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Saturday, March 30 3:00 PM 6:30 PM

Sunday, March 31 11:00AM

Monday, April 1 10:30AM Tuesday, April 2 10:00AM Thursday, April 4 10:00AM Friday, April 5 10:00AM Saturday, April 6 8:00 AM

6:00 PM Sunday, April 7 10:30AM Divine Liturgy Schedule March 31, 2024, A. D. Christ is Risen! Indeed, He Is Risen!

> HOLY SATURDAY **Basket Blessing** Service at the Grave, Vespers, Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great Blessing of Artos (Myrovania) EASTER SUNDAY Divine Liturgy, Blessing of Artos (Myrovania) God's Blessings for All Parishioners **BRIGHT MONDAY (Myrovania)** ⊕Edward Baranowski- MaryAnn Jarolen **BRIGHT TUESDAY (Myrovania)** 令Nathan & Catherine Slota- Lisa Placek **BRIGHT THURSDAY BRIGHT FRIDAY** God's Blessings for America-Tom & MaryAnn Potsko **BRIGHT SATURDAY** God's Blessings & Good Health for All Parishioners Who are Homebound or III – Father Walter ⊕Thomas & Catherine Bukoski-Thomas Bukoski THOMAS SUNDAY ⊕John Skordy- Helen Lipowski

Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners Assisted Living: Mary Hoolick. At Home: Geraldine Adamchak; Shirley Kozar, Dolores Miller, Rita Kurtz, Diane Petry, Mary Louise Bailey. Away: Leona Kobela. Prayer Request: Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Fr. Peter Waslo; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Fr. Gregory Maslak, Angel Ocasio, Elizabeth Biasci, Dolores Jennings, Barnett Kurtz, Mike Oresick., Debbie Schwartz, Ed Schwartz.

PASCHA-RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD March 31, 2024



FIRST ANTIPHON: Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth; sing to his name, give glory to his praise! Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us! Say to God: how awesome are your works. Because of the greatness of your strength your enemies will fall before you! Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us! Let all the earth worship you and sing to you; let it sing to your name, O Most High! Through the prayers

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GLORY BE TO THE FATHER... O ONLY BEGOTTEN SON...

THIRD ANTIPHON:

Let God arise and His enemies be scattered: let those who hate Him flee before Him.

TROPAR: Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs, bestowing life.



Let the wicked vanish as the smoke vanishes, as the wax melts in the presence of fire. **TROPAR:** Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs, bestowing life.

So let sinners perish before the face of God; let the just rejoice.

TROPAR: Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs, bestowing life.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Praise God in the assemblies; praise the Lord, you descendants of Israel.

TROPAR: Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs, bestowing life.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever, and forever. Amen.

KONDAK: Though you went down to the grave, O immortal Lord, You destroyed the power of Hades. Rising in Victory, Christ our God, You greeted the myrrh-bearing women "Rejoice!" giving peace to Your apostles and bestowed resurrection upon the fallen.

IN PLACE OF "HOLY GOD.": All you who were baptized into Christ, you have put on Christ. Alleluia. (3 times). Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy spirit, now and forever and ever. Amen. You have put on Christ. Alleluia. All you who were baptized into Christ, you have put on Christ. Alleluia.

PROKIMEN: This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Verse: Acknowledge your allegiance to the Lord publicly, for he is good; for his mercy endures forever. This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (1:1-8):

Brethren, in the first book, Theophilus, I dealt with all that Jesus did and taught until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. While meeting with them, he enjoined them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for "the promise of the Father about which you have heard me speak; for John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." When they had gathered together they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He answered them, "It is not for you to know the times or seasons that the Father has established by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."



ALLELUIA: Alleluia (3). You will rise up and show mercy to Sion. Alleluia (3). For the Lord bowed down from His sanctuary on high and looked down upon earth from heaven. Alleluia (3).



PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL: Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through seeking the ruin of souls.

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GOSPEL OF JOHN 1:1-17



In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it. There

came a man who was sent from God; his name was John. He came as a witness to testify concerning that light, so that through him all men might believe. He himself was not the light; he came only as a witness to the light. The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world. He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him. He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God—children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God. The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth. John testifies concerning him. He cries out, saying, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has surpassed me because he was before me.' "From the fullness of his grace we have all received one blessing after another. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

IN PLACE OF "IT IS TRULY PROPER": The angel exclaimed to her, full of grace: "Rejoice, O pure Virgin; again, I say, rejoice! Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day and has raised the dead! Let all nations rejoice!" IRMOS: Shine in splendor, O New Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! O Sion, sing with joy and rejoice. And you,



pure Mother of God, rejoice in the resurrection of your Son!

COMMUNION VERSE: Receive the Body of Christ! Drink the source of Immortality. Alleluia (3).

IN PLACE OF: "Blessed is He"..., "We have seen the true light...", "May our mouths be filled...", "Blessed be the name...", "Glory be to the Father...":

Christ is Risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs bestowing life.

CHURCH NEWS Christ is Risen! Indeed He Is Risen! ХРИСТОС ВОСКРЕСЕ ! FatherWalter Wishes Everyone a Blessed & Happy Easter!



PRAYERS: Please keep in your prayers Ed Schwartz who is in Geisinger East Mountain Room 602B and Leona Kobela (209 Phillip Street, Nanticoke). Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

PYROHY FOR SALE: We have potato pyrohy for sale in the church basement for \$10.00 a dozen.

FIRST SATURDAY LITURGY: On Bright Saturday, April 6th we will have Liturgy at 8:00 AM.

SOROKOUSTY SERVICE: The fifth Sorokousty is Saturday, May 18 at 8:00 am.

EARTH DAY CLEANUP: The Nanticoke Conservation Club will have it's City Wide Earth Day Clean-up on Saturday, April 20th. Please come out and help. Details to follow.

ZONING VARIANCE: Please note that on <u>Thursday, May 23</u>, the City of Nanticoke will hold a meeting at 6:00PM to discuss an application for a zoning variance which is required to establish 4 apartment buildings (12 Units each) "behind Birchwood Nursing," which is the general location of this apartment complex. (See the pink sign outside out Parking Lot.)

SETTING UP GRAVE & LINENS: Thank you to everyone who help set-up and take down the grave in church.



ADORATION USE LIBRARY: We are again "borrowing" books of faith to be used during the adoration of the grave from Good Friday until Easter Week. Please make sure your name is on the cover so we can return it to you. The

library will be in the back of the church for meditation and use during the Lenten/adoration period. <u>Please sign out books if you take them home.</u>

CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS: The Catholic Home Missions assist all less advantaged dioceses and eparchies throughout the USA. For example, our Archeparchy received \$120,000 for 2017. These funds benefited many of our ministries, among them \$32,700 for the seminary, \$10,000 for vocations, \$24,000 for The Way, Museum, Website and Communications, \$ 19,200 for Mission Parishes, and \$33,600 for various ministries. Please use the envelopes in the back of the church to contribute Catholic Home Missions.

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The Candles on the Tetrapod are given by Joan Cominsky for a Special Intention. The Eternal Light is given by Parish in For God's Blessings on Rev. Fr. Walter Pasicznyk. The Proscomedia Table is given by Bob Matosky in loving memory of his parents, Mike & Lillian, and his brother, Ron. The Candle Before the Theotokos is given by Lisa Placek for Nicholas & Benjamin Placek. The Candle before the Icon of Jesus Christ is given by the Pasicznyk Family for Ihor Pasicznyk. The Icon Table Candle of the Transfiguration of Our Lord is by Joan Cominsky in loving memory of her parents, John & Marion, and her brother, Sonny. The Candle before John the Baptist is given by Joan Cominsky in



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The Altar Candles are given by Tom & MaryAnn Potsko in loving memory of Theodore Kulmatiski. The Eternal Light is given by Brian & Joanne Kawczenski In loving memory of Mary & Leo Kawczenski. The Candle Before the Theotokos is given by Lisa Placek in loving memory of Edward & Anna Kroll. The Candle before the Icon of Jesus Christ is given by the Father Walter for All the Sick & Homebound of the Parish. The Candle before St. Nicholas is given by Ed & Mary Schwartz For God's Blessings on their grandchildren, Christopher & Samantha. Please keep in mind that there are many open Candle spots for the month of April.

Please pray for all clergy both in America and Ukraine. Please keep Ukraine in your prayers.

Prayer For Peace in Ukraine



Heavenly Father, You Son taught us "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the sons of God." We fervently pray in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, that you inspire men to become peacemakers. May mankind seek reconciliation and peace as is Your Will in this world. May tranquility be restored to all nations and especially Ukraine. God, Our Father, we beseech You to comfort the suffering, heal the wounded, and accept the souls of the dearly departed into

Your heavenly kingdom. May the Most Holy Mother of God extend Her Mantle of Protection over Ukraine and the whole world. May each of us always live our lives as instruments of Your peace, in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.



'The more rain falls on the earth, the softer it makes it; similarly, Christ's holy name gladdens the earth of our heart the more we call upon it.' -St. Hesychois the Priest, from the Philokalia