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Divine Liturgy Schedule

April 10, 2022



Saturday, April 9

6:00 PM

Sunday, April 10

10:30 AM

3:00 PM

Monday, April 11

6:30 PM

Wednesday, April 13

6:30 PM

Thursday, April 14

6:30 PM

Friday, April 15

5:30 PM

Saturday, April 16

3:00 PM

Sunday, April 17

7:00 AM

SATURDAY OF LAZARUS

†Irene Hvozda- Helen Lipowski

PALM SUNDAY

God's Blessings & Good Health on all Parishioners

Lenten Vespers

HOLY MONDAY

Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts (Confessions)

HOLY WEDNESDAY

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HOLY THURSDAY

Matins of the Holy and Saving Passion of Our Lord

GOOD FRIDAY (Strict Fast-Meat & Dairy)

Vespers with Placement of the Holy Shroud

HOLY SATURDAY (Fast from Meat)

Blessing of Food

PASCHA- EASTER SUNDAY

Service at the Grave, Resurrection Matins, Divine Liturgy,
Blessing of Artos, Myrovania

Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our **Parishioners:**

Assisted Living: Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Geraldine Adamchak, Helen Bogdan, Dolores Miller, Arlene Czarnecki, Mary Louise Bailey, Josephine Latoszewski. **Away:** Leona Kobela. **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller, Kerri, Ellen Kobela, Sister Martin Rodko, Fr. Uriy Markewych, Fr. Peter Waslo, Bishop John Bura Emeritus, Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG, Mary Oresick, Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA), Rita Kurtz, Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber, Marie Slota, Ted Weron.

PALM SUNDAY

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Pick up your Palms as you enter the church. Hold your Palms when Father Walter incenses the church-following that Father will bless the Palms while you hold them.

FIRST ANTIPHON: IN PLACE OF "SHOUT TO THE LORD" ...

I am filled with love for the Lord will hear the voice of my plea.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

For He has inclined His ear to me, and I will call to Him all the days of my life.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

The pangs of death encircled me; the trials of Hades befell me.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

I met with anguish and pain and called upon the name of the Lord.

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Glory be to the Father...

O only begotten Son...



THIRD ANTIPHON: ANTIPHON 3: Give praise to the Lord for He is good, for His mercy is forever.

TROPAR: Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection, You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God: and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory and cry to You, the conqueror of death: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Let the house of Israel say He is good, for His mercy is forever.

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Let the house of Aaron say He is good, for His mercy is forever.

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Let all who fear the Lord say He is good and that his mercy endures forever.

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WELCOMING JESUS WITH PALMS

-Now is the time to hold up your palms/ willows.

ENTRANCE HYMN: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; we bless You from the house of the Lord. God is Lord and has appeared to us.

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Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

TROPAR: Buried with You through Baptism, O Christ our God, we have been granted immortal life by Your resurrection, and we sing Your praises, crying out: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Now and forever and ever. Amen.

KONDAK: Mounted on the throne in heaven, O Christ God, and on a colt here on earth, You accepted the praise of the angels, and the hymn of the children who cried to You: Blessed are You who have come to call Adam back.

PROKIMEN: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; the Lord is God and has appeared to us. Acknowledge your allegiance to the Lord publicly, for he is good: for his mercy endures forever. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; the Lord is God and has appeared to us.

A reading of the Epistle from the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews 9:11-14:



Brethren, rejoice in the Lord always! I say it again, Rejoice! Everyone should see how unselfish you are. The Lord is near. Dismiss all anxiety from your minds. Present your needs to God in every form of prayer and in petitions full of gratitude. Then God's own peace, which is beyond all understanding, will stand guard over your hearts and minds, in Christ Jesus. Finally, my brothers, your thoughts should be wholly directed to all that is true, all that deserves respect, all that is honest, pure, admirable, decent, virtuous, or worthy of praise. Live according to what you have learned and accepted, what you have heard me say and seen me do. Then will the God of peace be with you.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia (3). Sing to the Lord a new song for the Lord has done wondrous things.
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A reading from the Gospel of John 12:1-18:



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AFTER.....Let us who mystically represent the Cherubim.....

DURING THE ENTRANCE OF GIFTS:

WELCOMING JESUS WITH PALMS-Now is the time to hold up your palms/willows.



INSTEAD OF "IT TRULY RIGHT": O my soul, magnify Christ who was seated on a foal. Irmos: The Lord is God and has appeared to us: together let us celebrate. Come with great rejoicing; let us magnify Christ with palms and olive branches, and with songs let us cry aloud to Him: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

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APRIL CANDLES

The **Altar** Candles are given by
Olympia Pasicznyk in for God’s Blessings on the Smith Family.

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

The **Proscomedia Table** is given by
Lisa Placek For a Special Intention.

The **Candle Before Christ** is given by MaryAnn Jarolen
For the Deceased Members of the Hvozda and Frankowski Families.

The **Icon Table Candle before the Theotokos** is Given by Ed & Joyce Foca
in loving memory of Margret Yanoshak.

The **St. Nicholas Candle** is given by Ed & Mary Schwartz
For God’s Blessings on their Grand-daughter Elizabeth.

The **Candle Before the Icon of the Theotokos** is
The Lee Family in loving memory of Helen Lee.

The **Candle Before John the Baptist** is
Given by Lisa Placek for God’s Blessings on the Lipowski Family.

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.

CHURCH NEWS

CIX! Slava Isusu Kristu!



SYMPATHY: Please remember in your prayers the soul of Mrs. Kathy m. Zoltewicz who fell asleep in the Lord on Tuesday, April 5. May Our Lord grant her rest in the bosom of Abraham, may she be numbered among the saints, and may her memory be eternal. Vichnaya Pamyat. May Her Memory Be Eternal. Our deepest sympathies are extended to the Zoltewicz Family.

SOROKOUSTY: The Fifth (and last) All Soul's Saturday is June 4th, 2022.

PYROHY FOR SALE: We have Potato Pyrohy for sale at \$9.00 each. If you are interested, please call the rectory.



INSTRUCTIONAL SINGING OF THE RESURRECTIONAL TONES: We would like to thank Mrs. Olympia Pasicznyk who graciously agreed to help us learn the "Resurrectional Tones" immediately following Liturgies. Unfortunately, the April 3 session was canceled due a scheduling issue. We look forward to future session with Mrs. Pasicznyk.

FRONT STREET/CONCRETE CITY CLEAN-UP: There will be a clean-up of Front Street/Concrete City organized by the Nanticoke Conservation Club on Saturday, **April 23 at 8:00AM. (Meet Spot to be Announced)** Everyone is welcome to come & help. All supplies are Furnished and Vests. Sturdy Shoes and appropriate attire are recommended. Food & Refreshments are supplied.

UKRAINIAN BREAKFAST SPONSORS: Thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make our Breakfast a success! Thanks for an incredible job! Special thanks to our Sponsors: Girard Rentko, US Foods, and Sanitary Bakery.

Lazarus Saturday

by Fr. Peter Babej— from Royal Doors

The Great Fast (40 days) ends on the Friday before Palm Sunday. Lazarus Saturday and Palm Sunday form a short and joyous prelude to the days of grief which will follow. Bethany is the place where Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead and reveals Himself to be “the Resurrection and the Life.” “Those who believe in Me, even though they die, will live” ([John 11:25](#)). Bethany is also the point of departure for Jesus’s entry into Jerusalem. On this Saturday, we go to Bethany, to Lazarus’s tomb. We want to meet Jesus at Bethany and to start Holy Week with Him, close to Him. Jesus invites us to be there, and He waits for us.



Palm Sunday

The public ministry of Jesus ends with two great events: the raising of Lazarus from the dead, and the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. These two events, witnessed by many people, give testimony to the fact that Jesus is not only the promised Messiah, but He is also the Lord, the Son of the living God. Just as the people greeted Christ with branches from the trees, so Christians also greet Christ with “palms of virtue” as He enters upon His voluntary passion.

Holy Monday

In the morning, Jesus returns to the city of Jerusalem. On the way, He finds a fig tree with no fruit. He curses it and immediately it withers away. After three years of teaching and healing, the leaders and the people of Israel have not accepted His message. Like the fig tree, they have remained barren, without fruit. With this prophetic and symbolic act, Jesus warns those in every generation of what will befall anyone who fails to listen to His message. Arriving in Jerusalem, Jesus enters the temple, where the chief priests and elders question His authority.

Holy Tuesday

As the chosen Lamb of God, Jesus is without blemish. He is tested and questioned by the Pharisees and the Sadducees, who hope to trap Him in some way, but they cannot find any fault in Him. Jesus’s answers are astonishing. In the end, Jesus pronounces judgment upon the scribes, the Pharisees and leaders of Israel, who had the God-given authority to teach God’s Law, but were personally ungodly and cold of heart. [and Pilate too . . .]

Holy Wednesday

In the morning at Matins, during the reading of the Gospel, Jesus announces: "The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified... For this purpose, I came to this hour. Father: glorify Your name" ([John 12:23-28](#)). As Jesus says this, the voice of the Father from heaven is heard, saying: "I have both glorified it and will glorify it again" ([John 12:28](#)). Judgement is upon the world, and Satan's dominion over the world is about to be conquered. When Jesus is lifted up (His Crucifixion, Resurrection, Ascension), He will draw all peoples to Himself" ([John 12:31](#)). In the evening, the Gospel reading at the Presanctified Liturgy presents to us the contrast of two figures, two states of the soul. We remember the action of the woman, who at Bethany came to pour a jar of precious ointment on Jesus's head; and the action of the disciple, Judas, who betrayed his Master. It was Judas who protested in response to the woman's action. Jesus approved of the woman's action, because it was an act of genuine love and worship, expressed in anticipation of His death and burial. The Sacrament of Holy Anointing is administered to all who desire to receive spiritual and physical relief... (an excerpt.)



ASK FATHER A QUESTION... Father, what is the difference between a Saint and a Prophet? What are some examples of each? Are all Disciples of Christ also called Saints? Prophets in the Old Testament were not primarily foretellers.

Simply read through the book of Amos at one sitting and you will hear how little Amos is concerned to predict. Most of his "words" are addressed to criticizing present wrongdoing. Injustice, oppression, and rich, even luxurious, worship while the poor starve, are the issues he speaks about most. Where he looks to the future most often it is to warn: if you act like this God's punishment will come. On the punishment itself his descriptions vary, from seeming to envisage invasion (3:11; 4:10; 5:3; 6:7-14 etc.) through earthquake (8:8) and drought (4:7-8) to God's personal intervention (4:13). In short a prophet is a man called by God to act as an intercessor, a go-between, between 'the people' and God. This was because the people, even the priests, were being disobedient to God so God was no longer communicating to them directly because "they" were refusing Him. There are many aspects to a prophet, much more than "predicting the future," Indeed, the prophet does not predict the future but rather he is delivering God's message to the people. The message was always the same, "Turn away from your sins and turn back to God or else evil things will happen to you. If you continue in this, "x" bad things will follow." So among the aspects of prophet are; the man is called by God and does not 'call down God', the man is an intercessor between the people and God (able to bring messages from the people to God and trusted by God to deliver His message

to the people, plainly and directly). Now a saint, by the 1917 A. D. Code of Canon Law, is a person who has died and when prayed to for intercession, delivers the asked for help from God and the first 2 rules of the 1917 A. D. code are: 1) wait 50 years after their death, 2) Three (3) miracles are to be confirmed. So, a saint is a person of whom we cannot believe does not have “God’s ear,” i.e. we do not understand it that this person will not inherit heaven. So, just because many of the Old Testament prophets, and patriarchs, might not be called “saints” it does not mean we fail to believe that they will not inherit heaven. Even though many Old Testament figures were not canonically titled “saint” we call them saint none-the-less. In other words, many of the New Testament era saints are a type of prophet, delivering God’s message to people. The big difference is that now that God had entered the world Himself, The Son of God, Jesus Christ, the Old Testament way of the “prophet” is no longer occurring because God has come Himself.

PRAYER by St. John Climacus

Prayer is by its very nature a dialogue and a union with God. Its effect is to hold the world together and to achieve a reconciliation with God. Prayer is the mother and daughter of tears. It is expiation of sin, a bridge over temptation, a barrier against affliction. It wipes out conflict, is the work of Angels and the nourishment of all bodiless beings. Prayer is the future gladness, an endless work, a wellspring of virtues, a source of grace, hidden progress, food for the soul, an illumination of the mind, an axe against despair, a proof of hope, sorrow done away with, the wealth of monks, the treasure of hesychasts, the reduction of anger, the mirror of progress, a demonstration of success, evidence of one's condition, the future revealed, and a sign of glory. For him who truly prays, prayer is the court, the judgment hall and the tribunal of the Lord before the judgment to come. Let us rise and listen to what the holy queen of the virtues cries with a loud voice and says to us: Come to me, all you who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and you shall find rest for your souls and healing for your wounds. For my yoke is easy and is sovereign remedy for great sins. Those of us about to stand before our King and God in order to speak with Him should not move into this without preparation, lest, seeing us from afar without weapons and clothing suitable for those who stand before the King, He should order his servants and slaves to bind us, to drive us out of His sight and to tear up our petitions and throw them in our face. When you are going to stand before the Lord. let the garment of your soul be woven throughout with the thread of wrongs suffered but forgotten. Otherwise, prayer will be of no benefit to you. Pray in

all simplicity. For both the tax collector and the prodigal son were reconciled to God by a single phrase. The work of prayer is one and the same for all, but there are various and many different kinds of prayer. Some converse with God as with a friend and master, interceding with praise and petition, not for themselves but for others. Some strive for greater [spiritual] treasures and glory and for confidence in prayer. Others ask for complete deliverance from their adversary. Some beg to receive some kind of rank; others for complete forgiveness of debts. Some ask to be released from prison; others for remission from offences. Before all else, let us list sincere thanksgiving first on the scroll of our prayer. On the second line, we should put confession and heartfelt contrition of soul. Then let us present our petition to the King of all. This is the best way of prayer, as it was shown to one of the monks by an angel of the Lord... Do not be over-complicated in the words you use when praying, because the simple and unadorned lisping of the children has often won the heart of their Heavenly Father. Try not to talk excessively when you pray, lest your mind be distracted in searching for words. One word of the tax collector appeased God, and one cry of faith saved the thief. Talkative prayer often distracts the mind and leads to fantasy, whereas brevity makes for concentration. You cannot learn to see just because someone tell you to do so. You require your own natural power of sight. In the same way, you cannot discover from the teachings of others the beauty of prayer. Prayer has its own teacher in God, Who 'teaches us knowledge' (Ps 93:10) and grants prayer to those who pray and blesses the years of the just. Amen.

from The Ladder of Divine Ascent; Step 28