

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.

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March17, 2024



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Very Rev. Archpriest Edward Canon Young, Pastor

Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast: Our Venerable Mother, Mary of Egypt. Our Venerable Father Alexius, Man of God. Great Fast Day 35.

The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great is celebrated today

Epistle: HEBREWS 9: 11 - 14 GOSPEL - MARK 10: 32 - 45 Tone: Sheet paper

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.

<u>Preservation</u> – 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.

<u>Bulletin Notices</u> – Notices for the bulletin must be <u>in writing</u> 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...

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

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

<u>Sick Calls</u> – 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.*

<u>In your Estate planning</u> – Remember Sts. Peter & Paul Church in your will.

<u>Stewardship -</u> "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.

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<u>Virgin Mary's Lamp and Sacred Heart Lamp*</u> 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 as	re 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	ew telephone number, <u>please fill out the form below</u> .Each household <u>must be</u>
registered at St. Peter and St. Paul and every adult receive	es a set of stewardship envelopes. Registration also entails an annual dues to the
parish. If a parishioner is not registered, it is difficult for o	church authorities to issue him or her a sponsor certificate, reference, or any other
certification	

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From Vespers of the Fifth Sunday of Lent the Sunday of Mother Mary of Egypt: Having worshipped at the holy places with great joy, O Mother Mary of Egypt you have received saving grace for the journey of virtue, and with all haste you have set out upon the good path you have chosen. Crossing the stream of the Jordan, with eagerness you have gone to live in the dwelling place of the Baptist. you have tamed the savagery of the passions through your ascetic way of life, and boldly you have broken the rebelliousness of the flesh, O Mother Mary of Egypt ever-glorious. Having gone to dwell in the wilderness, you had blotted out from your soul the images of your sensual passions and marked upon it the God-given imprint of holiness. You attained such glory, blessed Mother Mary of Egypt as to walk upon the surface of the water, and in your prayers to God you were raised up from the earth. And now, all-glorious Mary of Egypt, standing before Christ with boldness, entreating Him for our souls.

Bread and Wine Offering - No Offering

03/16	Saturday	10:00 AM	God's Blessing for Nancy Motel Beres req. by Audrey Sokol & Jean Walker	
03/17	Sunday	8:30 AM	Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян	
		10:00 AM	+Barbara Lypen req. by M/M William Platosz & Family	
03/18	Monday		No Liturgy	
03/19	Tuesday		No Liturgy	
03/20	Wednesday	6:00 PM	Stations of the Cross English	
03/21	Thursday		No Liturgy	
03/22	Friday	5:00 PM	Confessions English & Ukrainian	
	,	6:00 PM	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts Mission Sermon	
03/23	Saturday	9:30 AM	Children Confessions	
	Lazarus	10:00 AM	Children Liturgy with Sermon by Fr. Bohdan	
	Saturday	11:00 AM	Egg Hunt for the Children	
	<u> </u>	4:00 PM	Confessions	
03/24	Sunday		Palm & Flowering Sunday	
		8:30 AM	Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян	
		10:00 AM	+ Antoinette "Toni" Jaskilka req. by Robert Jaskilka	

ETERNAL LIGHT	March 11-17, 2024 In loving memory +Teodora Garan by Wasyl & Jaroslawa Sembrat & Family March 18-24, 2024 In loving memory +Szymon Tchir by Lidia & Andrzej Tchir & Family
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP	None Offered
SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP	None Offered

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 he 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 IMPLORE 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.

<u>Church Envelopes</u>: In order to receive proper credit for your Offerings through "The Envelope System" <u>please</u> use your Church Envelopes. Could you be so kind as not to contribute loose cash in the collection baskets; please use your Envelopes. The Envelope Accounting Team has no idea who puts the loose cash in the baskets. If you have any questions about envelope usage or what the envelope contributions represent or are used for (Building Fund, Fuel, Church in Need, Andrew's Pence, Rice Bowl, ...) please see The Team Thank you...

PARISH COUNCIL Monthly Meeting March 20, 2024



Monthly Meeting of St Peter & St Paul Board of Directors Wednesday, evening March 20, 2024

@ 7:15 pm in the church hall

All Board members are requested to attend!!!!!



The Mission will be both in Ukrainian & English Schedule of PARISH MISSION 2024 Lenten Mission March 22-24, 2024 Friday March 22 The Last Day of Lent - Parish Mission Missionary V. Rev. Archpriest Bohdan Tymchyshym, Rector St Basil

5:00 PM Confessions English & Ukrainian

6:00 PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts Mission Sermon

Saturday March 23, Lazarus Saturday

9:30 AM Children Confessions

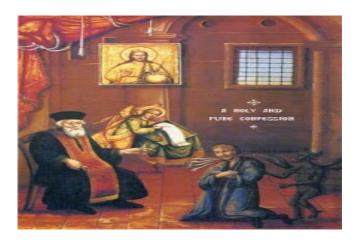
10:00 AM Children Liturgy with Sermon by Fr. Bohdan

11:00 AM Egg Hunt for the Children

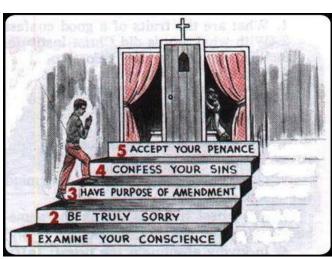
4:00 PM Confessions

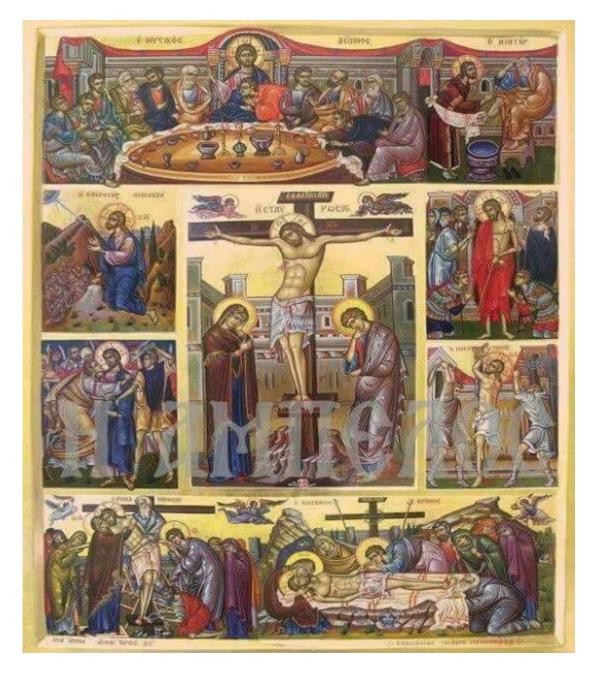
Sunday, March 24, Our Lord Entrance in to Jerusalem Palm & Flowering Sunday

Father Bohdan will be hearing confessions before and after the Liturgies 8:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy - Mission Sermon 10:00 A.M Divine Liturgy - Mission Sermon



5 STEPS TO A GOOD CONFESSION





Schedule of GREAT and HOLY WEEK 2024 Monday, March 25 Feast the Annunciation Holy Day Obligation **Great & Holy Monday**

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, March 26, Great & Holy Tuesday

No Liturgy

Wednesday, March 27, Great & Holy Wednesday

No Liturgy

Thursday, March 28, Great & Holy Thursday

10:00 AM Liturgy of St. Basil the Great 6:30 PM Passion Gospels

Friday, March 29, Holy & Great Friday,
Strict Fast from Meat & Dairy Products – Строгий Піст без м'яса та набілу

10:00 A.M. Church will be open

12:00 Noon to 2:00 P.M. Confession

3:00 P.M. VESPERS of GREAT FRIDAY Procession with Holy Shroud

6:00 PM to 8:00 P.M. Confession Church will be closed at 8:00 PM

Saturday, March 30, Great & Holy Saturday

9:00 A.M. Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

Blessing of Paschal Foods - Blahoslovennia pasok

3:00 pm (In English), outdoors near Rectory Garage (If there is Inclement Weather then in the Church)

4:00 pm (in Ukrainian) outdoors near Rectory Garage (If there is Inclement Weather then in the Church) Confessions will be heard after each of the blessings of Easter Food

Church will be closed at 8:00 PM

Sunday, March 31, Easter – Resurrection of Our Lord, Воскресіння Христове

6:30 AM NADHROBNE H**АДГРОБНЕ ПРИ ГРОБІ**

Removal of the holy shroud to the altar)

7:00 AM PROCESSION & RESURRECTIONAL MATINS

8:00 AM DIVINE LITURGY /

GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

Blessing of the ARTOS after the Ambon Prayer.

10:00 AM DIVINE LITURGY GOD'S BLESSINGS FOR OUR PARISH FAMILY

Statement of the Permanent Synod of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church In light of the interview of Pope Francis Conducted by Radio Télévision Suisse

We do not yet have a full version of the interview given by Pope Francis to the RTS (Radio Télévision Suisse) that apparently will be published only on March 20. According to the Holy See Press Office, the reference to a "white flag" in the interview is a summons to negotiations not to a surrender by Ukraine. In the conversation, the Holy Father speaks not only about the Russian war against Ukraine but also the war between Israel and Hamas. As he has done repeatedly, Pope Francis calls for negotiated settlements of armed conflicts.

In this regard we would like to reflect not upon the Pope's statement but upon the point of view of the victims of Russia's invasion of Ukraine. It is important to understand the position of most Ukrainians.

To anyone on the ground in Ukraine it is clear that the citizens of Ukraine are—as we stated during our meetings with the US church leaders, politicians, and diaspora communities in the Washington, DC, Philadelphia, and New York city—"wounded yet unbroken, tired yet resilient." Ukrainians cannot surrender because surrender means death. The intentions of Putin and Russia are clear and explicit. The aims are not those of one individual: 70% of the Russian population support the genocidal war against Ukraine, as does Patriarch Kirill and the Russian Orthodox Church. The expressed objectives are articulated in concrete actions.

In Putin's mind, there is no such thing as Ukraine, Ukrainian history, language, and independent Ukrainian church life. All matters Ukrainian are ideological constructs, fit to be eradicated. Ukraine is not a reality but a mere "ideology." The ideology of Ukrainian identity, according to Putin, is "Nazi."

By calling all Ukrainians (who refuse to be Russians and accept Russian rule) "Nazis," Putin dehumanizes them. Nazis (in this case Ukrainians) have no right to exist. They need to be annihilated, killed. The war crimes in Bucha, Irpin, Borodianka, Izium, and in other places occupied by Russian forces have illustrated for Ukrainians (and to all people of good will) the clear purpose of this war: to eliminate Ukraine and Ukrainians. It is worth mentioning that every Russian occupation of Ukrainian territory leads to the eradication of

the Ukrainian Catholic Church, any independent Ukrainian Orthodox Church, and to the suppression of other religions and all institutions and cultural expressions that do not support Russian hegemony.

Ukrainians will continue to defend themselves. They feel they have no choice. Recent history has demonstrated that with Putin there will be no true negotiations. Ukraine negotiated away its nuclear arsenal in 1994, at the time the third largest in the world, larger than that of France, the UK, and China combined. In return Ukraine receiving security guarantees regarding its territorial integrity (including Crimea) and independence, which Putin was obliged to respect. The 1994 Budapest memorandum signed by Russia, the US, and the UK is not worth the paper on which it was written. So it will be with any agreement "negotiated" with Putin's Russia.

Notwithstanding the suggestions for need for negotiations coming from representatives of different countries, including the Holy Father himself, Ukrainians will continue to defend freedom and dignity to achieve a peace that is just. They believe in freedom and Godgiven human dignity. They believe in truth, God's truth. They are convinced that God's truth will prevail.

The bishops of the Permanent Synod of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, meeting in the USA:

His Beatitude Sviatoslav, Major Archbishop of Kyiv-Halych, Father and Head of the UGCC

Most Reverend Borys Gudziak, Ukrainian Catholic Archbishop and Metropolitan of Philadelphia

Most Reverend Włodzimierz Juszczak, Bishop of the Eparchy of Wrocław–Koszalin Most Reverend Bohdan Dzyurakh, Apostolic Exarch in Germany and Scandinavia Most Reverend Josaphat Moshchych, Bishop of Chernivtsi March 10, 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SUNDAY OF MARY OF EGYPT
EPISTLE - HEBREWS 9: 11 - 14 GOSPEL - MARK 10: 32 - 45 TONE 1

"And he took again the twelve, and began to tell them what things should happen unto him, saying, Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes; and they shall condemn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles: and they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him; and on the third day he shall rise again." – Mark 10:32-34

This morning, James and John desire to be seated with Christ in His Glory. And our Lord, to test them, asks whether they are able to drink the cup that He drinks, and to be baptized with the baptism with which He is baptized. James and John answer, "We are able!" The response from Jesus, in a nutshell, is: be careful what you wish for, you just might get it.

Today is the last Sunday of Great Lent, and on Friday evening just five days from now, we will begin the celebration of Holy Week. Friday evening will open a ten day long procession to the cross, to the tomb, and to the resurrection.

And as we get ready, our Lord extends the same invitation to us as He extended to James and John. To all of us who wish to see His glory, who desire to be by His side at Pascha, Jesus first says to you and to me, "but are you able and willing to drink the cup that I drink from? **Are you able to walk with me through Holy Week?** Are you willing to be by my side, and to carry my cross with me?" I hope your answer is yes. I hope that Pascha is not just a Sunday on which we show up, having given no thought to Christ on the days of Holy Week.

To help us prepare — to help us take up and drink from the Lord's same cup — I wanted to share a list of 10 THINGS TO DO DURING HOLY WEEK. These are ten recommendations for how to be baptized with the same baptism with which our Lord is baptized: 1. Go to as many services as you can. It is through worship that we return and unite ourselves to Christ. The services of Holy Week are not just memory exercises. Holy Week is a single unbroken Liturgy that over ten days invites us to participate in the saving love of Jesus Christ, not to just remember some events from long ago. 2. Intensify your fasting. Each person is called to fast as he or she is able. Some are able to fast more, some less. During Holy week, each of us should increase the intensity of the

fast. During Holy Week, continue what you do, and then do a little bit more. 3. Create silence. Disconnect entirely from your cell phone, email, internet usage and especially social media. To hear the voice of Christ, we have to silence the relentless cascade of distractions we otherwise allow the world to pump full force into our hearts and minds. 4. Create prayer. Turn on some church music. In particular, listen to the hymns of Holy Week. 5. Be still. Set aside time each day to sit quietly in front of an icon of Christ, about 20-30 minutes. Light a candle, say a short prayer, and then simply wait in silence for the Lord to speak. 6. Always be with Christ. Occupy your mind as often as you can with a short prayer. If you do not already have the habit of praying the Jesus Prayer. 7. Read a Gospel. Set aside time each day to read several chapters from either Matthew, Mark, or Luke. (We save John for after Pascha!) And remember that in the Gospels, we do not find words about Christ, we find words from Christ. 8. Seek forgiveness and healing. During Holy Week, work for healing of relationships; Remember how much you love the person, and remember that we were created to live in peace and joy with one another. Search through prayer, fasting, and honest communication for a way forward. Enjoy the lightness of a relationship that has been healed and restored. 9. Call someone who is sick or lonely. We are part of the mystical body of Christ, and we are called to a life of unity and communion with one another. Extend yourself and give them the gift of human presence. 10. Think about Bright Week and beyond! With Pascha comes the true light that enlightens the whole world and each person in it. As we unite ourselves to Christ, the radiance of the Resurrection changes everything. The week after Pascha is truly a Bright Week — the Resurrection colors all with brilliance and beauty. Nothing should ever be the same. Let this Holy Week be a launching pad into the rest of life. May we remember that every Sunday is a "little Pascha" and that each time we gather to celebrate the Liturgy we proclaim Christ's death and we confess His resurrection. And if every Sunday is a little Pascha, then every week is a little Holy Week. Each day of the year is a day on which we give thanks for the Holy Mysteries we last received, and look forward to being received by Christ once again at the life-giving chalice. Holy Week and Pascha occur once a year, but they are the rule, not the exception. Holy Week and Pascha are the models for every week of the year. Jesus Christ touches all of time through the Cross, and all of time collapses into the eternal now of His divine love. May we live all of life in the light of the Resurrection! (Excerpt from https://www.svots.edu/blog/ten-things-holy-week - Rev. Theophan Whitfield)

CATECHISM - CHRIST OUR PASCHA - TODAY'S EPISTLE / GOSPEL LESSON :

<u>DESTINY</u>: Page 51, Section 129; Page 57, Section 151

<u>SUFFERING OF CHRIST</u>: Page 66, Sections 180-181

Our venerable mother Mary of Egypt was a desert ascetic from the sixth century, who after living a life of prostitution, repented and dedicated her life to the Lord. Running away at the age of twelve from her home in Alexandria, Mary followed the passions of the body and lived as a harlot for seventeen years. Traveling to Jerusalem, she met a group of young men also traveling to Jerusalem in order to venerate the Holy Cross and she tried to seduce them on their journey. Once the group reached the church and went towards it, Mary was prohibited from entering by an unseen force. After three attempts, she remained outside the church, where she looked up and saw the icon of the Theotokos. She immediately began to weep and prayed to the Theotokos to allow her to see the Holy Cross. She promised that she would

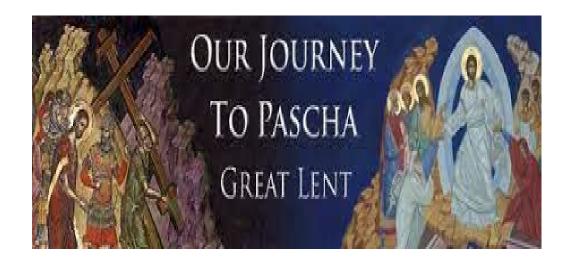
renounce her worldly desires and go wherever the Theotokos may lead her towards. After this conversion, she fled into the desert to live as an ascetic.

St. Mary of Egypt is known for her conversion and dedication of her life to God, so many people see her as a model of repentance. As we find ourselves nearing the end of Great Lent and approaching Pascha, we need a reminder to re-focus and be penitent. St. Mary of Egypt is perhaps one of the most revered and beloved models of repentance in the Orthodox Church. By the end of her life, she was perhaps the greatest spiritual pillar of her time. When she was eventually drawn to repentance by the Theotokos, she prayed: "O Lady Virgin, who gave birth in the flesh to God the Word! I know that I am unworthy to look upon your icon. I rightly inspire hatred and disgust before your purity, but I know also that God became Man in order to call sinners to repentance. Help me, O All-Pure One. Let me enter the church. Allow me to behold the Wood upon which the Lord was crucified in the flesh, shedding His Blood for the redemption of sinners, and also for me. Be my witness before Your Son that I

will never defile my body again with the impurity of fornication. As soon as I have seen the Cross of your Son, I will renounce the world, and go wherever you lead me."

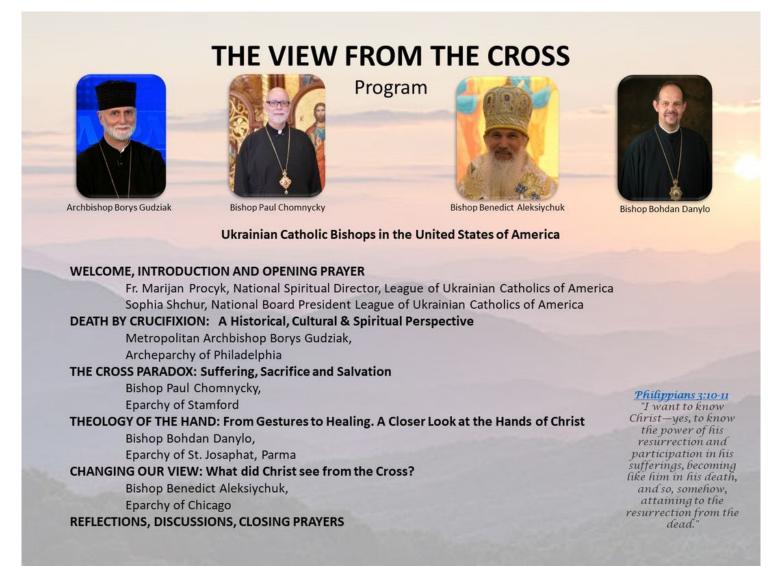
We therefore, commemorate St. Mary on the Fifth Sunday in Great Lent, and are reminded of her repentance as we read about her life. St. Mary is also known for helping us in our struggles with chastity and sexual temptation.

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We are grateful for our dear Archbishop and Bishops who so lovingly guide us spiritually through our journey each year. Please save to date and plan to join us. Click here to register: https://forms.gle/YtW4PAEkq7b6yjW79

Topic: The View From The Cross - Great Lent Retreat 2024 Time: Mar 24, 2024 04:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)



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



TIME TO MAKE PYSANKY. Come and join us in making pysanky (coloring Ukrainian Easter eggs) on Saturday, march 23rd, 2024 starting after the Easter Egg Hunt, around 11:15 AM in the parish rectory. For more information call Jolanta Kowal at 203 278-1288.





Children's Liturgy, Egg Hunt, and Luncheon It is now the Sacred Time of the Year. On Saturday March 23, 2024, Very Reverend Archpriest Bohdan Tymchyshyn will be at our church for children's Confessions at 9:30 AM and Liturgy for children at 10:00 AM. We are hoping that ALL children of our parish will be in attendance with their parents, those in our CCD classes, along with any other children of our parish. Following the Liturgy, we will have an EGG HUNT for the children. The Egg is symbol of the Body of Christ. The children are looking for Jesus Christ their Lord. We are asking the children to please bring a basket to collect their eggs. We will have bags available if you forget. After the egg hunt, come and join us in making pysanky (coloring Ukrainian Easter eggs) around 11:15 AM. There will be a pizza luncheon for children and parents. Our hope is that all our parents and their children will be present throughout these events on Lazarus Saturday March 23, 2024.

PARISH FUNDRAISER SALE! HANDMADE PALM CROSSES



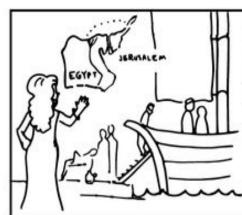
Will be available for Sale at Church before and after Liturgies A table will be set up with the Palm Crosses available for sale.

Donation \$10.00 each

While Supplies Last! We have a limited supply of Palm Crosses for available for sale. First Come, First Served! Don't miss out on these beautifully handmade Palm Crosses perfect for Palm Sunday, Easter, and Grave Sites.

PUSSY WILLOWS NEEDED FOR PALM SUNDAY: Parishioners who have pussy willows growing on their property are encouraged to pick them, place the branches in a container of water inside the house for a few days until the pussy willows have bloomed to the desired size, remove them from the water and trim them. Please bring the pussy willows to church on the before Thursday 21 March 2024 so that they will be available for blessing and distribution during Palm Sunday. Thank You!





MARY WAS FROM EGYPT, AND SHE LIVED A LIFE OF SHAME. ONE DAY SHE GOT ON A BOAT TO GO TO JERUSALEM.

SHE WANTED TO GO
IN THE CHURCH
TO SEE THE
LIFE-GIVING CROSS...

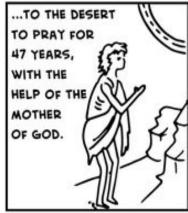


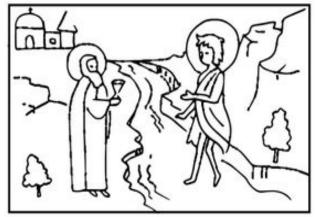


...BUT SHE
COULDN'T GO IN!
SHE SAW AN ICON
OF THE MOTHER OF
GOD, AND WEPT
FOR ALL HER SINS.

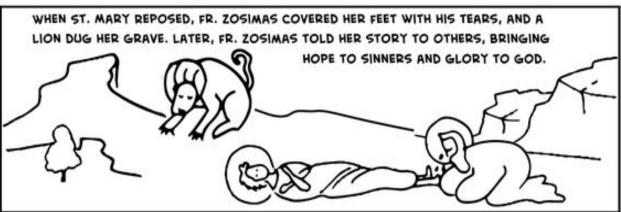
SHE HEARD A VOICE FROM THE HEAVENS...







SHE MET
FR. ZOSIMAS IN
THE DESERT.
WHEN HE
BROUGHT HER
HOLY COMMUNION
SHE WALKED
ACROSS THE
JORDAN AS ON
DRY LAND.



HOLY ST. MARY OF EGYPT, PRAY TO GOD FOR US!