

# Lenten Renewal

## “The Orthodox Lenten Family”

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church  
222 Mary St. Belle Vernon, PA 15012  
Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Presenter: Seminarian Joseph Sharman

Reader Joseph Sharman is currently a second-year seminarian at St. Tikhon's Seminary in South Canaan, PA. He, his wife Katherine, and their children, Michael (11), Amelia (8), Maria (6), and Sophia (2), are from Colorado, where they attended Holy Theophany Orthodox Church in Colorado Springs. Both Joseph and Katherine grew up in Colorado. Joseph was Presbyterian while Katherine mainly attended a Roman Catholic congregation. They finally found Orthodoxy after being married about 10 years, and they were baptized in 2006. They have worked outside the country on several short- and long-term mission or volunteer trips, including serving in Kenya for 10 months. Joseph was the youth leader at Holy Theophany for about eight years where, among other activities, he helped lead a number of home-building trips with Project Mexico. While Joseph tried very hard to avoid seminary, he was left with little choice, eventually conceding to God's will and leaving his comfortable IT job in 2016 to move the family to Pennsylvania. Besides their four energetic children (whom Katherine homeschools), they have eight rabbits, though the rabbits have been known to multiply.

### Sessions:

- I. Preparing a Family for Lent
- II. Lenten Traditions, Big and Small

### Retreat Schedule

9:30 AM	Registration
10:00 AM	Morning Prayers
10:15 AM	First Session
1:00 PM	Lunch
2:00 PM	Second Session
4:00 PM	Vespers

Cost: \$15.00 which covers lunch and refreshments. Please email [lwiker@comcast.net](mailto:lwiker@comcast.net) or call 724-322-3334 to register.

Holy Resurrection is conveniently located off Interstate 70. If traveling West, take exit 43-A or, if traveling East take exit 43, continue South on Route 201 for 8/10 mile, make a right onto Allen Ave, proceed 2 blocks, making a right on Mary St.

