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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.*

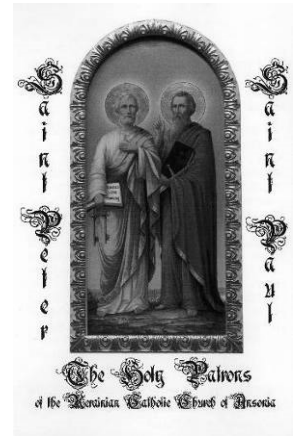
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**Very Rev. Archpriest Edward Canon Young, Pastor**

April 19, 2020

**2nd Sunday of Pascha St. Thomas Sunday 2-а Неділя Пасхи. Томина Неділя**

Epistle: Acts 5:12-20 Gospel: John 20:19-31 Tone: Sheet



**DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**WEEKDAYS: MONDAY–FRIDAY 9:00AM**

**SATURDAY: 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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

Bob Jaskilka, or Michael Wysowski, Jr or Fr. Edward Young  
**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.




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

**From the Vespers of St. Thomas Sunday:** While the disciples were gathered, \* and the doors were shut, \* You did enter of a sudden, O Almighty Jesus, our God. \* And standing in their midst, You did grant them peace, \* and did fill them with the Holy Spirit. \* You did command them to wait, and in no wise depart from Jerusalem \* until they be vested with power from on high. \* Wherefore, we cry to You: \*\* O our Enlightenment and Resurrection and Peace, glory be to You. Eight days after Your arising, O Lord, \* You did appear unto Your disciples in the place where they were gathered, \* and You did pronounce unto them: Peace be unto you. \* And You didst show Your hands and immaculate side unto the doubting disciple. \* Wherefore, believing, he cried unto You: \*\* O my Lord and my God, glory be to You.

*Bread and Wine Offering In loving memory of +Stephanía Církot , +Mary Nyscot & +Mary Církot by Carol Stumpf*

04/18	Saturday	Liturgies closed to the Public	Divine Liturgy Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян
04/19	Sunday	↑	+Mary Elizabeth Koalchic Garahan req. by Anne Malinak
04/20	Monday		+Adele Comcowich
04/21	Tuesday		+John & Anna Colowitch
04/22	Wednesday		+Janet Comcowich
04/23	Thursday		Deceased Brenia, Fetzko & Horney Family
04/24	Friday	↓	Kobariar-Meleski Family
04/25	Saturday		Divine Liturgy Pro Populo (For All Parishioners) - За Всіх Парафіян
04/26	Sunday	Liturgies closed to the Public	+John & Anna Garbara Malinak req. by Anne Malinak

ETERNAL LIGHT		<i>In loving memory of +Církot &amp; +Nyscot Families by Carol Stumpf</i>		
BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP		<i>None Offered</i>		
SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP		<i>In loving memory of +Církot &amp; +Nyscot Families by Carol Stumpf</i>		
<b>Bread and Wine Offering Reserved Dates</b> 5/4-5/10/20    6/1-6/7/20 7/6-7/12/20    8/3-8/9/20 9/7-9/13/20    10/5-10/11/20 11/2-11/8/20    11/9/20-11/15/20 12/7-12/13/20    12/21/20-12/27/20		<b>Eternal Light Offering Reserved Dates</b> 5/4/20-5/10/20    05/11-05/17/20 08/3-8/9/2020 9/7/20-9/3/20    9/21-9/27/20 11/9/20-11/15/20    11/23-11/29/20 12/14/20-12/20/20    12/21-12/27/20	<b>BLESSED VIRGIN MARY LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES</b> 4/27/20-5/3/20 6/1/20-6/7/20    8/10/20-8/16/20 9/28/20-10/4/20    11/9/20-11/15/20 12/21-12/27/20	<b>SACRED HEART OF JESUS LAMP OFFERING RESERVED DATES</b> 4/27/20-5/3/20 11/9/20-11/15/20 12/21-12/27/20

**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!!*

**Responding to the outbreak of the global pandemic virus COVID-19, Public Services: All weekday and Sunday services will be celebrated temporarily without the participation of the assembly of the faithful. Our clergy will continue to celebrate and pray for you and with you vicariously. У зв'язку з пандемією вірусу COVID-19, Усі щоденні та недільні богослужіння тимчасово служитимуться в наших церквах без фізичної присутності громади вірних. Священники продовжуватимуть молитися за Вас і заочно з Вами**

**Christ is Risen!** Dear parishioners of St Peter and St Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church according to the directives of Ukrainian Catholic Bishops of the USA all services will be done privately until further notice. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated by the parish priest for all parishioners but without presence of the faithful. Please seek Divine Liturgy on Line from St Basil Seminary another online resources to watch the Liturgy on Sundays. Fr. Edward is Posting on his Facebook page Edward Young Sunday Liturgy from here. Please also, note Eparchy Stamford Site has information concerning Liturgies. If you and your family are not able to see Divine Liturgy online you must take time read the Holy Bible and pray at home as a family. Please call me on my cell or email whenever you need a priest. Confessions can be scheduled by appointment. Church will be open daily for prayer 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM each day of the week for prayer. May Almighty God Bless and Keep you all Safe and in Good Health. **God Save and Protect!**



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## УКРАЇНСЬКА КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА СВ. ПЕТРА І СВ. ПАВЛА

DEAR PARISHIONERS: DURING THIS TIME THAT THE CHURCH BUILDING IS CLOSED TO PUBLIC WORSHIP. WE ASK THAT YOU CONTINUE TO REMEMBER THE NEEDS OF YOUR PARISH. PLEASE EITHER SEND YOUR DONATION BY MAIL WITH YOUR ENVELOPES OR YOU CAN USE THE PARISH WEBSITE ( [WWW.STSPPUCC.ORG](http://WWW.STSPPUCC.ORG) ) TO MAKE YOUR DONATION PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR ENVELOPE NUMBER ON YOUR PAYPAL DONATION. THANK VERY MUCH FOR YOUR KIND GENEROSITY. FATHER EDWARD YOUNG

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### Saint Thomas Sunday: Antipascha

Every day during the week of Easter, called Bright Week by the Church, the paschal services are celebrated in all their splendor. The Easter baptismal procession is repeated daily. The royal gates of the sanctuary remain open. The joy of the Resurrection and the gift of the Kingdom of eternal life continue to abound. Then, at the end of the week, on Saturday evening, the second Sunday after

Easter is celebrated in remembrance of the appearance of Christ to the Apostle Thomas “after eight days” (Jn 20.26).

It is important to note that the number eight has symbolical significance in both Jewish and Christian spiritual tradition. It signifies more than completion and fullness; it signifies the Kingdom of God and the life of the world to come since seven is the number of earthly time. The Sabbath, the seventh day, is the blessed day of rest in this world, the final day of the week. The “first day of the week,” the day “after Sabbath”; stressed in all of the gospels as the day of Christ’s Resurrection (Mk 16.1, Mt 28.1, Lk 24.1, Jn 20.1, 19), is therefore also “the eighth day,” the day beyond the confines of this world, the day which stands for the life of the world to come, the day of the eternal rest of the Kingdom of God (see Hebrews 4).

The Sunday after Easter, called the Second Sunday, is thus the eighth day of the paschal celebration, the last day of Bright Week. It is therefore called the Antipascha, and it was only on this day in the early church that the newly-baptized Christians removed their robes and entered once again into the life of this world.

In the Church services the stress is on the Apostle Thomas’ vision of Christ and the significance of the day comes to us in the words of the gospel:

Then He said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side; do not be faithless, but believing.” Thomas answered Him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe” (Jn 20.27–29).

We have not seen Christ with our physical eyes nor touched His risen body with our physical hands, yet in the Holy Spirit we have seen and touched and tasted the Word of Life (1 Jn 1.1–4), and so we believe.

At each of the daily services until Ascension Day we sing the Easter Troparion. At each of the Sunday services beginning with Antipascha, we sing the Easter canon and hymns, and repeat the celebration of the “first day of the week” on which Christ rose from the dead. At all of the liturgies the epistle readings are taken from the Book of Acts telling us of the first Christians who lived in communion with the Risen Lord. All of the gospel readings are taken from the Gospel of Saint John, considered by many to be a gospel written particularly for those who are newly-baptized into the new life of the Kingdom of God through death and new birth in Christ, in the name of the Holy Trinity. The reason for this opinion is that all of the “signs”—as the miracles in Saint John’s Gospel are called—deal with sacramental themes involving water: wine and bread. Thus, each of the Sundays after Thomas Sunday with the exception of the third, is dedicated to the memory of one of these “signs.”

### **Saint Augustine (354-430) Bishop of Hippo (North Africa) and Doctor of the Church Sermon 116; PL 38, 657**

#### **"You are witnesses of these things"**

After his resurrection the Lord appeared to his disciples and greeted them, saying: “Peace be with you!” Peace is what this saving salutation truly is since the word “salutation” derives from the word for “salvation”. What more could one hope for? Man receives greetings of salvation in person, for our salvation is Christ. Yes, he is our salvation, he who was wounded for our sake and nailed to the tree then descended from the tree and placed in a tomb. But he is risen from the tomb and his wounds are healed although still keeping their scars. That his scars remain is a help to his disciples so that the wounds in their hearts might be healed. What wounds are these? The wounds of their unbelief. He appeared before their eyes in a genuine bodily form and “they thought they were seeing a ghost”. This is no light wound to their heart. (...)

But what does the Lord Jesus say? “Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts?” It is good for man, not that thoughts should arise in his heart but that his heart should arise – arise, that is to say, to where the apostle Paul wanted to set the hearts of the faithful when he said to them: “If you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Think of what is above, not of what is on earth. You have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ your life appears, then you too will appear with him in glory” (Col 3:1-4). What glory is this? The glory of the resurrection. (...)

As for us, we believe in the word of these disciples without their having shown us the Savior’s risen body. (...) But at that time such an event seemed unbelievable. And so our Savior led them to believe,

not by sight alone but by touch, so that by means of the senses faith might enter their hearts and be preached throughout the world to those who had neither seen nor touched but who, nevertheless, would believe unhesitatingly (cf. Jn 20:29).

**My Lord and my God!** “Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen” (Hebrews 11:1). This was the challenge Thomas faced: he did not believe the apostles’ report that Jesus appeared to them on Easter evening. He wanted proof. However, Thomas was with them when Jesus next appeared among them, and Jesus invited Thomas to touch him to prove that he had physically risen from the dead. Thomas did not, instead simply professing his belief in “my Lord and my God!” Still, Thomas needed to see Jesus before he believed. In contrast, Jesus commends those, like us, who believe without having seen the risen Jesus. The author then tells us that the purpose of the entire gospel was so that we would believe Jesus is the Christ and “have life in his name.” The other readings indicate two perspectives on what this should mean for us. In Acts, the believers form a community to share all aspects of their lives, while the letter of Peter celebrates our rebirth into a new life of salvation. We celebrate Jesus’ death and resurrection in every Eucharist. Each of us must decide how to also live out its effects in our daily lives. *John I. McLaughlin*



### **Pope Francis' Prayer to Mary during the coronavirus pandemic :**

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope.  
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,  
who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm.  
You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need,  
and we are sure you will provide  
so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting  
after this time of trial.  
Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father  
and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings  
and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen.

Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

WASHINGTON- Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, has issued the following regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19):

With the worldwide outbreak of the coronavirus, we are confronted once more with the fragility of our lives, and again we are reminded of our common humanity — that the peoples of this world are our brothers and sisters, that we are all one family under God.

God does not abandon us, he goes with us even now in this time of trial and testing. In this moment, it is important for us to anchor our hearts in the hope that we have in Jesus Christ. Now is the time to intensify our prayers and sacrifices for the love of God and the love of our neighbor. Let us draw closer to one another in our love for him, and rediscover the things that truly matter in our lives.

United with our Holy Father Pope Francis, let us pray in solidarity for our brothers and sisters here and around the world who are sick. Let us pray for those who have lost loved ones to this virus. May God console them and grant them peace.

We pray also for doctors, nurses, and caregivers, for public health officials and all civic leaders. May God grant them courage and prudence as they seek to respond to this emergency with compassion and in service to the common good.

In this time of need, I invite all the faithful to seek together the maternal intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and I share this prayer with you:

#### **A Prayer of the Catholic Bishops USA**

Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels and Mother of the Americas.

We fly to you today as your beloved children. We ask you to intercede for us with your Son, as you did at the wedding in Cana. Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation and world, and for all our families and loved ones, the protection of your holy angels, that we may be spared the worst of this illness. For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the grace of healing and deliverance. Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust. In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the Church to love one another and to be patient and kind. Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to our hearts. We come to you with confidence, knowing that you truly are our compassionate mother, health of the sick and cause of our joy. Shelter us under the mantle of your protection, keep us in the embrace of your arms, help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus. Amen

### **Readings for this coming week of Saint Thomas**

#### **Second Week of Pascha**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Acts 3:19-26; John 2:1-11</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Acts 4:1-10; John 3:16-21</b>
<b>Commemoration of the Departed</b>	<b>1 Corinthians 15:39-57; John 5:24-30</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Acts 4:13-22; John 5:17-24</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Acts 4:23-31; John 5:24-30</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Acts 5:1-11; John 5:30-6:2</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Acts 5:21-33; John 6:14-27</b>
<b>Third Sunday of Pascha: Sunday of the Myrrhbearing Women</b>	<b>Acts 6:1-7; Mark 15:43- 16:8</b>

#### **It's important to end your day giving thanks for God's bountiful mercy.**

We don't always end our days on the right note. We could be angry at our spouse, disappointed by what happened at work, or simply exhausted.

However, it's important to surrender all that we are into God's hands; he knows how to draw good out of our suffering.

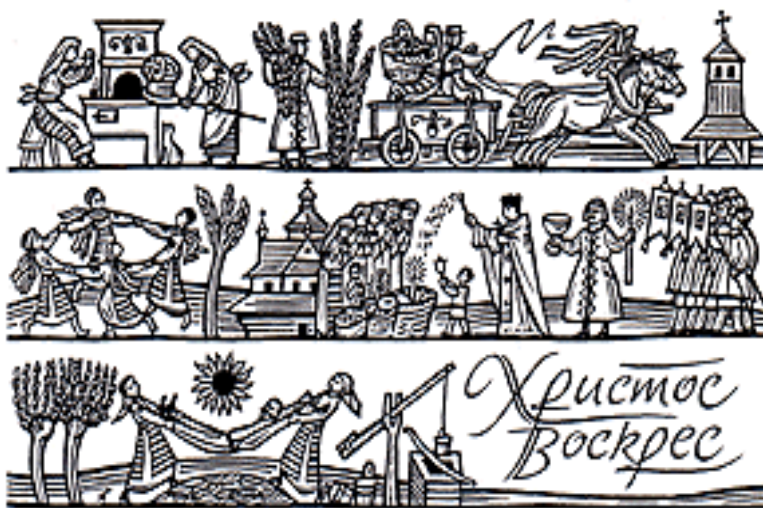
In particular, we should meditate on God's bountiful mercy and how he has taken care of us throughout the day. It's not easy to remember these moments, but when we give time to reflect on it, our lives will benefit from it.

Here is a short meditation from the Golden Manual and prayer that can help end our day in a positive way, remembering how God is always present in our lives.

O almighty and eternal God, whose majesty fills heaven and earth, I firmly believe that you are here present; that your adorable eye is on me; that you see and know all things, and are most intimately present in the very center of my soul.

I give you thanks, from the bottom of my heart, for all your mercies and blessings bestowed upon me and upon your whole Church; and particularly for those I have received from you this day, in your watching over me, and preserving me from so many evils, and favoring me with so many graces and inspirations, [Here pause, and meditate on God's mercies from today] Oh, let me never more be ungrateful to you, my God, who are so good and gracious to me.

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Let us all spiritual offer to each other the greeting  
**CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!**



## PRAYER FOR A TIME OF PANDEMIC

May we who are merely inconvenienced  
remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors  
remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working from home  
remember those who must choose between  
preserving their health or making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for our  
children when their schools close  
remember those who have no options.

May we who have to cancel our trips  
remember those that have no safe place to go.

May we who are losing our margin money  
in the tumult of the economic market  
remember those who have no margin at all.

As fear grips our country, let us choose love.

During this time when we cannot physically  
wrap our arms around each other,  
let us yet find ways to be the loving  
embrace of God to our neighbors. Amen.

- Cameron Bellm, [www.ccvichapel.org/post/prayer-for-a-pandemic-  
cameron-bellm](http://www.ccvichapel.org/post/prayer-for-a-pandemic-cameron-bellm)