Glory to Jesus Christ! Слава Исусу Христу!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection Byzantine Catholic Church

Glory Forever! Слава на вики!

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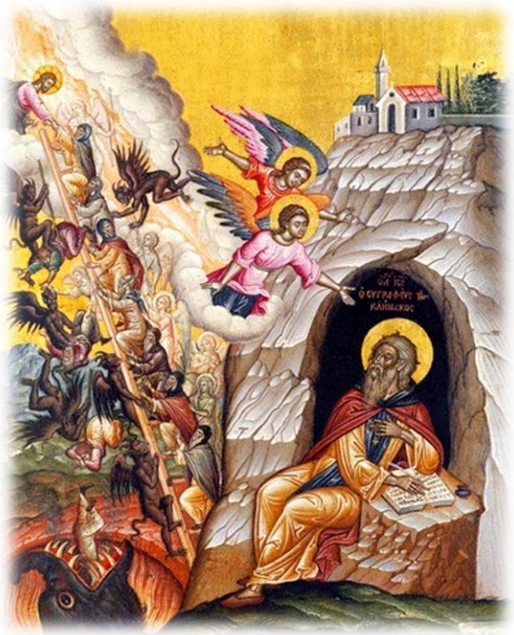
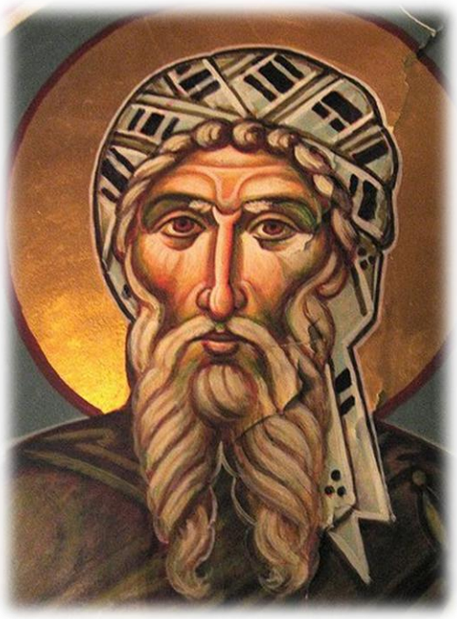
31 March 2019/7527 ~ FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

MEMORY OF OUR HOLY FATHER JOHN CLIMACUS





LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat.	Mar. 30	09:30 Fourth All Souls w/ Panachida
		17:00 Vigil: 4th Sunday of the Great Fast
Sun.	Mar. 31	10:30 4th Sunday of the Great Fast Suffrages ***pro populo***
Wed.	April 03	18:30 Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
Sat.	April 06	17:00 Vigil: Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast Suffrages for **+Helen Krynicky** – Clifford & Connie Zimmerman
Sun.	April 07	10:30 Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast Suffrages ***pro populo,*** esp. for health, happiness & safety of **Suzanne Blasinsky** – her parents James & Patricia Krisner

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		ACOLYTES	LECTORS	USHERS
Sat.	**Mar. 30**	L. Prizzi	M. Harhai	----------
Sun.	**Mar. 31**	M. Syphan	A. Syphan	R. Knouse, A. Syphan
Wed.	**April 03**	----------	S. Saldanha	----------
Sat.	**April 06**	L. Prizzi	J. Kontir	----------
Sun.	**April 07**	E. R. A. Hess	D. Saldanha	R. Knouse, D. Hess,

03 / 24 / 2019	Adult: $1652	Lenten Off. $90	East. Europe: $50
COLLECTION	Candles: $84	Initial Off. $5	Pascha Flowers: $25
TOTAL: $1906			

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Let us honor holy John of the Ladder as an angel upon earth, and 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.

Distilling holiness by the aroma of your virtues, O holy Father John Climacus, you have become a sweet-smelling fragrance for the Lord.

Having passed half the distance of this Holy and Great Fast, let us hasten to its completion in joy; let us anoint our souls with oil for the struggle, that we may be worthy to venerate the holy Passion of Christ our God and to contemplate His glorious Resurrection.

Come let us labor in the mystical vineyard of the Lord, and , in it, we shall gather the fruit of conversion; for we do not work to fill ourselves with food and drink, but to cultivate virtue through fasting and prayer. Thus we shall please the Lord, and the Master of the vineyard will give us the recompense by redeeming our souls from the debt of sin, for He alone is all good.

The One Who planted the vineyard and called the laborers is the Savior Whom we shall see soon; come, let us receive the recompense of our labors in this Great Fast, for the Master remunerates generously from His heart; even though we have labored for only a short time, we shall receive great mercy for our souls.

Next Sunday's Readings: FIFTH 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*

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~ ANNOUNCEMENTS ~

- **OUR VERY OWN HOME MADE, OUT OF THIS WORLD, TO DIE FOR PIROHI** are being sold on Fridays during the Great Fast from Noon to 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall kitchen. Frozen and uncooked, the cost is $8 a dozen. **They will not be sold on Good Friday**.
- **NEW CONSTRUCTION:** There will be **NO BINGO** on **Friday, 12 April**; there will be **NO BREAKFAST** on **Palm Sunday, April 14**. The ramp from the main parking lot to the parish hall will be replaced.
- **14th EGG EGGSTRAVAGANZA** at St. John the Baptist BC Church Social Hall, Uniontown is this **Sunday, April 7** from **Noon – 17:00**. Admission is free. For more information, call 724-438-6027 M-F 9:00 to 15:00 (leave message). See posters in Narthex for more details of all the many events planned for the day.
- **SPRING BINGO** at **St. Nicholas BC Church Social Hall**, **Greensburg**, **Sunday 7 April 13:00 – 16:00**. Admission: $5 per person. Tickets may be purchased at the doors, which open at Noon. Grocery gift cards will be given to winners of regular bingos. There will also be a Chinese Auction, Food Basket raffles, 50/50. Various ethnic foods will be sold to eat while playing. For additional information, call: 724-832-8122 or 724-837-8299.