

Glory to Jesus Christ! St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church Glory Forever!
Слава Иисусу Христу! 4480 Route 981 Latrobe, PA 15650 Слава на вики!

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28 February 2016 / 7524: 3rd Sunday of the Great Fast
✠ Veneration of the Precious Cross ✠



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

Sat. Feb. 27 17:00 Vigil of the Third Sunday of the Great Fast
Veneration of the Cross
Sun. Feb. 28 10:30 Third Sunday of the Great Fast – Veneration of
the Cross: Suffrages *pro populo parœciæ*
Wed. Mar. 02 19:00 Mid Lent: Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
Sat. Mar. 05 09:30 4th All Souls' Saturday

Sat. Mar. 05 17:00 Vigil of the Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast – St
John of the Ladder
Sun. Mar. 06 10:30 The Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast – St John
of the Ladder: Suffrages for *pro populo parœciæ*
Wed. Mar. 09 19:00 Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts

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	Acolytes	Lectors	Ushers		
Sat. Feb. 27	-----	M. Harhai	R. Garber, D Mihalko		
Sun. Feb. 28	E. R. A. Hess	J. Hess	D. Hess, G. Krynicky		
Wed. Mar. 02	T. M. Syphan	M. Harhai	-----		
Sat. Mar. 05	T. M. Syphan	K. Syphan			
Sat. Mar. 05	-----	J. Krynicky	J. Kontir, D. Mihalko		
Sun. Mar. 06	Ruggieri, Syphans	A. Prizzi	R. Garber, R. Knouse		
Wed. Mar. 09	T. M. Syphan	J. Hess	-----		
2/21/16 Collection Total: \$1463	Adult: \$1016 Student: \$15 Holy Day: \$75	Fuel Oil: \$50 Candles: \$73	Maintenance: \$100 Eastern Europe \$135		
Attendance:	Saturday: 19 + 1 2 nd All Souls: 17	Sunday: 46 + 5	Presanctified: 12+1		

Excerpts from «The Joint Declaration of Pope Francis and Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All Russia» “The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God the Father and the fellowship of the holy Spirit be with all of you” (2 Cor 13:13). 1. By God the Father’s will, from which all gifts come, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and with the help of the Holy Spirit Consolator, we, Pope Francis and Kirill, Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia, have met today in Havana. We give thanks to God, glorified in the Trinity, for this meeting, the first in history. It is with joy that we have met like brothers in the Christian faith who encounter one another “to speak face to face” (2 Jn 12), from heart to heart, to discuss the mutual relations between the Churches, the crucial problems of our faithful, and the outlook for the progress of human civilization.

5. Notwithstanding this shared Tradition of the first ten centuries, for nearly one thousand years Catholics and Orthodox have been deprived of communion in the Eucharist. We have been divided by wounds caused by old and recent conflicts, by differences inherited from our ancestors, in the understanding and expression of our faith in God, one in three Persons – Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We are pained by the loss of unity, the outcome of human weakness and of sin, which has occurred despite the priestly prayer of Christ the Saviour: “So that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you ... so that they may be one, as we are one”.

7. In our determination to undertake all that is necessary to overcome the historical divergences we have inherited, we wish to combine our efforts to give witness to the Gospel of Christ and to the shared heritage of the Church of the first millennium, responding together to the challenges of the contemporary world. Orthodox and Catholics must learn to give unanimously witness in those spheres in which this is possible and necessary. Human civilization has entered into a period of epochal change. Our Christian conscience and our pastoral responsibility compel us not to remain passive in the face of challenges requiring a shared response. *From the Vatican Website*



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Next Sunday’s Readings ~ 4th Sunday of Great Lent

Epistle: Hebrews 6:13 – 20 God’s Sure Promise to Abraham

Gospel: Mark 9:17 – 31 Healing of a Boy with an Unclean Spirit

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~ Announcements ~

- **OUR PARISH PIEROGI SALE** is taking place on Fridays during the Great Fast from noon to 18:00 at the parish centre. Potato/cheese filled pierogi are selling for \$7 a dozen (frozen). You may order in advance by calling either Marlene: 724-526-0285, or Joyce: 724-423-6418, or just stop by.

- **KECKSBURG VFD LENTEN FISH FRY:** see poster on white board in Narthex.



UNIONTOWN, is having their **11th Egg Eggstravaganza on Sunday, 13 March** from **Noon to 17:00.**

There will be egg artists displaying and selling their unique styles of decorated eggs. Sales tables with supplies, kits, and books for decorating eggs, hands-on opportunity to try out “Pysanky” decorating, videos on Pysanky decorating, and a children’s craft corner featuring Easter related projects, puzzles, and much more. There will also be items for preparing the traditional Easter basket, a bake sale including long rolls – *nut, apricot, poppy seed*, and *cottage cheese*. Door prizes and raffles will take place. A Lenten lunch menu will be served. Handicap accessibility. Admission is free. For more information, please call: **724-208-6771, Monday through Friday from 18:00 – 20:00.**