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## Divine Liturgy Schedule

April 16, 2023, A. D.

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



Saturday, April 15  
6:00 PM

THOMAS SUNDAY  
†John Skordy- Parish  
Distribution of Artos

Sunday, April 16  
10:30 AM

THOMAS SUNDAY  
Distribution of Artos  
†Jennifer Wetzel - Lisa Placek

Friday, April 21  
10:00 AM

God's Blessings on America - Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Saturday, April 22  
6:00 PM

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS  
†Theodore Weron - MaryAnn Jarolen

Sunday, April 23  
10:30 AM  
NOON

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS  
†Margaret Yanoshak - Bob & Johanna Longenberger  
PARISH SVIACHENNE DINNER

Christós anésti! "Alithos Anesti!"

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

Χριστός ανέστη εκ νεκρών, θανάτω θάνατον πατήσας, και τοις εν τοις  
μνήμασι ζωήν χαρισάμενος. (Greek)

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

## THOMAS SUNDAY

April 16, 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).



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners **Assisted Living:** Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Geraldine Adamchak; Dolores Miller, Rita Kurtz, Diane Petry, Arlene Czarnecki, 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.



### **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.

**IN PLACE OF "IT IS TRULY PROPER":** 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 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. (3 times for each.)



**SYMPATHY:** Please remember in your prayers the soul of John Skordy who fell asleep in the Lord on Friday, April 7, 2023. May Our Lord grant him rest in the bosom of Abraham. May he be numbered among the saints and may his memory be eternal. Our deepest sympathies are extended to the Skordy Family. Christos Voskres! May His Memory Be Eternal.

**SHORT MEETING AFTER CHURCH ON SUNDAY:** We will have a short meeting after Divine Liturgy on Sunday regarding Sviachenne, Signatures on the Financial Report, and Joint Choir on Sunday, May 7. Also, we received our Property Insurance for 2023 and it is due May 31, 2023. **This year's insurance is \$10,776.00.**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!** A very Happy Birthday to Jill Gagliardi who celebrates her birthday on Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>. **Christós anésti!** If you see Jill wish her Happy Birthday!! May God Grant Her Many Happy Years! And Salvation!



**SVIACHENNE: The Family Sviachenne will be next Sunday, April 23, 2023.** There is no charge or tickets for the dinner- merely just sign up so that we know how many people are coming. **Please sign up if you are attending next week- we need to get a count and plan for the dinner.**

**SOROKOUSTY:** The Fifth (and last) All Soul's Saturday is May 27th, 2023.

**FATHER WOLENSKY:** Please keep in your prayers Father Paul Wolensky who is experiencing health issues. **A Card is in the back (on the bulletin board) of the Church to sign and send to him. (We would like to send it out so please add your name. ) Please pray for him.**



**SAVE THE DATE: MOTHER'S DAY TEA:** The Catechism Students of our Ukraine Catholic Parishes would like to invite you and your families to a **Mother's Day Tea Sunday, May 7. There will be one liturgy service for Holy Transfiguration and SS Peter and Paul at 10:00am on this day.** The tea will be held at SS Peter and Paul in the hall following the service. The students will be serving a light lunch, desserts, and tea (& coffee)! Please save the date and sign up so that we can plan accordingly.



**ADORATION LIBRARY:** If you borrowed books from the Adoration Library, please return them to the church. We would appreciate it!



The **Candles on the Tetrapod** are given by Joan Cominsky  
For the Health of Janelle Sirak.

The **Altar Candles** are given by Brian & Joanne Kawczenski  
In loving memory of Mary & Leo Kawczenski.

The **Eternal Light** is given by Yanoshak Family  
In living memory of Shirley & Connie Yanoshak.

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

The **Candle Before the Icon of Christ** is given by the Joan Cominsky  
In loving memory of her parents, Marion & John Petrochko.

The **Candle Before the Icon table of the Theotokos** is given by  
Helen Lipowski for God's Blessings & Health for Marc Lipowski.

The **Candle Before the Icon of John the Baptist** is given by  
Ellen Alqrainy in loving memory of David Bartos.

The **Icon table Candle of the Transfiguration of Our Lord** is given by  
Ellen Alqrainy in loving memory of Norah Alqrainy

The **Proscomedia Table** is given by Joan Cominsky  
in loving memory of her brother, John "Sonny" Petrochko.



**CITY WIDE EARTH DAY CLEAN-UP: IT'S NEXT WEEK! There will be a City-Wide Clean-up of Nanticoke organized by the Nanticoke Conservation Club on Saturday, April 22 at 8:00AM.** Everyone is welcome to come & help. All supplies are furnished and vests. Sturdy shoes and appropriate attire are recommended. Food & refreshments are supplied. This year the emphasis will be in Nanticoke. We are trying to organize a group to clean-up the necessary sections of Hanover Section - Espy Street, Front Street, and the portion of Front Street toward the Dam/Concrete City Parking Area. Meet spot in Hanover Section to be announced. Spend 1 hour or many hours, we need a help.

## Psalm 82

The theme of this psalm- the maintenance of equity  
And justice-is a prerequisite for the continued existence of the world that was revealed  
on the third day of creation. It is for this reason that it is the Song of the Day for the  
third day of the week. But this message is not limited only to Courts. In his personal  
life, every Christian is a judge, for his opinions and decisions about people can affect  
their lives.

God presides in the great assembly;  
he renders judgment among the “gods”:  
“How long will you defend the unjust  
and show partiality to the wicked?  
Defend the weak and the fatherless;  
uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed.  
Rescue the weak and the needy;  
deliver them from the hand of the wicked.  
“The ‘gods’ know nothing, they understand nothing.  
They walk about in darkness;  
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.  
“I said, ‘You are “gods”;  
you are all sons of the Most High.’  
But you will die like mere mortals;  
you will fall like every other ruler.”  
Rise up, O God, judge the earth,  
for You shall seek Your inheritance among all the nations.



### 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.