing, even the Apostle Paul dealt with physical torments and pains but as he said it was for his salvation and so that he would not boast and in his weakness God’s grace was made known and strong. Just as the centurion came to Christ in humility, we must come to Christ with humility and an open heart so that he can grant us salvation. (Excerpt from St. Nicholas Orthodox Church ~ The Rev. Andrew P. Nelko)
Father’s Day is a beautiful day on which we celebrate our fathers, grandfathers, and the father figures in our lives. Though not officially a Christian celebration, Father’s Day is annually celebrated on the third Sunday in June and offers a time for reflection, expression of gratitude, and prayer for our fathers.

**FATHER’S DAY PRAYER:**

God our Father, we give you thanks and praise for Fathers young and old. We pray for young Fathers, newly embracing their vocation; may they find courage and perseverance to balance work, family and faith in joy and sacrifice. We pray for our own Fathers around the world whose children are lost or suffering; may they know that the God of compassion walks with them in their sorrow. We pray for men who are not Fathers but still mentor and guide us with Fatherly love and advice. We remember Fathers, Grandfathers and Great Grandfathers who are no longer with us but who live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Amen

From the Vespers of the Feast of All Saint of Ukraine: O St. Olha, morning star of Christ’s gospel proclaimed in the city of Kyiv,* and St. Volodymyr, equal-to-the-Apostles, Baptizer of Rus’-Ukraine,* and all holy princes, God-pleasing leaders of our nation!* By your holy lives you opened the doors of divine truth and grace.* You strengthened the Church of Christ in our Ukrainian lands.* You are our constant protectors and intercessors, our honor and glory.* Therefore, may your names shine forth forever,* and may they be for us an inspiration* to faithfulness and perseverance in the holy faith,* for the salvation of our souls All the choirs of the hierarchs, mighty luminaries of the Ukrainian Church!* As faithful followers of the apostles and as good shepherds,* you faithfully preserved the flock entrusted to you;* you led it along paths of truth and carefully fed it with spiritual food,* not hesitating to give up your lives for your sheep.* Therefore, together with St. Josaphat, the priest-martyr,* implore the Chief Shepherd, Christ God,* for the Ukrainian nation’s faithfulness to His commandments* and great mercy for our souls. Venerable fathers of the Monastery of the Caves, Anthony and Theodosius,* the first flowers of the Ukrainian Church,* and all the countless righteous ones who followed after their steps,* dedicating their lives to God!* You shine forth as an example of Christian perfection,* and you teach us by prayer and self-denial* to configure ourselves to Christ God for the salvation of our souls.* Therefore, implore the good God, that we may be made worthy of your intercession,* and that together with you, through prayer and sacrifice,* we may obtain for Christ’s Church and our Ukrainian nation* mercy and God’s bountiful blessings.

Brimming with rich Catholic tradition, the Apostles’ Fast, also known as the Fast of Peter and Paul, is a profound embodiment of faith and devotion. Observed by Eastern Catholics, along with Eastern Orthodox, Oriental Orthodox, and Reformed Orthodox Christians, this fast serves as a spiritual marker in the liturgical year. The variable duration, from eight to forty-two days, is determined by the date of Easter. The Apostles’ Fast has a compelling history. After rejoicing for fifty days following Easter, the Apostles, guided by Sacred Tradition, began a period of fasting and prayer. This was a time of preparation as they readied themselves to leave Jerusalem and spread Christ’s teachings. The Scriptural foundation of the fast can be found in the Synoptic Gospels, where Jesus tells the Pharisees that the time for his disciples to fast will come after the ‘bridegroom’ has been taken away, referring to His impending crucifixion and subsequent Ascension. Importantly, the Apostles’ Fast is more than a fast – it’s an act of heartfelt gratitude. It is believed to have been instituted to thank God for the witness and resilience of the Apostles during their missions. As Catholics partake in this fast, they express their gratitude for the Apostles’ endurance in the face of persecution. The fasting guidelines, while not as rigorous as Great Lent or the Dormition Fast, involve abstaining from certain foods like red meat, poultry, eggs, dairy products, and wine, with some exceptions. The Apostles’ Fast commences on the Monday after the Sunday of All Saints, which is the second Monday after Pentecost. It concludes on June 29, with the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul. The start of the fast can fluctuate between May 18 and June 21, depending on the date of Easter. For Catholics, participating in the Apostles’ Fast is a deep spiritual journey. It’s a period of thankfulness, remembering the sacrifices of the Apostles, and a time to seek divine inspiration to live out the teachings of the Gospel in our daily lives!
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Father’s Day Prayer

God our Father,
you govern and protect your people
and shepherd them with a father’s love.
You place a father in a family
as a sign of your love, care,
and constant protection.

May fathers everywhere be faithful
to the example shown in the Scriptures:
steadfast in love, forgiving
transgressions, sustaining the family,
caring for those in need.

Give your wisdom to fathers
that they may encourage and
guide their children.
Keep them healthy
so they may support a family.

Guide every father
with the Spirit of your love
that they may grow in holiness
and draw their family ever closer to you.
Amen

Author Unknown