

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Иисусу Христу!

St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church
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Glory Forever!
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6 April 2014: Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast ~ Memory of Our Holy Mother Mary of Egypt

Our Holy Father Euthyches, Archbishop of Constantinople.

The Passing of our Holy Father Methodius, Teacher of the Slavs.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sat. Apr. 05 **5:00 PM: Sunday Vigil**
+Edward Knizner requested by Barbara Ann Fignar

Sun. Apr. 06 **10:30 AM: Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast: pro populo**
9th day Panachida w/ Kollyva for Michael Bankovich

Wed. Apr. 09 **7:00 PM: The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**
+Libby Rozinsky requested by the Robert Barlock Family

Sat. Apr. 12 **9:30 AM: SATURDAY OF LAZARUS**
+Joseph & Elizabeth Garber requested by son Ron Garber
5:00 PM: Palm Sunday Vigil w/Mirovanije
+Daniel Temensky requested by John & Fran Kernicky

Sun. Apri. 13 **10:30 AM: Palm (Flowery) Sunday w/Mirovanije: pro populo**

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Acolytes

Readers

Ushers

Sat. Apr. 05	M. Mihalko	D. Cholock	D. Mihalko, J. Kontir
Sun. Apr. 06	R. & E. Hess	J. Hess	J. Overdorff, D. Hess
Wed. Apr. 09			
Sat. Apr. 12 (am)	Any Present	M. Hulyk	
Sat. Apr. 12 (pm)	M. Mihalko	L. Knouse	J. Snitzer, R. Garber
Sun. Apr. 13	All Present	S. Vacha	R. Garber, G. Krynicky

03/30/14 **Collection:** Adult \$ 817; Student \$11, Candles \$ 65; Holy Day \$160;
Easter Flowers \$185; Eastern Europe \$100; **Total: \$1338.00**

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This week following the Sunday of St Mary of Egypt is called **Palm** or **Branch Week**. At the Tuesday services the Church recalls that Jesus' friend Lazarus has died and that the Lord is going to raise him from the dead. As the days continue toward Saturday, the Church, in its hymns and verses, continues to follow Christ towards Bethany to the tomb of Lazarus. On Friday evening, the eve of the celebration of the Resurrection of Lazarus, the "great and saving forty days" of the Great Fast are formally brought to an end: *Having accomplished the forty days for the benefit of our souls, we pray to You, O Lover of Mankind, that we may see the holy week of Your passion, that in it we may glorify Your greatness and unspeakable plan of salvation for our sake. ...*

(Vesper Hymn) Lazarus Saturday is a paschal celebration. **It is the only time in the entire Church**

Year that the resurrection service of Sunday is celebrated on another day. At the liturgy of Lazarus Saturday, the Church glorifies Christ as "the Resurrection and the Life" Who, by raising Lazarus, has confirmed the universal resurrection of all mankind even before His own suffering and death. At the Divine Liturgy of Lazarus Saturday the baptismal verse from Galatians: All you who have been baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ replaces the Trisagion thus indicating the resurrection character of the celebration, and the fact that Lazarus Saturday was once among the few great baptismal days in our holy Orthodox Catholic Church Year. Because of the resurrection of Lazarus from the dead, Christ was hailed by the masses as the long-expected Messiah-King of Israel. Thus, in fulfillment of the prophecies of the Old Testament, He entered Jerusalem, the City of the King, riding on the colt of an ass (Zech 9:9; Jn 12:12). The crowds greeted Him with branches in their hands and called out to Him with shouts of praise: *Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! The Son of David! The King of Israel!* Because of this glorification by the people, the priests and scribes were finally driven "to destroy Him, to put Him to death" (Lk 19:47; Jn 11:53, 12:10).



Next Sunday's Readings:

Epistle, Phillipians 4:4-9

Paul's Exhortations to the Phillipians

Gospel, John 12:1-18

Anointing at Bethany, Plot against Lazarus, Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem



~ **Announcements** ~

- Attendance at a Saturday morning Divine Liturgy, e.g., All Souls Saturday, Akathist Saturday, Lazarus Saturday, does **NOT** fulfill the Sunday obligation to attend the Divine Liturgy.
- The church will be given a good cleaning in preparation for Pascha on Monday, April 7th.** If you are free and would care to lend a hand, by all means bring your energy and cleaning supplies and come help out. Cleaning shall commence at 10:00.
- PENANCE SERVICE** in preparation for Pascha: Tuesday, **April 8th**, at 5:00 p.m. Assumption Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church located at 4827 State Route 982 (Hill View Avenue) Latrobe.
- 11th Annual Women's Day of Reflection!** Saturday, **May 3rd** from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at St. Elias Church in Munhall. \$25 includes lunch. Pre-registration required by April 26th. See flyer in Narthex for more details.
- Sincere Thanks to Tina Osif and Joyce Regalla** for providing baked goods for our Friday bingo.

- «**EASTER EGG HUNT**» Sunday **April 27th**, at our Byzantine Catholic Seminary. The Byzantine Catholic Serra Club together with the Seminary invites the faithful to come to the “first Easter Egg Hunt at our Seminary.” The event will begin at 3:00 pm in the Seminary Chapel with the celebration of the Akathist Hymn followed by the Easter Egg Hunt on seminary grounds. Bring a basket for your child and food items to share in an Easter picnic, to be held outside weather permitting. Register by April 11th at office@bcs.edu or call 412-321-8383. Provide child’s name, age and parish.
- The Faithful are reminded that a **Panachida** for a loved one is to be scheduled for the **3rd, 9th, 40th days** after the death or funeral and also on the **first year anniversary**. After the first year, a **Memorial Service** may be requested at anytime by letting Father know in advance. The Church will provide the *Kollyva* for the family.

April Birthdays



*We wish the following parishioners many spiritual blessings on their birthday and many happy years. **Mnohaja L'ita!***



01—Barbara Chirdon
 03—Robert Spirko, Jr.
 12—Frank Chappell
 16—Joseph Stephen Wasil



26—Laura Henry
 27—Sue Mihalko
 28—Joan Mott