

March 3, 2019

Upcoming Services:

- Sun. Mar. 3, 9:00 am. - Divine Liturgy, Last Judgement Sunday
- Sat. Mar. 9, 5:00 pm. - Great Vespers
- Sun. Mar. 10, 9:00 am. - Divine Liturgy, Forgiveness Sunday, Daylight saving time
- Mon. Mar. 11, 7:00 pm. - St. Andrew's Kanon for Clean Monday
- Wed. Mar. 13, 6:30 pm. - Presanctified Liturgy

1 Corinthians 8:8 - 9:2

Matthew 25: 31 - 46

**Sunday of the Last Judgement - Meat-Fare Sunday:**

When we think about Lent we think about giving up. We think about how difficult fasting is going to be during the weeks ahead. We talk about our fasting, and very often we think about fasting as being something negative. In reality fasting is not just about giving something up, but it should also be about giving - giving of ourselves. If you want proof of this just listen to what our Lord has to say in the Gospel of Saint Matthew 25:31-46.

Then the Lord will say to those on His right hand side: "Come, you who are blessed of my Father, for when I was hungry you gave me something to eat, when I was thirsty you gave me something to drink, when I was a stranger you took me into your house, naked and you covered me, sick and you come to visit me, and when I was in prison you come to see me."

Then the just ones will say unto Him: "Lord, when did we see You hungry and feed You, or thirsty and give You something to drink? And when did we see You a stranger and take You in, or naked and give You something to wear, or see You sick or in prison, and come to You?"

And answering them the King will say unto them, "Amen I say to you, as long as you did to one of these, you did this unto me!"

Now you may hear from some of your friends that they are so lonely, that they feel so alone, that they feel like they have nothing to live for, or that there is no meaning to life. "My phone never rings; the grandchildren never visit; I never get asked out to dinner; no one seems to care about me."

Well, Our Lord has given us a way to change all of these negative feelings. If we want to have a great day we must stop thinking about what we think we don't have and think about what we do have, and what is that? It is the love we hold inside of ourselves, the love that we should be giving to those in need. It is the reaching out to others.

Let all of us start thinking about lent as giving and receiving. May we think about Great Lent as something positive. When we do for others the reward is wonderful within itself. And when we fast because we do it out of love for our Lord, and also for our need to grow spiritually, our savior will give us so much happiness in return, because we will be doing everything for the right reason.

The bottom line of this homily is LOVE. We must always remember that when we give with a pure heart our God will give us so much more in return.

Reader Schedule:

Sun, Mar. 3 - Greg Kuzmenchuk  
 Sun, Mar. 10 - Cynthia Neff  
 Sun, Mar. 17 - Kurtis Lauser

Birthdays:

- March 4 - Joseph Domsohn Sr, Minerva Hawa
- March 7 - Mark Teijaro
- March 8 - Valerie Crescenz, Mary Eckman

Upcoming Events:

- Mar. 4, Mon., - 7:00 pm. Bazaar planning Mtg.
- Mar. 6, Wed., - 6:30 pm Change Altar cloths
- Mar. 10, Sun., - Adult Religious Education  
during Coffee Hour
- Mar. 11, Mon., Great Lent begins
- Mar. 13 Wed., - Lenten Potluck Dinner  
following liturgy in the church hall
- Mar. 17 Sun., - Sisterhood meeting  
following liturgy in the church hall
- Mar. 19 Tue., - Executive Board Meeting  
in the church hall. (7:00 pm)

Preparing for the Spring Bazaar

Holy Ghost is having a Spring Bazaar on **April 6, 9am - Noon.** "Carry Out Food" only - Religious Items - Church Tours. Volunteers are needed the day of the bazaar to help with bulk order sales, greet arriving people, and clean up afterwards.

Spring Bazaar Cooking Schedule

- Mar. 8, Fri. - Potato prep., 8:00 am
- Mar. 9, Sat. - Pierogies, 8:30 am
- Mar. 22, Fri. - Sauerkraut prep., 8:30 am
- Mar. 23, Sat. - Sauerkraut Pierogies, 8:30 am
- Mar. 24, Sun. - Fruit Pierogies, 12 noon
- Apr. 1 & 2 - Fruit roll making

Anniversaries:

None this week

Notices:

No Foods Available

All food sales are suspended until the Spring Bazaar, April 6.

Daylight Saving Time

Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday - March 10. Don't be late for church.

Giant Gift Cards

Giant gift cards are an easy way to help support our church, as sales from them endorse credits back to the church. See Janet Flocco or Greg to purchase.

March Charity

Priest's Discretionary Outreach Fund

**Prayer Corner:**

*For the Health of:* Sandy Knisley, Erin Bove, Florine, Charline Ene, Linda, Salwa, Richard Ziegler, Karen & Bill Brown

Bulletin Additions

Provide bulletin additions to Wesley Hatch by Friday at 9 pm