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Divine Liturgy Schedule

April 17, 2022

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He Is Risen!
Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!



Saturday, April 16
Sunday, April 17
7:00 AM

HOLY SATURDAY

Monday, April 18
11:00 AM

PASCHA- EASTER SUNDAY

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

Tuesday, April 19
10:00 AM

BRIGHT MONDAY

God's Blessings on Ukraine- Helen & Lisa Lipowski

Thursday, April 21
10:00 AM

BRIGHT TUESDAY

†Anna Kutsup

Friday, April 22
10:00 AM

BRIGHT THURSDAY

†Fr. Daniel Gurovich & †Fr. Dcn. Michael Waak

Saturday, April 23
6:00 PM

BRIGHT FRIDAY

God's Blessings on America- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Sunday, April 24
10:30 AM

BRIGHT SATURDAY

†Irene Hvozda- Joe & Janice Mikolajczyk

THOMAS SUNDAY

God's Blessings & Good Health on all Parishioners

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.

PASCHA-EASTER SUNDAY

April 17, 2022

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 of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us!

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

SECOND 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, immortal Lord, You destroyed the power of Hades. Rising in victor, 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 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 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).

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 tomb bestowing life.

Tackle your Fears Head-On

Fear is a childish feeling of the adult but empty soul. Fear is really a lack of faith that becomes obvious when we think of what unforeseen things might happen. It is lack of trust in God. The proud soul is a slave to fear precisely because it trusts in itself and so shudders at any noise or any shadow. Those who are contrite for their sins have no fear. So, if there are places where you are normally afraid to go, do not hesitate to frequent them even at dead of night, armed with prayer. Your fear is a childish and ridiculous thing, but if you give way to it only a little, it will take root in your heart and stay with you. So, arm yourself with prayer and when you reach the spot lambaste the enemy in the name of Jesus. There is no stronger weapon in earth or heaven than that. And when you are cured of your fear, sing the praises of the One who has freed you. If you thank him, he will always protect you. Sometimes only the body is afraid, and the fear has not spread to the soul, then you are nearly cured. The one who serves God, fears his Lord and no other. The one who does not fear his Lord is scared even of his own shadow.

By St. John Climacus Stairway to Paradise 21 (PG88, 945)



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.

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.

CHURCH NEWS... Christ is Risen! Indeed, He Is Risen! ХРИСТОС БОКРЕСЕ!

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.

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.** (The Meet Place is **Front Street across from Concrete City Parking Area.**) **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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Happy Birthday Greetings to **Jill Gagliardi** who celebrates her Birthday on April 18. MNOHAYA LITA! May God grant her Peace, Health, and Happiness! Happy Birthday to **Marc Lipowski** who celebrates his birthday on April 21! Mnohaya Lita! God grant him Health, Happiness & Peace!



'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. Hesychios the Priest, from the Philokalia



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.



MORNING PRAYER: Grant unto me, my Lord, that with peace in mind I may face all that this new day is to bring. Grant unto me grace to surrender myself completely to Thy holy will. Instruct and prepare me in all things for every hour of this day. Whatsoever tidings I may receive during the day, do Thou teach me

to accept them calmly, in the firm conviction that all eventualities fulfill Thy holy will. Govern Thou my thoughts and feelings in all I do and say. When things unforeseen occur, let me not forget that all cometh down from Thee. Teach me to behave sincerely and reasonable toward every member of my family and all other human beings, that I may not cause confusion and sorrow to anyone. Bestow upon me, my Lord, strength to endure the fatigue of the day and to bear my share in all its passing events. Guide Thou my will and teach me to pray, to believe, to hope, to suffer, to forgive, and to love. Amen.



GUARDIAN ANGELS: Angels do exist! Besides our visible universe God has created another, invisible, corporeal spiritual world. Though angels are superior to us in dignity, we are created more perfectly in God’s image. The Holy Spirit attests to their creation before the universe to their great numbers, and to their primary ministry, which is to ‘present the prayers of the Saints’ to God, and to behold His glory. The Lord said, “Take care that you do not despise one of these little ones; for, I tell you in heaven their angels continually see the face of my Father in heaven” and glorify Him incessantly. The angels are assigned to many ‘orders’ usually grouped in nine, although we know nothing definite about this. God has assigned angels to protect us, from different scriptural passages we are taught the angels are assigned by God to protect entire nations and individuals. Certain angels are assigned to minister to

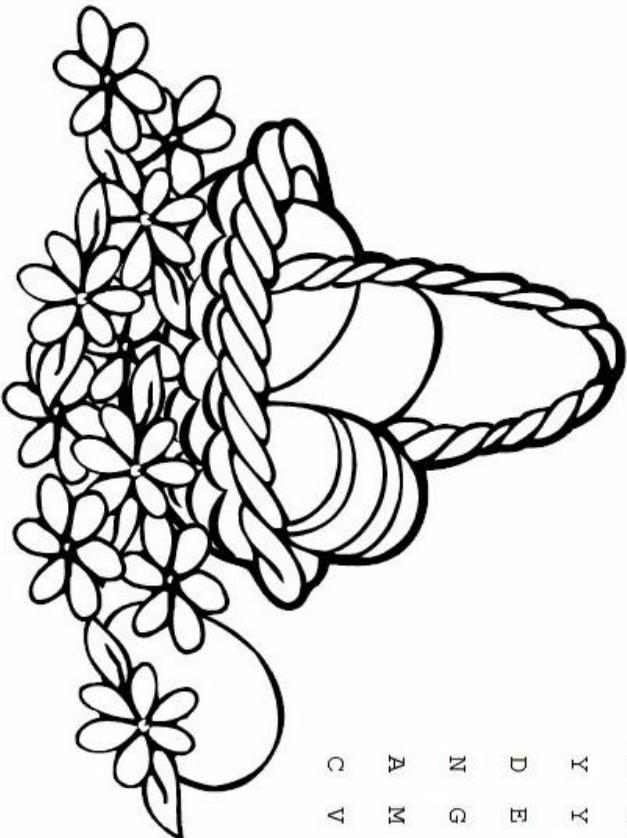
us, by being God's messengers, and attend to the spiritual progress and perfection of human beings. They are placed in the service of God's plan of salvation for man. "Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to serve, for the sake of those who are to salvation? "We pray for the guardian angel, (not that one may be given us), since each of us has one from the moment of his birth, but that he may be active and may fulfill his task, that he may protect us and lead us in the right way, and may not, angered by our sins, desert us." Several of the Fathers of the Church teach that only baptized Christians have a guardian angel. According to certain Fathers, we are assigned two angels a good one, our guardian angel, and an evil one. Guardian angels guide human beings and steer them in the path of goodness without interfering with their free will or forcing them to follow it. When we fall into serious sin, however, the guardian angel departs. At the hour of death the guardian angel will carry the soul to heaven. In the prayer "You who in all times." Recited during Hours, we pray, "Surround us with your holy angels, so that guarded and guided by their host, we may attain to the unity of the faith and the knowledge of Your unapproachable glory."

Prayer to Our Guardian Angel:

O Holy Angel of God, guardian and protector of my soul and body, forgive me everything in which I have grieved you all the days of my life, and in which I sinned in the day just past. Protect me during the coming night and keep me from every influence of the enemy, that I may not anger God by any sin. Intercede for me to the Lord that He may strengthen me in His fear and make me worthy to be a servant of His goodness. Amen.

Easter

WORD SEARCH



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