# FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SUNDAY OF SAINT MARY OF EGYPT



Icon of Saint Mary and Saint Zosimos

# HOLY GHOST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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March 26-April 2, 2017

4th Sunday of Lent

Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14

Gospel:Mark 10:32-45

SATURDAY 6:00PM (English) Health & Salvation: Brandon: Eugenia

Korlatowcyh

5<sup>TH</sup> Sunday of the Great Fast: St Mary of Egypt

9:30AM (Ukrainian) For the People

11:00AM (English) +Edward & Catherine Herman - Children

The weekdays during Lent are aliturgical days: No Divine Liturgy is celebrated.

# **TUESDAY CONFESSIONS: 6:00-7:00PM**

**English & Ukrainian** 

WEDNESDAY 12:00 Noon Akafist to the Passion of Jesus

5:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts (English)

6:30PM Adult Religious Education

FRIDAY 12:00noon: Stations of the Cross

5:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts (Ukrainian)

# LAZARUS SATURDAY

10:00AM +Sr. Bohdanna Pozdrey OSBM - Fr Dan Troyan

6:00PM (English) +Frank & Mary Breiner +Marsha Spirk - Breiner Family

# PALM SUNDAY: April 9, 2017

9:30AM (Ukrainian) For the People

11:00AM +Walter & Lillian Kiniuk - Pearl Kiniuk

COLLECTION - \$1800.00 Thank you for your generosity and support.

In memory of +Francis Bankowski : \$50 Miles Family \$25 Judy Palinkas

\$25 James & Lois Lum \$20 Sarah & Robert Moser \$10: Balandovich

Family

Memorial Fund: Carpet \$40 Anonymously

Eternal Light & Altar Candles : In memory of + John & Agnes Gutowski-Dan & Loretta Bodnar

# FIFTH SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT (Commemoration of Mary of Egypt) Troparion and Kontakion:

Troparion (5): Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection

. Troparion (8): In you, O Mother Mary, the faithful image shone forth; you carried your cross and followed Christ. You taught by your deeds how to spurn the body, for it passes away, and how to value the soul, for it is immortal. Therefore, your soul is forever in happiness with the angels.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and for ever and ever: Amen.

Kontakion (3): Once filled with all kinds of evil, now through repentance she appears as the bride of Christ. Leading an angelic life, she crushes the devils with the help of the Cross. Therefore, the venerable Mary has become a bride of the kingdom.

#### Prokimenon:

You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us from this generation, and for ever. Verse: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man.

Epistle: Reading of the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (Heb 9,11-14)

Brethren: When Christ came as high priest of the good things that have come to be, passing through the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made by hands, that is, not belonging to this creation, he entered once for all into the sanctuary, not with the blood of goats and calves but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkling of heifer's ashes can sanctify those who are defiled so that their flesh is cleansed, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from dead works to worship the living God.

#### Alleluia Verses:

Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing for ever; from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

. For You have said: Mercy shall be built up for ever; in the heavens Your truth shall be prepared. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Gospel: (Mk 10,32-45) At that time, taking the Twelve aside Jesus again began to tell them what was going to happen to him. "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and hand him over to the Gentiles who will mock

him, spit upon him, scourge him, and put him to death, but after three days he will rise." Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish [me] to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the cup that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" They said to him, "We can." Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many."

# It is truly right...

(Prostration)

In you, O Woman Full of Grace, the angelic choirs and the human race - all creation - rejoices. O Sanctified Temple, Mystical Paradise, and Glory of Virgins! He, Who is our God from before all ages took flesh from you and became a child. He made your womb a throne, and greater than the heavens. In you, O Woman Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. All praise be to you!

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance. An evil report he will not fear. Alleluia

# PRAYER OF ST EPHREM (At the end of Liturgy)

O Lord and Master of my life, keep from me the spirit of indifference and discouragement, lust of power and idle chatter. (Prostration) Instead Grant to me your servant the spirit of wholeness of being, humblemindedness, patience and love. (Prostration)

O Lord and King grant me the grace to be aware of my sins and not to judge my brothers and sisters for you are blessed now and forever Amen.

#### LENTEN HYMN AT THE END OF LITURGY

Preterpiviy za na strasty Isuse Christe, Sineh Bozhiy, Pomiloy nas. (Prostration)

Having endured Your Passion for us, Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us. (2) (Prostration)

### FOOD COLLECTION BASKET

During the time of Lent we are also invited to offer food and help to the poor . There will be a collection basket in the vestibule of the church for dry goods, canned goods, or grocery gift cards.

# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:

MONDAY: 5:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

TUESDAY 5:30PM Stations of the Cross

6:00PM Choir Practice for Easter

#### WEDNESDAY

5:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts Healing and Anointing Service

#### HOLY THURSDAY

3:00PM Liturgy of St Basil the Great with Vespers
Remembrance of the Last Supper and the Institution
of the Holy Eucharist

6:00PM Twelve Passion Gospels

HOLY AND GOOD FRIDAY ( Good Friday Vigil at the tomb 6:00PM-12:00AM)
5:30PM Vespers for Good Friday Procession with the
Shroud (Plaschanitsa)

8:30PM Jerusalem Matins (English & Ukrainian)

# HOLY & GOOD SATURDAY (Vigil at the tomb 8:00AM - 6:00PM)

12:00 noon Liturgy of St Basil

Reading of the Resurrection Gospel Lighting of the Paschal Candle

3:00PM Blessing of Easter Baskets

(ENGLISH) 6:00PM Easter Procession and Resurrection Matins Divine Liturgy of the Resurrection Day

### EASTER SUNDAY

(UKRAINIAN) 9:00AM Easter procession and Resurrection Matins Divine Liturgy of the Resurrection Day Blessing of Easter Baskets

#### CHOIR PRACTICE

There will be choir Practice on Holy Tuesday after the Stations of the Cross at 6:00PM in the church. We will go over the services for Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. Please join with us in preparing to celebrate the Lord's Day of Resurrection with joy, confidence as we make joyful sounds of praise for all the good God has granted us in his plan of salvation through Jesus Christ.

#### NEW CARPETING FOR SANCTUARY

New carpeting will be finished being installed in the sanctuary of our church by Spectrum Flooring at the cost of \$2500.00. The carpeting will be similar to the existing carpeting in the church. Anyone wishing to donate towards this project please use the Building Fund Envelopes in the vestibule of the church. Thank you.

### SPAGHETTI DINNER

We will be having our Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday April 23, 2017 From 12:00 noon to 3:00PM in the church hall. Take out orders are available. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 12 and under. Dinner Includes Spaghetti & Meatballs, Salad, roll, beverage, and dessert. Tickets are available for presale or you can register in the vestibule of the church. Donations of baked goods appreciated.

#### FLOWERS FOR EASTER

Easter is just around the corner... anyone wishing to donate a flower/lily in memory of a family member please use the envelopes in your church envelope box. Please mark the name(s) clearly and return them by next Sunday. Thank you.

### PARISH FINANCIAL MEETING

There will be a parish financial meeting held at 6:00PM on Wednesday April 19, 2017 in the chapel. A financial report for 2016 will be given. Plans for 2017 will be discussed which includes the painting of the dome & crosses. Everyone is invited to participate. Our financial secretary Ann Bogari and our Parish Finance Officers will be presenting the information. Please join us to lend your support, your input and your assistance. Thank You.

# CATHOLIC HOME MISSION ENVELOPES

There are special envelopes in today's bulletin for the Catholic Home Mission Appeal. This collection helps to support the church mission throughout the United States, the Middle East, and Eastern Europe. Please join with us in supporting our Holy Father Pope Francis in this service to those most in need. Thank you. You can return the envelope in the collection basket and all funds will be forwarded to the chancery office.

#### **CONFESSIONS TUESDAY**

Fr Dan Gurovich and Fr Evhen Moniuk will be available on Tuesday from 6:00PM-7:00PM for the sacrament of Confession.. It is required of us as Catholics to make a good confession during the Lenten season. As part of our faith it helps us in our journey to Easter with a humble and repentant heart. Please make use of this time.

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH DINNER

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual LENTEN FISH DINNERS Friday's: April 7. They are serving from 4:00pm-7:00PM at St. Jane's Farrell Hall. Tickets are sold at the door or call Walter Evancho at 610-438-5112 Adults \$11.00 Adults \$10.00 Children 5-12 \$6.00

Baked or Fried Fish, French fries, Mac-n-cheese Vegetables Rolls Beverage

#### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Sunday April 23 at 12:30 in the church yard. There is a registration form in the vestibule of the church. Please register your children or grandchildren by Palm Sunday. Anyone interested in helping prepare for the egg hunt with the children please see Fr Dan.. Thank you

### KOBASA SALE: Last Sunday for orders

The Ukrainian American Veterans Post 42 are taking orders for Kobasa, Beets, Kobanosy and Krakowska for Easter. Place your order on the form in the vestibule of the church or call Oleh at 610-258-9467 with any questions. Your order will be ready for pick up after services on Palm Sunday weekend in the church hall, April 8-9.

#### PASKA BAKE SALE

We will be making Paska Bread for Easter April 6-7. Order forms for the Paska Bread are in the vestibule of the the church. Plain/raisin bread \$10.00 Braided Bread: \$15.00.

Anyone wishing to help with the Bake Sale please contact John Drozd Jr.

THURSDAY: 6:00PM - 8:00PM

FRIDAY 6:00AM until finish

You can pick up your paska order after the services on Palm Sunday.

# RESURRECTION: MUSIC FROM THE UKRAINIAN SACRED CHORAL

Our Ukrainian Catholic Cathedral in Philadelphia is sponsoring a sacred music concert on April 21, 2017at 7:00PM. The concert will feature over 50 professional singers from Canada, Ukraine, and the United States under the direction of Michael Zaugg of Pro Coro Canada. It will feature sacred music from our Paschal services including music from Fr John Sembrat, Bortniansky, Vedel and Hurko.

More information is available at <a href="https://www.resurrectionalliturgy.com">www.resurrectionalliturgy.com</a> or by calling 215-663-1166 Tickets are available online for \$36.72

All those interested in going please sign the registration sheet in the vestibule. We can arrange transportation.

### Vigil at the Tomb: An hour of meditation at the tomb of our Lord Good Friday.

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. ; Morykan; Suter, Jean Lakomski Olga Bryksa, Betty Maitski Bodnar; Frable; Karen Clark, Kaczmar 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. ILeczko 8:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. JERUSALEM MATINS 9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. Thatcher; Sidlar; Balaziuk; Mirchuk, Savkanitch Shevtziv Stefurak 10:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Hutnik, Jack; Wright, Greg Sidlar Stoken 11:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. Drozd, John Jr, Wujkiw Fr Dan Tim Kohutka. Holy Saturday,

8:00a.m 9:00a.m.	Bogusky, John; Lightcap; Kucynda, Steele
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Trusz; Zuk LaChance, Heather Hill, Peleschak
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	Fulmer; Mattes; Bellfy; Wynne; Palinkas
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Atherholt; Paskewicz; Leiby ;Hoagland,
12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.	LITURGY
1:00PM - 2:00PM	Hale; Bellis; Sargent; Michtchak; Wichryk Martinez, Aga, Tyma

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.. Leciston; Bragg; Morykan; Kramer Hutnik, Bodnar

3:00p.m. -- 4:00p.m. Tomori Sharpless Poleschuk Lisa Sponopolous, Birgl

Stoken; Sroka; Hacker, Dunigan 4:00p.m - 5:00p.m.;

#### LAZARUS SATURDAY

On the Saturday before Holy Week, the Orthodox Church commemorates a major feast of the year, the miracle of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ when he raised Lazarus from the dead after he had lain in the grave four days. Here, at the end of Great Lent and the forty days of fasting and penitence, the Church combines this celebration with that of Palm Sunday. In triumph and joy the Church bears witness to the power of Christ over death and exalts Him as King before entering the most solemn week of the year, one that leads the faithful in remembrance of His suffering and death and concludes with the great and glorious Feast of Pascha. The Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 10:00AM on Lazarus Saturday. At the Divine Liturgy of Lazarus Saturday, the baptismal verse from Galatians "As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ" Galatians 3:27 replaces the Thrice-Holy Hymn, thus indicating the resurrectional character of the celebration, and the fact that Lazarus Saturday was once among the few great baptismal days in the Church Year.

#### PASCHA: Easter

In the Ukrainian Catholic Church, the feast of Christ's resurrection is commonly referred to as "Pascha" (PAS-ka), the Greek term for "Passover." Jesus' rising from the dead is the point of reference for all of our thought and life. Every Sunday is dedicated to the resurrection of Christ, so that we never lose sight of the centrality of Christ's victory over death. Yet in the Feast of Feasts—after a period of fasting and spiritual preparation that lasts almost two months called Great Lent—the faithful celebrate the greatest of all holy days, Pascha. "Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!"

The biggest joy of Easter Sunday for many people simply comes from enjoying food-eggs, sweet bread and meat- that they did not eat for the past 6 weeks during lent. Lent – the period of fasting before Easter — is practiced in Ukraine much as it is elsewhere. Religious observants refrain from eating animal products: meat, eggs, and dairy. Now imagine how excited you would be to feast after weeks of a very moderate diet?

The whole week before Easter Sunday is devoted to the preparations for the actual Easter celebration .Holy Week – as it is called– begins with **Willow Sunday**. In most countries this celebration of Christ's entry into Jerusalem is called Palm Sunday, but a lack of local palm trees led Ukrainians to adopt willow switches as their symbolic branches.

- Like in every other part of the globe, Easter symbols like bunnies, Easter tree, Easter Eggs and Easter lamb make their presence felt in every corner of the street, churches, shops and homes.
- The popular Easter symbols like Easter bunny and egg tree were first brought in by the German settlers who arrived in the Pennsylvania Dutch country during the 1700s.
   Eventually, American people accepted these crafts and made these symbols a vital part of their Easter celebrations.

<u>CONFESSIONS</u> April 4 from 6:00-7:00PM we will have visiting priests available for confession. Confessions are also heard Saturdays and Sundays before Liturgy in the sanctuary.

#### 'LENTEN SOUP' FRIDAYS

On Friday's during Lent we will be celebrating the Stations of the Cross at noon, followed by a Lenten Soup Lunch. There is no fee for the lunch, a free will offering is accepted, with the proceeds benefitting the local food bank. We hope you can join us and invite a friend to join you for Stations and Soup.

## Last Sunday for LITURGY OF ST BASIL

During the Sunday's of Lent, the Divine Liturgy of St Basil is celebrated. The beautiful prayers of St Basil, remind us of the history of our salvation in an extraordinary manner.

#### ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

We will be having our Adult Catechism Classes on Wednesday evenings of Lent from 6:30PM-7:30PM in the Chapel. We will be covering: Christ our Pascha the new English translation of our Ukrainian Catholic Faith. It points to the Paschal foundations of our faith in Jesus' victory over death, granting u s eternal life. We hope you can join us. Catechism books are also available for sale at \$25.00.

### SPECIAL THANKS: Pysanky

Special thanks to John Drozd Jr for offering the pysanky classes on March 19 & 26. Over 50 people benefitted from the Pysanky Experience. We thank John for working to keep this beautiful tradition alive, and the donation of his time, talent and set-up for the event! God bless him! *Mnohaya Lita!* 

A total of \$465.00 was raised from this event.

### PYROHY SALE: SPECIAL THANKS

Special thanks to the men and women of our parish community who came out to help us in making 415 dz pyrohy this past week: Dan Bodnar, Joann Fulmer, Judy Palinkas, Donna Sidlar, Bill & Ruth Hutnik, Donna Hale, Jean Lakomski, Paulette Bellis, Jane Atherholt, Marion & Teodozia Sroka, Mike Trusz, Oleh Balaziuk, Tim Kohutka, Maria Best, Robert Sarisky, Pat Peters, Pauline Ebner, Olga Bryksa, Wilhelmina Wichryk, Anna Trusz, Yaroslawa Zuk, Stefania Trusz, Kathy & Willis Sargent, Diane Bush Elizabeth Poleschuk, Lori Wynne, Linda Hutnik, Lillian Opp, Mike Brodt, Fr Dan. Dave Wright. God bless all of you for your hard work and effort! Happy Easter!

THERE WILL BE NO PYROHY IN APRIL: Next Sale May 9-10

Please remember to pray for the sick and all those who have requested our prayers

Helen & Betty Terleski Teodozia Sroka Catherine Kutzler Olga Turczyn Mae Kulcvzcki Sophie Troyan William Peters Michael Trusz Melvene Thatcher Mary Heverling Richard Suter Kayla Masser Olga Bryksa Julian Trusz Michael Sidlar Timothy Kohutka Joseph Bodnar Lillian Opp Frank & Betty Maitski Sarah Shanks Kim Lightcap Gregory & Dot Neff Stephen Terleski Fr Dan Gurovich Margaret Dashe Helen Potak Anna Drozd Olga Trusz Mary Heverling Fr. David Clooney Frieda Lubosky Barbara Hacker

#### THE CHAPEL SCHEDULE

- Alcoholics Anonymous Every Monday at 7:00AM there is a meeting of AA.
- <u>Ukrainian American Veterans Post 42 meets</u> monthly on the 2nd Wednesday at 7:00PM for their business & Post meeting. All veterans are encouraged to join this fine group of men.
- Adult Religious Education. Wednesday evenings 6:30PM
- Religious Education classes for youth 12:15-1:00PM Sundays:.
- <u>Grief Support Group</u> Thursday evening March 30 7:30-9:00PM Support for older teens and adults who are mourning the loss of a loved one. Open to everyone of all faiths and creeds. Contact Paul LaChance 908-235-8489

#### CHAPEL/HALL RENTAL

Anyone interested in renting the chapel for a shower or family get together please contact the church office. There is a \$99.00 insurance fee necessary for all non-church functions, plus a \$100.00 donation for non-parishioners, \$50.00 for parishioners. There is a contract available at the rectory office.

#### LENTEN SCHEDULE

We try to live differently during the 40 days of Lent: we increase our prayer, we take inventory of our lives, fast and give alms. Please make use of the extra services during Lent to be able to keep that awareness alive and important.

### Wednesday's of Lent

12:00Noon Akfafist to the Passion of Christ

5:30PM (English) Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

6:30PM Religious Education Adults & high school

#### Friday's of Lent

12:00 noon Stations of the Cross

5:30PM (Ukrainian) Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts

### All Souls Saturday's of Lent

5:30PM Sorokousty: Remembrance of the Dead June 3

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If you wish to join Holy Ghost Church and become a member of our parish family, please contact Fr. Dan at the parish rectory to register with us.

Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Communion, Classes are required for parents and godparents prior to sacrament. Please contact the parish office

Marriages: Couples wishing to be married must be registered in the parish and attending Pre-Cana classes. One year notification is required.

Anointing of the Sick/Visitation of the Sick: Anyone wishing to be visited with Holy Communion and/or anointed for healing, please contact Fr. Dan at the parish office.

Confession: Regular confession helps us in our journey of faith.

Confessions will be held

Saturday's from 5:15PM-5:45PM Sunday from 10:15AM-10:45AM

# The Mystery of Mankind's Reconciliation with God

He who is true God was born in the complete and perfect nature of a true man, whole in His own nature, whole in ours. By our nature we mean what the Creator had fashioned in us from the beginning, and took to Himself in order to restore it.

He took the nature of a servant without stain of sin, enlarging our humanity without diminishing His divinity. He emptied himself; though invisible He made himself visible, though Creator and Lord of all things He chose to be one of us mortal men. Yet this was the condescension of compassion, not the loss of omnipotence.

Beyond our grasp, He chose to come within our grasp. Existing before time began, He began to exist at a moment in time. Lord of the universe, He hid His infinite glory and took the nature of a servant. Incapable of suffering as God, He did not refuse to be a man, capable of suffering. Immortal, He chose to be subject to the laws of death.

"He who is true God is also true man. There is no falsehood in this unity as long as the lowliness of man and the pre-eminence of God coexist in mutual relationship.

As God does not change by His condescension, so man is not swallowed up by being exalted. Each nature exercises its own activity, in communion with the other. The Word does what is proper to the Word, the flesh fulfills what is proper to the flesh.

One nature is resplendent with miracles, the other falls victim to injuries. As the Word does not lose equality with the Father's glory, so the flesh does not leave behind the nature of our race.

One and the same person - this must be said over and over again - is truly the Son of God and truly the son of man. He is God in virtue of the fact that in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He is man in virtue of the fact that the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us.

St. Leo the Great

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