PRAYER OF ST. EPHRAEM (A prayer of the Great Fast)

O Lord and Master of my life, keep from me the spirit of indifference and discouragement, lust of power and idle chatter. (Prostration)

Instead, grant to me Your servant, the spirit of wholeness of being, humble-mindedness, patience and love. (Prostration)

O Lord and King, grant me the grace to be aware of my sins and not to judge my brother; for You are blessed now and ever and forever. Amen. (Prostration)

Announcements

1. CALENDAR OF UPCOMING IMPORTANT EVENTS

- Holy Monday, April 10 30 Akafist to the Passion of Christ & Panahyda 6 PM
- Holy Wednesday, April 12 Presanctified Liturgy 6 PM
- Holy Thursday, April 13 Twelve Gospel reading of Our Lord's Passion 6PM
- Good Friday, April 14 Burial of Our Lord Jesus Christ at 12 noon
- Holy Saturday, April 15
 - Blessings of Food Baskets 2 PM
 - Service of Our Lord's Resurrection 7 PM
- Pascha Sunday, April 16
 - Resurrection of Our Lord—Pascha Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM
 - Blessing of Food Baskets following Divine Liturgy
- April 30 -Easter Dinner
- May 7 1st Penance & Holy Communion

2. + Michael Trusz Sr.

Father Myron and our parishioners extend deep sympathy to Michael Trusz and his family on the passing of his dear father Michael Trusz Sr. whose funeral was held this past Thursday in West Easton PA. Beautiful and touching services were conducted by Father Daniel Troyan at Holy Ghost Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church with interment at Holy Ghost parish cemetery. We are grateful to Michael Trusz Sr. for sharing his son with us here at Scranton's St. Vladimir parish as we are very fortunate to have such a caring, dedicated, hard working parishioner as Michael. Vichnaya Pamyat! Eternal Memory!

3. EASTER DINNER "SVIACHENE" CELEBRATION

Father Myron Myronyuk and his Parish Family of Scranton's Saint Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will conduct their annual Easter Dinner "Sviachene" celebration on Sunday, April 30, 2017, beginning at 12:30pm in the Parish Center at 428 North Seventh Avenue. Dinner will consist of borshch, holubchy, pyrohy, ham, kobasa, horseradish, rye bread, dessert and beverages. Takeouts available from 11:30am to 12 noon. Door prizes will be awarded along with a theme basket raffle. Admission: \$13.00 adults; \$8.00 children age 6-12; age 5 and under free. For reservations and takeout orders contact Maria Black at 570 503-1514. Advance reservations only - no tickets at the door. Reservation deadline is Monday, April 24. Everyone is invited to our welcoming church and at our table!

4. New Prayer Books to be Ordered

There will be new Prayer Books ordered for the Pews of our Church. Each book will cost \$2.00. If anyone would like to sponsor any or all of the cost of these books, please drop an envelope marked "Prayer Books" in the collection basket or see Fr. Myron. Thank you for your support.

5. PLEASE NOTE:

Reservations for the May 21 bus trip to New York City are closed as the 55 passenger bus is full. In the meantime, mark your calendar for the Saturday, December bus trip to New York City at Christmastime sponsored by our parish. Details are forthcoming.

6. EASTER BAKE SALE

We are holding our Easter Bake Sale featuring Osborne Specialties nut rolls and cream cheese cake rolls. Nut rolls are \$8.00 ea. and include WALNUT, POPPY, LEKVAR, RASPBERRY COCONUT AND APRICOT. Cake rolls are \$10.00 ea. and include BANANA, CARROT, CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER AND CHOCOLATE COCONUT ALMOND. Order forms are located near the bulletins, as well as in the church hall during the social. Orders can also be placed by calling Daria McDonnell, (570) 963-1580. Orders must be placed no later than Sunday, April 2nd. Pick up is available following church services in the hall on Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. All proceeds benefit the children of the Religious Ed classes. Please make any checks out to St. Vladimir's Religious Ed. Your support is greatly appreciated!

A Prayer for Palm Sunday

I worship you Lord!

You did not enter Your holy city Jerusalem on the back of a war horse,

But humbly and on a donkey.

You knew that You were surrounded by murderers,

Yet You came in peace,

And by Your sacrifice You would utterly conquer death before the week had passed.

You, oh Lord, are blessed and worthy of my praise.

You have saved your people.

I say, "You are my king!"

I long to live in the city where You sit on the throne!

Establish Your Kingdom, so that Your people can live in peace.

Jesus, I bow before You, and I will sing Your praises until Your Kingdom comes

And is established, and forever after. Amen



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