"MATTHEW 25" LENTEN DRIVE 2022: COMMONFOOD

THIS YEAR'S BENEFICIARY

This year, the Matthew 25 Ministry has chosen to focus on the needs of the hungry by naming **CommonFood Centre County** as the beneficiary of our 2022 Lenten fundraising drive.

WHAT IS COMMONFOOD?

CommonFood is a local 100% volunteer non-profit organization whose mission is to resource underserved and under-employed elderly, single-parent and low-income families in western Centre County and neighboring areas with nutritious food and related services. These resources are procured through numerous partners including food banks, churches, restaurants, grocery stores and other interested businesses and individuals of Centre County who wish to donate time and funding.

POPULATION SERVED

Centre County currently has a food insecurity rate of 10.1%. Currently CommonFood is serving 21 communities surrounding State College including Tyrone, Bellefonte, Port Matilda, Julian and many of the small towns on the outskirts. As inflation is on the rise, CommonFood is expecting that the number of families they serve will increase in the coming months.

SERVICES OFFERED

The goal of CommonFood is to provide nutritional food to all families it serves. Each month, registered families receive a box of dry goods/pantry items, fresh produce and fruit (when available and in season), dairy/eggs, milk, cheese (when available) and usually a good portion of frozen meat. Also included in each box are two recipes, the contents of which are included in each box of food. Every month approximately 65-70 pounds of food is given to smaller families, and larger families receive 80 pounds or more.

WAYS TO GIVE THIS LENT

CommonFood buys in bulk in order to get the most out of each dollar spent. It costs \$2,000 to purchase food for each month's distribution to families in need, and it is expected that that amount will increase as the cost of goods continues to climb. Each and every monetary donation helps! To give this Lent:

- Place cash/checks in the collection basket at the end of Liturgy
- Donate online at *holytrinity-oca.org/donate* (make sure to use the dropdown list to select "Matthew 25 Donations")
- Donate during our "Souper" Sunday meal today!

WAYS TO GIVE YEAR-ROUND

- Make a one-time or recurring donation at www.commonfoodcentrecounty.com
 - \$25.00 a month will sponsor a monthly box of food for a family!
- Mail a check to: CommonFood, 3086 Stonebridge Drive, State College PA 16801
- Participate in "Centre Gives" during Centre Foundation's 36-hours of giving on May 10-11, 2022 (centregives.org)

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Join others from HTOC to help pack food for those in need! HTOC is scheduled to pack for CommonFood on Friday, July 15 and Friday, October 14. More information will be provided as those dates draw near.
- Individual volunteers are sometimes needed to help with picking fresh produce or fruit in season.
- Occasionally CommonFood needs help at their food distribution events, which take place on the third Saturday of each month and last for about two hours.
- Please email *commonfoodpa@gmail.com* to inquire about these volunteer opportunities.

This year, we are asking God to bless our goal of raising \$4,000 - \$6,000 to tackle hunger and food insecurity in our community. Please prayerfully give as you are able.



Building Up the Church Beyond Our Parish

~ Holy Trinity Church is a community of Orthodox Christians seeking to glorify God by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ in its entirety to all people in the Centre Region and beyond ~

> March 20, 2022 Second Sunday of Lent St. Gregory Palamas

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THE DIVINE LITURGY

GATHERING the Church

- Great Litany (p.97) †
- The Antiphons (p.99)

PROCLAIMING the Word

- Little Entrance (p.106) †
- Today's Hymns (see next column)
- Epistle Reading: *Hebrews 1:10-2:3, Hebrews 7:26-8:2*
- Gospel Reading: Mark 2:1-12, † *John 10:9-16*
- Sermon

THANKSGIVING for Redemption

- The Offering
- Great Entrance (p.126) ‡
- The Creed (p.153) ‡
- The Anaphora (p.134) †
- The Lord's Prayer (p.152) ‡
- Communion Hymn
- Communion of the Faithful ‡
- Litany of Thanksgiving (p.164)

SENDING to Serve

- Dismissal & Veneration of the Cross*
- This Week's Events (see opposite page)
- † All stand.
- * All are welcome to greet the priest and kiss the cross, if they choose, at the end of the service.

Note: page numbers correspond to black Divine Liturgy book, available in the Narthex.

TODAY'S HYMNS

TROPARIA

Resurrection (Tone 6)

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Thy grave, seeking Thy most pure Body. Thou didst capture hell, not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord who didst rise from the dead: glory to Thee.

St. Gregory Palamas (Tone 8)

O light of Orthodoxy, teacher of the Church, its confirmation, O ideal of monks and invincible champion of theologians, O wonderworking Gregory, glory of Thessalonica and preacher of grace, always intercede before the Lord that our souls may be saved. *Glory...*

KONTAKIA

St. Gregory Palamas (Tone 8)

Holy and divine instrument of wisdom, youthful trumpet of theology, together we sing thy praises, O God-inspired Gregory. Since thou standest before the Original Mind, guide our minds to Him, O Father, so that we may sing to thee: "Rejoice, preacher of grace." *Now and ever...*

Lenten Triodion (Tone 4)

Now is the time for action! Judgment is at the doors! So let us arise and fast, offering alms with tears of compunction and crying: "Our sins are more in number than the sands of the sea; but forgive us, O Master of All, so that we may receive the incorruptible crowns."

His Eminence +Melchisedek, Archbishop of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania **Father Ignatius Hunter,** Rector **Father David Smith,** Association

Protodeacon Mark Oleynik, Director of Christian Ed.

Father David Smith, Associate Rector and Priest-in-Charge, Chapel of the Holy Spirit

WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!

We are delighted to have visitors worship with us, and we pray that you will be blessed through your participation in our services today. If you have any questions, please ask one of our greeters!

TODAY'S HYMNS (continued)

PROKEIMENA

Resurrection (Tone 5)

Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us from this generation forever.

St. Gregory Palamas (Tone 1)

My mouth shall speak wisdom, the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS

Instead of "It Is Truly Meet...," we sing:

In Thee rejoices all creation, O Full of Grace; the assembly of angels and the race of men. O Sanctified Temple and spiritual Paradise, the glory of virgins from whom God was incarnate and became a child, our Eternal God. He made Thy body into a throne, and Thy womb He made more spacious than the heavens. In Thee rejoices all creation, O Full of Grace, glory to Thee!

PARISH NOTES

BIRTHDAYS: Stacey Gleeson (3/23), John Tumino (3/23), Brittany Torbic (3/24), Stephen Parmele (3/26). **Many Years!**

ANNIVERSARY: Mark and Katya Fedkin (29th, 3/20). **Many Years!**

ATTENDANCE

Holy Trinity (3/13): 66 Chapel of the Holy Spirit (3/13): 13

GIVING

Weekly Budget Goal: \$4,762 Collection (3/13): \$2,061

THIS WEEK

TODAY

Souper Sunday Fundraising Luncheon 11:30 AM

WEDN	ESDAY	, MARC	CH 23

Confessions 4:00 PM
Presanctified Liturgy 6:00 PM
Lenten Potluck 7:30 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 24

Great Vespers 6:00 PM
Penn State Student Ministry at 7:00 PM
126 Pasquerilla Spiritual Center

FRIDAY, MARCH 25

ANNUNCIATION

Confessions 5:00 PM
Vesperal Divine Liturgy 6:00 PM
Lenten Potluck 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, MARCH 26

Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel

Choir Rehearsal 4:30 PM
Great Vespers 6:00 PM
Confessions Following

SUNDAY, MARCH 27

Sunday of the Cross

Sunday School9:00 AMThird and Sixth Hours9:40 AMDivine Liturgy10:00 AMCommonFood Presentation11:45 PM

Sundays: Divine Liturgy, 10am **Saturdays:** Great Vespers, 6pm **Wednesdays:** Vespers, 6pm **Appointments:** office@holytrinity-oca.org, 814-231-2855 **Inquiries into Orthodoxy:** info@holytrinity-oca-org

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