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St. Mary's

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SECOND SUNDAY OF GREAT FAST

March 12, 2017

SAT. 4:00 p.m. Health & Blessings of Charles Turjanica by sister, Mary Ann Page 130 SUN. 10:30 a.m Health & Blessings of GCU Founders & Parishioners & 222

MON. 11:00 a.m. Lenten Hours

TUE. 11:00 a.m. No Service

WED. 11:00 a.m. Presanctified Liturgy

THU. 11:00 a.m Akathist

FRI. 4:00 p.m. Presanctified Liturgy & Third All Souls Service

SAT 3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation until 3:45 p.m.

THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT FAST & VENERATION OF CROSS

SAT. 5:00 p.m. +Angie Trella by husband, John & Family SUN 10:30 a.m. Health & Blessings of Parishioners

St. George

1726 Canfield Road, Youngstown, Ohio 44511 CONFESSIONS 8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.

CROSS March 19, 2017



SECOND SUNDAY OF GREAT FAST

March 12

9:00 a.m. +Betty Ilko by Mrs. Elsie Kostyo

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THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT FAST & VENERATION OF CROSS

March 19 9:00 a.m. +Margaret Hladun by Peter Hladun Page 135 & 223

LENT

Each Lent we remember how Jesus gave His life for each and every one of us. In this journey toward Easter we remember that He died so we could live. We remember the false accusations people brought against Jesus; His last agonizing hours; the pain he endured so that we might have everlasting life. The holy season of Lent is an opportune time to reflect on our Lord's death and ours, and the last thing we will encounter: Death, Judgment, Heaven or Hell. Yes, there are serious subjects, sober and thought proving. The Church wants us to be serious during Lent. That is why throughout this holy season the Church asks us to attend Lenten Services. That is why the Church tells us to cut down on food and drink...to call to mind the sacrifice Christ made for us. Each of these practices, each in its own way, is a reminder to us that all of us must die and face the last things. While we are able, we should ponder those things here and now and ask ourselves how well we have prepared for our death whenever that may come. That every human person must die is a certain fact. Actually, it is the only event we can be sure of. We don't know whether we will graduate from high school, whether we will get a job promotion, or even if we will be alive tomorrow. Given this reality, how can we prepare for the last things? A good life is the best and only real preparation for death. Frequently we should ask ourselves the questions: Are we satisfied with our lives? Do we think God is satisfied? Are we doing what God wants? Are we avoiding sin? Are we living in accordance with the teachings of His Church? Every day we should ask ourselves these questions. Thus, the Lord asks that we follow Him ever more closely, to serve Him with special devotion during Lent. For His sake we say more prayers and better prayers. For His sake we observe the laws of fast and abstinence. And for His sake we sacrifice early morning sleep to attend Sunday Liturgy and receive Holy Communion.

What could be more sensible and profitable for a Catholic to follow these observances and to think of these subjects during the season of Lent. As we walk that lonely road with our Lord, we think of the merits He won for us on the Cross. Identifying with the sufferings of our Lord will be a good preparation for the sufferings of our lives especially when our lives come to an end. **Every Lent** is a dress rehearsal for our death.

PRAYER FOR LENT

O Lord Jesus Christ, my God, hope of all. You have established these holy days of fasting by Your law and the prophets, as a way of my mortification and repentance. In the fullness of time, You manifested Yourself in the flesh on this earth, and by Your fast of forty days and nights, You sanctified the practice of fasting and commanded me to follow Your example. As a merciful and gracious God, enable me to begin these holy days of Great Fast with perfect repentance, with humility rather than hypocrisy, with diligent prayer, with hunger and thirst, with frequent prostrations, and with contrite heart. Enable me also to complete this time of the Great Fast, without fault and with a pure conscience, keeping my faith intact and achieving victory over sin. Send me an angel of peace to watch over my life to protect me from all snares of my enemies, and to assist me in the performance of good deeds. Strengthen me by Your power so that I may accomplish the ascetic works of the Great Fast. Then, with my passion bridled and my soul and body cleansed, I will be worthy to partake, without condemnation, of Your Most Pure Body and Your Most precious and Life-giving Blood. For you are the merciful and gracious lover of mankind Who has come to save all, and to You I render glory, together with Your Eternal Father, and Your All Holy, Good, and Life-Giving Spirit, now and ever, and forever Amen.

St. Mary's... March,5
Offertory \$2,171.00
Shrine\$50.00

St. George., March 5
Offertory...... \$578.00
Easter Flowers .\$225.00

SOCIAL GAMES

Games are played every Sun & Wed. at 6:45 p.m. WE ARE PLAYING A PROGRESSIVE PIGGY GAME AS WELL AS THE HOG GAME....

Stop by for an evening of FUN and if you are getting the winter blues and would like to visit a warmer climate maybe we can help you out financially so come on down. *ALSO*.... If you have a little free time on your hands Wed. or Sun. evenings please consider coming down to the hall and help out.

G.C.U. FOUNDERS DAY

The meeting & Brunch is scheduled for TODAY, *March* 12th in our Center following the 10:30 a.m. Liturgy. All Members and their guests as well as parishioners that are interested in joining the Lodge are invited.

LENTEN SERVICES

Presanctified Liturgy is held every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. and Fridays at 4:00 p.m. A meatless lunch will be served in our Center every Wednesday following liturgy.

ALSO....During the other days of the week the services that are scheduled are the approved services for our Byzantine Rite.

ALSO...The Psalms we recite during Lenten Services are antiphonal, therefore when Danny is reciting people on right should recite with him and people on left with Linda.

WEDNESDAY SOUP & SANDWICH

Donations are accepted and will be matched by GCU. All proceeds go to Our Sisters of St. Basil.

SPIRTUALITY DAY

The Benedictine Sisters at Queen of Heaven Monastery, Warren, are offering a Day of Spirituality April 1 from 1:00 p.m -4:30 p.m. in preparation for The Feast of The Resurrection. It will be held at SS. Peter & Paul Parish Center 180 Belvedere NE. Warren, Ohio Please call 330-856-1813 to register.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS

Begins March 12th.... spring ahead. Sat. liturgy will return to 5:00 p.m. on March 18th.

GRANT HER ETERNAL REST

Please remember in your prayers Mrs. Dorothy Tranovich who passed on to her eternal reward. Divine Liturgy with Christian burial Service for the repose of her soul was held Monday. Interment being at St. Mary's Cemetery. Grant eternal rest O Lord to your servant, Dorothy and remember her forever. Vicnaja Pamjat!