

THOMAS SUNDAY
FEAST OF SAINT GEORGE THE MARTYR



Icon of Saint George -- April 23rd

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April 23-30 2017

THOMAS SUNDAY

Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 5:12-20

Gospel: John 20 : 19-31

BRIGHT SATURDAY 6:00PM (English) +Margaret Hutnik- Donna Hale

THOMAS SUNDAY : April 23, 2017

9:30AM (Ukrainian) +Olena Kusan & Yevgen Shevtziv – Shevtziv Family

11:00AM For The Parishioner; Sacraments of Initiation: NOAH JAMES BILYJ

12:00-3:00PM SPAGHETTI DINNER

12:30PM Easter Egg Hunt in Church Yard

All Divine Liturgies celebrated at 9:00AM unless otherwise noted

MONDAY +Justyna Stojkiewicz- Stoken Family

TUESDAY No Liturgy: Spring Clergy Conference

WEDNESDAY No Liturgy :Spring Clergy Conference

THURSDAY No Liturgy : Spring Clergy Conference

FRIDAY +Walter & Lillian Kiniuk – Pearl Kiniuk

SATURDAY 6:00PM English

+ Michael Horon – Bill & Ruth Hutnik

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN: April 30,2017

9:30AM (Ukrainian)+ Olena Kusan & +Yevgen Shevtziv – Shevtziv Family

11:00AM (English) For the People

COLLECTION – \$5178.56 Thank you for your generosity and support.

In Memory of +John Vedomsky : \$2500 : James Vedomsky

In Memory of +Michael Trusz: \$500- Olga Trusz Family

Redners Tapes: 50.55 Additional Paska : \$145

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

Dan & Loretta Bodnar

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 Kulyczcki Sophie Troyan

William Peters

Iryna

Melvne Thatcher Mary Heverling

Richard Suter

Harold Osmun

Olga Bryksa Julian Trusz

Michael Sidlar

Timothy Kohutka

Joseph Bodnar Lillian Opp

Frank & Betty Maitzki

Sarah Shanks

Kim Lightcap Gregory & Dot Neff

Stephen Terleski

Fr Dan Gurovich

Margaret Dashe Helen Potak


Anna Drozd

Olga Trusz

Mary Heverling Frieda Lubosky

Barbara Hacker

Fr. David Clooney



Jesus Christ is Risen! Happy Easter!

THIS SUNDAY : Sacraments of Initiation

This Sunday at the 11:00AM Divine Liturgy we will be welcoming into our church community the son of Michael and Liza Bilyj, who will be baptized and chrismated **NOAH JAMES BILYJ**. We wish them many healthy happy years together with us! Mnohaya Lita!

LENTEN SOUP

Special thanks to Bill Hutnik for the delicious Lenten Soups served after our Stations of the Cross on Fridays during Lent. A total of \$165.50 was donated to the homeless shelter along with the bags of groceries donated. God bless all of you for your time and attendance.

SPECIAL THANKS to the Knights of Columbus of Bangor who donated 40 Chocolate Easter Bunnies for the children of our Easter Egg Hunt. May God bless them for their generosity and remembrance of our Church.

5TH SUNDAY ROSARY PROGRAM NEXT SUNDAY

The Knights of Columbus Council of Easton invites you to join with them at our Church April 30, 2017 at 12:15PM for a Rosary Prayer service. St John Paul II Stated "Prayer can truly change your life. For it turns your attention away from yourself and directs your mind and heart towards the Lord."

There will be coffee and cake after the service in the church hall. We hope you will support our church and the Knights of Columbus by joining us for the Rosary on April 30th after the Divine Liturgy. Thank you.

For more information please contact Mike Hunsicker at 484-560-1126

Special Birthday wishes go out to *Dr Yuriy Shevtziv* who is celebrating his 50th! Special Birthday greetings to *Oksana Savkanitch and Vasilli Michtchak* who are also celebrating this week! **MNOHAYA LITA ! CHRISTOS VOSKRES**

SUNDAY OF ST THOMAS

At the beginning of Liturgy until the Ascension of our Lord:

CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD CONQUERING DEATH BY DEATH AND TO THOSE IN THE TOMBS BESTOWING LIFE

CHRISTOS VOSKRESE EEZ MERTVIK SMERTIYU SMERT POPRAW EE
SUSCHIM VO HROBEEKH ZHIVOT DARUVAW.

(Ukrainian) CHRISTOS VOSKRES EEZ MERTVIK SMERTIYU SMERT
PODOLAW EE TIM SCHOV HROBAKH ZHITTYA DARUVAW.

Troparion (7):

Though the tomb had been sealed, from the tomb You arose, O Life and Christ our God. Though the door had been locked, You appeared among the disciples, O Resurrection of all; and thus You restored an upright spirit for us according to Your great mercy.

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

Kontakion (8): Thomas placed his restless hand into Your life-giving side, O Christ our God; and since You entered, although the doors were locked, he cried to You with the other apostles: You are my Lord and my God.

Prokimenon (3): Great is the Lord, mighty in power; to His wisdom there is no limit.
Verse: Praise the Lord for He is good. Sing to our God for He is loving. To Him our praise is due.

Epistle: Reading of the Acts of the Holy Apostles. (Acts 5, 12-20)

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people at the hands of the apostles. They were all together in Solomon's portico. None of the others dared to join them, but the people esteemed them. Yet more than ever, believers in the Lord, great numbers of men and women, were added to them. Thus they even carried the sick out into the streets and laid them on cots and mats so that when Peter came by, at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them. A large number of people from the towns in the vicinity of Jerusalem also gathered, bringing the sick and those disturbed by unclean spirits, and they were all cured. Then the high priest rose up and all his companions, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and, filled with jealousy, laid hands upon the apostles and put them in the public jail. But during the night, the angel of the Lord opened the doors of the prison, led them out, and said, "Go and take your place in the temple area, and tell the people everything about this life."

Alleluia Verses:

Verse: Come, ring out your joy to the Lord; hail God Who is our Savior.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Verse: Let us come before Him, giving thanks; with songs let us hail the Lord.

Gospel: (Jn 20, 19-31)

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. [Jesus] said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." Thomas, called Didymus, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples said to him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nail marks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." Now a week later his disciples were again inside and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, although the doors were locked, and stood in their midst and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe." Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of [his] disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may [come to] believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name.

Instead of: It is truly right:

An angel greeted you O full of grace: O purest Virgin rejoice! And again, I say rejoice for after three days Your Son has risen from the dead, and then raised the dead with himself: people everywhere rejoice.

Shine forth in splendor, New Jerusalem! For the glory of the Lord is risen on you! Skip for joy in happy festival O Sion: and you O purest one, Mother of God, rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Verse

Receive the Body of Christ, taste of the fountain of immortality. Alleluia (3).

Instead of "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord..."

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs bestowing life.

Instead of "We have seen the true light..."

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs bestowing life.

Instead of "May our mouths be filled..."

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs bestowing life.

Instead of "Blesses be the Name of the Lord..."

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs bestowing life.

Instead of "Glory be to the Father..."

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs bestowing life. Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, Lord have mercy, give the blessing.

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs bestowing life. (3 times)

And He gave us eternal life... We bow down to his third day resurrection!

Ee nam daruvaw zhivot veechniy poklayayemsha yeho tridnevnoho voskreseneeyu!

NEW BISHOP FOR CHICAGO

Pope Francis has named Ukrainian born Bishop Venedykt Aleksiychuk as bishop Of Chicago for the Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St Nicholas.

Bishop Aleksiychuk has been the auxiliary Bishop of Lviv since 2010.

Born on January 16, 1968 in Borshchivka Ukraine he has pursued seminary studies And was ordained a priest in 1992. He is a Ukrainian Studite Monk. He was named auxiliary Bishop of Lviv in 2010 and ordained a Bishop September 5, 2010.

We offer our love and prayers as Bishop Venedykt Undertakes this new journey, under the Protection and guidance of the Mother of God.

AXIOS! MNOHAYA I BLAHAYA LITA



THE CHAPEL SCHEDULE

- Alcoholics Anonymous Every Monday at 7:00AM there is a meeting of AA .
- Ukrainian American Veterans Post 42 meets 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 beginning May 3 6:30PM
- Religious Education classes for youth 12:15-1:00PM Sundays..
- Grief Support Group 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.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held will be held on Sunday rain or shine. If the weather forces us indoors, we will have the Easter Egg hunt modified with games. Special thanks to all those who helped in setting up the hall, getting the eggs and prizes filled and volunteered in any way. God bless all of you.

TRADITIONAL EASTER GREETINGS

During the 40 days of Easter we greet one another with the traditional Easter

Greeting: **CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!**
CHRISTOS VOSKRES! VOYEESTINU VOSKRES!
KPUCTOC BOCKPEC! BOICTUHY BOCKPEC

SPAGHETTI DINNER: TODAY

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. Special thanks to all those who helped set up the hall, prepare the Spaghetti and Meat balls, donated baked goods, and purchased tickets. Thank you for your support.

Please remember to pray for vocations to the holy priesthood and religious life

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**CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!
CHRISTOS VOSKRES! VOYEESTINU VOSKRES!**

Fight the Good Fight of Faith

"Let us celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth." ... Elsewhere the Apostle says: "Let us run with fidelity the race that has been set before us, with our eyes on Jesus, the origin and the goal of our faith."

So a man who openly despises the accolades of this world and rejects all earthly glory must also practice self-denial. Such self-denial means that you never seek your own will but God's, using God's will as a sure guide; it also means possessing nothing apart from what is held in common.

In this way it will be easier for you to carry out your superior's commands promptly, in joy and in hope; this is required of Christ's servants who are deemed for service to the brethren. For this is what the Lord wants when He says: Whoever wishes to be first and great among you must be the last of all and a servant to all.

Our service of mankind must be given freely. One who is in such a position must be subject to everyone

and serve his brothers as if he were paying off a debt.

Moreover, those who are in charge should work harder than the others and conduct themselves with greater submission than their own subjects. Their lives should serve as a visible example of what service means, and they should remember that those who are committed to their trust are held in trust from God.

Those, then, who are in a position of authority must look after their brothers as conscientious teachers look after the young children who have been handed over to them by their parents.

If both disciples and masters have this loving relationship, then subjects will be happy to obey whatever is commanded, while superiors will be delighted to lead their brothers to perfection. If you try to outdo one another in showing respect, your life on earth will be like that of the angels.

St. Gregory of Nyssa

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