

Transfiguration of Our Lord Ukrainian Catholic Church

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Divine Liturgy Schedule

March 31, 2019

Saturday, March 30

8:00AM

9:00AM

****5:00PM**

7:00PM

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

SOROKOUSTY

†Joan Swantko-Stashak

- Michael & Sarah Stashak & Family

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners

PENGUINS GAME-PARISH HOCKEY GAME

Sunday, March 31

10:30AM

4:00PM

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

†Peter Wrobel- daughter, Arlene Jennings

DEANERY STATIONS OF THE CROSS -

Transfiguration of Our Lord Church

Wednesday, April 3

4:00PM

Saint Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth)

Liturgy of PreSanctified Gifts

Friday, April 5

4:00PM

Liturgy of PreSanctified Gifts

Saturday, April 6

8:30AM

6:00PM

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

PYROHY MAKING

God's Blessings and Good Health for All Parishioners

Sunday, April 7

10:30AM

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

†Connie Yanoshak- Yanoshak Family

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 31, 2019

The Divine Liturgy of our Father among the Saints Basil the Great is celebrated ten times per year: January 1 (Feast of Saint Basil); December 24(Christmas Eve); January 5 (Theophany Eve); First thru Fifth Sundays of Lent (not Palm Sunday); and Holy Thursday & the Virgil Liturgy of Easter Sunday.

THIRD ANTIPHON:

IN PLACE OF “COME, LET US SING JOYFULLY” ...

Remember us, O Lord, in Your Kingdom,

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the land.

Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness,

For they will be satisfied.

Blessed are the pure of heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.

Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter every kind of evil word against you falsely because of Me.

Rejoice and be glad for your reward will be great in heaven.

TROPAR: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the glorious news of the resurrection and cast off the ancestral condemnation, they proudly told the apostles: “Death has been plundered! Christ our God is risen, granting to the world great mercy.”

TROPAR: O John, our God-bearing father, you were shown to be a citizen of the desert, an angel in bodily form, and a worker of miracles. Through fasting, prayers and vigils you received heavenly gifts to heal the sick and the souls of those who, in faith, run to you. Glory to Him who gives you strength. Glory to Him who crowned you. Glory to Him who works healing for all through you.

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

KONDAK: On the heights of true abstinence, the Lord established you as a reliable star, giving light for guidance to the ends of the earth, O father John, our teacher.

PROKIEMENON: How great are Your works, O Lord You have made all things in wisdom.
verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great. The venerable ones will exult in glory and they shall be joyful in their beds.

A reading from St. Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews 6:13-20:



Brethren, When God made his promise to Abraham, since there was no one greater for him to swear by, he swore by himself, saying, "I will surely bless you and give you many descendants." And so after waiting patiently, Abraham received what was promised. People swear by someone greater than themselves, and the oath confirms what is said and puts an end to all argument. Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath. God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf. He has become a high priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia (3). Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice. Alleluia (3). You have loved justice and hated iniquity. Alleluia (3). They who are planted in the hose of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. Alleluia (3).

Gospel of Mark 9:17-31

At that time a man in the crowd came to Jesus and bowed to him saying: "Master, I have brought to you my son, who has a dumb spirit; and whenever it seizes him it throws him down and he foams and grinds his teeth; and he is wasting away. And I told your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." And he answered and said to them, "O unbelieving generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring him to me." And they brought him to Jesus; and the spirit, when it saw Jesus, immediately threw the boy into convulsions, and he fell down on the ground and rolled about foaming at the mouth. So, Jesus asked the father, "How long is it since this has come upon him?" And

he said, "From his infancy. Oftentimes it has thrown him into the fire and into the waters to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." But Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." At once the father of the boy cried out and said with tears, "I do believe; help my unbelief." Now when Jesus saw that a crowd was rapidly gathering, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, go out of him and enter him no more." And crying out and violently convulsing him, it went out of him, and he became like one dead, so that many said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand, and raised him and he stood up. And when Jesus had come into the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could not we cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind can be cast out in no way except by prayer and fasting." And leaving that place, they were passing through Galilee, and he did not wish anyone to know it. For he was teaching his disciples, and saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and having been killed, he will rise again on the third day."

INSTEAD IF "IT IS TRULY RIGHT...": In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angelic ranks and all the human race. Sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, virgins' pride and boast, from whom God is made flesh and became a little Child; and He who is our God before all ages, He made your womb a throne, and He made it wider than all the heavens. In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory be to you.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance; of evil hearsay he shall have no fear. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.



ASK FATHER A QUESTION? *Father, I notice some people stand in the middle of the church to read the Epistle? Is that what we are supposed to do?*

What you have witnessed is the proper place to read the Epistle—from the middle of the church. The Gospel would also be read from the middle of the Church. The reason for this is because Christ comes into the middle of His people. The place where the reading is made is called the Ambo. If you visited a Church in the first millennium until the Middle Ages you would see that the Ambo looks like a little pyramid, so that the reader would have to climb the stairs to get to the top of the Ambo. The Ambo allowed the reader to be above the crowd in the Church, so that when he read his voice would carry throughout the whole Church, so that everyone could hear the reading. The Hagia Sophia (Holy Wisdom) would be so crowded with people that it was difficult for the Deacon to get to the Ambo for the Gospel Reading. To allow easy access to the Ambo a bridge was built from in front of the holy doors to the Ambo. The remnant of that bridge and the Ambo in some parishes is a little bump out of the elevated area from where your priest presently reads the Gospel. Here in Nanticoke there is no bump-out it just goes straight across, but that space is still called the Ambo. So you saw correctly and that is most fitting to read the Epistle from the middle of the Church.

**Offering
Envelopes**



CHURCH ENVELOPES & CALENDARS: Church envelopes and calendars are in the church basement for pick-up. If you don't see your envelopes there, please contact the rectory so that we can arrange to have envelopes for you. PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME ON EVERY DONATION ENVELOPE AS THE NUMBERS

HAVE CHANGED. THANK You.



CHURCH NEWS

“All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle.”

— St. Francis of Assisi

DEANERY STATIONS OF THE CROSS SOCIAL: Our Parish will be hosting the Deanery Stations of the Cross this Sunday, March 31 at 4:00PM. Any help serving or cleaning up would be very appreciated.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION CLASSES: We will have our next class NEXT Saturday, April 6 immediately following Divine Liturgy. Everyone is welcome.

SVIACHENNE: The 2019 Sviachenne will be on May 5, 2019. Please save the date.

LENTEN PYROHY SALE: We will be making potato pyrohy at 8:30am NEXT Saturday, April 6. Please come out and help. Also, if you would like to order potato pyrohy for \$7.00 per dozen you may order them with Gerri at 570-824-3880.

PRAYERS: Please keep in your prayers **Father Deacon Michael Waak** who is currently undergoing a bone marrow transplant. **Please pray for him. (Father was our guest speaker for Lent last year.)**



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners
Nursing Homes: Doris Conrad. **Assisted Living:** Olga Yurkowski, Mary Manson, Anna Hopiak, Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Anna Kutsup, Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Sophie Staronka. **Away:** Leona Kobela. **Prayer Request:** Mike Sawczuk; Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko; Fr. Deacon Michael Waak, Fr. Uriy Markewych; Fr. Peter Waslo.

CHOIR FOR ENTHRONEMENT SERVICE: Your parish singers/choir members are invited to participate in the June 4 Hierarchical Enthronement Divine Liturgy of Metropolitan-Archbishop Borys Gudziak. Kindly see the invitation message below. Please share this information and have all responses sent directly to Stepan Szyszka at stephen.l.szyszka@gmail.com.

Psalm 127

A man must not go to extraordinary lengths in working to provide house and home thinking that it is in his power to ensure results. For it is only God Who crowns efforts with success, which He will do for those who trust in Him if they but do what is incumbent upon them.

Unless the LORD builds the house,
the builders labor in vain.
Unless the LORD watches over the city,
the guards stand watch in vain.
In vain you rise early
and stay up late,
toiling for food to eat—
for he grants sleep to those he loves.



Children are a heritage from the LORD,
offspring a reward from him.
Like arrows in the hands of a warrior
are children born in one's youth.
Blessed is the man
whose quiver is full of them.
They will not be put to shame
when they contend with their opponents in court.



All are welcome!
Deanery Stations of the Cross
March 31 – Fourth Sunday of Lent
Transfiguration of Our Lord, Nanticoke
April 7 – Fifth Sunday of Lent
St. Vladimir, Edwardsville

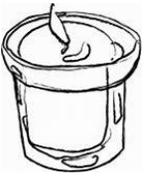


MARCH CANDLES

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Mrs. Olga Yurkowski
in loving memory of Peter Slota.

The **Altar Candles** are given by the Mrs. Margaret Yanoshak in
loving memory of her husband, Russell Yanoshak.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Ashton & Burel Families
loving memory of John Hoolick.



Candle Intentions Before the Icon for the Month of March

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by Olympia Pasicznyk
in loving memory of Ihor Pasicznyk.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by the Lee Family
in loving memory of Clarence "Red" Lee.

The **Candle Before the Theotokos** is given by
the Slota Family in loving memory of Peter & Pauline Slota.

The **Candle Before John the Baptist** is given by
the Slota Family in loving memory of Peter & Pauline Slota.



APRIL CANDLES

The **Eternal Light** is given by the Yanoshak Family
in loving memory of Connie Yanoshak.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & Mary Potsko in
loving memory of Theodore Kulmatiski.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Ed & Mary Schwartz
for God's Blessings on their grandchildren. Christopher & Samantha.

The **Proscomedia Table** is given by Brian & Joanne Kawczenski
In loving memory of Leo & Mary Kawczenski.



Candle Intentions Before the Icon for the Month of April

The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by the Barno Family
Good Health & God's Blessings.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by the Lee Family
in loving memory of Danny Lee.

The **Candle Before the Theotokos** is given by
the Slota Family in loving memory of Peter & Pauline Slota.

The **Candle Before John the Baptist** is given by
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