



**ST. PETER & ST. PAUL
UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**
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Leaders of the Apostles and teachers of the world, pray to the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.

April 14, 2024

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Very Rev. Archpriest Edward Canon Young, *Pastor*

Third Sunday of Pascha. Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women. Our Holy Father Martin the Confessor, Pope of Rome (655).
Newly Revealed Martyrs Anthony, John and Eustathius (1342).

We Stand for all Serves till Pentecost!

Epistle: ACTS 6: 1 - 7 Gospel: MARK 15: 43 - 16:8 Tone: Sheet

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

WEEKDAYS: MONDAY–FRIDAY 10:00AM

SUNDAY: 8:30 AM (Ukr.) & 10:00 AM (Eng.)

Confessions are heard before each Divine Liturgy: Sunday 8:00AM to 8:30AM and 9:30AM until 10:00AM

Religious Education – Saturday 10:00AM – 11:00AM

Sunday After 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Call Audrey Sokol 203-924-1184 for more information.

Preservation – Please use the form in church vestibule, mail it to the church or bring it to Michael Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young or Robert Jaskilka.

Address or Name Change/New Phone Number

– Please update your records. See Michael Wysowski, Jr. to update this info.
Returned checks are subject to a **\$35.00 fee per check.**

Bulletin Notices – Notices for the bulletin must be **in writing** by Wednesday @6PM to be included in that week's bulletin.

Parish Council meets every 3rd Wednesday of every month @7:15pm in the church hall.

Rectory Office Hours - Thursday 1:00 to 3:00 PM or by Appointment on other days

****Please Note ****

Mass Offerings , Sorokousty
Mother's Day, Father's Day
Checks must be made out to the Fr. Edward Young **not the Church!** Thank You...

Baptism Arrangement for baptism is to be made personally at the Parish Office. Please call rectory for an appointment.

Marriage – Arrangements for marriage are to be made at least **6 months prior** to the Wedding date. Please call rectory for an appointment.

Sick Calls – To arrange for Sacraments for the elderly and sick at home, please call Parish Office Fr. Young at 203-734-3895, **Please advise the rectory of any hospitalization.**

In your Estate planning – Remember Sts. Peter & Paul Church in your will.

Stewardship - "As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10). All Catholics, should give generous support—time, money, prayers, and personal service according to their circumstances—to parish and diocesan programs and to the universal Church

Special Share in the Eucharist *- Bread & Wine
offered for a week, month, or year. Donations: one week - \$20.00
Donors/intentions will be listed.

Michael Wysowski, Jr or Fr. Edward Young
Eternal Light *– offered to light for a week \$10.00.

Michael Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young
Virgin Mary's Lamp and Sacred Heart Lamp* also available for offering!
Offered to light for a week is 10.00, each. Michael Wysowski, Jr. or Fr. Edward Young

All start on Monday to Sunday!

***Offering must be made when dates are reserved on a first come first served basis !!!!**




A Welcome to St. Peter and St. Paul Parish to all who are worshipping with us today. If you are over twenty-one years of age and have not yet registered, have moved or will be moving, or have a new telephone number, please fill out the form below .Each household must be registered at St. Peter and St. Paul and every adult receives a set of stewardship envelopes. Registration also entails an annual dues to the parish. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for church authorities to issue him or her a sponsor certificate, reference, or any other certification.

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Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

From This Sunday's Vespers: Early in the morning, * the Myrrh-bearing women brought spices to the tomb of the Lord. * They found the stone unexpectedly rolled away, * and they asked among themselves: * Where are the seals of the tomb? Where are Pilate's guards? * The radiant angel came to the wondering women and proclaimed to them: * Why do you seek weeping the Life Who gives life to the human race? * Christ our God has risen from the dead as almighty, * granting life to all; incorruption, enlightenment and great mercy! Women disciples, * why do you open the myrrh with tears? * The stone is gone; the tomb is empty: * Behold corruption destroyed by life! * The seals witness that the guards of the godless have watched in vain. * Mortal nature has been saved by the flesh of God. * Hades is wailing. * Go with joy, and proclaim to the apostles: * Christ has slain death as the first-born of the dead. * He awaits you in Galilee!

Bread and Wine Offering - No Offering

04/13	Saturday		No Liturgy
04/14	Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearers	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян +Lee Gebuza req. By Luba Pisarczyk
04/15	Monday		No Liturgy
04/16	Tuesday		No Liturgy
04/17	Wednesday		No Liturgy
04/18	Thursday	10:00 AM	+Adele COMCOWICH
04/19	Friday		No Liturgy
04/20	Saturday	10:00 AM	JOSEPH & EVA BRENIA
04/21	Sunday of the Paralytic	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян +Joanne Mudry req by Dale & Monica Dimon

ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>In loving memory +Leonila Gebuza Beata Gebuza & Family</i>
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>In Loving Memory Stephen & Stephania Cirkot, Jack & Mary Nyscot & Mary Cirkot given by Carol Stumpf</i>
SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP		<i>In Loving Memory of Joseph G. Stumpf req. by Carol Stumpf</i>

BREAD & WINE OFFERING RESERVED DATES 8/5/24-8/11/24	ETERNAL LIGHT LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES 3/11/24-3/17/24 3/18/24-3/24/24 3/25/24-3/31/24 4/8/24-4/14/24 5/6/24-5/12/24 5/20/24-5/26/24 6/17/24-6/23/24 8/5/24-8/11/24 9/9/24-9/15/24 11/11/24-11/17/24 11/18/24-11/25/24	BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES 3/11/24-3/17/24 3/25/24-3/31/24 4/8/24-4/15/24 5/6/24-5/12/24 5/20/24-5/26/24 7/1/24-7/7/24 8/5/24-8/11/24 11/11/24-11/17/24	SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES 3/18/24-3/24/24 4/29/24-5/5/24 10/28/24-11/3/24
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PRAYER FOR OUR NATION Lord, we pray for peace and unity in our nation today. Keep us in peace, O Christ our God, under the protection of your Holy Cross; save us from our enemies, visible and invisible, that we may glorify You with thanksgiving, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. We pray that You would inspire this nation to be a nation under God. Give us your hope. Give us your peace. Amen The Light of God ~ surround us. The Love of God ~ enfold us.

The Power of God ~ protect us. The Presence of God ~ watch over us.

The Mind of God ~ Guide us. The Law of God ~ direct us.

Wherever we are God ~ be our strength.

PRAY FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE AND THE WORLD: MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS, THROUGH THE PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL, SPREAD YOUR OMOPHOR ~ WE IMPLOR YOUR PROTECTION OVER UKRAINE AND BEG THAT YOU INTERCEDE WITH OUR LORD TO GRANT PEACE.



PRAYER FOR THE DELIVERANCE OF UKRAINE IN TIME OF INVASION: O Lord God of powers, and God of our salvation, O God, who alone work wonders: look down with mercy and compassion on Your humble servants, and out of love for mankind hearken and have mercy on us and on the land of Ukraine. For, behold, enemies have once more gathered together, in order to cause division and enmity. But You who know all things, understand that they have risen up righteously, and that it will be impossible to oppose their multitudes unless You show us Your help. Therefore, we who are sinful and unworthy pray unto You in repentance and with tears: Help us, O God, our Savior, and deliver the land of Ukraine for the sake of the glory of Your Name, that the enemy may not to say: *"Their God has forsaken them, and there is none to deliver and save them."* But let every nation understand that You are our God, and we Your people are always protected under Your dominion.

Kitchen and Hall Renovation 2024: The Board of Directors are continuing to update Our Church.

We Started with restrooms and now the kitchen will get a much needed renovation with more space and a serving counter. The Church Hall will get a new look with a new floor, ceiling tiles and fresh coat of paint. The committee has done a great job with the choices they have made. Walter Gebuza is doing a great job getting the work done.



Help Wanted Our Treasurer
Robert Jaskilka has retired, and we are looking for someone with bookkeeping or accounting experience. If you know anyone who can help Our Parish, please

contact Scott Walker at sjjawalk@aol

KNEELING – We should not kneel or make prostrations in Church or in our private prayers at home from Pascha through Pentecost (this year, May 19). Kneeling and prostrating are postures of repentance and sorrow for our sins. The brilliant solemnity of the events that we are celebrating takes precedence over such external manifestations of penitence. For our Lord's death and resurrection "blotted out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us ... nailing it to His cross; and having spoiled principalities and powers, He made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it." (Col. 2:14,15) Accordingly, "here is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus ..." (Rom. 8:1) We resume kneeling at appropriate times during the "Kneeling Vespers" celebrated after the Divine Liturgy for Holy Pentecost.

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS

EPISTLE - ACTS 6: 1 - 7 GOSPEL - MARK 15: 43 - 16:8 FESTAL TONE

“Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.” (Troparion)

There is one question for all of us this morning. One question, and one question alone.

Who will roll away the stone for us? Who will roll away the sorrow of these times, which have shut us in living tombs of isolation and loneliness especially during the days of the pandemic? Who will roll away the angst, the worry, and the fear that imprison our minds and hearts day to day? Who will roll away the burden, the onus, the pressure of the needs we have to meet and the families we have to support?

The Faithful Myrrh-Bearers arrived at the Tomb in the deep dawn, to complete their mission of anointing the Body of the Lord Jesus Christ in accordance with the prevailing Jewish custom, but they did not prevail, for He had risen from the dead .

They were led by Mary Magdalene, from whom Christ had cast out seven demons. There was Salome, a daughter of Saint Joseph the Betrothed. Salome was the wife of the fisherman Zebedee and the mother of the Disciples, John the Evangelist and James. There was Joanna, the wife of Chuza, who was the steward of King Herod’s household. There was Susanna, and Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus. And there was Mary, the wife of Cleopas who encountered the Risen Lord on the Road to Emmaus.

The Women Disciples of the Lord were many, and they demonstrated a faith and commitment to Him in His earthly life that His Disciples could not.

Last Sunday, we witnessed the fear of the Disciples, hiding in the Upper Room behind locked doors, afraid of the Temple Authorities. And we saw how the Lord transformed their fear into peace, and the disbelief of Thomas into faith.

Today, we behold the devotion of the Myrrh-Bearers, whose love is mirrored by that of Nikodemos and Joseph of Arimathea, for together they took down the Precious Body of the Lord from the Cross, wrapped It in linen with spices, and laid It in the Tomb. But they did not realize that even in death, the Body of the Lord was life-giving. For the Logos of God was never separated from His human soul or His human body. They did not realize that He would not be inside the Tomb, waiting to be anointed, since His anointing had been accomplished before His Passion.

Indeed, my beloved Christians, they worried about the stone, for they did not as yet understand that:

... neither death nor life, nor Angels, nor Principalities nor Powers, nor things present, nor things future, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus, our Lord!

Not anything – certainly, not a stone! So what is the answer to our question today?

Perhaps our question is not phrased correctly. It is not: **“Who will roll away the stone?”** It is: **“Why is the stone already rolled away?”**

It is not about the weight of our grief, our isolation, our sadness, our fears, and our suffering. These are unavoidable; but we are not called not to focus this impossible weight. The stone was rolled away not to let the Lord out, but to let us in.

There is only one way to the Resurrection, and it is through the Cross, through the Tomb, through following our Lord Jesus Christ all the way to the end. It is when we choose to enter into the full experience of the Lord’s Resurrection, His God-Manhood, that we begin to understand what it is to die to ourselves and to live to Him.

(Excerpt from homily of His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros, Greek Orthodox Church of America)




CATECHISM - CHRIST OUR PASCHA - TODAY’S EPISTLE / GOSPEL LESSON : [PASCHA: Page 78, Section 215-220](#)



The Third Sunday of Holy Pascha is observed by the Church as the Sunday of the Holy Myrrhbearers. The day commemorates when the women disciples of our Lord came to the tomb to anoint his body with myrrh-oils but found the tomb empty. As the woman wondered what this meant, angels appeared proclaiming that Christ had risen from the dead. About the beginning of His thirty-second year, when the Lord Jesus was going throughout Galilee, preaching and working miracles, many women who had received of His beneficence left their own homeland and from then on followed after Him. They ministered unto Him out of their own possessions, even until His crucifixion and entombment; and afterwards, neither losing faith in Him after His death, nor fearing the wrath of the Jewish rulers, they came to His sepulcher, bearing the myrrh-oils they had prepared to anoint His body. It is because of the myrrh-oils that these God-loving women brought to the tomb of Jesus that they are called Myrrh-bearers.

Of those whose names are known are the following: first of all, the most holy Virgin Mary, who in Matthew 27:56 and Mark 15:40 is called "the mother of James and Joses" (these are the sons of Joseph by a previous marriage, and she was therefore their step-mother); Mary Magdalene (celebrated July 22); Mary, the wife of Clopas; Joanna, wife of Chouza, a steward of Herod Antipas; Salome, the mother of the sons of Zebedee; Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus; and Susanna. As for the names of the rest of them, the evangelists have kept silence (Matthew 217:55-56; 28:1-10. Mark 15:40-41. **Kontakion (Second Tone):** When You did cry, Rejoice, unto the Myrrh-bearers, You did make the lamentation of Eve the first mother to cease by Your Resurrection, O Christ God. And You did bid Your Apostles to preach: The Savior is risen from the grave.



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