

## **Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Bulletin**

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### **HOLY MYSTERIES**

**VISITATIONS OF THE SICK AND INFIRM** – If you are going into the hospital for any reason, please inform Father Stephen at the Rectory. Our hospitalization code for Christiana and Wilmington Hospitals is **UKR**.

**EMERGENCY CALLS** – Please call the Rectory anytime (day or night) in an Emergency!

**BAPTISMS** – Celebrated by appointment.

**CROWNING IN MARRIAGE** – Please discuss timing with Father prior to setting a date. At least six months notice is needed. There are three 2-hour courses that must be attended prior to the Wedding.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** – The deadline for getting information printed in the Weekly Bulletin is Wednesday.

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS** – For the Needs of the Parish; 2<sup>nd</sup> Youth Ministry

**April 5, 2026**  
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**Schedule of Services and Activities**  
**Week of April 5 - 12, 2026**

**Sunday, April 5 – Palm Sunday**

8:30 AM – Confessions  
9:15 AM – Hours  
9:30 AM - Divine Liturgy for the Faithful  
Coffee Hour – Easter Egg Hunt  
12:15 PM – Lenten Vespers

**Holy and Great Monday – April 6**

**Sts. Peter and Paul**

7:00 AM – Matins  
6:00 PM – Presanctified Liturgy

**Holy and Great Tuesday – April 7**

**Annunciation - Sts. Peter and Paul**

7:00 AM – Matins  
6:00 PM – Vespers/Liturgy St. John

**Holy and Great Wednesday – April 8**

**Sts. Peter and Paul**

7:00 AM – Matins  
8:00 AM – Presanctified Liturgy  
**St. Nicholas – Dover, DE**  
2:00 PM – Anointing of the Sick  
**Sts. Peter and Paul**  
7:00 PM – Anointing of the Sick

**Holy and Great Thursday – April 9**

7:00 AM – Matins  
7:30 AM – Vespers/Liturgy of St. Basil  
6:00 PM – 12 Gospels

**Holy and Great Friday – April 10**

**Saints Peter and Paul**

8:00 AM – Royal Hours  
**Holy Trinity – Whaleyville, MD**  
1:00 PM – Vespers/Shroud  
**St. Nicholas – Dover, DE**  
4:00 PM – Vespers/Shroud  
**Sts. Peter and Paul**  
7:00 PM – Vespers/Shroud  
9:00 PM – Jerusalem Matins

**Holy & Great Saturday – April 11**

**Saints Peter and Paul**

8:00 AM – Vesper/Liturgy St. Basil  
**Holy Trinity - Whaleyville**  
4:00 PM – Service at the Tomb -  
Resurrection Matins Liturgy  
Bless Baskets  
**Sts. Peter and Paul**  
11:00 PM – Service at the Tomb  
Resurrection Matins

**Sunday, May April 12**

**Resurrection of Our Lord**

12 Midnite – Divine Liturgy  
Bless Baskets – Coffee Hour  
**St. Nicholas**  
8:00 AM – Resurrection Matins  
Divine Liturgy – Bless Baskets  
**Saints Peter and Paul**  
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy –  
Agape Vespers  
Bless Baskets – Coffee Hour

**Locations of the Other Parishes**

**St. Nicholas Parish – 870 Forest Street, Dover, DE**  
**Holy Trinity Parish – 7927 Circle Road, Whaleyville, MD**

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**Palm Sunday (Flowery Sunday)** - Matins: Matthew 21:1-11; 15-17; Liturgy Philipians 4:4-9; John 12:1-18

**Holy Monday** - Matins: Matthew 21: 18-43; 6<sup>th</sup> Hour: Ezekiel 1:1-20; Presanctified Liturgy: Exodus 1:1-20; Job, 1:1-12; Matthew 24:3-35.

**Holy Tuesday – Feast of the Annunciation** - Matins: Luke 1:39-46; 56; Matthew 22: 15-23,39; 6<sup>th</sup> Hour: Ezekiel 1:21-2:1; Vespers: Exodus 2:5-10; Job 1:13-22; Genesis 28:10-17; Ezechiel 43:27-44:4; Exodus 3:1-8; Liturgy: Hebrews 2:11-18; Luke 1:24-38; Matthew 24:36-26:2;

Matthew 22: 15-23,39; 6<sup>th</sup> Hour: Ezekiel 1:21-2:1; Presanctified Liturgy: Exodus 2:5-10; Job 1:13-22; Matthew 24:36-26:2

**Holy Wednesday** - Matins: John 12: 17-50; 6<sup>th</sup> Hour - Ezekiel 2:3-3:3; Presanctified Liturgy: Exodus 2:11-22; Job 2: 1-10; Matthew 26: 6-16.

**Holy and Great Thursday** - Matins: Luke 22: 1-39; 1<sup>st</sup> Hour Jeremiah 11:18-12:5, 9-11, 14-15; Vespers: Exodus 19:10-19; Job 38:1-23; 42:1-5; Isaiah 50:4-11. Liturgy: 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 11:23-32; Gospel: Matt. 26:1-20; John 13:3-17; Matt. 26:21-39; Luke 22:43-45; Matt. 26:40 - 27:2. 12 Gospels: 1) John 13:31-18:1; 2) John 18:1-28; 3) Matthew 26:57-75; 4) John 18:28-19:16; 5) Matthew 27:3-32; 6) Mark 15:16-32; 7) Matthew 27:33-54; 8) Luke 23:32-49; 9) John 19:25-37; 10) Mark 15:43-47; 11) John 19:38-42; 12) Matthew 27:62-66.

**Holy and Great Friday** - Royal Hours: 1<sup>st</sup> Hr.: Zechariah 11:10-13; Galatians 6:14-18; Matthew 27:1-56. Third Hr.: Isaiah 50:4-11; Romans 5:6-11; Mark 15:16-41. Sixth Hr.: Isaiah 52:13-54:1; Hebrews 2:11-18; Luke 23:32-49. Ninth Hour: Jeremiah 11:18-23; 12:1-5, 9-11, 14-15; Hebrews 10:19-31; John 18:28-19:37. \* Vespers: Exodus 33:11-23; Job 42:12-16; Isaiah 52:13-54:1; 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:2; Matthew 27:1-38; Luke 23:39-43; Matthew 27:39-54; John 19:31-37; Matthew 27:55-61.

**Holy and Great Saturday** - Matins: Ezekiel 37:1-14; 1 Corinthians 5:6-8; Matthew 27:62-66. Vespers with Liturgy: Vespers 1) Genesis 1:1-13; 2) Isaiah 60:1-16; 3) Exodus 12:1-11; 4) The Book of Jonah 5) Joshua 5:10-15; 6) Exodus 13:20-15:19; 7) Zephaniah 3:8-15; 8) 1 Kings 17:8-24; 9) Isaiah 61:10-62:5; 10) Genesis 22:1-18; 11) Isaiah 61:1-9; 12) 2 Kings 4:8-37; 13) Isaiah 63:11-64:5; 14) Jeremiah 31:31-34; 15) Daniel 3:1-23 and the Song of the holy Children Daniel 3:24-96. Liturgy: Romans 6:3-11; Matthew 28:1-20.

**Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ** - Acts 1:1-8; John 1:1-17; Vespers: John 20:19-25.

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## BEHOLD, THE KING COMES!

Jerusalem was filled with excitement! Jews from all over the world were coming to the great city for the annual celebration of Passover. One "Visitor", however was causing the greatest stir among the peoples. **JESUS OF NAZARETH WAS COMING!**



It was a curious crowd that greeted Christ as He entered Jerusalem, seated on a donkey like the prophets of old foretold. St. John's account of Palm Sunday mentions that many wanted to see the Lord because they had heard of His raising of Lazarus from the dead. Still others wanted to get a glimpse of the Man they hoped would lead them in a political revolt that would free them from the yoke of Roman oppression. No wonder Jesus was greeted with frenzied cries of "HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!" As the throng welcomed Him as the "King of the Israel", they spread palms and branches in His path as a way of paying homage to Him.

The joyfulness of the crowd is greatly contrasted by the sadness depicted on the face of our Lord in the traditional icon of Palm Sunday. He knows that His supporters will soon become detractors and that the cries of **CRUCIFY HIM!** will

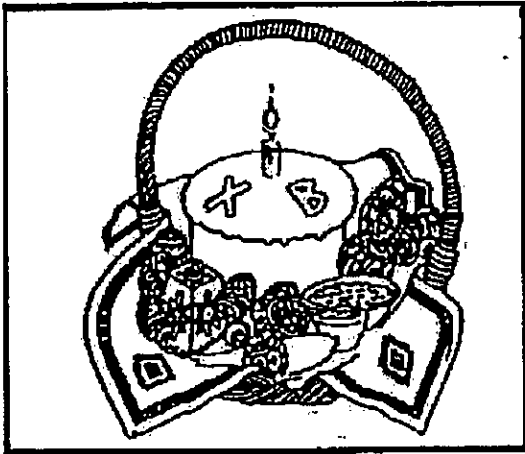


soon replace the shouts of adulation that echo along the streets of the Holy City. Above all, Christ understands few if any of His followers realize that His Kingdom is not of this world.

In like manner, the liturgical mood of the Church will change dramatically in the next few hours. The somber time of Holy Week will rapidly be upon us. As we enter these solemn days, may we place before our

King all that we hold precious in our lives and submit ourselves completely to Him. Only then can we experience the true significance of His joyful Resurrection from the dead.

## HOW TO PUT TOGETHER A "TRADITIONAL" BASKET FOR PASKA



Among our people, the custom of bringing a basket to Church on the Sunday of the Resurrection is an age old tradition. It stems from the desire of the Christian Community to ask God's blessing on the food that will break the Great Fast (Lent) and Holy Week and from which they have abstained from during this period. The religious significance attached to the foods eaten are symbolic of Christ Himself, our true Passover (Paska in Greek, Church Slavonic and Ukrainian). The prohibition of certain foods during Lent, namely, meat and dairy products, naturally become the main

staple during the festive time of the Resurrection celebration. Listed here are foods that are traditionally placed in a wicker basket and brought to the Church for the Resurrection Matins after which the great blessing takes place and then people take their foods home to be enjoyed by the whole family. It should be noted that if you have abstained from these foods during Lent and especially Holy Week, they will have a very special taste on Paska!

**PASKA** - The Bread for the Resurrection - A sweet yeast bread rich in eggs, butter, etc. symbolic of Christ Himself who is our true bread. Usually a round loaf baked with a golden crust decorated with a symbol indicative of Christ. Sometimes a Cross is placed on top of the dough encircled by a plait giving it a crowned effect or abbreviations for the name of Christ, namely: IC XC; XC (IC XC = Jesus Christ; XC = Christ) or XB; (Christ is Risen!).

**HAM - (SHINKA)** The flesh meat popular with our people as the main dish because of its richness and symbolic of the greater joy and abundance of Paska. Some may prefer lamb or veal (lamb, the symbol of the Passover Lamb which is Christ). This meat is usually roasted or cooked as well as other meats so that the festivity of the day will not be burdened with preparation and all may enjoy the Feast.

**SAUSAGE - (KOLBASSA)** - a spicy, garlicky sausage of pork products. Indicative of God's favor and generosity.

**BACON - (SLANYNA)** - a piece of uncooked bacon cured with spices. Symbolic of the overabundance of God's mercy towards us.

**CHEESE - (HRUDKA)** - a custard type cheese shaped like a ball and having a rather bland but sweet taste indicative of the moderation that Christians should have in all things. Also, creamed cheese is placed in a small dish and both are decorated in symbols out of cloves or pepper balls.

**HORSERADISH - (HREEN)** - Horseradish mixed with grated red beets. It is symbolic of the passion of Christ still in our minds but sweetened with some sugar because of the Resurrection.

**SALT - (SYL)** - A condiment necessary for flavor reminds the Christian of his duty to others.

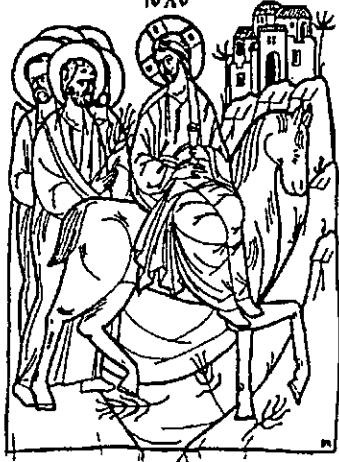
**EGGS - (PYSANKY)** - hard-boiled eggs brightly decorated with symbols and markings made with beeswax. Indicative of new life and Resurrection.

These articles are placed in a wicker basket and a light colored pastel ribbon or bow is tied to the handle. A decorated candle is placed in the basket and is lit at the time of blessing. A linen cover usually embroidered with an Icon of the Risen Christ or the words "Christ is Risen" is placed over the food. In some places a large Paska (Bread) is made and brought separately in a large linen cloth. Also, a sweet wine, if the origin of the people was from a wine growing area.

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ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

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### Timing is everything...

It was Palm Sunday and, because of strep throat, Sue's three-year-old son had to stay home from church with a baby-sitter. When the family returned home carrying palm branches, he asked what they were for.

"People held them over Jesus' head as he walked by," his mother explained.

"Wouldn't you know it," the boy fumed. "The one Sunday I didn't go, He showed up!"

## CHRIST'S PASSION BEGINS



Palm Sunday is a day of stark contrasts, for not only do we joyfully commemorate Christ's triumphant entrance into Jerusalem, but we also begin, with great sorrow, the time of His Passion. Throughout Holy Week, we will re-live some of the most significant events recorded in the Scriptures. We will walk in His footsteps as He carries His Cross. It will be a journey of emotional and spiritual "peaks and valleys", as we travel with Him from the Upper Room, to Gethsemane, to the chambers of the high priest, to the courtyard of Pilate and finally to Golgotha.

Christ's Passion is a story of cowardly behavior. Peter will deny even knowing the Lord while the other Apostles go into hiding, fearing for their own safety. It is a story of treachery. Judas will betray His Master for 30 pieces of silver. Herod will mock and humiliate Jesus while Roman soldiers will savagely beat Him. A vicious and hostile crowd will fill the air with cries of "Crucify Him!"

Still, Christ's Passion is also a story of bravery and heroics. Simon of Cyrene will come forth to assist the Lord in carrying His Cross when He is physically unable to continue His "death march" to Calvary. Joseph of Arimathea boldly approached Pilate and requested the Crucified Body of Jesus so that He could be properly buried. And who could ever forget the courage of the Myrrh-bearing Women, who showed no fear whatsoever as they approached Christ's heavily-guarded tomb that first Easter morning!

Above all, however, Christ's Passion is a story of salvation for mankind. As the drama of this week unfolds, let us call to mind the words of the third chapter of the Gospel of John: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that world through Him might be saved."

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## THE PASSION OF CHRIST THE LORD



The decisive hour in the life of Christ has come. It is Holy Week, that momentous series of days that have transformed the world. The Son of God and Son of Man comes solemnly into Jerusalem, and the stage is set for the fulfillment of the promises and desires of Almighty God.

The Icon of the Bridegroom sets the tone for the week. The Lord stands with his hands tied like a common criminal; He carries a reed as a mock scepter; He is draped in the "cloth" of pain; and His face bears the countenance of the suffering and death to come. The

Bridegroom is to be taken away from us, and so the days of sadness are at hand.

At the beginning of the week, the Parable of the Ten Virgins is read at services. It is found in the 25<sup>th</sup> Chapter of St. Matthew. This hymn reflects the significance of that story: "Behold the Bridegroom comes at midnight. Blessed is the servant whom He shall find awake. But unworthy is he whom He shall find neglectful. Beware therefore O my soul! Do not be weighed down with sleep, lest you be given up to death and lest you be shut out of the Kingdom. Watch instead and cry out, Holy, Holy, Holy are You, O God."

Then as the week continues, we come to the commemoration of the betrayal by Judas, the washing of the disciples feet, the institution of the Mystical Supper, the Passion and Death of the Lord, Christ's descent into Hades and finally the culmination of all things, the day of all days - "the Day which the Lord has made."

### THE FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION



The hymns of Vespers sung on the Feast of the Annunciation of the Mother of God beautifully explain the feast. One of these especially gives us much food for meditation. "The archangel Gabriel went down from heaven to announce to the Virgin that she would conceive. He came down over Nazareth, meditating, bewildered by this wondrous event and saying: How can the One beyond understanding, the Most High Himself, come to be born of a virgin? How can the One whose throne is heaven, to whom the earth serves as a footstool, ever be contained in a woman's womb? How could He condescend to be incarnate

of her at a single word that only she can say, He upon whom the Six-Winged and Many-Eyed Seraphim are not allowed to gaze? He who is coming is the Word of God! Why do I hesitate instead of saying to the Maiden: Rejoice, O Woman full of grace! The Lord is with you. Rejoice, pure Virgin! Rejoice, O Bride and maiden ever-pure! Rejoice, O Mother of Life! Blessed is the fruit of your womb?"

The joy of the Incarnation is readily seen in the Icon of the Annunciation. Everything in the Icon leads to and is centered on the Mother of God. The very posture of the Archangel Gabriel with us right hand extended toward the Mother of God is both a greeting and a communication. The Mother of God is shown with an initial perplexed reaction. She accepts the message and gives her consent. The ray of light descending upon the Virgin illustrates the fulfillment of the message: "The Holy Spirit will come upon you and the power of the Most High will overshadow you" (Luke 1:35).

## Walking towards the Light::

### A Spiritual Reflection the Final Days of Great Lent

As the sun begins to set on the sacred landscape of the Great Fast, we now find ourselves at the edge of the final five days of Great and Holy Lent. These days are like the last stretch of a pilgrimage - a moment where the soul, weathered yet awakened by repentance, prepares to pass through the gates of the Holy City with Christ. The time is short, yet its spiritual potential is great. These final days are an invitation from the Lord Himself to make that last, earnest push toward the mystery of the Cross and the unfathomable joy of the Empty Tomb.

For the past five weeks, we have journeyed through a wilderness not of sand, but of the soul. We have fasted, prayed, confessed, forgiven, and perhaps we have stumbled and stood again. Every week has taught us something essential:

- The First Week called us to *purification* - a beginning marked by the Sunday of Forgiveness and the great call to humility and the cleansing of the heart.
- The Second Week brought us the image of St. Gregory Palamas and the triumph of the inner Light of Christ shining in the soul through unceasing prayer and stillness.
- The Third Week, with the veneration of the Cross, reminded us that the path to life leads through Golgotha, and only through self-sacrifice can true joy be found.
- The Fourth Week, shaped by the ascetical vision of St. John Climacus, instructed us in spiritual warfare, calling us to climb the ladder of divine ascent one virtue at a time.
- The Fifth Week brought us face to face with St. Mary of Egypt - a soul once lost in the far country of sin, but who became radiant through repentance in the desert.
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And now - now we are in the final days, the very edge of the Promised Land. The Lord calls us: "*Come, let us go up to Jerusalem*" (Matt. 20:18). This is not a time to relax or let go; it is a time to renew our zeal with fire. For it is in these last moments that grace often does its deepest work.

The Church, like a loving mother, urges us to finish well. There is still time to weep with repentance. There is still time to forgive someone we have not yet forgiven. There is still time to pray from the heart, to confess our sins, to feed someone who hungers, to give alms, to be reconciled.

Saint Basil the Great teaches, *"Repentance is the renewal of baptism. Repentance is a contract with God for a second life."* These final days are the final pages of our contract. The pen is still in our hands. *Will we sign our name to this covenant with love, humility, and faith?*

We are reminded of the parable of the workers in the vineyard - those who came at the eleventh hour received the same reward as those who labored from the beginning. If you feel that Lent has slipped away too quickly, or that your fast has faltered - do not despair. Now is the eleventh hour. Now is the moment to begin anew. As Saint John of the Ladder says, *"Do not be surprised that you fall every day; do not give up, but stand your ground courageously."*

These final days are crowned by Lazarus Saturday and Palm Sunday - feasts that act as bridges between Lent and Holy Week. They are not merely commemorations of past events but revelations of Christ's divine power and love. In raising Lazarus, Christ declares His authority over death itself - a sign of the Resurrection to come. In His triumphal entry into Jerusalem, He accepts the praise of children and the adoration of the crowds, even as He sets His face toward the Cross.

The paradox is profound: victory through death, glory through humility, kingship through crucifixion. And we are invited into this paradox.

Holy Week then opens like a sacred door, and we are beckoned to walk with Christ not only as admirers but as participants. Will we stay awake with Him in the garden? Will we follow Him to the judgment hall? Will we carry our own crosses behind Him? Will we stand at the foot of His Cross with the Theotokos and the beloved disciple? And at last - will we be there at the tomb, not with spices of sorrow, but with the burning hope of Resurrection?

Saint Theodore the Studite once said, *"Let us make haste toward our Pascha, the saving Passover of God, which brings us from death to life, from earth to heaven, from sorrow to joy."* These final five days are a time to hasten, to rouse our hearts, to gather every spiritual strength we have been given. This is not merely the end of a season; it is the threshold of eternity.

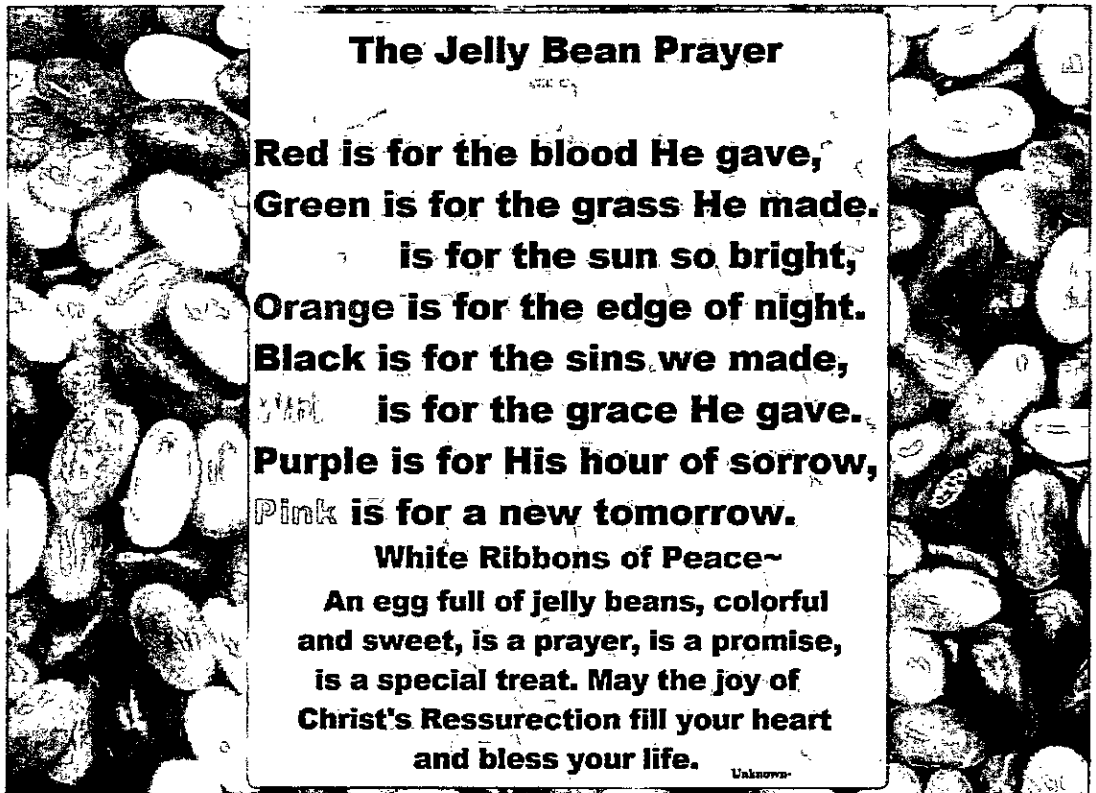
Let us therefore lift up our hearts and finish the Fast with joy. Let us not fear the suffering of Holy Week, for it is the path to unspeakable light. Let us not mourn as those who have no hope, but as those who know that the tomb will be empty, and that Christ will trample down death by death.

And when the light of Pascha dawns, may we be able to say with St. Gregory the Theologian: *"Yesterday I was crucified with Him; today I am glorified with Him. Yesterday I was dead with Him; today I am made alive with Him. Yesterday I was buried with Him; today I rise with Him."*

Brothers and sisters in Christ - take courage! Be strong. Be humble. Be vigilant. The Bridegroom is near. The Resurrection is at hand.

**+Archbishop Daniel**

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**The Jelly Bean Prayer**

**Red is for the blood He gave,  
Green is for the grass He made.  
Yellow is for the sun so bright,  
Orange is for the edge of night.  
Black is for the sins we made,  
White is for the grace He gave.  
Purple is for His hour of sorrow,  
Pink is for a new tomorrow.**

**White Ribbons of Peace~**

**An egg full of jelly beans, colorful  
and sweet, is a prayer, is a promise,  
is a special treat. May the joy of  
Christ's Ressurrection fill your heart  
and bless your life.**

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Thanks to Sandy Cramer

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY** - is expressed to Dawn Daniels, 4/7; Barbara Mancuso, 4/7 & Rita Poslynsyj, 4/9. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy and blessed years!

**GOOD FRIDAY – PASKA SIGN UP SHEET** – is in the back of the Church. Please make plans to give up an hour to be at the Tomb of Our Lord!!

### **DONATIONS FOR FLOWERS FOR PASCHA**

We shall be taking donations to help pay for the flowers that we ordered to decorate the Tomb for Good Friday and the Church for Pascha. You can donate in memory of a loved one or for the health of a loved one(s). If you are interested, donation per flower is \$15. Please fill out a form and give them to Linda Hnatow. Thanks.

**EASTER EGG HUNT** – will take place for our youth today after the Divine Liturgy. Please register with Pani Elizabeth. Thanks.

### **MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

(Please find a substitute if you cannot make a given week)

April 5 – Sonya Patronik and John Plachuta

April 12 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas

April 19 – Linda Hnatow and Matthew Andreas

April 26 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patronik

May 3 – Victor Kaliakin and Sonya Patroniik

May 10 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow

May 17 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow

### **CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

Week of April 6 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of April 13 - Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi

Week of April 20 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus

Week of April 27 – John Plachuta and David Lazaration

Week of May 4 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of May 11 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly

Week of May 18 - Mark & Laura Andreas

**SCHEDULING FOR THE PARISH** – Please remember that all events, work parties, use of the hall must be cleared through the calendar kept by Father Stephen so that dueling events can be avoided.

**BAZAAR NEWS** – What a great Bazaar! We will net at least \$30K! Thanks to everyone working together. God bless!

**100th ANNIVERSARY** – will be held on Saturday, July 17th, 2027 with a 10:00 AM – Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with a Banquet at the Claymont Ballroom. Mark your calendars! Our first fund Raiser for the event is the sale of T-shirts (\$10) polo shirts (\$15 ) and sweat shirts (\$20) with the Anniversary Logo on them thanks to the art and stitching work of Michael Kapelus.

### **MEETINGS**

**Parish Board** – Tuesday, April 14 @ 6:30 PM

### **READERS MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

April 5 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick

April 12 - Thomas Sulpizi

April 19 - John Plachuta

April 26 - Linda Hnatow

May 3 - Jean Roeth

May 10 - Andrew Duncan

May 17 - Thomas Scholz

### **CALENDER OF EVENTS - 2026**

Sunday, April 5 – Palm Sunday – Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, April 12 – Resurrection of the Lord

Sunday, April 19 – St. Thomas Sunday – Visiting Cemeteries

Sunday May 10 – Mother’s Day Dinner

Sunday, May 31 – Pentecost

Monday, June 8 – Apostle’ Fast

Saturday, June 13 – Hall Rented

Sunday, June 21 – Father’s Day Dinner

Sunday, July 12 – Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul – Patronal Dinner

Saturday, August 1 – UOL Flea Market

Saturday, November 7 – Fall Bazaar

Saturday, November 28 – St. Philip Fast

Sunday, December 20 – UOL Cookie Sale

### **GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

April 5 - Sonya Patronik

**April 12** - Zina Twardus and Nancy Tur

April 19 - David and Eve Lazaration

April 26 - Sandy Cramer

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL – Metropolitan**

Antony, Archbishop Daniel, Archimandrite Raphael, Father George Bazylevsky, Father Vasyl Dovhan, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Andrew Molewski, Father Anthony Ugolnik, Father James Weremedic, Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Matushka Andrejuk, Matushka Laura Odell, Matushka Lisa Weremedic, Pani Matka Oksanna Bazylevsky, Pani Matka Maryann Ozlanski, Jonathan Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Joyce Belles, Joyce Bendoakas, Ethel Bernhard, Irene Billon, James Bolton, Maria Borowenski, Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Erik Colazo, Alex Czernik, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, George Daniels, Taylor Davis, Peter DiVirgilio, James Dudrick, Kathleen Dugan, Mary Eagleton, Maria Economou, Rose Eldridge, Archantula Fanjoy, Mary Farrell, Kandi Fullerton, James Garrett, Lisa Gee, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovnirov, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Richard Haslam, Rick Hastings, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Alicia Hlywak, John Hlywak, Nancy Hlywiak, Daniel Holoviak, Jennifer Huertes, Serhii Ivashyna, Violet Jaskolka, Stephen Johnson, Bill Jones, Linda Josepinson, Michael Kapelus, Walter Katolik, Diane Keyser, Wendy Klinedinst, Tommy Knight, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Francis Lano, Ed Lavender, Ron Lazaration, Joan Libera, Karen Livick, Sara Long, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Jeremy Madea, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Frederick McCarthy, Fred McKirachan, Stephen McNulty, Ronald Michel, Mary Ann Michalcewicz, Michelle Michalcewiz, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Karen Needham, Julie Neff, Ann Nester, Rick Orner, Sienna Ozboya, Betty Painter, Anastasios Pantelopulos, Anthony Pantelopulos, Daphne Pantelopulos, George Pantelopulos, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry Pinkowicz, Janilyn Pinkowicz, Bernice Pinkowicz, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Chuck Redden, Patricia Redden, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Sandy Roeder, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, Jeff Rozwadowski, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, Richard Scharba, Isaac Schmidt, Clay Seman, John Serth, Larissa Sth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Alexandra Sparco, Natalia Stanford, Rich Steinman, Cynthia Stepovij, Nicholas Stepovij, Joseph Stevens, Noel Strobino, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Michael Synczyszyn, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, John Tomei, Mark Tomei, Violet Tomei, Aria Tonner, Mariel Trimble, Martha Vignali, Jack Vognetz, Margaret Vognetz, Marilyn Wagner, Olena Wasylevska, James Watts, Chris Way, Leah Way, Barbara Weeks, Laura Worley, Jack Ziegler & James Zook

\* \* \* **WHO IS THIS MAN?** \* \* \*

**W**hile all four Evangelists offer an account of Christ's triumphant entrance into Jerusalem on the first PALM SUNDAY, St. Matthew provides a thought-provoking verse in his Gospel: "And when He had come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying: WHO IS THIS MAN?" (Matthew 21:10) Indeed, this question sets the tone for Holy Week, for everything we re-live in the coming days will hinge on Who people perceived Christ to be.

Some thought that He was a great Teacher; others a mighty Warrior, Who would lead them to victory over the Romans and establish again the ancient kingdom of Israel. The religious leaders viewed Him as a dangerous Revolutionary, Who would bring the wrath of Rome down upon them if He were not stopped. Although the masses greeted Christ with palms and cheered His coming to the Holy City, we can rightly conclude that they did not really know Who He was.

For us to fully benefit from the sacred days ahead, we must be able to properly answer that question: WHO IS THIS MAN? Jesus Christ is much more than a Teacher, Healer, Prophet or Social Activist. He is our GOD. He is our SAVIOR. He is our REDEEMER. He is our Heavenly KING.

If we truly know Who Christ is, we can never be lukewarm in our feelings for Him. Christ said it Himself: "He who is not with Me is against Me." (Matthew 12:30) Yes, if we love and serve Him with our entire being, then when the sadness of Holy Week is transformed into the joy of the Resurrection, we will be able to abundantly share in Christ's triumph over death.