

**DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**

**Sunday of the Ointment Bearers, April 19, 2015**

10:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

**Monday, April 20, 2015**

No Liturgy Scheduled

**Tuesday, April 21, 2015**

7:20 AM Lit. + John & Sophie Terefenko - Legate

**Wednesday, April 22, 2015**

7:20 AM Lit. + Joseph & Ann Kopi - Legate

**Thursday, April 23, 2015 - Feast of St. George**

7:20 AM Lit. + Natalia r/by Dubitsky Family

**Friday, April 24, 2015**

8:00 AM Lit. + William Adamshick

r/by Kwiecinski Family

**Saturday, April 25, 2015**

8:00 AM Lit. + John & Helen Bulecza - Legate

5:00 PM Lit. + Charles, John Stek

r/by Ann Marie Stek

**Sunday of the Paralytic Man, April 26, 2015**

*Epistle - Acts 9:32-42; Gospel - Jn 5:1-15*

9:00 AM Lit. + Nicholas & Anna Hlywa r/by Nick Lyszyk

11:30 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

**Today: Myrrh-bearing Women**

On this Third Sunday of Pascha, we honor the Myrrh-bearing Women who cared for the body of Our Savior at His death, and, who were the first witnesses of His Glorious Resurrection. As we read in Holy Scripture, these women had been together throughout Our Lord's public ministry. Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Susanna, and others (Luke 8:3) are described as providing for Jesus out of their possessions. Today we honor their love, faithfulness and dedication, as they faithfully followed Christ Our Savior and continued to proclaim the Good News of Salvation.

**Ukrainian Festival in Our Parish**

Our third cultural festival will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2015. Parishioners who are willing to work some hours at the festival and be chairpersons of designated working areas are welcome to come to the FIRST FESTIVAL MEETING on this Tuesday, April 21 at 7:00 p.m. and take part in the discussion. We are always looking for new ideas and would like to hear yours.

**Mothers Day**

On Sunday May 10, 2014 we will remember all of our Mothers at the Sunday Divine Liturgy. There will be petitions for their health and continued blessings, and a requiem service, panachyda, for all our Mothers who have died, that the Lord God remembers them. If you wish to have your living or deceased mother remembered during the Liturgy, please use your yellow Mothers Day envelope and place it in the collection basket. The list of mothers and donors will be published in our bulletin provided the envelopes are turned in by Sunday, May 3.

**No Kneeling**

Please remember, according to tradition there is no kneeling at any time from Pascha to Pentecost Sunday. In the Eastern Catholic Tradition, the action of kneeling and prostrating is a penitential posture. It is the position of a sinner seeking forgiveness. Standing (the proper position of adoration in the East) on the other hand, is the position of giving praise and thanks to God in the spirit of joy and happiness. During the Paschal Season (Easter to Pentecost), the time for repentance, and fasting, is over. It is the time of our salvation for "Christ is Risen!"

**Pastor's Corner:**

Dear Fr. Roman Dubitsky,

*Congratulations on the Jubilee of your Priesthood. It's a privilege to serve at today's Liturgy to honor a half century of a man's work proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ. It's certainly an inspiration to my priesthood, to concelebrate at an event like this. Your selfless ministry in Christ has been inspiring, fruitful, worthy of the Lord and pleasing to Him. Many Thanks. The poem below, called "The Beautiful Hands of a Priest," says it all about You and Your ministry in God's vineyard.*

**The Beautiful Hands of a Priest**

We need them in life's early morning.

We need them again at its close.

We feel their warm clasp of true friendship.

We seek them when tasting life's woes.

At the altar each day we behold them,

And the hands of a king on his throne

Are not equal to them in their greatness.

Their dignity stands all alone.

And when we are tempted and wander

To pathways of shame and of sin,

It's the hand of a priest that will absolve us —

Not once, but again and again.

And when we are taking life's partner,

Other hands may prepare us a feast,

But the hand that will bless and unite us

Is the beautiful hand of a priest.

God bless them and keep them all holy, for the Host that their fingers caress.

When can a poor sinner do better

Than to ask Him to guide thee and bless?

When the hour of death comes upon us,

May our courage and strength be increased

By seeing raised over us in blessing

The beautiful hands of a priest.

**Icon Writing Workshop**

The Sisters of the Order of Saint Basil the Great invite you to participate in a unique Icon Writing Workshop! Acclaimed iconographer Father Damian Higgins, Abbot of Transfiguration Monastery in Redwood Valley, CA, is presenting two separate workshops at the Basilian Spirituality Center in Jenkintown: May 19-24 or May 26-31. The workshops combine a spiritual and artistic experience, and appeal to people of all abilities. Price is \$425 for 5½ days of classes, including breakfast, lunch and all materials. For more information, go to <http://www.stbasils.com/spirituality-icons.html> or call Sister Charlene at 215-780-1227 or email [basilcenter@stbasils.com](mailto:basilcenter@stbasils.com)

**Women's Day of Prayer**

St. Ann's Society of our parish invites all women to a night of fellowship, prayer and a free covered dish dinner to be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2015 at 7:00 PM. A Moleben to the Blessed Mother of God and the Rosary will be celebrated. The homilist will be Very Rev. Joseph Szupa, Chancellor of the Philadelphia Archeparchy. The theme for his reflection shall be "Blessed Mary, the example of Christian Service." Contact St. Ann Society president Melanie Fedynyshyn at 732-442-4632 or email [melaniep@comcast.net](mailto:melaniep@comcast.net). You may also contact the parish rectory at 732-826-0767.

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