

**Glory to Jesus Christ!**  
**Слава Иисусу Христу!**

**St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church**  
**4480 Route 981 Latrobe, PA 15650**

**Glory Forever!**  
**Слава на вьку!**

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**Confessions:**  
**Saturday** 4 – 4:30 PM  
**Sunday** 9:30 – 10:00 AM  
or by appointment

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**8 March 2015: Third Sunday of the Great Fast**  
*Veneration of the Holy Cross*

**DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE:**

Sat. Mar. 07	09:30	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> All Souls' Saturday</b> 17:00 + Suffrages for <b>Cody Fullman</b> – Dave Barlock; for <b>Joseph Christie</b> – Connie Bankovich; for <b>John &amp; Kathleen Rusinko</b> – Cheryl Rusinko
Sun. Mar. 08	10:30	+ Suffrages for the <b>parish</b> ; for <b>Peter Shultz</b> – Michael & Juanita Mizikar; for <b>Michael Brehun</b> – Mary Lezo.
Wed. Mar. 11	19:00	<b>Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts</b> + Suffrages for <b>Elizabeth Rozinsky</b> – Agnes Witek; for <b>Paul Brehun</b> – Mary Lezo family; for <b>Barbara Pelar</b> – Marge Hulyk
Sat. Mar. 14	09:30	<b>4<sup>th</sup> All Souls' Saturday</b> 17:00 + Suffrages for <b>Catherine &amp; Michael Osif, Sr.</b> – Dorothy, Martin, Tina Osif; for <b>Kathleen Snitzer</b> – Daniel and Kathy Overdorff; for <b>Daniel Furwa</b> – Dennis Shulock
Sun. Mar. 15	10:30	+ Suffrages for the <b>parish</b> ; for <b>Cody Fullman</b> – Ron Garber; for <b>Robert Spirko, Sr.</b> – Marge Hulyk; for <b>John Osif</b> – Eva Bodnar

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Sat. Mar. 07	M. & T. Syphan	M. Harhai	R. Garber, J. Kontir
Sun. Mar. 08	Ruggieri & Syphans	S. Vacha	J. Knouse, G. Krynicky
Wed. Mar. 11	M. & T. Syphan	J. Kontir	-----
Sat. Mar. 14	-----	M. Hulyk	J. Kontir, D. Mihalko
Sun. Mar. 15	Hess brothers	F. Chappell	D. Hess, J. Overdorff

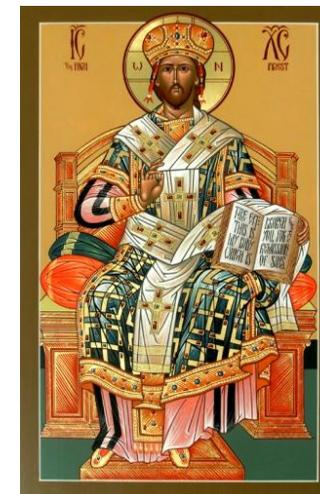
<b>3 / 1 / 15</b>	Adult: \$1020.00	Lenten Offering: \$55	Candles: \$60.00
<b>Collection:</b>	Student: \$6.00	Maintenance: \$40.00	Fuel Oil: \$25
	Eastern Europe: \$40	<b>Total: \$1246.00</b>	
<b>Attendance:</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> All Souls': 11	Presanctified: 17	Saturday: 26
	Sunday: 44	Weekend Visitors: 9	

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Last Sunday, you received in your bulletin a new product from Eastern Christian Bulletin Service who also print our weekly bulletin covers. It is called **Sunday Theosis** and is styled similar to the successful and popular *Theosis* monthly magazine. This four page, folded sheet will contain adult education material in an easy to read, full-color format, with attractive illustrations. Each week of the month covers a different topic and is a self-contained unit. The topics are: First Sunday of the month

– An overview of Eastern Christianity; Second Sunday – *The Theology of the Icon*; Third Sunday – *Reflections on the Psalms*; Fourth Sunday – *Sacramental Living*; and if a Fifth Sunday is needed – *Icons of the Major Feasts*.

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**LET US COME BOLDLY. CHRYSOSTOM:** Of what “*throne of grace*” is he speaking? That royal throne concerning which it is said, “*The Lord says to my Lord, Sit at my right hand.*” What is “*let us come boldly*”? We come boldly because “*we have a sinless high priest*” contending with the world. For He says, “*Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world*”; for this is to suffer all things and yet to be pure from sins. Though we are under sin, the apostle means, yet the High Priest is sinless. How is it that we should “*approach boldly*”? Because **now it is a throne of grace, not a throne of judgment.** Therefore, boldly, “*that we may obtain mercy,*” even such as we are seeking. For the affair is one of munificence, a royal largess.

“*And may find grace to help in time of need.*” He said well, “*for help in time of need.*” If you approach **now**, he means, you will receive both grace and mercy, for you approach “*in time of need.*” ... Now He sits granting pardon, **but when the end is come**, then He rises up to judgment. For it is said, “*Arise, O God, judge the earth.*” “*Let us come boldly*” or, he says again, having no “*evil conscience,*” that is, not being in doubt, for such a one cannot “*come with boldness.*” On this account it is said, “*At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation,*” since even **now**, for those who sin after baptism, to find repentance is grace.



But lest when you hear He is High Priest, you should think that He stands, Paul immediately goes on to the “*throne.*” A priest does not sit but stands. Do you see that for Him to be made High Priest is not of nature but of grace and condescension and humiliation? Thus is it seasonable for us also now to say, “*Let us draw near,*” asking “*boldly*”; let us only bring faith, and He gives all things. **Now** is the time of the gift; let no one despair. **Then** will be the time of despairing, when the bride chamber is shut, when the king is come in to see the guests, when they who will be accounted worthy will have received as their portion the patriarch’s bosom; but now it is not as yet so. For still are the spectators assembled, still is the contest, still the prize is in suspense. ON THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS 7.6.



**Next Sunday's Readings ~ 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Great Fast**  
**Epistle, Hebrews 6:13 – 20** *God's Sure Promise to Abraham*  
**Gospel, Mark 9:17 – 31** *Healing of a Boy with an Unclean Spirit*

~ **Announcements** ~

- **FROM THE PARISH SECRETARY:** For the past six years I have enjoyed volunteering as St. Mary Parish Secretary, first with Rev. Dr. Julian Anthony and then with Father Paul-Alexander Shutt, O.S.B. The experiences have been rewarding. Due to recent personal developments, I have had to reconsider if I truly want to continue with this 24/7 type of work or is it time to “Slow down and smell the roses,” a time to finally **enjoy** “Retirement.” So after much deliberation and meditation, I have decided to resign as secretary of St. Mary Parish. I still intend to do volunteer work around the Parish. It has been a privilege serving as your parish secretary these last six years!
- If you have not already done so, please consider making a Lenten sacrificial offering for our brothers and sisters in need in Eastern Europe, especially in light of the conflict in Ukraine. Use one of the special envelopes or one of the extras from the back of your box and label it «**Eastern Europe.**» **Спасибо большое!**
- St Florian’s **HOLIDAY KOLACHE SALE!** Advance orders are being taken for 15 inch, freshly baked apricot, nut, poppyseed, and prune rolls priced at \$12 each. Orders will be taken until 9 March; rolls will be available for pickup in the social hall, Friday, 20 March – Sunday, March 22. Call Phylis, 724-423-5233; Bobbi, 724 423-6619 or Juanita, 724-423-2455 to place your orders.
- **CONGRATULATIONS** to one of our own, **Betty Shultz**, who had the winning ticket – #313 – for the lift project lottery. We hope to initiate our next ticket sale by mid-March. Thank you to all who sell and buy to support this project that will benefit all of us in the years to come!