



**ST. PETER & ST. PAUL
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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.

7 March 2021 Third Sunday of the Great Fast: Veneration of the Holy Cross, the Holy Priest-Martyrs and Bishops of Cherson Basil, Ephrem, Capiton, Eugene, Etherius and Others (284-305)
Epistle: - **Hebrews 4: 14-5:6** Gospel: **Mark 8:34-9:1** Tone: Sheet

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

WEEKDAYS: MONDAY–FRIDAY 10:00AM

SATURDAY: Not Now! 4:00PM (Vigil Sunday-Eng.)

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

Confessions are heard before each Divine Liturgy:

Saturday 3:00PM to 3:30 PM

Sunday 8:00AM to 8:30AM and
9:30AM until 10:00AM

Religious Education – Saturday 10:00AM – 11:00AM
Call Alice O'Doy @203-734-3055 for more information.

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

Address or Name Change/New Phone Number – Please update your records. See Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr. to update this info. Returned checks are subject to a **\$35.00 fee**.

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 10AM – Noon
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. 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.

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Eternal Light *– offered to light for a week \$10.00.

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Virgin Mary's Lamp and Sacred Heart Lamp* also available for offering! Offered to light for a week is 10.00, each.

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All start on Monday to Sunday!

***Offering must be made when dates are reserved!**

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.

Name _____ Phone# _____

Address _____ E-mail _____




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(Please come down to the Basement to be properly registered after or before liturgy)

From Vespers of the Third Sunday of Lent: Hail, life-giving Cross, the fair Paradise of the Church, Tree of incorruption that brings us the enjoyment of eternal glory: through you the hosts of demons have been driven back; and the hierarchies of angels rejoice with one accord, as the congregations of the faithful keep the feast. You are an invincible weapon, an unbroken stronghold; you are the victory of kings and the glory of priests. Grant us now to draw near to the Passion of Christ and to His Resurrection. Hail, life-giving Cross, unconquerable trophy of the true faith, door to Paradise, succor of the faithful, rampart set about the Church. Through you the curse is utterly destroyed, the power of death is swallowed up, and we are raised from earth to heaven: invincible weapon, adversary of demons, glory of martyrs, true ornament of holy monks, haven of salvation bestowing on the world great mercy.

*Bread and Wine Offering - In loving memory of +Stephanie Strumello
by Stephen Strumello*

03/06	Saturday	9:00 AM	Third All Souls Saturday Divine Liturgy offered for All the Faithfully departed followed by the reading of the names of our beloved Deceased
03/07	Sunday	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян Deceased members of the Kuncik & Sokol Family req. by Audrey Sokol
03/08	Monday	10:00 AM	+Alan S. Wilson 40 th Day req. by wife Karen Michel Wilson
03/09	Tuesday	10:00AM	LEON & ANNA, JULIA & MARY, +WASYL, PAIZA, MICHAEL & THEODORE & KATHERINE SKRYPACK
03/10	Wednesday	6:00PM	Station of the Cross in English
03/11	Thursday	10:00 AM	+ James Michael Comcowich
03/12	Friday	6:00 PM	Station of the Cross in Ukrainian
03/13	Saturday	9:00 AM	Fourth All Souls Saturday Divine Liturgy offered for All the Faithfully departed followed by the reading of the names of our beloved Deceased
03/14	Sunday	8:30 AM 10:00 AM	+Katerina Baran req. by M/M Volodymyr Kit Pro Populo (For Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян

ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>In loving memory of +Tekla Rzyzyk by John & Helen Zanowiak & Family</i>
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>None Offered</i>
SACRED HEART of JESUS LAMP		<i>None Offered</i>

BREAD & WINE OFFERING RESERVED DATES 4/12/21-4/18/21	ETERNAL LIGHT LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES	BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES	SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES
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2020 & Past Church Dues (Blue Book) (Kollekta)

During Lent & every Saturday & Sunday dues current & past will be collected in the church hall after the 4:00 PM Vigil and 8:30 AM & 10AM Sunday Liturgies.
Please bring your dues book to the church hall dues will not be collected in the rectory
Back on January 25, 2005 the Parish Council voted to increase the yearly dues to \$75.00 per member. This is the first increase since 1998. The number of upcoming projects that are needed to keep the church building in good repairs, such as painting, doors, walls, fixing the roof, warranted this increase.
Do not place dues in your weekly envelope offering !
Please remember - this is not our church but YOUR church!
Please fulfill your responsibility to your Church!!

ION BANK DONATIONS: Parishioners and friends who have a savings account at Ion Bank are encouraged to vote during the month of February thru March 31st, 2021 for **Saint Peter and Saint Paul Ukrainian Catholic Church**, so that our church would be able to receive a donation from the Ion Bank Foundation Community Awards Program. Ion Bank is a Connecticut Bank with a main office in Naugatuck and branches in Ansonia and Oxford. If you have any questions call Ion Bank at 203-729-4442.



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 Annunciation the Holy Day of Obligation for Ukrainian Catholic which is Thursday 25 March 2021, so that they will be available for blessing and distribution during Palm Sunday weekend. Thank You!



Daylight saving time 2021 in Connecticut will begin at 2:00 AM on Sunday, March 14, 2021 Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday, March 14, 2021 at 2:00 A.M.



Prayer of Saint Ephrem the Syrian said during Great Lent Sunday evening to Friday evening, But not Saturday and Sunday.

+O Lord, and Master of my life, give me not the spirit of slothfulness, faintheartedness, lust for power, and vain talking; (Full bow to the ground)
+Instead, grant to me. Your servant, the spirit of integrity, humility, patience and love; Full bow to the ground (Full bow to the ground)
+O Lord and King, grant that I may see my own transgressions, and not judge my brother, for You are blessed. Amen. (Full bow to the ground)

After this 12 small bows, praying:

God, merciful be me, sin.

God, cleanse my sins and have mercy on me.

I have sinned without a number, O Lord, forgive me.

+O Lord, and Master of my life, give me not the spirit of slothfulness, faintheartedness, lust for power, and vain talking; Instead, grant to me. Your servant, the spirit of integrity, humility, patience and love; Full bow to the ground O Lord and King, grant that I may see my own transgressions, and not judge my brother, for You are blessed. Amen. (Full bow to the ground)

У часі Великого посту (чотиридесятниці) мовимо цю покайну молитву з поклонами:

+Господи і Владико життя мого, дух лінивства, недбальства, владолубства й пустослів'я віджени від мене. *Доземний поклін.*

+Дух же доброчесності і смиренномудрія, терпіння й любові даруй мені, недостойному рабові твоему (недостойній рабі твоїй). *Доземний поклін.*

+Так, Господи царю, дай мені бачити мої прогрішення і не осуджувати брата мого, бо ти благословенний еси на віки вічні. Амінь. *Доземний поклін. Після цього 12 малих поклонів, молячись:*

+Боже, милостивий будь мені, грішному (грішній).

+Боже, очисти мої гріхи і помилуй мене.

+Без числа нагрішив (нагрішила) я, Господи, прости мені.

Відтак: +Господи і Владико життя мого, духа лінивства, недбальства, владолубства і пустослів'я віджени від мене. Дух же доброчесності і смиренномудрія, терпіння й любові даруй мені, недостойному рабові твоему (недостойній рабі твоїй). Так, Господи царю, дай мені бачити мої прогрішення і не осуджувати брата мого, бо ти благословенний еси на віки віків. Амінь. *Доземний поклін.*

40 DAY CHALLENGE GREAT LENT



The Mission will be both in Ukrainian & English
Schedule of PARISH MISSION 2021 Lenten Mission March 19-21. 2021

Friday March 19 Parish Mission Missionary – Fr. Philip Sandrick, OSBM

5:00 PM Confessions English & Ukrainian

6:00 PM Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts sung by the Seminarians of St. Basil & Mission Sermon

Saturday March 20, Akathistos Saturday in Honor of the Mother of God

9:30 AM Children Confessions

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

3:00 PM Confessions Father Philip

This day is also a special of Remembrance for those who have died from Covid -19

4:00 PM Divine Liturgy offered for those who have lost their lives to Covid -19

Sunday, March 21, 5th Sunday of Great Lent The Sunday of Saint Mary of Egypt

Father Philip 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



A DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED FROM COVID 19 SATURDAY 20 MARCH 2021

Dear Parishioners: Synod of Ukrainian Catholic Bishops has asked that Saturday 20 March 2021 be a special day of prayer for those who have died from Covid -19. Our parish already has plans for the morning for our children. Therefore, we will use the late afternoon to service a Divine Liturgy and a panakhyda service with the reading of names. If you could be so kind to give to Fr. Edward the names of family and friends who have died from Covid -19 by Sunday 14 March 2021 so that those names can be read at Panakhyda. Thank you very much for your assistance.

REQUIEM PRAYER SERVICE FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AKATHIST SATURDAY,
MARCH 20, 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

Glory to Jesus Christ!

A year has passed and we continue to struggle with the coronavirus pandemic. Each and every one of us knows Covid-19 victims, their families, the sick, health care workers, volunteers and all those on the front line during this perilous time.

During the Great Fast, we ask all of our Ukrainian Catholic parish communities in the United States of America to gather in liturgical prayer for the victims of the Covid-19 pandemic. We ask our priests to celebrate with the participation of our beloved faithful, the Requiem Divine Liturgy for the souls of the victims followed by the Panakhyda Service on Akathistos Saturday, March 20, 2021. Let us pray to the Lord our Savior that He may place the souls of the Coronavirus pandemic victims: *"in a place of light, a place of verdure, and a place of tranquility, from which pain, sorrow and mourning have fled"* (Panakhyda service).

Let us remember in our prayers, the bereaved families and all those who are still suffering from the virus. Let us continue to remember, pray and be thankful to all those who devote themselves to those in need. We support them with our words, and above all, with our prayers.

May the memory of the Covid-19 victims be eternal!

Вічна Пам'ять!

+Borys Gudziak, Archbishop of Philadelphia Metropolitan of Ukrainian Catholics in the United States

+Paul Chomnycky, OSBM Eparch of Stamford

+Benedict Aleksiychuk, Eparch of St. Nicholas in Chicago

+Bohdan J. Danylo, Eparch of St. Josaphat in Parma

+Andriy Rabyj, Auxiliary Bishop of Philadelphia

**THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST / LENT
SUNDAY OF THE VENERATION OF THE LIFE GIVING CROSS**

Epistle - Hebrews 4: 14-5:6 ~ Gospel - Mark 8:34-9:1 - Tone 7

We are now half-way through the season of The Great Fast / Lent, and the Church calls our attention today to the great symbol of victory, the great sign of hope, our Lord's cross. During the time of Jesus Christ's earthly ministry, of course, no one was inspired by the cross, for it was a feared instrument of execution. No one honored the cross and certainly no one thought that God's Messiah would die on one.

So it was profoundly shocking when the Savior told His disciples that He would be rejected, suffer, die, and rise again. When St. Peter tried to correct Him, Christ called him "Satan" and said that he was thinking in human terms, not God's. Then the Lord told the disciples what they didn't want to hear. They too must take up their crosses and lose their lives; that's the way to enter into the blessed salvation of the Kingdom of Heaven.

The hard truth that Jesus Christ broke to His disciples was that we can't jump ahead to the joy of the empty tomb. We must first go with our Lord to the cross; we too must die in order to rise again. And the unpopular truth is that every last one of us needs to die to our sinfulness, to how we have distorted ourselves, our relationships, and our world. The Son of God offered Himself in free obedience to the Holy Trinity, taking upon Himself the full consequences of sin and death to the point of a horrible execution; He did so out of love for us. And thus He opened the way to the Kingdom of heaven, to life eternal, for you, me, and all humankind; indeed, for the entire creation.

And that way is the cross, for if we want to share in the joy of His resurrection, of His victory over death, we must first participate in the struggle, pain, and sacrifice of crucifixion. We must crucify the habits of thought, word, and deed that lead us to worship and serve ourselves instead of God and neighbor. We must kill our pride, our selfishness, and our slavery to pleasure. If we don't crucify these passions, our souls will be too sick, dark, and weak to share in the glory of the resurrection. Like St. Peter, we will think in human terms, not God's, no matter how religious or moral we appear to others.

And the reality is that we have no shortage of opportunities to take up our crosses. When we struggle to resist a temptation, when we battle angry thoughts against those who have wronged or somehow irritated us, and when we endure deep sorrows and disappointments with trust in God's faithfulness and mercy, we take up the cross.

Fortunately, we do not go to the cross alone. No matter what we are tempted to think at times, our Savior is no stranger to temptation, suffering, pain, and death. He sympathizes with our struggles because He endured them. He was literally nailed to a cross, died, was buried, and descended into Hades in order to bring the joy of life eternal to corrupt, weak, imperfect people like you and me through His glorious third-day resurrection. And in order to follow Him to the joy of Pascha, we must likewise take up our cross.

So as we begin the second half of The Great Fast / Lent, let us keep our eyes on the prize, looking to the great trophy of our Savior's victory over sin and death, the cross, through which joy has come into all the world. And even though it is a struggle and none of us does it particularly well, let us put aside our own preferences and obsessions in order to take up the cross through prayer, fasting, forgiveness, mending broken relationships, and showing generosity to those in need. Let us offer our lives in free obedience to the Father, accepting whatever pain and struggle there may be in setting things right in our lives as best we can. And no matter what burdens we may bear, no matter our frustrations and failures, let us press on the joy of Pascha. Jesus Christ participated in death in order to bring us into His life, and we must participate in His death in order to share in the glory of His resurrection. So let us deny ourselves, take up our crosses, and follow Him. For this alone is the way to the brilliant light and eternal blessedness of the Kingdom of God. (*Excerpts from Fr. Philip LeMasters Ancient Faith blogs*)

PARISH GREAT FAST / LENTEN PRAYER CAMPAIGN VOCATION CRISIS
"THE HARVEST IS ABUNDANT BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW" (Matt. 9; 37)

If we look around, are we aware of the lack of vocations? Are we concerned that in the future we will not have priests to serve our parishes, to serve the people of God; we will not have religious men and women to teach our children, to come and preach the Word of God to us? We know that God's voice is heard in and through the Church, and the Church is heard in the words of the clergy, those who are serving in the consecrated life and through the faithful of the parish. But will that 'voice' be silenced? If we are not aware or concerned, we need to take a good hard look within our Eparchies, our Deaneries / Protopresbyterates, our parishes and begin to acknowledge that there is a Vocations Crisis; that in a few short years it will affect each of us. With this awareness, we need to become more involved in the fostering of vocations to the priesthood, the diaconate, the monastic and religious life. As we are entering the Churches Liturgical season of preparation for the Feast of the Resurrection, we are instructed by the Church, during this penitential season of the Great Fast, to "Pray, Fast and do Charitable works – Almsgiving". As a Vibrant Parish Faith Community, let us enter the Great Fast with the resolve and goal to devote our personal prayer time, offering them for Vocations to our Church. We all need to make a concerted effort to promote vocations... a concerted effort to become aware of potential candidates and encourage them in their discernment. Pray that they may truly listen to God's call. During the Fast, a program of awareness and prayer will be initiated at St. Peter & St. Paul We will be initiating a Prayer and Fast Campaign.

We are asking that all parishioners fully commit themselves to deep, It is the hope that beginning with the first day of the Great Fast, February 15, each of us will totally commit to this 40 Journey to Pascha with the resolve to sincerely pray that the hearts of many will be open to the call to a life of service to God and his faithful.

April 25, 2021 – World Day of Prayer for Vocations

ON FASTING

Book of Jonah: Chapter 3 - Verse 4-5: Old Testament

"Jonah began his journey through the city, and had gone but a single days walk announcing, "Forty days more and Nineveh shall be destroyed," when the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast and all of them, great and small, put on a sackcloth."

The Third Sunday of the Great Fast / Lent is dedicated to the Adoration of the Holy and Life Giving Cross. During the Liturgy the cross is carried from the altar on a tray of flowers and placed in the midst of the congregation that we may pay homage to the symbol of our salvation. When the priest bows down before the cross today, he bows not to the wood or metal but to Christ and His great love, of which the cross is by a symbol. The beautiful flowers surrounding the cross signify the fragrance, sweetness and beauty that it has added to life. **"WE BOW IN WORSHIP TO THY HOLY CROSS O MASTER AND WE GLORIFY YOUR HOLY RESURRECTION"**



PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS



O Lord Jesus Christ, you are the Savior of the world. Please manifest in our Church the Spirit whom you also abundantly bestowed on your apostles. Call very many to the priesthood and religious life. May zeal for your glory and for the salvation of the world inflame those you have chosen. May they be saints in your likeness. May our Holy Spirit strengthen them. May they be priests and religious according to your own heart now and ever and forever.

Amen

From today's Epistle: *"So it is with Christ. He did not take the dignity of priesthood by Himself; on the contrary, he was raised by Him Who said to Him, 'Thou art My Son; I have begotten Thee today.' As He also says elsewhere, "Thou art a priest forever according to the order of Melchisedek."*

A vocation to the Priesthood or Religious Life is a gift from God to the Church, the person's family and to the person called.

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

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Section 221;
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626 **GRACE:**
Page 197,
Section 595;
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Section 677

PRIESTHOOD:
Page 164,
Sections 485-
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Fourth Week of Great Lent

Monday	Sixth Hour: Isaiah 14:24-32 Vespers: Genesis 8:21-9:7 Proverbs 11:19-12:6
Tuesday	Isaiah 25:1-9 Genesis 9:8-17 Proverbs 12:8-22
Wednesday	Isaiah 26:21-27:9 Genesis 9:18-10:1 Proverbs 12:23-13:9
Thursday	Isaiah 28:14-22 Genesis 10:32-11:9 Proverbs 13:20-14:6
Friday	Isaiah 29:13-23 Genesis 12:1-7 Proverbs 14:15-26
Saturday All Souls Saturday	Hebrews 6:9-12 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 (All Souls) Mark 7:31-37 John 5:24-30 (All Souls)
Fourth Sunday of Great Lent: Saint John of the Ladder (Third Sunday before Pascha / Easter)	Hebrews 6:13-20 (Sunday) Ephesians 5:9-19 (St. John) Mark 9:17-31 (Sunday) Matthew 4:25-5:12 (St. John)

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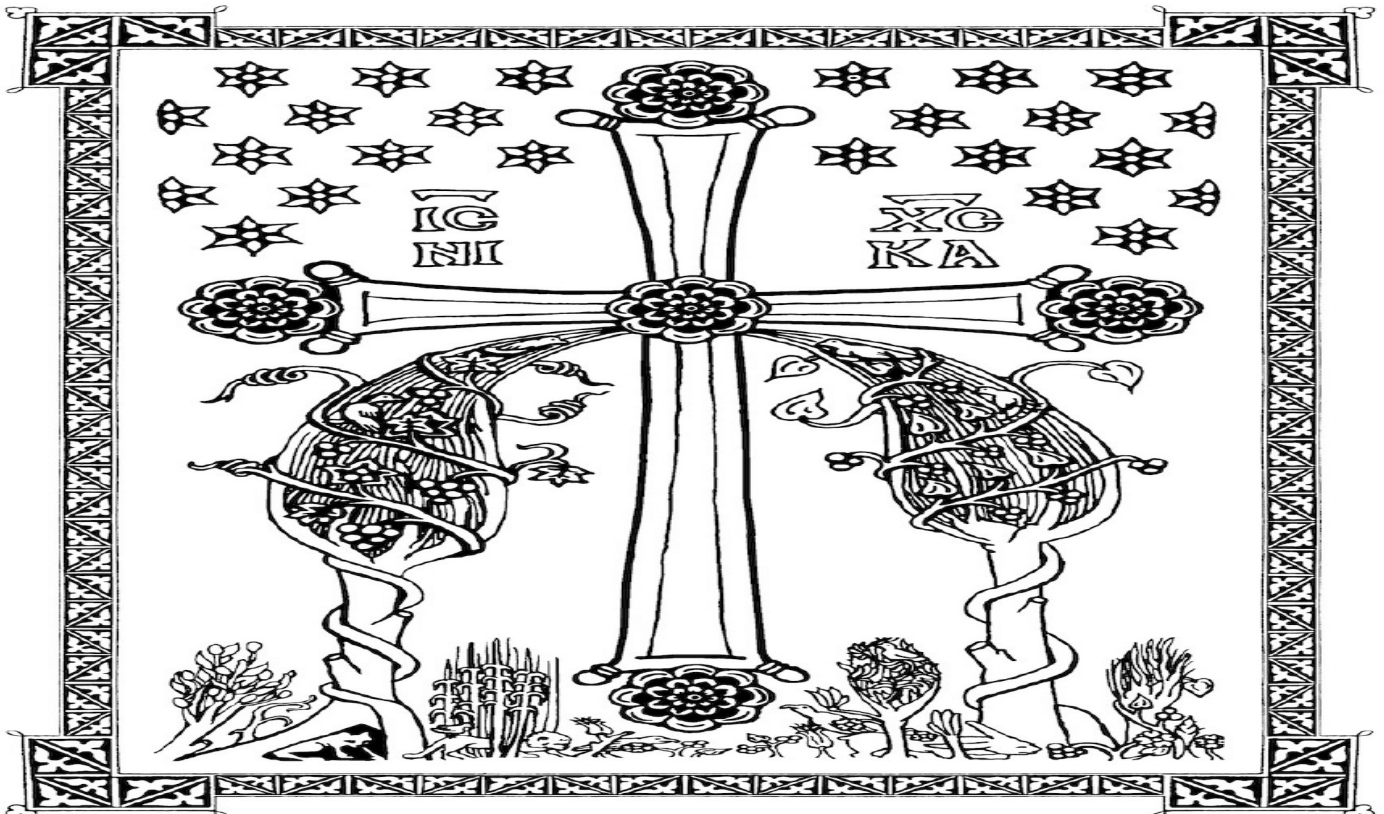
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Easter Paska Bake Sale

Orders can be placed for Easter Paska.

Place your order by filling out the form below and return it to the box in the church vestibule or ramp entrance.

Payment **MUST** be made with your order in a envelope.

Last day for orders is Sunday, March 21st, 2021 **PLEASE**

Only on Sunday, March 28, 2021 after the Divine Liturgies

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