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Feb. 25, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

| SAT. SUN. | 4:00 p.m. 10:30 a.m | +Health & Blessings of Parishioners +Harry Simko Jr. by Karen Muransky | Page 146 & 222 | |
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| MON. | 11:00 a.m. | Lenten Hours | (| STATE STATE |
| TUE. | 11:00 a.m. | Akathist | | |
| WED. | 11:00 a.m. | Presanctified Liturgy & Third All Souls Commemoration | No Meat | |
| THU. | 11:00 a.m. | No Service GCU Board Meeting | l | |
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St. George

1726 Canfield Road, Youngstown, Ohio 44511

SECOND SUNDAY OF GREAT FASTPage 146 & 222Feb. 259:00 a.m.+Steven Ilko by John & Joyce Haydu



THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT FAST ... VENERATION OF CROSSPage 152 & 223March 49:00 a.m.+Steve & Ann Ilko by Mrs. Martha IlkoPage 152 & 223

CHALLENGES & BLESSINGS "Blessed are the Poor in Spirit!"

Can anything equal the joy of accomplishment? Perhaps? Traveling the road toward accomplishment is sometimes even more satisfying than reaching the final destination. The season of Lent is this kind of journey and it can be a rewarding time of meeting challenges and receiving blessings.

In taking our Lenten journey this year, take Jesus along with you as a guide. One way to do this is to study His inspiring and challenging message in the Beatitudes (*Matthew 5:3-12*). Why not put them up somewhere, taped to your mirror or over the kitchen counter as a reminder:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

The first beatitude sets the tone: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven!" This is not saying that poverty is a source of happiness. Rather, the blessing comes to those who know that they are dependent, dependent on God and upon other people. Life is happier for those who do not feel a need to be all-powerful. Be open to your need and to help that is available. You will find more blessings coming your way.

COMPASSION OF JESUS

The compassion of Jesus for the little ones and lost sheep is strikingly clear. We need to hear it just as much as the people of His time, this compassion for lepers and Gentiles, Samaritans and sinners. Things have not really changed that much.

Our world is filled with the unprotected, the lost, the small ones who have no resources and are totally dependent. The homeless, handicapped, mentally handicapped.

Who are the small ones in our immediate world? There may be a family member who has been an outcast for years. A lonely neighbor, or someone at work who does not fit in.

The scope of the problem seems overwhelming. What can I as one person do? But that is the point.

If I as one person reach out to just one other person, and you as one person reach out to another, and then another.....

Having suffered the passion for us, Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us.

St. Mary's...2/18/2018 Offertory... \$1,614.00 Chapel Fund \$300.00 In memory of Patty Kovachik

St. George....2/18/2018 Offertory.... \$492.00

SOC IAL GAMES

Games are played every Sunday and Wednesday at 6:45 p.m. We are also now *PLAYING THE NEWEST GAME IN TOWN "High Horse."* You do not want to miss out on all the Great Prize!

ALSO... If you have a little free time on Wed or Sun. evening please consider coming down and lend your fellow parishioners a hand.... Your help will be **GREATLY APPRECIATED**!!

SOUP & SANDWICH

We will once again be having soup/sandwich every Wednesday following Presanctified Liturgy. If you would like to come lend a hand in preparing lunches please call the office. Donations are accepted and all proceeds go to Sisters of St. Basil and will be matched by GCU.

GCU JR. BOWLING TOURNAMENT

March 18, 2018, Camelot Lanes, 1:00 p.m. ALL Children 5 yrs. of age to 18. Are invited to participate. NO CHARGE.. there will be food, beverages, & awards. Applications are in the vestibule. Deadline March 13, 2018 Call 330- 755-6243 for further info.

CHURCH HISTORY

This week we are looking for anyone related to, or friends with **The KUZMA FAMILY.** Please call Dave Ragan at 614-370-0221 or Linda 792-1578.

GRANT HIM ETERNAL REST

Please remember in your prayers Mr. Edward Kohl who passed on to his eternal reward. Divine Liturgy with Christian burial Service for the repose of his soul was held Friday. Interment being at our cemetery.

Grant eternal rest O Lord to your servant, Edward and remember him forever. Vicnaja Pamjat !

SPAGHETTI DINNER

March 18^{th} 11:00 a.m – 6:00 p.m. at St.Christine Church to benefit Mary Bugzavich battling cancer. Tickets sold at the door \$10.00 Adults \$5.00 age 3-10.

LITURGY SCHEDULE... SPRING AHEAD

Spring is upon us therefore we will begin the Saturday evening Liturgy at 5:00 p.m on March 10th. Mark your calendars

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

If you would like a copy of your personal donations please call our office and we will be happy to mail them out.