Epistle - Heb 4:14-5:6; Gospel - Mk 8:34-9:1; Tone 6

DIVINE LITURGIES FOR THIS WEEK

3rd Sunday of the Great Fast, March 4, 2018

Veneration of the Cross

9:00 AM Lit. For God's Blessings on Our Parishioners 11:30 AM Lit. + Catherine Kuchie (10 yrs.) r/by Family

Monday, March 5, 2018

No Liturgy Scheduled

Tuesday, March 6, 2018

7:00 PM - Stations of the Cross (English)

Wednesday, March 7, 2018

8:45 AM - Lit. + Karl Hershock (40th day) r/by Helen Ilek

7:00 PM - Stations of the Cross (Ukrainian)

Thursday, March 8, 2018

No Liturgy Scheduled

Friday, March 9, 2018

7:00 PM - Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts

Saturday, March 10, 2018

9:00 AM Lit. Divine Liturgy and Lenten Commemoration

5:00 PM Lit. + Glenys Romanko r/by Children

4th Sunday of the Great Fast, March 11, 2018

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

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

11:30 AM Lit. + Myron Kataryniak r/by Wife, Eleanor



Lenten Faith Studies 2018

Join us as we explore what we believe, why we believe it, and why it matters. The class will be held every Tuesday throughout the season of the Great Lent after Stations of the Cross

Gift Auction - Today!

St. Ann Society is sponsoring an "OVER THE RAINBOW" Tricky Tray/Gift Auction on March 4, 2018 in the Assumption Catholic School Auditorium. Doors open at 12:00 pm and the Auction starts at 2:00 PM. Admission is \$10. There will be 4 levels of wonderful prizes as well as other special raffles including an LG 49" LED Ultra HD 4K Smart TV with HDR, a Designer Bag raffle, Gift Card Extravaganza, 'It's Your Lucky Day' and 50/50 Money Raffle. Complimentary cake and coffee for all. The Kitchen, sponsored by the men of the Holy Name Society, will be open for lunch, serving delicious foods: pyrohy, kielbasa and kraut and much more.... Tickets are available at the door.

2018 Ukrainian Catholic Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

You are cordially invited to join St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, Passaic, NJ, on a once-in-a-lifetime journey following in the footsteps of Jesus with an opportunity to celebrate our Divine Liturgy at sacred places along the way. WHAT'S THE COST? Land and Air \$3195.00, Land Only \$2495.00, Single Supplement \$695.00. Trip dates: October 14 - 23, 2018. For a brochure or further information contact Annette@selectintl.com, by phone 1-800-842-4842, 973-471-9727 or on Facebook, St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Church, Passaic.

<u>Holy Name Society</u> will meet on Tuesday, March 6 at 8:00 pm in the church hall.

<u>Senior Citizens Club</u> will meet on Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 12:00 noon in the church hall.

Donation to Church

\$250.00 - Martha Aubele, in memory of mother, + HELEN BOYKO

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

Please keep in mind that Daylight Savings Time 2018 begins Sunday, March 11 and all clocks go ahead one hour.

ABOUT MAKING THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

- 1) The three fingers symbolize the three Persons of the Holy Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- 2) The two fingers symbolize the two natures of Jesus Christ: divine and human. We make the Sign of the Cross on our 1) forehead, 2) waist, 3) right shoulder, and then 4) left shoulder, thereby offering our whole mind, heart, and strength in service to the Lord.

TODAY: 3rd Sunday of Great Lent

The Third Sunday of Lent is that of the Veneration of the Cross. The cross stands in the midst of the church in the middle of the lenten season not merely to remind men of Christ's redemption and to keep before them the goal of their efforts, but also to be venerated as that reality by which man must live to be saved. "He who does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me" (Mt.10:38). For in the Cross of Christ Crucified lies both "the power of God and the wisdom of God" for those being saved (1 Cor.1:24)

<u>Third Sunday Of Great Fast 2018</u> Metropolitan Stefan Soroka

Daily we are bombarded with messages which reveal the steadfast rivalry between various political and social groups. Each contends that they are acting in the interests of all in society. Panels of media "experts" debate the merits of what people in power say and do. Yet, there is a reluctance to surrender to some common ground. Where is the gift of sacrifice in the interests of the other, the common good? St. Paul, in his Epistle to the Philippians, exhorts us to "do nothing out of selfishness or out of vainglory; rather, humbly regard others as more important than yourselves, each looking out not for his own interests, but also everyone for those of others. Have among yourselves the same attitude that is also yours in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 2:3-5).

The veneration of the Holy Cross on the third Sunday of Great Fast reminds us of Jesus' sacrifice on the cross for you and for me. Jesus died voluntarily for our salvation. As you venerate the Holy Cross, resolve to live with greater humility. Let go of rigid attitudes and perceptions. Resolve to show greater understanding for the benefit of the common good. Participate in the special Lenten services, being a part of a community of faith. A Blessed Journey in Great Fast!

Please Help Improve Accessibility To Our Chancery

You will recall that our Chancery moved into the former Cathedral school building, allowing for leasing out our former building to earn revenue for the archeparchy. The original plan envisioned an addition to accommodate an elevator. The cost was prohibitive well in excess of \$ 400,000 or more. We proceeded to adapt the school building and to transfer the Chancery without providing for an elevator. So as to provide for those who need assistance to visit our offices, we are installing two chair lifts at a total cost of \$ 25,000. One will provide for access to the main floor at the front entrance from the parking lot. The second will provide access to the top floor offices via the wide stairway on the 8^{th} Street side of the building. This will assist in providing for persons who need assistance ascending between the floors. It is important that everyone feels welcome and able to visit our Chancery offices. We humbly ask your help in meeting this cost. Your contribution will assist in meeting the cost while at the same time, indicate your support for ensuring that physically challenged people are welcomed equally in the Chancery. God bless you for your concern, and for your anticipated understanding and generous assistance. Your donation can be sent to the Ukrainian Catholic Archeparchy of Philadelphia, 810 N Franklin Street, Philadelphia, PA 19123. Thank-you!

LORD, OPEN OUR EYES!

I'm reminded of the old woman who lived in the hills of Tennessee. She went to a great deal of trouble to have electrical power installed in her home. After a few months the Power Company noticed that she used very little electricity. They sent a meter reader out to check on the matter. He asked the old woman, "Don't you ever use electricity?" "Oh yes" she replied, "I turn it on every evening to see how to light my lamps." God's power must be used to be useful!