Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church Слава Исусу Христу! 4480 Route 981 Latrobe, PA 15650 Слава на вики! Pastor: Father Paul-Alexander Shutt, O.S.B. **Confessions: Tel: Rectory:** 724-423-3673 Fax: 724-423-1808 St. Mary's Email: st.marytrauger@yahoo.com **Saturday** 4 – 4:30 PM Website: www.stmarybyzantinecatholic.org **Sunday** 9:30 – 10:00 AM Hall: 724-423-8838 or by appointment

6 April 2014: Pifth Sunday of the Great Past ~ 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.

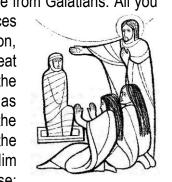
LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

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					
		9 th day Panachida w/	Kollyva for Michael B	ankovich			
Wed. Apr.	09	7:00 PM: The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts					
_		+Libby Rozinsky requ	uested by the Robert Bo	arlock Family			
Sat. Apr.	12	9:30 AM: SATURDAY OF LAZARUS					
	+Joseph & Elizabeth Garber requested by son Ron Garber						
		5:00 PM: Palm Sund	day Vigil w/Mirovani	je			
	+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	<u>Ushers</u>			
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						
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•		M. Mihalko	L. Knouse	J. Snitzer, R. Garber			
Sun. Apr.	13	All Present	S. Vacha	R. Garber, G. Krynicky			
03/30/14 <u>Co</u> Easter Flower			nt \$11, Candles \$ 65 e \$100; Total:	5; Holy Day \$160; \$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 ~

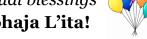
- Attendance at a Saturday morning Divine Liturgy, e.g., All Souls Saturday, Akathist Saturday, Lazarus Saturday, does <u>NOT</u> fulfill the Sunday obligation to attend the Divine Liturgy.
- The church will be given a good cleaning in preparation for Pascha on Monday, April 7th. If you are free and 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 8**th, 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. Preregistration 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