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Divine Liturgy Schedule
April 14, 2024, A. D.
Christ is Risen! Indeed, He Is Risen!
Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!



Saturday, April 13
6:00 PM

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARNG WOMEN

†Ted Weron- Joan Skordy

Sunday, April 14
10:30AM

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARNG WOMEN

†Dr. Michael Sawczuk- Gayle & Bob Miles

Monday, April 15
10:00AM

God's Blessings for America-Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Friday, April 19
10:00AM

†Fr. Deacon Michael Waak- Father Walter Pasicznyk

Saturday, April 20
6:00 PM

SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN

†Ted Weron- Donna, Jack & Rob Lee

Sunday, April 21
10:30AM

SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN

†Anna Kutsup- MaryAnn Medlin



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners **Assisted Living:** Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Geraldine Adamchak; Shirley Kozar, Dolores Miller, Rita Kurtz, Diane Petry, 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, Dolores Jennings, Barnett Kurtz, Mike Oresick., Debbie Schwartz, Ed Schwartz.

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN

April 14, 2024

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.

TROPAR: When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all powers of heaven cried out: O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory to You!

TROPAR: The noble Joseph took down Your pure body from the tree. He wrapped it with a clean shroud and aromatic spices and placed it in a new tomb. But on the third day You arose, O Lord, granting the world Your great mercy.

TROPAR: An Angel appeared to the Myrrh-Bearing Women at the tomb and cried out, "Myrrh is suitable for the dead! Christ is a stranger to corruption! Cry out rather: The Lord has Risen granting great mercy to the world."

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

KONDAK: You commanded the Myrrh-bearers to rejoice, O Christ God, and ended the grief of our mother Eve by Your Resurrection. You ordered the apostles to proclaim to all: The Savior is Risen from the tomb.

Now and forever and ever. Amen.

KONDAK: Though you went down to the grave, immortal Lord, You destroyed the power of Hades. Rising in victory, Christ our God, You greeted the Myrrh-Bearing Women "Rejoice!" giving peace to Your Apostles and bestowed Resurrection upon the fallen.

PROKIMEN: Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance. Unto You I will cry, O Lord my God, lest You turn from me in silence. Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance.

A Reading from the Book of the Acts of the Apostles(6:1-7):

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. Therefore, brothers, select from among yourselves seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word." What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Ghost, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

ALLELUIA: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. You have shown favor to Your land, O Lord; You have brought back the captives of Jacob. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. verse: For Mercy and truth have met; righteousness and peace have embraced. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

GOSPEL OF Mark 15:43-16:8



At that time there came Joseph of Arimathea, a counselor of high rank, who was himself looking for the kingdom of God. And he went in boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. But Pilate wondered whether he had already died. And sending for the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was, he granted the body to Joseph. And Joseph bought a linen cloth, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen cloth, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of a rock. Then he rolled a stone to the entrance of the tomb. But Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph were looking on and saw where he was laid. And when the Sabbath was past Mary Magdalene Mary the mother of James and Salome, bought spices, that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb, when the sun had just risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll the stone back from the entrance of the tomb for us?" And looking up they saw that the stone had been rolled back, for it was very large. But on entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting at the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were amazed. He said to them, "Do not be terrified. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not

here. Behold the place where they laid him. But go tell his disciples and Peter that he goes before you into Galilee; there you shall see him, as he told you". And they departed and fled from the tomb, for trembling and fear had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

INSTEAD IF ..."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.

IN PLACE OF: "Blessed is He" ..., "We have seen the true light..." Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tomb bestowing life.

...", "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. (3X).

"Glory be to the Father..." Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tomb bestowing life. (3X). Give the Blessing.

True virtue has no limits, but goes on and on, and especially holy charity, which is the virtue of virtues, and which having a definite object, would become infinite if it could meet with a heart capable of infinity. -St. Francis de Sales



PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL: Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

CHURCH NEWS Christ is Risen! Indeed He Is Risen! ХРИСТОС БОЖПЕЦЕ !



HAPPY BIRTHDAY! A Very Happy Birthday to Jill Gagliardi who celebrates her birthday on **Thursday, April 18th**. Christós anésti! May God Grant Her Many Happy Years! And Salvation!

PRAYERS: Please keep in your prayers Ed Schwartz who is in John Heinz room 215 and Leona Kobela (209 Phillip Street, Nanticoke) and Michelle Miller (264 East Union St., Nanticoke). Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers.

MOTHER'S DAY TEA: There will be a Mother's Day Tea at Ss. Peter & Paul Church (Plymouth) on Sunday, May 5. Everyone is invited.

PYROHY FOR SALE: We have potato pyrohy for sale in the church basement for \$10.00 a dozen.

SOROKOUSTY SERVICE: The fifth Sorokousty is Saturday, May 18 at 8:00 am.

EARTH DAY CLEANUP: IT'S NEXT SATURDAY!!! The Nanticoke Conservation Club will have its City-Wide Earth Day Clean-up on Saturday, April 20th. Please come out and help. Further information is on the website for the City of Nanticoke or the sign in back of the church. Meeting at the LCCC Student Parking Lot on Access Road by Weis Market at 8am. Materials Provided.

ZONING VARIANCE: Please note that on Thursday, May 23, the City of Nanticoke will hold a meeting at 6:00PM to discuss an application for a zoning variance which is required to establish 4 apartment buildings (12 Units each) "behind Birchwood Nursing," which is the general location of this apartment complex. (See the pink sign outside our Parking Lot.) Keep in mind that this is Phase I – they are considering Phase II. Please keep in mind that the next meeting of the Zoning Board is April 25 at 6:00 PM.

MOTHER'S DAY: Mother's Day is Sunday, May 12th this year. Don't forget to remember your mother!



CHURCH USE LIBRARY: The library will be in the back of the church for meditation and use during the Period prior to Pentecost. Please sign out books if you take them home.

'Pray the rosary every day to obtain peace for the world and the end of the war.' (First Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima – May 13, 1917)



April 2024

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

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

The **Candle Before the Theotokos** is given by
Lisa Placek in loving memory of Edward & Anna Kroll.

The **Candle before the Icon of Jesus Christ** is given by the
Father Walter for All the Sick & Homebound of the Parish.

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

**Please keep in mind that there are many open
Candle spots for the month of April.**



MISSIONARY IMAGE OF OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

The Missionary Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe is a 4' x 6' exact digital replica of the original Miraculous Image “painted” by Heaven on St. Juan Diego’s cloak in 1531.

The Rector of the Basilica of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Msgr. Diego Monroy, blessed the Missionary Image for the purpose of promoting sanctity of the family, solidarity of the Church in America, a culture of life, and a civilization of love.

Thus, we are pleased to announce that this Missionary Image will be at

Holy Transfiguration Ukrainian Catholic Church, Nanticoke

Friday, May 10- 10:00AM Divine Liturgy

11:00AM Short Talk about the Missionary Image

11:15-12:15 Hour of Prayer

12:15 – 2:00PM Veneration of the Image

Saturday, May 11- Noon to 4:00PM Veneration of the Image

6:00PM Divine Liturgy

7:15PM Short Talk about the Missionary Image

Ss. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church, Plymouth

Sunday, May 12 - 8:30AM Divine Liturgy; 9:45AM Short Talk about the Missionary Image

10:00AM– 2:00PM Prayer & Veneration of the Image

See the Bulletin Board for detailed information.

The MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored you help, or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence,

I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins and mother;
to you do I come; before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful;
O Mother of the World Incarnate, despise not my petitions,
but in your mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

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



Psalm 91 NIV- Assurance of God's Protection

You who live in the shelter of the Most High, who abide in the shadow of the Almighty, will say to the LORD, "My refuge and my fortress; my God, in whom I trust." For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the deadly pestilence; he will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness is a shield and buckler. You will not fear the terror of the night, or the arrow that flies by day, or the pestilence that stalks in darkness, or the destruction that wastes at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. You will only look with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked. Because you have made the LORD your refuge, the Most High your dwelling place, no evil shall befall you, no scourge come near your tent. For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways. On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the adder, the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot. Those who love me, I will deliver; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them. With long life I will satisfy them and show them my salvation.

The Prayer of the Lady of All Nations

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. Amen.

ANGEL'S PRAYER

(Given to the three children by the Angel who preceded Our Lady's first appearance to them at Fatima.)

Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I adore Thee profoundly. I offer Thee the Most Precious Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges, and indifference by which He is offended. And through the infinite merit of His Most Sacred Heart, and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg of Thee the conversion of poor sinners. (3 Times).

Psalm 54

Save me, O God, by your name;
Hear my prayer, O God;
listen to the words of my mouth.
Arrogant foes are attacking me;
ruthless people are trying to kill me—
people without regard for God.[c]
Surely God is my help;
the Lord is the one who sustains me.
Let evil recoil on those who slander me;
in your faithfulness destroy them.
I will sacrifice a freewill offering to you;
I will praise your name, LORD, for it is good.
You have delivered me from all my troubles,
and my eyes have looked in triumph on my foes.

The tireless Women! They would not give sleep to their eyes nor slumber to their eyelids until they found their Beloved! But the men as it were dragged their feet: they went to the tomb, saw it empty, and remained in confusion about what it could mean, because they did not see Him. Does this mean that they had less love than the women? No, here was a reasoning love which feared making a mistake due to the high price of this love and its object. No, here was a reasoning love which feared making a mistake due to the high price of this love and its object. When they too saw and touched Him, then each of them, not with his tongue, like Thomas, but with his heart confessed: *My Lord and my God!* (John 20:28) and no longer could anything separate them from the Lord. The Myrrh Bearers and the Apostles are an image of the two sides of our life: feeling and reasoning. Without feeling life is not life. Without reasoning life is blind—it offers little sound fruit, and much is wasted. We must combine both. Let feeling go forward and arouse; let reason determine the time, place, method, and, in general, the practical arrangement of what the heart suggests for us to do. Within, the heart come first, but in practical application, reason comes first. When the feelings become educated in discerning good and evil, then perhaps it will be possible to rely on the heart alone. Just as shoots, flowers, and fruits grow from a living tree, so then will goodness alone begin to emerge from the heart, and will be rationally merged into the course of our life. — **St. Theophan the Recluse**

PRAYER FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE CHURCH

O glorious St. Michael, guardian and defender of the Church of Jesus Christ, come to the assistance of the Church, against which the powers of hell are unchained, guard with especial care her august Head, and obtain that for Him and for us the hour of triumph may speedily arrive. O glorious Archangel St. Michael, watch over us during life, defend us against the assaults of the devil, assist us especially at the hour of death; obtain for us a favorable judgement, and the happiness of beholding God face to face for endless ages. Amen.

Myrrh-Bearing Women Sunday

You have heard, dearly beloved, that holy women who had followed the Lord came to the sepulchre with spices. They had loved Him when He was alive, and they showed Him their eager tender heartedness even when He was dead. Their deed points to something that must be done in our holy Church. Thus as we hear of what they did, we must also think of our responsibility to imitate them. We too, who believe in Him Who died, approach His sepulchre with spices if we are strengthened with the sweet smell of the virtues, and if we seek the Lord with a reputation for good works. And the women who came with spices saw angels, since those who advance toward God through their holy desires, accompanied by the sweet smell of the virtues, behold the citizens from on high. -**St. Gregory the Great, Forty Gospel Homilies**



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.