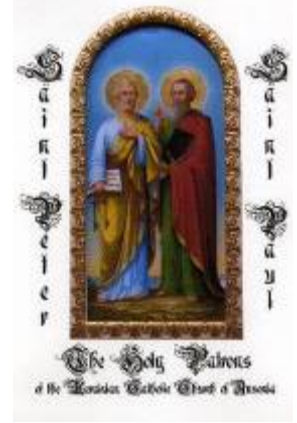




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**Very Rev. Archpriest Edward Canon Young, Pastor**

**January 16, 2022**

**30th Sunday after Pentecost; The Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and Illustrious Apostle Peter**

Epistle: **COLOSSIANS 3: 12-16** Gospel: **LUKE 18: 18-27** Tone: 1

**DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**WEEKDAYS:** MONDAY–FRIDAY 10:00AM

**SATURDAY:** Not Now! 4:00PM (Vigil Sunday-Eng.)

**SUNDAY:** 8:30 AM (Ukr.) & 10:00 AM (Eng.)

**Confessions are heard before each Divine Liturgy:**

**Saturday** 3:00PM to 3:30 PM  
**Sunday** 8:00AM to 8:30AM and  
9:30AM until 10:00AM

**Religious Education** – Saturday 10:00AM – 11:00AM  
Call Alice O'Doy @203-734-3055 for more information.

**Preservation** – Please use the form in church vestibule, mail it to the church or bring it to Bob Jaskilka, Michael Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young

**Address or Name Change/New Phone Number** –  
Please update your records. See Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr. to update this info.  
Returned checks are subject to a **\$35.00 fee**.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month @7:15pm in the church hall.

**Rectory Office Hours - Thursday 10AM – Noon**  
*or by Appointment on other days*

**\*\*\*\*Please Note \*\*\*\***

**Mass Offerings , Sorokousty  
Mother's Day, Father's Day  
Checks must be made out to the Fr. Young  
not the Church ! Thank You...**

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

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**Eternal Light** \*- offered to light for a week \$10.00.

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**Virgin Mary's Lamp and Sacred Heart Lamp\*** also available for offering! Offered to light for a week is 10.00, each.

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**All start on Monday to Sunday!**

**\*Offering must be made when dates are reserved!**

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 to 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.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_  
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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

*(Please come down to the Basement to be properly registered after or before liturgy)*




From the Vespers of the Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Holy and Illustrious Apostle Peter: Bound to the Lord, you (Peter) were imprisoned in a dungeon.\* Thus you bound falsehood, Apostle.\* Therefore we honor you with love and kiss your chains with faith.\* From them we draw healing of body and salvation of our souls.\* We fittingly praise you, god-seer and converser with the angels Those who are bound by ignorance, receive understanding through you.\* The peoples of the Gentiles who first were scattered\* were shown to you in an image let down from on high\* as a sheet containing every living creature.\* Therefore, Apostle, every generation glorifies you,\* venerating the chains which you bore with diligence for Christ! The One whom you denied at His condemnation,\* you hymned when He rose from the dead.\* You preached Him to the ends of the earth, Apostle,\* as the God and Man who in His great goodness\* entered into fellowship with humankind!\* Therefore, we bless you with love, all-glorious Peter,\* venerating the chains which you bore with diligence for Christ!



**Christ Is Born! Let us Glorify Him! ХРИСТОС РАЖДАЄТЬСЯ! СЛАВИТЕ ЙОГО!**

*Bread and Wine Offering - None Offered*

1/15	Saturday		No Liturgy
1/16	Sunday	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян +Anna Petriw req. by Jean & Scott Walker & family
1/17	Monday	6:00 PM	<b>Feast Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Anthony the Great</b> +Antonina Zanowiak req by Oksana & Wladyslaw Gebuza
1/18	Tuesday		No Liturgy
1/19	Wednesday		No Liturgy
1/20	Thursday	10:00 AM	<b>Feast Our Venerable and God-bearing Father Euthemius the Great</b> +John Kohut
1/21	Friday	10:00 AM	+Hnat, Julia & Decceaed of the Smeider Family
1/22	Saturday	10:00 AM	Religious Education
1/23	Sunday	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян +Frank Fedir Stuban req. by Helen Stuban & Family

ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>In loving memory of +Antonina Zanwowskiak by Oksana &amp; Wladyslaw Gebuza &amp; Family</i>	
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>In loving memory +Stefania &amp; +Szymon Gebuza by Beata Gebuza &amp; Family</i>	
SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP		<i>In loving memory of +Mary Nyscot by Carol Stumpf</i>	
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**2021 & Past Church Dues (Blue Book) (Kollekta)**

During Lent & every Saturday & Sunday dues current & past will be collected in the church hall after 8:30 AM & 10AM Sunday Liturgies.

Please bring your dues book to the church hall dues will not be collected in the rectory Back on January 25, 2005 the Parish Council voted to increase the yearly dues to \$75.00 per member. This is the first increase since 1998. The number of upcoming projects that are needed to keep the church building in good repairs, such as painting, doors, walls, fixing the roof, warranted this increase.

**Do not place dues in your weekly envelope offering !**

**Please remember - this is not our church but YOUR church! Please fulfill your responsibility to your Church!!**

**Friendly Reminder - 2021 & Past Church Dues** are due during lent to support your church to pay our obligations to keep the church running such as salaries; electricity; oil ; gas; water ; and continual maintiance; repair of the church, rectory and cemetery; insurance ; chancery fees; and telephone just to name a few.

**At Divine Liturgy and All other Divine Services:** In the month of October Father Edward took part in the Catholic Deanery meeting for our area. The Catholic Parishes are following the Mask mandate of their cities. The City of Ansonia has no Mask mandate, Father Edward spoke personally with the mayor. Therefore, Masks are not required though those who feel safer wearing a Mask should continue to do so. Social distancing must continue to be followed. The priest must use a mask while giving out Holy Communion.

**(But at this time it may be wise to think about wearing a Mask Fr. Ed)**

**Volunteers needed for Our 125th Anniversary**

The parish will be celebrating Our 125th Anniversary in June 2022.

A committee needs to be formed to discuss ideas for this event.

If your interested please contact Bill Platosz [platosz@hotmail.com](mailto:platosz@hotmail.com) or Scott Walker [sjjawalk@aol.com](mailto:sjjawalk@aol.com) There has been the First meeting but more assistance is need. Thank you

**The next Organizing Meeting for the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Saint Peter and Saint Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church:** will be **January 26** at 6:30 PM in the church hall. This is a very important moment for our parish. We must recall those pioneers who sacrificed such much to establish this parish and build this magnificent church. We call all who will honor memory of our forefathers and foremothers in faith. We ask you to please come out and join in this important work. God Bless and Protect



**Today**

**Sunday, at 9:30 AM** there will be the Recitation of the Holy Rosary of Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God. One of the intentions for our prayers will be for our parish, as we prepare to celebrate our 125th Anniversary as a Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church here in Ansonia, Connecticut.



**2022 ENVELOPES**

The envelopes for 2022 are in the church hall.

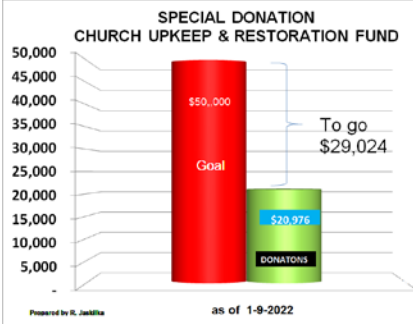
Please pick them up; **they will not be mailed.**

Any friends/relatives may also pick up their envelopes for delivery.

Also, **2022 calendars are here – one per family as long as they last.**

The calendars were generously donated by John Zaleski of Wakelee Memorial Funeral Home

**Thank you and mnohaya lita!**



**Special Donation Church Upkeep & Restoration Fund**

**Goal \$50,000 –Donated to Date \$20,976 – 42.0% to go \$29,024**

**Donations this week Gloria Popowchak \$200.00**

Monthly  
PARISH COUNCIL  
Meeting  
January 19,



Monthly Meeting of St Peter & St Paul Board of Directors  
Wednesday evening January 19, 2022 @ 7:15 pm  
in the church hall

All Board members are requested to attend!!!!

**Masks are required and social distancing will be enforced !!!**

**30th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
EPISTLE - COLOSSIANS 3: 12-16 ~ GOSPEL - LUKE 18: 18-27 TONE 1**

**CHRIST IS BORN! GLORIFY HIM! ~ ХРИСТОС РАЖДАЕТСЯ! СЛАВИМО ЙОГО!**

Focus on one idea from today's Gospel lesson: ... Jesus tells the rich ruler: "***You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.***" But when the rich man heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich.

While we tend to assume that the rich man became sorrowful because he was being asked to give up his wealth, but his grief arises immediately after Jesus tells the rich man to follow Him. In Luke's version of this story, we are told that the rich man became very sorrowful when told to give away his wealth. We are not told whether he ever acted upon what Jesus told him. The man in Luke's Gospel is not referenced again. We can surmise based on the other Gospel versions of the narrative (Matthew 19:16-30; Mark 10:17-31) that the man walked away from Christ grieving.

All of us who are at Liturgy have received the invitation from Christ to follow Him. **This is for us the very meaning of Christmas, it is time for us to follow Christ.** And just like with the rich man, it is possible that the thought of following Him might cause us grief because we too might not want to have to give anything up. Jesus said we cannot serve God and mammon/money, yet many American Christians think that we can. We want prosperity in this world – at no spiritual cost – AND we want the Kingdom of God in the afterlife. We imagine we can pursue all that this world has to offer now, and then, only much later in life should we think about the Kingdom of God, because we will in any case still inherit the Kingdom no matter how we lived on earth. But the rich man in today's Gospel realized he had to choose between the two and he wasn't willing to make that sacrifice.

To follow Christ is to walk with Him. We are to walk in love, walk in light and walk in wisdom. We are to imitate Christ who taught us "*A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.*" (John 13:34-35)

Christmas means to imitate Christ. St. Paul teaches that being a Christian means not only seeing the Light, but becoming the Light. Jesus said to His disciples: "*You are the light of the world...*" (Matthew 5:14).

St. Paul doesn't say, "*once you were in darkness...*" but rather "*once you were darkness*". Being a Christian means moving away from darkness in any and all of its forms and moving into the Light and all its manifestations. To follow Christ is not merely to see the Light, but to participate in it, to become the light. To follow Christ is a transformation from darkness to light, to live the morally pure life. Christ is going to give us light – we can receive it from Him. First, we have to awaken. It is not the Light which awakens us, but rather once we spiritually and morally wake up, only then can we receive the Light.

Christmas means walking with Christ, which means walking in the Light, being the Light, instead of cursing the darkness. "*The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.*" (John 1:5) Jesus is the "*true light*" (Jn 1:9), the "*Light of the World*" (Jn 8:12; 9:5; 12:46), and he was born during the night watch (Lk 2:8), at midnight, when it was pitch black outside, the time when the darkness was the deepest and most intense. On that first Christmas night, the light shined in the darkness (Jn 1:5a), the glory of the Lord shone (Lk 2:9), the darkness has not overcome it (Jn 1:5b), and it enlightens everyone (Jn 1:9).

As we continue to celebrate the season of the Nativity of Our Lord, the Manifestation in the Jordan, let us continue to walk in the light of Our Lord - The birth of the Christ child fulfilled Isaiah's ancient prophecy: "*The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; upon those who dwelt in the land of gloom, a light has shone*" (Is 9:1). (Excerpt from <https://frted.wordpress.com/>) **CATECHISM -**





**Precious Chains of the Holy and All-Glorious Apostle Peter** Commemorated on January 16 **Troparion — Tone 4:** You came to us without leaving Rome / through the precious chains that you wore. / First-enthroned of the apostles, / we bow down to them in faith and pray: / “Through your prayers to God grant us great mercy.” **Kontakion — Tone 2:** Christ the Rock radiantly glorifies the Rock of Faith, / the first-enthroned of the disciples; / He calls us to honor the miracles wrought through Peter’s chains, / so that He may grant us forgiveness of our sins. The Veneration of the Honorable Chains of the Holy and All-Praised Apostle Peter: In about the year 42, on the orders of Herod Agrippa, the Apostle Peter was thrown into prison for preaching about Christ the Savior. In prison he was held secure by two iron chains. During the night before his trial, an angel of the Lord removed these chains from the Apostle Peter and led him out from the prison (Acts 12:1-11). Christians who learned of the miracle took the chains and kept them as precious keepsakes. For three centuries the chains were kept in Jerusalem, and those who were afflicted with illness and approached them with faith received healing. Patriarch Juvenal (July 2) presented the chains to Eudokia, wife of the emperor Theodosius the Younger, and she in turn transferred them from Jerusalem to Constantinople in either the year 437 or 439. Eudokia sent one chain to Rome to her daughter Eudoxia (the wife of Valentinian), who built a church on the Esquiline hill

dedicated to the Apostle Peter and placed the chain in it. There were other chains in Rome, with which the Apostle Peter was shackled before his martyrdom under the emperor Nero. These were also placed in the church. On January 16, the chains of Saint Peter are brought out for public veneration



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**All Shall be Well**

All shall be well,  
and all shall be well,  
and all manner of things shall be well.  
**St. Julian of Norwich**