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Divine Liturgy Schedule

April 23, 2022

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



Saturday, April 23
6:00 PM

THOMAS SUNDAY

†Irene Hvozda- Joe & Janice Mikolajczyk
Distribution of Artos

Sunday, April 24
10:30 AM

THOMAS SUNDAY

God's Blessings & Good Health on all Parishioners
Distribution of Artos

Thursday, April 28
10:00 AM

God's Blessings on America- Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Friday, April 29
10:00 AM

†Wasył Kobela – Ellen Alqrainy

Saturday, April 30
6:00 PM

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS

God's Blessings & Good Health on all Parishioners

Sunday, April 31
10:30 AM

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS

† George & Evelyn Sailus – Marianne Sailus

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 & Frank 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.

THOMAS SUNDAY

April 24, 2022

*After the priest has exclaimed, **Blessed be the Kingdom...** and the people have responded, Amen, the clergy sing the Paschal Troparion once and the people repeat it.*

Then, the clergy sing the first half, and the people conclude it.

PASCHAL TROPARION: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.

According to Galician usage, we continue to sing the First Antiphon of Pascha and the Third Antiphon, "Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord" with the refrain "Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death" until the eve of Ascension.

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...



THIRD ANTIPHON:

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior.

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

Let us come before His face with praise and acclaim Him in psalms.

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

For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth.

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TROPAR: While the tomb was sealed, O Christ God, You dawned as life from the sepulcher, and while the doors were shut, You came to Your disciples, the Resurrection of all, renewing a right spirit in us through them, according to Your great mercy.

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

KONDAK: With his searching hand, Thomas explored Your life-giving side, O Christ God. For when You entered while the doors were shut, he called out to You with the rest of the Apostles: You are my Lord and my God!

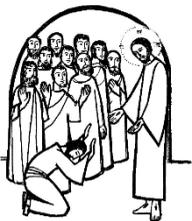
PROKIMEN: Great is our Lord and great is His strength; and of His knowledge there is no end. Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good; may praise be sweet to our God. Great is our Lord and great is His strength; and of His knowledge there is no end.

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (5:12-20):

Brethren, now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

ALLELUIA: Alleluia (3). Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God our Savior. Alleluia (3). For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth. Alleluia (3).

Gospel of John 20:19-31



When it was late, that same day, the first of the week though the doors where the disciples gathered had been closed for the fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst and said to them "Peace be to you!" And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples therefore rejoiced at the sight of the Lord. Jesus therefore said to them again, "Peace be to you! As the Father has sent me, I also send you." When he had said this, he breathed upon them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit; whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them; and whose sins you shall retain, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not

with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails and put my hand into his side I will not believe.” And after eight days his disciples were again inside and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being closed and stood in their midst, and said “Peace be to you!” then he said to Thomas “Bring here your finger and see my hands; and bring here your hand and put it into my side; and be not unbelieving but believing.” Thomas answered and said to him “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Because you have seen me, Thomas, you have believed. Blessed are they who have not seen, and yet have believed.” Many other signs also Jesus worked in the sight of his disciples which are not written in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

INSTEAD OF...”IT Is Truly Right...”

HYMN TO THE MOTHER OF GOD: The Angel cried out to the One full of Grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again, I say, Rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem. Praise your God, O Sion. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

FOOD COLLECTION: Transfiguration Of Our Lord Parish is collecting non-perishable food products to donate to the St. Faustina Food Kitchen. Many thanks for everyone who continues to donate to the food drive

MOTHER’S DAY: Mother’s Day is May 8th this year. Don’t forget to remember your mother!

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

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

“A single sunbeam is enough to drive away many shadows.” “All the darkness in the world cannot extinguish the light of a single candle.” — St. Francis of Assisi

Women--last at the cross, and earliest at the grave. -- E.S. Barrett. Leadership, Vol. 12, no. 1.

Prayer for Family

Heavenly Father, Please shine your light upon our families. Give us strength to overcome the attacks of the evil in all of the difficulties that we are dealing with now and protect us against any and all problems we may encounter in the future. O Lord, please bring us together as we are meant to be. May the love that binds us grow stronger as we fulfill the destiny you have laid out for us. Grant my family repentance from sins we have committed. May we also forgive one another Lord, as it is sometimes difficult to do. Bless us O Lord, In your name of the Father, Son & Holy Spirit I pray, Amen.

PSALM 131

The righteous person is not arrogant because of his achievements or jealous of those who are greater than he. For he knows that all success is bestowed by God, each person according to his needs and mission.

A song of ascents, by David. HASHEM, my heart was not proud, and my eyes were not haughty, nor did I pursue matters too great and too wondrous for me. I swear that I stilled and silenced my soul, like a suckling child at his mother's side, like the suckling child is my soul. Let Israel hope to HASHEM, from this time and forever.

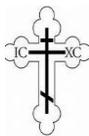
(The Four-Letter Name of God is translated “HASHEM.”)

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



THERE IS NO KNEELING DURING THE PASCHAL SEASON UNTIL EVE OF ASCENSION.
WE STAND IN JOY OF RESURRECTION.

FATHER WALTER'S EMAIL ADDRESS: Father Walter's personal email wpasicznyk@ukrcap.org is currently **NOT WORKING** because the Archeparchy has changed email hosts. Please contact Father Walter via (if you need to use email) the church email, TransfigurationUCC@comcast.net or call him directly.



SYMPATHY: Please remember in your prayers the soul of Marion Hvozda who fell asleep in the Lord on Thursday, April 7, 2022. 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 Hvozda Family. Internment took place at Transfiguration of Our Lord Cemetery.



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.

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.

BRATISLAVA BOYS CHOIR TO PERFORM IN KINGSTON, SCRANTON: The acclaimed Bratislava Boys Choir from Bratislava, Slovakia will perform at St. Ignatius Church, 339 N. Maple Ave., Kingston on Wednesday, May 11 at 7:00 p.m. and at St. Peter's Cathedral, 315 Wyoming Ave., Scranton on Thursday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. Both concerts are free and open to the public. Donations will be accepted. The choir's repertoire features a variety of both sacred and secular music including Gregorian chant, Renaissance polyphony, concert Masses, folk songs, and works by contemporary composers. The concerts are presented by the Slovak Heritage Society of NEPA in cooperation with World Artists Experiences and the Embassy of Slovakia. For more information, contact Michael Stretanski at 570-817-3430, Raphael Micca at rdmicca@aol.com, or visit www.facebook.com/worldartistsNEPA.



Ask Father a question, Father, when you prepare The Gifts in preparation for communion, there is a “particle” or square for the deceased or living person that we have a Liturgy Intention for... Why? I thought it was the Body of Christ? Who gets THIS particle? Yes, there is a particle during the Preparation of “The Gifts” for the person whom the Liturgy is Intended, as there are for

many of the Saints as well as the Theotokos and Jesus Christ. We pray as we believe and part of our prayer of Holy Communion is that we become “like” Christ. So that we the Church are the Body of Christ. This is part of the symbolism of the prayer of Holy Communion. Because we truly believe and follow Christ’s Word, “that he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I in him.” Those who partake of Holy Communion truly receive Christ. This is recognized in all of the prayers around Holy Communion. As to who receives that particle, as those of you who come to the adult discussion group learned, one of the parishioners will receive this particle, because it is co-mingled with all the particles in the chalice. All the particles originate from the one loaf that IS the Body of Christ.



Ask Father a question? Father, why do we exalt the Holy Cross on Saturday, September 14? Don’t we have Exaltation of the Cross on Easter? Why do we put roses on the cross and what do they symbolize?

All the Saints and Instruments of Salvation and God’s Creation are remembered in the calendar of the martyrs. The church venerates the cross in honor of Christ’s sacrifice on the cross conquering sin and death and offering salvation to all men. If you are curious why September 14, THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE was consecrated on September 13, 335AD. This church was built on the place where Christ was crucified

on the cross. The Synaxis of the Consecration of the Church of the Holy Sepulcher was September 14 and the tradition of the Church followed in venerating the Holy Cross on this date. Roses are generally used, but it can be any red flower, because Christ poured out his blood to atone for our sins. Roses are preferred if feasible, because it is viewed as the most pure and pleasant fragrant flower. Nearly every miracle testified by the Church and Saints, the people tell of smelling roses. The flowers around the Cross symbolize the apostles, this is why you will find eleven flowers around the cross to represent the faithful apostles and that none were lost except the one destined to be lost.

Christós anésti! "Alithos Anesti!"

Christós anésti ek nekrón, thanáto thánaton patíshas, ké tíς en tíς mnímasi, zoín charisámenos!

Χριστός ανέστη εκ νεκρών, θανάτω θάνατον πατήσας, και τοις εν τοις μνήμασι ζώήν χαρισάμενος.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and to those in the tombs, granting life.



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 **Proscomedial 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.