



*Leaders of the Apostles and teachers of the world, pray to the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.*

**ST. PETER & ST. PAUL  
UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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**October 22, 2023**

Web Site: [www.stspucc.org](http://www.stspucc.org)

Very Rev. Archpriest Edward Canon Young, *Pastor*

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost. The Holy Wonderworker and Equal-to-the-Apostles Abercius, Bishop of Hieropolis (c. 200).

Holy Father Saint Pope John Paul II

Epistle **Galatians 2: 16-20**

Gospel: **Luke 16: 19-31**

Tone 4

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

**WEEKDAYS:** MONDAY–FRIDAY 10:00AM

**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 or Robert Jaskilka.

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**

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

**Mass Offerings , Sorokousty  
Mother's Day, Father's Day**

Checks must be made out to the Fr. Edward 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.

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!**




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# \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**From the Vespers of the Sunday:** O Mother of God, because of You\* David the Prophet became an ancestor of God;\* he foretold and sang a joyous hymn of praise\* and cried out to Him who worked wonders in you:\* “The Queen stood at your right hand.”\* God revealed you as a life-giving mother,\* when He chose to be incarnate of you without a father.\* He renewed in man His image\* which the passions had corrupted.\* He found the lost sheep in the mountains,\* carried it on His shoulders,\* offered it to the Father,\* generously numbered it among the powers of heaven,\* and saved the whole world, since He is Christ of great and rich mercy.

*Bread and Wine Offering None Offered*

10/21	Saturday	10:00 AM	+Fr. Joseph, Stephen & Helen Nesevitch
10/22	Sunday	8:30AM 10:00AM	Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян +Kelly Nichole Castaldi & +Ivan & Ivan Karpishko req. by Peter & Barbara Pysarchyk
10/23	Monday		No Liturgy
10/24	Tuesday	6:00 PM	Asking God's Blessing for Oksana & Wladyslaw Gebuza on the Occasion of their 25 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary req. by Parents, Sons, Siblings & Family
10/25	Wednesday	11: 00 AM	Funeral of +Joseph G. Stampf
10/26	Thursday	10:00 AM	<b>Feast of Holy and Glorious Great-Martyr Demetrius</b> +Mary Lou Malinak req. by John, Anne Malinak & Family
10/27	Friday		No Liturgy
10/28	Saturday	10:00 AM	+Olga & Sergey Fetzko
10/29	Sunday	8:30AM 10:00AM	+Anna Hebuxa req. by Sembrat & Gebuza families Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян

ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>None Offered</i>		
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>Special Intentions Oksana &amp; Wladyslaw Gebuza for Health &amp; God's Blessing on their 25th Wedding Anniversary by Jola, Mike Kowal &amp; Family</i>		
SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP		<i>In memory of +Mary Lou Malinak by Family</i>		
<b>BREAD &amp; WINE OFFERING RESERVED DATES</b> 11/13/23-11/19/23 11/20/23-11/26/23 11/27/23-12/3/23	<b>ETERNAL LIGHT LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES</b> 11/6/23-11/12/23 11/13/23-11/19/23 11/20/23-11/26/23 11/27/23-12/3/23 12/11/23-12/17/23 12/25/23-12/31/23 1/1/24-1/7/24 1/15/24-1/21/24 6/17/24-6/23/24	<b>BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES</b> 10/30/23-11/5/23 11/6/23-11/12/23 11/13/23-11/19/23 11/20/23-11/26/23 11/27/23-12/3/23 12/4/23-12/10/23 12/11/23-12/17/23 12/25/23-12/31/23 1/15/24-1/21/24 4/8/24-4/15/24	<b>SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES</b> 10/30/23-11/5/23 11/6/23-11/12/23 11/20/23-11/26/23 11/27/23-12/3/23 12/11/23-12/17/23 12/25/23-12/31/23 1/8/24-1/14/24 1/15/24-1/21/24	

**2023 & Past Church Dues (Blue Book) (Kollekt)**

**During Lent & every 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. ,  
**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!!**

Over 32 letters have been **resent** to delinquent dues members of St. Peter & St. Paul totaling over \$27,000 - **Past Church Dues** are due to support your church to pay our obligations to keep the church running such as salaries; electricity; oil; gas; water ; and continual maintenance; repair of the church, rectory and cemetery; insurance ; chancery fees; and telephone just to name a few. As spoken of during the 2022 annual meeting, February 19, 2023.

## Sunday



**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, and the needs for Ukraine. In this time of Foreign Invasion prayers are needed for we are hearing of the deaths of some many Soldiers and Civilians each day. Please Pray for USA and Ukraine in this time of Great NEED!

**God Save and Protect! Боже спаси і О Хорони!**

Support  
Ukraine



**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. The Love of God ~ enfold us.

The Power of God ~ protect us. The Presence of God ~ watch over us.

The Mind of God ~ Guide us. The Law of God ~ direct us.

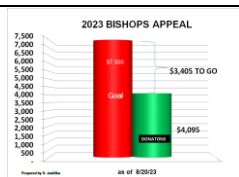
Wherever we are God ~ be our strength.

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



**PRAYER FOR THE DELIVERANCE OF UKRAINE IN TIME OF INVASION:** O Lord God of powers, and God of our salvation, O God, who alone work wonders: look down with mercy and compassion on Your humble servants, and out of love for mankind hearken and

have mercy on us and on the land of Ukraine. For, behold, enemies have once more gathered together, in order to cause division and enmity. But You who know all things, understand that they have risen up righteously, and that it will be impossible to oppose their multitudes unless You show us Your help. Therefore, we who are sinful and unworthy pray unto You in repentance and with tears: Help us, O God, our Savior, and deliver the land of Ukraine for the sake of the glory of Your Name, that the enemy may not to say: "Their God has forsaken them, and there is none to deliver and save them." But let every nation understand that You are our God, and we Your people are always protected under Your dominion.



### 2023 STAMFORD CHARITIES DIOCESE APPEAL

The month of **August continues** the Stamford Diocese Charities Appeal for **2023**

This fund provides support for many programs in the Diocese as indicated in the Sower.

Our 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 have received by mail your request for support. Please help this fund as you have in the past.

The 2023 goal is **\$7,500.00** set by Stamford. **Please do not send your donation to Stamford!!!**

Donations \$4,005 or 54.6% to go **\$ 3,405 – 45.4%** This week \$0.00

# Donations needed

There will be collectors to take your donation for 2023 in the **church hall**



**VOLUNTEER** – By definition, it is a person who freely offers to do something or undertakes a task; To volunteer means to freely offer up your time and service to help, willingly and without being forced or paid to do it to serve another or the community. When was last time you Have ever asked yourselves "How do I serve a parish Community" ? As

parishioners, we look to come together at a meal, at the parish festival, and other happenings.... Remember these events do not just 'happen'. These events are not the responsibility of the pastor! For these events to take place, it requires the talents of the member of the parish; it requires each of you to come forward and VOLUNTEER your time and talents. You don't need an invitation, you need to come forward and offer to help freely, inquire where you can serve. For a parish to be active, vibrant, it needs the help from those it serves! It is time to look around, to become aware of where you and your time and your talents can serve the needs of the parish. It is time to step forward and become involved in the life of the parish. Don't look for the other person to step up, this is your Church. If you want to see parish events happen, you need to be involved. Remember each of you are the CHURCH, each responsible for the full life of the parish. Let us come together to grow in hospitality, grow in community and service. Be a leader and come forward. Be that "Gift" !!

## TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

EPISTLE - GALATIANS 2: 16 - 20 GOSPEL - LUKE 16: 19 - 31 TONE 4

### WHO IS YOUR LAZARUS?

Today in the Church, we read the famous teaching from St. Luke's Gospel about the beggar Lazarus and the rich man (Lk. 16:19-31). It is a difficult passage for we see a rich man in the torments of hell, begging for relief, pleading that his family be warned of their impending doom. Neither request is granted. It seems harsh and cruel. Where is God's mercy?

We find God's mercy at the beginning of the story. It says Lazarus was laid at the gate of the rich man. God saw this extravagantly wealthy man and said, "I want to save him." God devised a plan, "I'll have poor Lazarus lay at the rich man's gate, so that he sees the poor state of his neighbor daily, so that he can learn to pity a suffering human."

It was no accident that Lazarus was laid at this rich man's gate. God knew that if the rich man could open his heart just a tiny bit, give alms just once – that little gap in his cold heart would create an opening for more of God's love and grace to enter.

God is creative in his salvific ways. He doesn't need much – just the tiniest speck of goodness, the littlest inclination to do something good, and He comes rushing in with His grace, beginning salvation in our hearts.

Every day the poor Lazarus laid near the rich man's front door, wasting away, being harassed by animals, starving to death. And every day the rich man's heart grew colder and further from God. It's as if God said, "If he will just show mercy one time, then I will have something to work with." But the rich man refused. He remained absorbed in himself, his own cares, his luxuries, and he disdained the poor Lazarus at his door.

Even after the rich man's death, there is no change of heart. He does not regret his lack of mercy but begins demanding that Lazarus serve him, bringing him water while he burns in hell. When that doesn't work, he again demands the service of Lazarus, that he be sent to warn the rich man's family.

Even in hell, the rich man views himself as superior to Lazarus. His heart has not changed in torments, he simply longs for his old luxuries and comfort. And, I must add, when we view others as lower than us, we are in an upside down, hellish state like the rich man.

Who or what is the Lazarus that God has sent into your life? What people, situations, or circumstances have been sent to get me out of my own head, to get me to pay attention to the needs of others? Who rubs me the "wrong" way in order to get me to see that I am the one who is wrong, that I am living upside down with my head in hell?

God is creatively working out the salvation of each one of us, putting all the pieces in place, masterfully orchestrating the whole thing. But am I paying attention? Do I see my brother Lazarus in my life, whatever that might look like, or am I too absorbed in myself to notice? *(Excerpt from <https://www.orthodoxroad.com/who-is-your-lazarus/>)*

**CATECHISM - CHRIST OUR PASCHA - TODAY'S EPISTLE / GOSPEL LESSON :**

**REPENTANCE:** Page 153, Section 447; Page 254, Sections 780-784



**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2023 - FEAST OF ST. DEMETRIUS - MARTYR**

A martyr is not one who chooses to die; rather, it is when one involuntarily - but without hesitation - suffers torment at the hands of others because of a public declaration or



confession of faith, that they genuinely receive the crown of martyrdom. The term martyr actually comes from a Greek word meaning "witness."

One of the most notable of these Martyr saints, the Holy Great Martyr Demetrios the Myrrh-streamer, is honored on October 26.

Born in the 3rd century in Thessalonica, Demetrios was the only son of distinguished and pious parents. Following in his father's footsteps, he joined the military and because of his many virtues was appointed commander of the Roman forces in Thessaly and Proconsul for Hellas.

When the Emperor Maximian, however, began persecuting Christians, the Saint openly acknowledged his Christian Faith and courageously confessed his love for Christ. For this, he was thrown into prison but not before Demetrios distributed all of his goods to the poor through his servant Lupus.

In continuous prayer, St. Demetrios was initially saved from death, helping many non-believers embrace Christianity. Gregory Palamas describes how Demetrios "struggled with evil to the point of shedding his last drop of blood;" beheaded c. 306, Demetrios appears to this day both in dreams and openly to those who invoke his holy name.

As one of the greatest martyrs in all of Christendom, today we continue the more than 1,700-year-old tradition of celebrating St. Demetrios, who by the shining example of his life, gives hope to all those in afflictions and difficulties, such as those courageous Christians in Egypt, Syria and Pakistan who under difficult - and deadly - circumstances continue to confess their faith in Christ.

As St. Gregory (a fellow Thessalonian) wrote about the Great Martyr, may we be "deemed worthy of his intercessions to God, and of the eternal celebrations of the citizens of heaven."




**St. Demetrios, Patron of Thessalonik and the Military, we sing:**

**Troparion, Tone 3 :** Verily, the inhabited world found thee a great help in tribulations and a vanquisher of nations, O fight-bearing one. Wherefore, as thou didst demolish the arrogance of Lahosh, and on the battle-field didst hearten Nestor, beseech, O Saint, Christ God to grant us the Great Mercy. Protect those who serve in battle !



We will begin making Pyrohy – Vareniki which well be available for the Holidays. This Friday 3 November 2023 at 5:00 PM we will cook Potato filling and Saturday 12 4 November beginning at 9:00 AM the Pyrohy – Vareniki will be made. Please join this project for the good of the parish and for the fellowship that will be had. God

Bless and Thank you.

<p>For your AD info, message Call 203-734-3895 or YoungE8073@aol.com</p>	<p><b>WAKELEE MEMORIAL FUNERAL HOME</b> John S. Zaleski Director Virginia K. Hylwa Administrator</p> <p><b>203.734.1490</b> <i>Parishioners Serving Parishioners Over 90 Yrs.</i></p> 	<p>For your AD info, message Call 203-734-3895 or YoungE8073@aol.com</p>  <p>JOIN SUMA F.C.U. &amp; <b>Save Big!</b> <b>Support Locally!</b> <b>Bank Near &amp; Far!</b></p> <p>For all your financial needs - we are just a call, click or a text away 914.220.4900 memberservice@sumafcu.org or visit our New Haven or Stamford branches. <b>We are open!</b></p>  <p>www.sumafcu.org</p>
<p>Support those who advertise in our bulletin!</p>		



**Tag Sale Sunday 10/22/23 from  
After Divine Liturgy**

**11:00 - 1:00 PM**

**Our plastic bag \$1.00 for all items  
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