

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK**5th Sunday of the Great Fast, March 13, 2016**

9:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

11:30 AM Lit. + John Diakun r/by Wife, Jeanette

Monday, March 14, 2016

No Liturgy Scheduled

Tuesday, March 15, 2016

6:30 PM - Stations of the Cross (English)

Wednesday, March 16, 20168:45 AM - Lit. + Harry Masley; Joseph & Ann Romanetz
- Legate

6:30 PM - Stations of the Cross (Ukrainian)

Thursday, March 17, 2016

7:30 AM - Lit. John & Josephine Kwiecinski - Legate

Friday, March 18, 2016

6:30 PM - Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

Saturday, March 19, 2016

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy and Lenten Commemoration

5:00 PM Lit. + Roman & Irene Ambrozewycz
r/by Roman & Cathy**Palm Sunday, March 20, 2016***Epistle - Phil 4:4-9; Gospel - Jn 12:1-18*

9:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

11:30 AM Lit. Special Intention

St. Ann Society will meet today, Sunday, March 13 after the 11:30 Divine Liturgy.

Easter Egg Hunt

A special treat for the youngest members of our parish will be held on Palm Sunday, March 20, after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Liturgies. The children will hunt for eggs around the church and rectory grounds. The eggs will be stuffed with candies and money. The event is sponsored by the Holy Name Society. All small children must be accompanied by an adult.

Lenten Mission March 18, 19, 20, 2016

This year's Lenten Parish Mission will begin on Friday, March 18 at the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, and will continue on Saturday and Palm Sunday, March 19 and 20. The mission will be conducted by Rev. Yuriy Banga. There will be a spiritual talk at each service scheduled during the Lenten mission and time for the Sacrament of Repentance. Please plan to attend.

Festival Meeting

Our festival this year will take place on Saturday, June 25, 2016. The first committee meeting will take place on Monday, April 4, 2016 at 7:00 PM in the church hall.

Property Insurance

Due in March, our parish recently paid property insurance in the amount of \$31,620.00. This, the biggest expense of our parish, was paid to the Archdiocese of Philadelphia that provides the insurance for our church and facilities. This bill is always paid from the funds that we raise with our fundraising activities during the year.

Donations to Church**In Memory of + RONALD HUTNICK:**

\$50.00 - Anthony & Judith Bruno

\$50.00 - Mary Ann Makar

\$50.00 - Barbara, Jerry, Teresa, Chrissy Weber

\$25.00 - Lemke Bogar

\$25.00 - Marlene Kucharzek

\$25.00 - Peggy Liberti

\$20.00 - Eileen Langrin

\$20.00 - Rose Anne Pelo

\$20.00 - Beverly Sarpa

\$20.00 - Eileen Vogel

Today: 5th Sunday of the Great Fast

Dearly beloved in Christ, we have now reached the 5th Sunday of the Great Fast, as we continue to approach the life-giving Passion and Resurrection of the Lord. The time grows short. The eyes of the enemy of our souls are ceaselessly upon us. It is time to remind ourselves of the words of our Lord to His disciples, "Why are you sleeping? Rise and pray that you may be spared the test" (Luke 22:46). As part of our Lenten journey we focus today on the life of St. Mary of Egypt and realize that it is never too late in life, or in Lent, to repent. Christ will gladly receive all who come to him with sincere repentance.

2016 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**Palm Saturday, March 19**5:00 PM Divine Liturgy (Eng.) *Blessing of willows***Palm Sunday, March 20**9:00 PM Divine Liturgy (Ukr.) *Blessing of willows*11:30 PM Divine Liturgy (Eng.) *Blessing of willows***Holy Monday, March 21**

7:00 PM Akathist to the Divine Passion Of Christ

Holy Tuesday, March 22

7:00 PM Liturgy of The Pre-Sanctified Gifts

Holy Wednesday, March 23

7:00 PM Liturgy of The Pre-Sanctified Gifts

Holy Thursday, March 24

7:00 PM Matins,

Reading of the Twelve Passion Gospels.

Good Friday, March 25 -**Feast of the Annunciation**

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy with Burial Vespers and Procession (School children sing)

7:00 PM Jerusalem Matins

Holy Saturday, March 26

12 noon- 2:00 p.m. Confessions

2:00 PM and 4:00 PM

Blessing of Easter Baskets in the school hall

6:30 PM Service at the Grave - Nadhrobne

7:00 PM Procession and Resurrection Matins

Easter Sunday (Pascha), March 27

9:00 AM Divine Liturgy in Ukrainian -

Blessing of Easter Baskets outside the church

11:30 AM Divine Liturgy in English

Special Liturgical Observance:**Annunciation On Good Friday**

This year Byzantine Catholics, on the new or Gregorian calendar, will observe a rare liturgical combination. The Annunciation of the Theotokos (March 25) falls on Great and Holy Friday (Good Friday). This happened in 2005 and before that in 1932. The Typikon (the book which regulates the liturgical services) directs that the Eucharist be celebrated when Annunciation Falls on Good Friday. Good Friday/Annunciation Vespers with the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom along with the procession of the burial shroud of our Lord is to be celebrated. The strict fast is still to be observed. (This service will be at 9:00 AM on Good Friday here at Assumption parish). The premise behind this in Byzantine Tradition is to preserve the perfect nine-month period from Our Lord's conception, which we celebrate on March 25th, and His holy birth on Dec. 25th. Because of this the Byzantine Tradition does not transfer the observance of Annunciation but celebrates it wherever it falls - even on Pascha (Easter Sunday) which will happen in 2035

St. Ann's Gift Auction

I want to express my most sincere appreciation and gratitude to all the women from St. Ann's Society for running a successful "Bunny Hop Tricky Tray" Gift Auction on Sunday, March 6, 2016. Everyone seems to agree that it was a big success. The dedication you all show is inspiring. Thanks goes to men from the Holy Name Society for cooking on the kitchen and also to everyone who came out and supported this year's auction.

Fr. Ivan