

Glory to Jesus Christ!
Слава Исусу Христу!

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15 March 2015: Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast

Sunday of Saint John Climacus

DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat.	Mar.	14	09:30	4th All Souls' Saturday
			17:00	+ Suffrages for Catherine & Michael Bodnar, Jr. – Dorothy, Martin, Tina Osif; for Kathleen Snitzer – Daniel and Kathy Overdorff; for Daniel Furwa – Dennis Shulock
Sun.	Mar.	15	10:30	+ Suffrages for the parish ; for Cody Fullman – Ron Garber; for Robert Spirko, Sr. – Marge Hulyk; for John Osif – Eva Bodnar
Wed.	Mar.	18	19:00	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
				+ Suffrages for Cody Fullman – Joan & Ed Boytim; for Joseph Christie – St Mary Youth Group; for Michael Brehun – John Lezo.
Sat.	Mar.	21	17:00	+ Suffrages for Katherine Papier – Liz Shay; for Paul Brehun – Helen Homulka; for Kathleen Snitzer – Tina Roscosky
Sun.	Mar.	22	10:30	+ Suffrages for the parish , for Mary Miscik – Mr. & Mrs. Michael Olenchock; for Cody Fullman – Ron Garber; for Peter Shultz – Helen Aultman

	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Ushers</u>
Sat. Mar. 14	-----	M. Hulyk	J. Kontir, D. Mihalko
Sun. Mar. 15	Hess brothers	F. Chappell	D. Hess, J. Overdorff
Wed. Mar. 11	M. & T. Syphan	G. Krynicky	-----
Sat. Mar. 21	-----	L. Knouse	J. Snitzer, D. Milhalko
Sun. Mar. 22	Ruggieri & Syphans	B. Chirdon	R. & J. Knouse

3 / 8 / 15	Adult: \$1135.00	Lenten Offering: \$20	Candles: \$70.00
Collection:	Student: \$8.00	Initial Offering: \$5.00	Fuel Oil: \$45
	Eastern Europe: \$200	Total: \$1483.00	

Attendance:	3 rd All Souls': 11	Presanctified: 20	Saturday: 20
	Sunday: 51	Weekend Visitors: 8	

✠ The memory of **Saint John Climacus** – *of the Ladder* – celebrated today because his book, *The Ladder of Divine Ascent*, is a sure guide to the ascetic life, written by a great man of prayer experienced in all forms of the monastic polity; it teaches the seeker after salvation how to lay a sound foundation for his struggles, how to detect and war against each of the passions, how to avoid the snares laid by the demons, and how to rise from

the rudimental virtues to the heights of Godlike love and humility. It is held in such high esteem that it is universally read in its entirety in monasteries during the Great Fast.

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The Treasure Trove of the Triodion: Let us honor the holy John as an angel upon earth, and as a man of God in heaven; he is the adornment of the world and the treasury of virtues, the pride and glory of ascetics. Planted in the house of God, he has flourished like the just, as a cedar in the desert. He has caused the flock of the spiritual sheep of Christ to grow in justice and holiness. *Saturday evening Vespers*

In your garden, you made the vine of faith mystically grow; by your ascetical efforts, you have squeezed out the juice, and you have filled the spiritual chalice of abstinence; thus you bring joy to the heart of your mystical flock. *Matins, Ode 5*

O John, our leader and father, you have become the dwelling place of God; you shine with your virtues as the most pure gold; you are adorned with faith, hope, and love; expounding the divine precepts, you practiced asceticism and were liberated from the flesh; you acquired wisdom, courage, chastity, and humility, by which you were raised up; illumined by constant prayer, you attained the tabernacles on high. *Ikos*

Neither the priest nor the Levite could wash my wounds, but only You, O God of goodness; in your compassion, You have come to me; You poured out the oil of your love upon me, and, as a wise physician, O Christ our Savior, You have attended to me and healed me. *Matins, Ode 9*

In Your compassion, O Christ, full of tenderness, You have saved me when I was suffering, flailed by the lashes of the brigands; and, as the Good Samaritan who gave two silver coins, You gave Your Body and Blood to save me. *Matins, Ode 9*

Next Sunday's Readings ~ 5th Sunday of the Great Fast

Epistle, Hebrews 9:11 – 14 *Christ as High Priest*
Gospel, Mark 10:32 – 45 *The Request of James and John*



~ Announcements ~

- Please remember in your prayers my father, Arthur Shutt, who died peacefully late Thursday afternoon. *Requiescat semper in pace Domini!*
- **Vocation and Mission of the Family in the Church and in the Modern World:** Our most reverend Metropolitan William has sent each parish in the Archeparchy a questionnaire for parishioners to complete and mail to the chancery by 1 April. The metropolitan's cover letter, explaining the questionnaire (**cream colored sheet**), and a simple one page, two sided questionnaire (**white colored sheet**) are located in the Narthex.

▪ 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!**

▪ **10th Egg Eggstravaganza** will be held on **Sunday, March 22** from **noon until 17:00** at **St John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church, Uniontown.**

There will be egg artists displaying, demonstrating, and selling their unique styles of decorated eggs. Among other events, there will be a Cooking Demonstration of traditional Pascha Foods. Various items for a traditional Pascha basket will also be available. There will be a bake sale, door prizes, raffles. A Lenten lunch menu will be served. Handicapped accessibility. Come experience the tradition. Admission is free. For more information, please call the following numbers: **724-438-6027** (8:00 – 15:00) or in the evening at **724-438-8412**. Also see flyers in Narthex for additional information about events taking place that day, as well as information about the *Carpathian Cookery Cookbook*.

