

**DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK****1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent, March 10, 2019**

9:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners  
11:30 AM Lit. + Myron Kataryniak r/by Wife, Eleanor

**Tuesday, March 12, 2019**

7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (English)

**Wednesday, March 13, 2019**

8:45 AM Lit. + Hutnick, Kataryniak Families - Legate  
7:00 PM Stations of the Cross (Ukrainian)

**Friday, March 15, 2019**

7:00 PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

**Saturday, March 16, 2019**

9:00 AM Lit. Divine Liturgy and Lenten Commemoration  
5:00 PM Lit. + Glenys Romanko r/by Children

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent, March 17, 2019**

Epistle - Heb 1:10-2:3; Gospel - Mk 2:1-12

9:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners  
11:30 AM Lit. + Loretta Suto r/by Daughter

**Join Deacon Paul on a Spiritual Journey through Lent**

On Tuesdays, following Stations of the Cross, Deacon Paul will be presenting a series of short talks to help us understand the importance of Lent and preparing for Pascha (Our Lord's Resurrection). There will be four consecutive Tuesday sessions that last about 30 minutes each. Take a little time out of your weekly schedule to reconnect with God.

**St. Ann Society**

A meeting will be held today, March 10, following the 11:30 Divine Liturgy. A light lunch will be provided.

**Senior Citizens Club**

The Seniors will meet on Thursday, March 14, at 12:00 PM in the church hall.

**Paint and Sip**

Assumption Catholic is hosting a Paint and Sip Event on Thursday, March 28, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person. Call the rectory or school to get tickets.

**Divine Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts**

The Divine Liturgy being the banquet of Christ is a festive, joyous, and triumphant celebration. The ancient discipline of the Byzantine Rite did not permit such celebration during the season of Great Fast (Lent), this being the time of penance and mourning for sin. The Church, knowing that Christ is our greatest strength and support during our earthly pilgrimage, allows us to celebrate a communion service on certain days of the Great Fast. This service, called the Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts is not a true Divine Liturgy because it contains no consecration of bread and wine into Body and Blood of Christ. The Holy Communion that we receive at a Liturgy of Pre-Sanctified Gifts is the specie of consecrated bread only. Unconsecrated wine is added for reasons of taste and facility in swallowing the Holy Communion.

This special service, a combination of Vespers and communion ritual, is traditionally celebrated in our church at 7:00 p.m. on Fridays of the six weeks of Great Fast, and on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of Holy Week. Its authorship is sometimes attributed to St Gregory Dialogos who prior to becoming Pope of Rome (St Gregory the Great) served in Constantinople as a papal envoy. It is more probable that St Gregory merely recorded this ancient Liturgy from oral tradition and on his return to Rome introduced it to the Western Church.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations and Best Wishes are extended to the following upon receiving the Holy Mysteries of Christian Initiation: Baptism, Chrismation and Holy Eucharist.

SOPHIA LYNN DECARLO

Daughter of Nicholas & Sandra (Barger) DeCarlo

KATERYNA LYSTIUK

Daughter of Mykhaylo and Olga (Kholod) Lystyuk

**THANK YOU** to all those who planned, donated, worked at the gift tables, kitchen, bake table, made coffee, and supported the St. Ann Society gift auction in our parish this past Sunday! By all measures, it was a huge success! I especially would like to thank all of those volunteers-ladies who worked so long and hard to make this day a success. Thanks to Mrs. Colette Baginsky -President of St. Ann for chairing this event, and for the tremendous commitment of time and energy she has given to assure that our Gift Auction would be a memorable and successful event.

**2019 Respect Life Poster Contest**

Out of 240 posters submitted, our parish school 5th grader, Kiera, won 2nd place for the Diocese of Metuchen Catholic Schools Week poster contest. Way to go Kiera! The theme this year was: "How can we do as Jesus has asked us and love others who look different from us? How can we celebrate our differences?" Her art work was beautiful and her message was powerful. When Mrs. Shumny announced the big news, everyone was so proud of her!

**Missionary Appeal**

Most Rev. Andriy Rabyi has asked several parishes in the NJ Deanery to host the Sisters of the Order of Saint Basil the Great from Ukraine. Our parish will be visited by the Sisters on Sunday, March 30. They will share with us their courageous evangelization efforts of working with elderly and children and give us an opportunity to support their work in Ukraine. On that Sunday after each Liturgy they will have a short presentation. Donations can be dropped off in the collection box at the back of the church. Checks should be made payable to the parish or Donation for Slovita Holy Trinity province. Thank you in advance for your generosity. Please read the attached letter from the Sisters.

**One Hour With Jesus**

In the Garden of Gethsemani, before His crucifixion, Jesus asked His Apostles, "Could you not keep watch with me for one hour?" Spending one hour with Jesus during Lenten Services is a wonderful way of reconnecting with Christ. Let us set aside at least one hour a week in front of the Blessed Sacrament praying for peace in the world, especially in Ukraine.

**Women's Evening of Prayer**

On Tuesday evening, May 7, 2019 at 6:30 p.m., the ladies from St. Ann's Society invite all ladies from our parish to participate in a Moleben to the Blessed Mother of God, followed by a homily "Blessed are the pure of heart: The life of Mary" preached by Very Rev. John Seniv, Pastor of St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Church in Northampton, PA. It is our hope that you will join us not only in these prayerful devotions, but also in fellowship afterwards in our church hall as guests for refreshments.

**Sincere Sympathies**

Our most sincere sympathies are extended to the family and friends of + PHYLLIS TROSKY who was recently called to her eternal reward.

**Native American Wisdom**

An elderly Cherokee Native American was teaching his grandchildren about life.....He said to them, "A fight is going on inside me, it is a terrible fight and it is between two wolves. One wolf is evil.....he is fear, anger, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, competition, superiority, and ego. The other is good.....he is joy, peace, love, hope, sharing, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, friendship, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith. This same fight is going on inside you, and inside every other person, too." They thought about it for a minute and then one child asked his grandfather, "Which wolf will win?" The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."

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