

## "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 under-served 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](https://www.holytrinity-oca.org/donate) (make sure to use the dropdown list to select "Matthew 25 Donations")

### WAYS TO GIVE YEAR-ROUND

- Make a one-time or recurring donation at [www.commonfoodcentrecounty.com](https://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](https://www.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](mailto: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 27, 2022**  
**Third Sunday of Lent**  
**Sunday of the Cross**

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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 4:14-5:6*
- ♦ Gospel Reading: Mark 8:34-9:1 †
- ♦ 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 7)

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death! To the thief, Thou didst open paradise! For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy.

#### Sunday of the Cross (Tone 1)

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance. Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians over their adversaries; and by virtue of Thy Cross, preserve Thy habitation. *Glory...Now and ever...*

### KONTAKION

#### Sunday of the Cross (Tone 7)

Now the flaming sword no longer guards the gates of Paradise; It has been mysteriously quenched by the wood of the Cross. The sting of death and the victory of hell have been vanquished; for Thou, O my Savior, didst come and cry to those in hell: Enter again into Paradise.

### HYMN OF VENERATION

#### Instead of "Holy God.," we sing:

Before Thy Cross, we bow down in worship, O Master, and Thy holy Resurrection we glorify.

# 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)

### PROKEIMENON

#### Sunday of the Cross (Tone 6)

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

### 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!

## BIRTHDAYS

Rdr. Samuel Leathers (4/1). **Many Years!**

## FOR THE RECORD

### ATTENDANCE

Holy Trinity (3/20): 90  
Chapel of the Holy Spirit (3/20): 20

### YOUR GENEROSITY

**Weekly Budget Goal:** \$4,762  
Collection (3/20): \$3,599  
Average: Last 4 Weeks: \$4,836  
Average: Last 12 Weeks: \$5,033

**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  
**Additional Resources:** holytrinity-oca.org

## THIS WEEK

### TODAY

CommonFood Presentation by Jim & Sheryl Leaman, Founders 11:45 AM

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

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

### THURSDAY, MARCH 31

**St. Innocent, Apostle to America**  
Penn State Student Ministry at 126 Pasquerilla Spiritual Center 7:00 PM

### FRIDAY, APRIL 1

Confessions 5:00 PM  
Presanctified Liturgy 6:00 PM

### SATURDAY, APRIL 2

Men's Fellowship Breakfast 9:00 AM  
Adult Ed.: "St. John Climacus" 10:30 AM  
Choir Rehearsal 4:30 PM  
Great Vespers 6:00 PM  
Confessions Following

### SUNDAY, APRIL 3

**St. John Climacus**  
Baptism of Genevieve Swisher 9:00 AM  
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

**His Eminence +Melchisedek,** Archbishop of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania  
**Father Ignatius Hunter,** Rector  
**Protodeacon Mark Oleynik,** Director of Christian Ed.

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