



**ST. PETER & ST. PAUL  
UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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*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.*

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

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

**December 12, 2021**



Sunday of the Holy Forefathers, Our Venerable Father Spiridon the Wonderworker, Bishop of Tremithus (337-61); Nativity Fast.

**Epistle: COLOSSIANS 3: 4 - 11 GOSPEL: LUKE 14: 16 – 24 Tone: Sheet**

**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.**

**Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr or Fr. Edward Young**

**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.**

**Bob Jaskilka, or 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# \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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


**Christmas Anticipation Prayer:** Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of **God** was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, I beseech Thee, O my God, to hear my **prayer** and grant my desires, [State your intention(s) here...] through the merits of Our Savior **Jesus** Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen. *(This prayer can be said many times in a day before Christmas)*



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*Bread and Wine Offering - God's Blessings & Good Health Eva Hendrick  
by With Love from Mother*

12/11	Saturday		No Liturgy
12/12	Sunday	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян +Szymon & Stefania Gebuza req. by M/M Roman. Gebuza & M/M Andrew Kowalczyk and Family
12/13	Monday	10: 00 AM	Doris & Love Bodak
12/14	Tuesday		No Liturgy
12/15	Wednesday	10:00 AM	+Gabriel Dziadik
12/16	Thursday	10:00 AM	Helen Jenks
12/17	Friday	5:00 PM 6:00 PM	Confession (Ukr & Eng) Divine Liturgy
12/18	Saturday	9:30 AM 10:00 AM 2:30PM- 4:00 PM	Confession for Children Children Divine Liturgy Confession (Ukr & Eng)
12/19	Sunday	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	+Stefan Gyba & Maria & Aleksy Garan req, by Julia Gyba Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян

ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>In loving memory +Stefan Gyba &amp; +Maria &amp; +Aleksy Garan by Julia Gyba</i>
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BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>God's Blessings &amp; Good Health Eva Hendrick by With Love from Mother</i>
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SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP		<i>God's Blessings &amp; Good Health Eva Hendrick by With Love from Mother</i>
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BREAD & WINE OFFERING RESERVED DATES	ETERNAL LIGHT LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES	BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES	SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES
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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 maintenance; 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.

**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 or Scott

Walker [sijawalk@aol.com](mailto:sijawalk@aol.com) There has been the First meeting but more assistance is need. Thank you

**The Third Organizing Meeting for the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Saint Peter and Saint Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church:** will be 12 January 2022 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.



Monthly PARISH COUNCIL Meeting *December 15, 2021*



Monthly Meeting of St Peter & St Paul Board of Directors  
 Wednesday evening December 15, 2021 @ 7:15 pm  
 in the church hall

All Board members are requested to attend!!!!

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

**2022 ENVELOPES**



The envelopes for 2021 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!**



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*One Hundred & Twenty Four Years 1897-2021*  
PHONE 203-734-3895

*Sanctify those who love the beauty of Your house.*

June 28, 2021

**Subject: Need for Church upkeep and restoration**

Dear Parishioners:

In the year 2022, it will be the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the establishment of Saint Peter and Saint Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church. His Excellency Bishop Paul Chomnycky, O.S.B.M., Eparch of Stamford, has approved Sunday June 5, 2022 to be present with us to celebrate this significant moment in the history of this parish.

This parish community has been blessed and has much to be proud of in its long history. *Sanctify those who love the beauty of Your House* is quoted from the prayer from the end of Divine Liturgy. It speaks measurably of how the founders of this parish understood the importance of the beauty of God's Holy House.

We, as a parish family, will begin preparation for our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. There are many needs to be met in our church because of its age. One is our church kneelers. The pads need to be replaced and the kneelers repaired. This is a very costly project, a goal of at least \$50,000. In addition, there are a number of structural issues with the upstairs church and downstairs that need to be addressed. For example, we just received a quote for \$10,000 for repairs that need to be done due to water damage.

In the past year, our church financial situation has been greatly affected because of the Covid19 pandemic. We have been unable to have fundraisers and weekly donations were tremendously low. Therefore, we are launching a fundraising initiative to attend to the many needs of our church.

All members of the parish are called to assist and be as generous as possible in this fundraising effort, following the example of the founding fathers and mothers of this parish, who gave selflessly to build our beautiful church building. We pray our efforts will help sustain our church building for us and future generations.

Enclosed you will find an envelope to make your donation and a stamped return envelope.

**Do not use PayPal !**

Please make checks payable to:

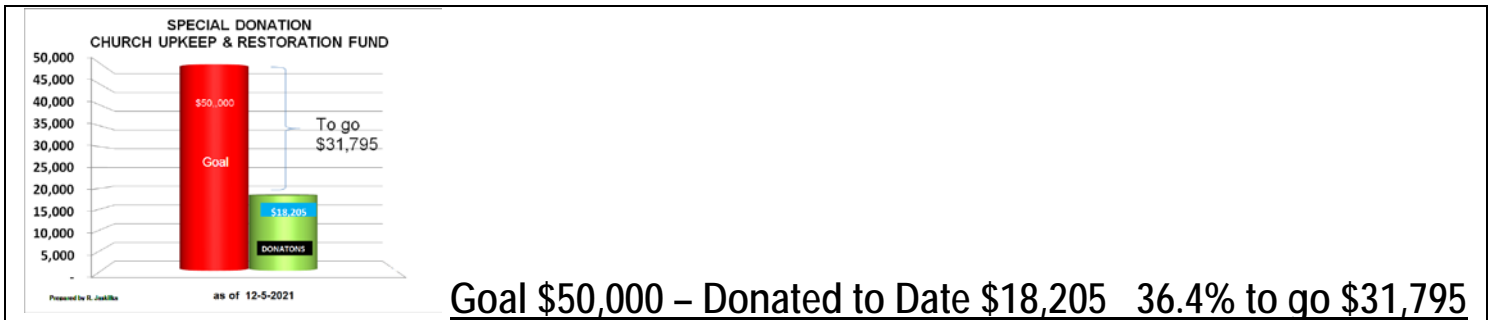
**Saint Peter & Saint Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church.**

We thank you in advance for your generosity and wish God's blessings on you and your families.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Very Rev. Archpriest Edward P. Young, Pastor

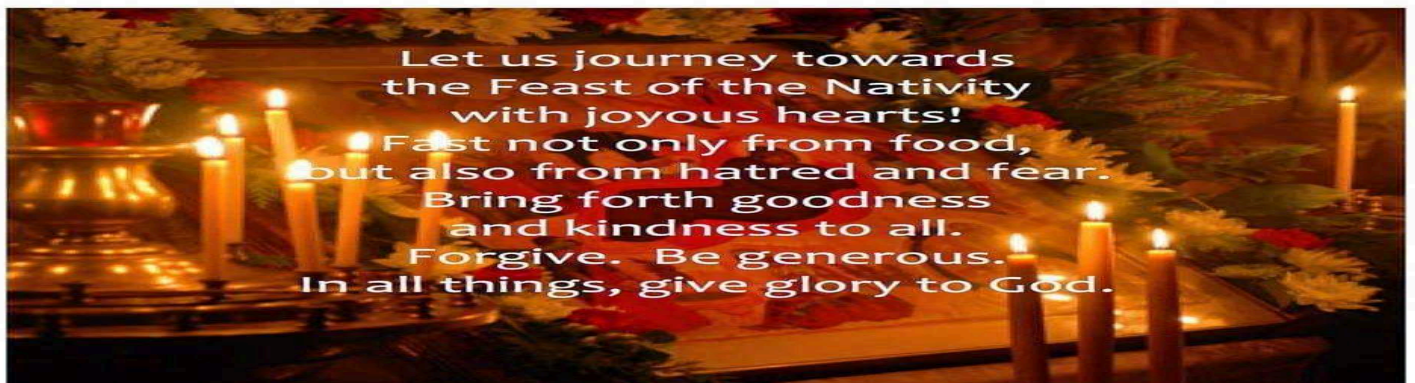
Mr. Scott Walker, Parish President



**Goal \$50,000 – Donated to Date \$18,205 36.4% to go \$31,795**

**Church Up Keep and Restoration Donations: Donations \$730.00 this week.**

**\$150.00 CATHERINE ZACHARIEWICZ AND \$580.00 Anonymous**

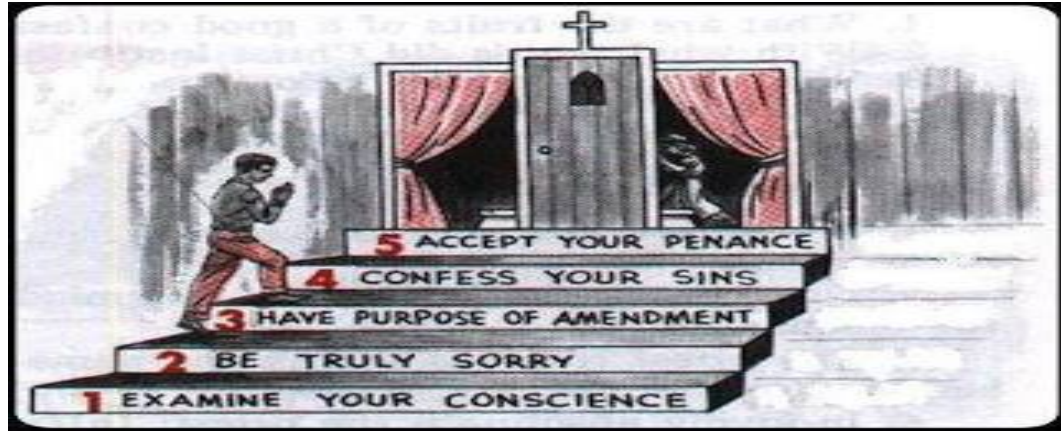




**Father Philip Sandrick is Missionary for our Nativity Fast Missionary Nativity Fast Mission**

- Friday, 17 December** 5:00 PM Confession (Ukr & Eng)  
6:00 PM Divine Liturgy
- Saturday, 18 December** 9:30 AM Confession for Children  
10:00 AM Children Divine Liturgy  
2:30-4:00 PM Confession (Ukr & Eng)
- Sunday, 19 December** 8:30 AM Divine Liturgy Mission Sermon  
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Confession will be heard before and after Liturgy

**Sacrament of Confession 5 Parts of a Good Confession**



“Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me.”  
Psalm 51:10

**Sunday of the Holy Forefathers**

**TWENTY- NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

**EPISTLE - COLOSSIANS 3: 4 - 11 ~ GOSPEL - LUKE 14: 16 – 24 TONE 4**

The Liturgical preparation for the feast of Christ’s Nativity begins today with the Sunday of the Forefathers, which commemorates all those whose lives set the stage for the coming of the Messiah. Today we celebrate the Sunday of the Forefathers, which falls on the nearest Sunday between December 11th and the 17th. It is the day on which we remember all the righteous figures from the Old Testament, whose lives and character revealed, in a prophetic manner, something of the mystery of the Coming of the Christ.



The hymns today sing of the honored fathers of all ages past: Adam, Abel, Seth, Noah, Enoch and Abraham, Melchizedek and Job, Isaac and the faithful Jacob; as well as the daughters of old: Hannah, Judith, Deborah, Huldah, Jaël and Esther, Sarah, Miriam the sister of Moses, Rachel, Rebecca and Ruth the exceedingly wise.

In every case, the lives of these righteous men and women are a manifestation of the plan of God to save the world – His Divine Eucommia. It is a story of God’s outreach to the human family, and His desire to include everyone in His Household and in His Kingdom.

That’s why today’s Gospel reading is so important. There is something so very forceful about the command of the Οικοδεσπότης, the

Master of the Estate, when he learns from his servant that the summons to his Banquet has been declined by those invited guests. He commands:

*“Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city and bring in the poor and maimed and blind and lame.”*

This

insistence and real pressure is not a negative emotion for God; rather, it is a sign of His love for every single human being in this world of ours. Everyone – the billions of souls whom we will never know, God wants them all at His Table in the Kingdom. When we hear of *“the poor and maimed and blind and lame,”* we should understand these conditions as being those of the soul and heart.

There are people with a great deal of money in their pockets, but who are paupers in their souls. There are people who have been so hurt by the world and the others in their lives, that they cannot make their way to be loving, decent, and good. There are those who are blind to the truth about themselves, and therefore they cannot see the needs of others. And there are still others who have self-inflicted wounds of selfishness and greed that make it hard for them to reach out to others. These are the very people that God wants, because He wants us all.

Let us be like the Holy Forefathers and Foremothers whom we celebrate this day. They sought to bring others to God, and we can do the same. With a simple loving word, with a phone call to someone we have ignored, with an invitation that is overdue. Even as we continue to protect ourselves and others in this time of pandemic, we can still reach out and spread the message of God’s inclusive and embracing love in the world, in the little world that each of us inhabits daily. (Excerpt

<https://www.goarch.org/-/homily-sunday-forefathers>)

As we commemorate the Holy Forefathers of Christ today, we remember all those who foretold or foreshadowed the coming of our Lord, all the way from Adam to the Theotokos. Perhaps part of the reason that it took so many generations to get ready for Him is that there could be no greater challenge than to be prepared to embrace with joy the good news that the Son of God has become the Son of the Virgin, that He has truly become one of us.

We must get ready to enter into the deep mystery of the Son of God becoming a human being. He does so for our salvation, to invite us to share in the heavenly banquet of His Kingdom. In the remaining weeks before Christmas, let us devote ourselves daily to getting ready to enter into the great mystery of our salvation by prayer, fasting, almsgiving, and repentance. For the Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin and truly one of us. What could be more important than to refuse to be distracted from welcoming Him into our lives at His birth?

**Troparion (Tone 2):** “Through faith, O Christ, You justified the patriarchs, for through them you made

a commitment to a church with Gentiles. These saints are glorified because from them descends the Virgin who gave You birth. Through their prayers, O Christ, our God, have mercy on us !”

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

**HUMILITY:** Page 223, Section 685; Page 254, Section 780

**SALVATION:** Page 14, Section 17; Page 15, Section 18; Page 19, Section 30

**DISCIPLESHIP:** Page 103, Section 294; Page 105, Section 299

### **DECEMBER 18 - SATURDAY BEFORE CHRISTMAS**

**TROPARION OF THE PREFEAST:** Bethlehem, make ready, for Eden has been opened for all. Ephrathah, be alert, for the Tree of Life has blossomed forth from the Virgin in the cave. Her womb has become a spiritual paradise, where in the divine Fruit was planted, and if we eat of it we shall live and not die like Adam. Christ is coming forth to bring back to life the likeness that had been lost in the beginning.

**KONTAKION OF THE PREFEAST:** Today the Virgin is on her way to the cave where she will give birth in a manner beyond understanding to the Word Who is in all eternity. Rejoice, therefore, universe, when you hear it heralded. With the angels and shepherds, glorify Him Who chose to be seen as a newborn babe while remaining God in all eternity.

**Week 5: Ancestors of the Messiah:** 1. Read the material on this Week's Feast slowly and meditatively to yourself. Recall that Jesus' Holy Ancestors include all of his biological and spiritual ancestors from the Old Testament. They cooperated in, prepared for, and helped enable his Nativity because they answered the Call of God. Be mindful of the fact that God calls us too to go and witness to His Love. 2. Reflect on the following readings: on the Birth of Moses (Exodus 1: 8-22 and 2:1-10) and the Call of Moses (Exodus 3:1-10). Then, think about the following points: - God chooses us even before we are born. - God gives each of us a Mission to help Him save and love people.

Finally, consider ways in which God might be calling you to His do His work.

3. Pray/Sing the Tropar and Kondak of the Week (see below) with your family.

4. Read the material on the Feast aloud slowly and meditatively with your family

5. Share with your family your thoughts about God's Call and Mission.

6. Ask your children or family member(s) to consider the following questions:

- What would they like to do for God? (Ask them to name 3-5)

- How would they like to help God in the future?

- How can they help God now?

When is your Name Day and what was your Saint like?

8. Conclude with the antiphon of St. Philip's Fast.

Antiphon of St. Philip's Fast: O Bethlehem, be prepared; Eden is opened to all; O Ephratha, be made ready; for in the cave the tree of life has blossomed forth from the Virgin; for her womb has been shown to be a spiritual paradise, in which is the divine plant, from which having eaten, we will live and not die as Adam did. Christ is born to raise the image that had fallen.

Tropar - Tone 2: By faith you justified Your ancestors, and through them you betrothed the Church taken from the nations. These saints exult in glory, from their seed comes the blessed fruit, the one who bore You without seed. By their prayers, O Christ our God, have mercy on us!

Kondak - Tone 6: Armed by the Being that defies description, You defied the man-made idol, O thrice blesses youth. In the midst of the unbearable flames you stood and cried out to God: "In Your mercy o gracious One, hasten and come to our aid,"  
for You can do whatever You will.

The Story of Moses (Exodus 1:8 ff.) A new king, who did not know what Joseph had done for Egypt, told the Egyptians: "There are too many of those Israelites in our country, and they are becoming more powerful than we are. If we don't outsmart them, their families will keep growing larger. And if our country goes to war, they could easily fight on the side of our enemies and escape from Egypt." The Egyptians put slave bosses in charge of the people of Israel and tried to wear them down with hard work. Those bosses forced them to build the cities of Pithom and Rameses, where the king could store his supplies. But even though the Israelites were mistreated, their families grew larger, and they took over more land. Because of this, the Egyptians hated them more than before and made them work even harder, so that their lives were miserable.

The Egyptians were cruel to the people of Israel and forced them to make bricks and to mix mortar and to work in the fields. Finally, the king called in Shiphrah and Puah, two women who helped the Hebrew mothers when they gave birth. He told them: "If a Hebrew woman gives birth to a girl, let the child live. If the baby is a boy, kill him!"

But the two women were faithful to God and did not kill the boys. The king called them in again and asked, "Why are you letting those baby boys live?" They answered: "Hebrew women have their babies much quicker than Egyptian women. By the time we arrive, their babies are already born." God was good to the two women because they truly respected him, and He blessed them with children of their own. The Hebrews kept multiplying until finally, the king gave a command to everyone in the nation, "As soon as a Hebrew boy is born, throw him into the Nile River! But you can let the girls live." A man from the Levi tribe married a woman from the same tribe, and she later had a baby boy. He was a beautiful child, and she kept him inside for three months... (read the rest of the story by your family Bible!)



ST. Michael the Archangel  
Ukrainian Catholic Church

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Sunday, Dec 12      Неділя, 12 грудня  
12pm-6pm

Crafts, Gifts, & Sweets  
Ukrainian Food

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Ring in the holiday season with an unusual, joyful, and beautiful Christmas concert: **Heaven and Earth Rejoice! An Anglo-Ukrainian Christmas** with Ensemble Cherubim, led by Marika Kuzma and guest narrators Mike Reynolds and Vira Slywotzky Dec. 18th 4-5:30 in New Haven at Bethesda Lutheran Church, 450 Whitney Ave in a lovely neighborhood with free parking lot easy access from I-91 and Route 15 The 16-voice chamber choir will sing carols by composers from Ukraine, America, and Great Britain alongside readings of stories by Bohdan Lepky, Lesia Ukrainka (in translation) and Dylan Thomas. Tickets may be purchased online by searching Eventbrite + Heaven and Earth Rejoice! or clicking on this link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/a-holiday-celebration-with-ensemble-cherubim-tickets-203250867817>

HOLIDAY CHORAL CONCERT  
**HEAVEN AND EARTH  
REJOICE!**  
AN ANGLO-UKRAINIAN CHRISTMAS

WITH  
**ENSEMBLE CHERUBIM**  
MARIKA KUZMA, DIRECTOR  
AND GUEST ARTIST: VIRA SLYWOTZKY  
SATURDAY - DECEMBER 18TH 4:00-5:30 PM  
BETHESDA LUTHERAN CHURCH  
450 WHITNEY AVENUE, NEW HAVEN, CT

Advance purchase of tickets (by Dec. 15) and proof of vaccination required.  
For tickets, visit: Eventbrite Heaven and Earth Rejoice! - or scan this QR code.  
For more information, see Facebook: <https://fb.me/e/25109P111>



## Schedule of Christmas Season 2021 -2022 Divine Services, Ansonia, CT

### Friday, December 17,

5:00 PM Confession (Ukr & Eng)

6:00 PM Divine Liturgy

Fr. Ivan Mazuryk, Fr. Gregory Lozinsky & Fr. Philip Sandrick will be our Confessors.

### Saturday, December 18,

9:30 AM Confession for Children

10:00 AM Children Divine Liturgy

2:30-4:00 PM Confession (Ukr & Eng)

### Sunday, December 19, Sunday before the Nativity that of the Fathers

8:30 AM Divine Liturgy Mission Sermon

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy Mission Sermon

Confession will be heard before and after Liturgy

### Friday December 24, Christmas Eve is a day of Abstinence from Meat "PIST BEZ M'IASA" Christmas Services

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

9:00 PM Grand Compline Service "Povecheriye"

10:00 PM CHRISTMAS DAY LITURGY For Holy-Day Obligation Liturgy *Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всix Парафіян*

### Saturday, December 25, The Great Feast of the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ Holy-Day Obligation

10:00 A.M. Christmas Day Liturgy *Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всix Парафіян*

### Sunday, December 26, Sunday after Christmas

8:30 AM Divine Liturgy

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

### Monday, December 27, Feast of Saint Stephen the First Martyr

9:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

### Friday, December 31, 2021 New Year's Eve Feast of Saint Melanie

4:00 PM Vigil Liturgy for the Feast and Liturgy of Saint Basil Celebrated English

### Saturday, January 1, 2022- Feast of the Circumcision & Feast of Saint Basil

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy Ukrainian

### Sunday, January 2, Sunday before Theophany

8:30 AM Divine Liturgy

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

### Wednesday, January 5, 2022 the Vigil of Theophany No Meat Permitted "PIST BEZ M'IASA"

6:00 P.M. Divine Liturgy and the Greater Blessing of Water

### Thursday, January 6, 2022 Feast of the Epiphany of our Lord. Baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ Holy Day Obligation Fast Free

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

7:00 P.M. Divine Liturgy

### Saturday, January 8, 2022 Saturday after Theophany

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

### Sunday, January 9, 2022 Sunday after Theophany

8:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy



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**December 12 Sunday Our Holy God-bearing Father  
Spyridon the Wonderworker (348).**

Enraptured by love for Christ, O most sacred man, uplifted in mind by the Spirit's irradiance, by active contemplation you attained to action inspired by God; having become a holy altar, O Spyridon, you earnestly pray that God illumine all. Let us now extol Spyridon, the Hierarch of the Lord, who was sanctified from the womb, who received the tablets of grace and divine glory, who was famous to all by his miracles. He was fervent and an eyewitness of divine illumination, a defender of the poor, and spiritual guide for sinners. He proved to be a faithful Hierarch, offering sacrifices at the altar of Christ, and he earnestly prays that God illumine all. You turned a snake to gold, O holy Hierarch, and with your words like cords you stifled Arius who was a wicked and impious heretic, O God-bearing Saint. You, O father Spyridon, made the Emperor well again, and you resurrected the dead, and you drove demons out of men. We

therefore come together to honor your venerable memory with hymns of praise. O Father, you beautified the Church of Christ by your words; moreover you honored by your deeds the image of God, O blessed Saint Spyridon, shining the light of virtue in the world by your temperance, flashing the grace of healing over all who entreat you. And therefore, with faith we observe your festive memorial. Amen.