

Christ is Risen!
Χριστός Воскресе!
Χριστός ἀνέστη!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection
Byzantine Catholic Church
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Indeed He is Risen!
Воистину Воскресе!
Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!

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21 APRIL ~ FOURTH PASCHAL SUNDAY SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. April 20 17:00 VIGIL: **FOURTH PASCHAL SUNDAY** *Suffrages pro populo*

Sun. April 21 10:30 **FOURTH PASCHAL SUNDAY**
Suffrages for +John Regalla – Joseph & Joyce Regalla

Wed. April 24 18:30 **MID-PENTECOST** *Suffrages for +John Regalla – Marge Hulyk*

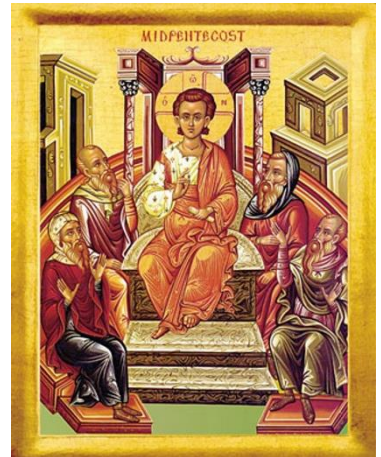
Sat. April 27 17:00 Vigil: **FIFTH PASCHAL SUNDAY** *Suffrages pro populo*


Sun. April 28 10:30 **FIFTH PASCHAL SUNDAY**
Suffrages for +John Regalla – Joseph & Joyce Regalla

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04 / 14 / 2024 Adults: \$680 Candles: \$45 **TOTAL: \$725**
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THE FEAST OF MID-PENTECOST: The giving of the Spirit unites the beginning and the end of the fifty day feast of our Lord. On Pascha, the Lord, the Giver of Life, breathed the Holy Spirit upon His apostles for the forgiveness of sin, and on Pentecost, the Lord sent the Holy Spirit upon His followers that the Gospel for the baptism of repentance might be preached to all nations. Through the Holy Spirit, we are united with Christ in Holy Communion and are deified by His power. In the middle of the feast we celebrate all these wondrous works of God.



 Master, Lord Jesus Christ our God, You were well-pleased to be come flesh of the holy Virgin, to live speechless in a manger, and to be baptized by John, though You had no need of purification. About the day of Mid-Pentecost You went up to the Temple and taught the crowds, who said in amazement, How did this man get His education when He had no teacher?» They did not know that You are the Wisdom of the Father and the Creator of all things. O Lover of Mankind, make us who are sinners and Your unworthy servants, worthy to worship and glorify You, and to joyously partake of Your pure Body and precious Blood. Make those who are blameless and free of condemnation worthy to be presented to You at the glorious second coming. Give strength and peace to our government and to those in its service. Grant our (arch)bishop a long life. Rescue our brothers and sister in faith who are in captivity. Comfort those who are afflicted or persecuted or are in any trying circumstance. Give rest to our departed Christian brothers and sisters. Keep in peace and oneness of mind the people here present and deliver them from the slavery and dominion of seen and unseen enemies. For You are the King of peace and the Savior of our souls, and we ascribe glory to You, together with Your eternal Father, and Your all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto the ages of ages.

Ambon Prayer for Mid-Pentecost



~ Announcements ~

- **THANK YOU, MILLE GRAZIE, MERCI BEAUCOUP** for the many beautiful Easter cards and messages, for the delicious baked goods, and for gifts received at Pascha! All is greatly appreciated. Christ is Risen! Fr. Paul-Alexander
- **PASCHAL CHORAL PROGRAMME:** The Pittsburgh Byzantine Catholic Archeparchial Choir invites you to a program of Paschal hymns and songs of the glorious Resurrection of our Lord this **Sunday, April 21st** at St. Elias Byzantine Catholic Church (4200 Homestead-Duquesne Road) in Munhall, PA. The program begins at **3:00 p.m.** and will feature many beloved and seldom-heard renditions of the triumphant Paschal greeting, «**Christ is Risen! Christos Voskrese!**» A cake-and-coffee reception will follow the program in the Church social hall.
- The **Reverend Deacon Kyprian Wojciechowski**, by the grace of the Holy Spirit at the hands of our Metropolitan William, will be ordained to the holy priesthood next **Sunday, April 28th, 2024** at St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, Bradenville. Deacon Kyprian is related to the late Michael Skipora, Sr. and Stephen Skipora, both deceased members of our parish. Please keep Father Deacon Kyprian in your prayers as he prepares for this most solemn day.
- **BYZANTINE CATHOLIC SEMINARY ANNUAL LECTURE to be presented on May 7:** Fr. John McGuckin, PhD., DD., DLitt., FR Hist. Soc., is on deck to present *Theological Radicalism in a Time of Political Revolution: The Case of St. Symeon the New Theologian (949-1022) in Constantinople* for the 24th Annual Lecture of the Byzantine Catholic Seminary. All are welcome to attend this lecture

virtually on **Tuesday, May 7 at 7:00 PM E.D.T.** via the Seminary website (www.bcs.edu). The lecture can also be accessed live or later from archives on the B.C.S. YouTube channel. In the political and military turmoil of 11th century Byzantium, the aristocratic monk Symeon the New Theologian wrote that faith ultimately cannot be taught, it has to be handed on dynamically from person to person: «Just as one candle can only be lit from another live flame.» With members of his family assassinated, and himself vindictively pursued by the emperor, the saint composed passionate songs which he titled: *Hymns of Divine Eros*. This live-streamed lecture looks at the saint's life and teachings with specific reference to this poetic and mystical masterpiece which celebrates his visions of Christ and his generous theology of God's mercy. The Very Rev. Professor John Anthony McGuckin is an Archpriest of the Orthodox Church in the Patriarchate of Romania's Archdiocese in Western Europe, Rector of St Gregory's chapel in St. Anne's on Sea, in North West England; Professor in the Theological Faculty of Oxford University; Senior Professorial Research Fellow at Emory University's School of Law, and at the St. Irenaeus Orthodox Institute at Radboud University Nijmegen.