Epistle - Heb 6:13-20:6; Gospel - Mk 9:17-31; Tone 3

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

4th Sunday of the Great Fast, March 27, 2022

9:00 AM - Lit. + Tetiyana r/by Daughter, Lyuba Korkh 11:30 AM - Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners

Tuesday, March 29, 2022

6:30 PM - Stations of the Cross, English

Wednesday, March 30, 2022

8:45 AM - Lit. + Maria Evangelina dos Santos r/by ACS

6:30 PM - Stations of the Cross, Ukrainian

Friday, April 1, 2022

6:30 PM - Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts

Saturday, April 2, 2022

9:00 AM - Divine Liturgy and Lenten Commemoration

5:00 PM - Lit. God's Blessings on Morgan & Michael

r/by Parents

5th Sunday of the Great Fast, April 3, 2022 Epistle - Heb 9:11-14; Gospel - Mk 10:32-45

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

11:30 AM - Lit. + Richard Kerzetski r/by Family

Lenten Mission-Confession.

This year, for the Lenten mission we welcome to our parish Fr. Ihor Kolisnyk, C.Ss.R., a Redemptorist Father and an assistant pastor of St. John Ukrainian Catholic Church in Newark NJ. Please use the opportunity to go to confession before Easter. In the Sacrament of Penance, the priest is ambassador to you of Christ's loving forgiveness.

Plaschanytsia - Tomb Guards.

We would like to keep our church open on Great Friday and Holy Saturday (during, after and between the services), so that people could come any time to venerate and pray as the Holy Shroud is placed in the church. We need our Parishioners to be in church at that time as Plashchanycia guards. In the church vestibule, there is a sign-up sheet where you can sign in your name (s) and help in this matter. Please dedicate one hour of your life to Our Lord. Thank you!

Sviachene - Easter Dinner

We are happy to announce that our annual Parish Easter Dinner/Sviachene will be held in the school hall on Sunday, May 1st, 2022 following a 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy. As in the past, only one liturgy will be held that Sunday. The dinner will consist of traditional Easter food, such as ham, kobasa, eggs, paska, cold salads, beets with horseradish, etc.

This year marks the 35th anniversary of Deacon Paul Makar's Ordination to the Diaconate and his milestone will be recognized at the Sviachene. Tickets are available today and for the next couple of weeks in the church vestibule and at coffee hour. The cost is minimal, \$10 per adult, all children \$5.

Paska and Bread Sale

Our parish will be having an Easter Paska sale this year. Round Paska \$15 and Small Braided Loaf \$5.

Please sign up in the vestibule or call the Rectory at 732-826-0767. All orders to be placed by APRIL 10.

Pickup will be Holy Thursday (April14) between 5 and 8 pm or Good Friday (April 15) after the 9am Vespers until 11 pm. Pickup is in the church basement.

Pre-Cana Conference

If you are planning to get marry in our church, please be advised that this year's Pre-Cana Conference will be held at St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Newark on Saturday, April 2nd, 2022, from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm. Conference fee: \$150 per couple. Please, register as soon as possible, as space is limited. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Fr. Ivan for a registration form or Lada Bidiak, tel.: 917-842-1109.

<u>Ukrainian Parish Festival</u>

In connection with the bloody, unprecedented war in Ukraine, we are canceling this year's parish festival and focusing all our attention on charitable assistance to our ancestral homeland.

Donation to Church

\$50.00 - In loving memory of + KEN FRANKEL by Marie & son Doug

Donations to Aid Ukraine - UNITED FOR UKRAINE.

Thank you all for your solidarity in helping the people of Ukraine. We are overwhelmed by the response from our local community and our parishioners. This past week, our church received many generous donations, totalling over \$16,000.00. We will print the names of the donors of \$500.00 or more.

David Halpern	\$ 5	5,000.00
Ana Mae & Ed O'Connor	\$ 1	1,100.00
FSA from Prayer Vigil	\$	866.00
Maeira Halpern	\$	720.00
CASH	\$	684.00
Freeman, M/M Joseph	\$	600.00
Gnatowski, Barbara	\$	500.00
NJ State Retired Police/Firemen Local #9	\$	500.00
Knights of Columbus, Our Lady of Victories, Parl	\$	500.00
South Amboy NJ Parade Committee	\$	500.00
Redus-Tarchis, Cindy	\$	500.00
Alan Schall	\$	500.00
Matthew C. Luftig	\$	500.00

We would like to acknowledge a donation of \$250.00 from St. Peter's Episcopal Church, that also had a group attend the prayer vigil at City Hall recently.

I was also truly honored to speak and participate at the breakfast sponsored by the Ancient Order of Hibernians, Middlesex County Div #1, South Amboy, NJ. At the event I received generous donations from various organizations AOH, and Retired police and firefighters Association.

Pastor's Report on the Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine.

We continue to pray for peace and for an end to the aggression against the good people of Ukraine. I cannot help but to remind you that many of our parishioners have families and friends now caught up in a senseless war. They need our help and our parish is working tirelessly to provide humanitarian assistance to the people of Ukraine. This is what we did so far:

- 1. We sent checks totaling \$23,500 to the Ukrainian Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia Humanitarian Aid Fund. This total includes \$10,000 from our parish and over \$13,500 in checks sent to us but written to Ukrainian Archeparchy. Also, many of our parishioners send their checks directly to the Ukrainian Archeparchy.
- 2. We sent a check of \$10,000 to the Ukrainian Hero Fund in Chicago that will be used to buy protective military gear for the soldiers.
- 3. We have been collecting medical supplies for the past two weeks and spent a lot of time sorting and boxing up those donations. With a little muscle and a lot of faith, recently we sent 27 boxes (987 lb) of medical supplies to Ukraine. The 2 palets of supplies were sent to Sambir Drohobych Seminary, to the attention of Bishop Hryhoriy Auxiliary bishop of Sambir- Drohobych an Eparchy, who has contacts with hospitals, soldiers units and refugees that now are living in the seminary and in the city. He actualy said that two babies of refugee women were recently born in the seminary. Bishop Komar, seminarians, priest chaplains will distribute our goods to the Ukrainian soldiers, hospitals and refugees. Thanks to the MEEST parcel delivery company for the discount on shipping, we paid \$2,270.10 in shipment.

Through faith, so many people have donated, folks we've never heard of and folks we don't know. Churches, Assumption school parents and individuals from all over NJ. Right now, our church has been overwhelmed by generosity. We're actually taking a pause in collecting any supplies because what we hear from our colleagues who are working around the clock in Poland and Ukraine, on the ground, is that money is what will help people the fastest. May God bless all of you! Together to Victory!