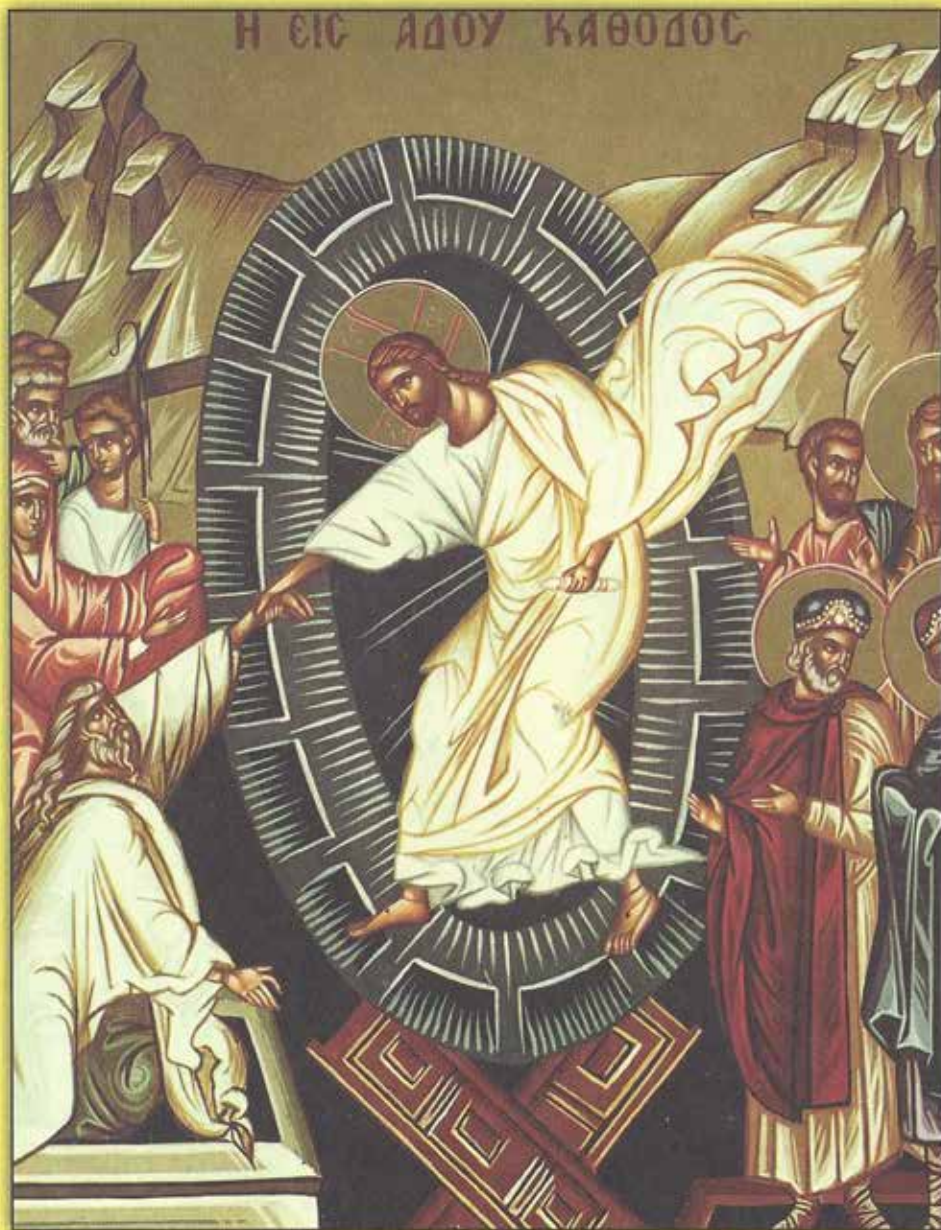


GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA
THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR



Icon of the Descent into Hades

April 21, 2019: Resurrection of Our Lord

Epistle: Acts 1: 1-8

Gospel: Jn. 1: 1-17

Mon., April 22

Bright Monday (Solemn Holy Day)

9:00 + Florence Chomo (Terry & Shelly Chmil)

Tues., April 23

Bright Tuesday (Simple Holy Day)

9:00 + Joan Turko (Bob & Joan Yeck & Family)

Wed., April 24

8:00 + George & Sophia Danylak (Leo Danylak)

Thurs., April 25

8:00 + Jim Krug (Anna Krug)

Fri., April 26

8:00 + Bill Davis (Wife Michaelene)

Sat., April 27

No Morning Divine Liturgy

10:30 Confessions

2:00 pm Confessions

4:00 pm + John Sedlak, Sr. (Family)

Sun., April 28

9:00 For Our Parishioners

11:30 + Brian & Alexandra Westington (Mom)

First Antiphon

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, sing now
to His name, give glory to His praise.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Say unto God, "How awesome are your works! Because of the
greatness of Your strength Your enemies will flatter You.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

Let all the earth worship You and sing to You,
let it sing to Your name, O Most High!

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us.

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Third Antiphon

*Let God arise and let His enemies be scattered;
and let those who hate Him flee before His face.*

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death,
and to those in the tombs giving life.

As smoke vanishes, as wax melts before the fire, so to let the wicked disappear.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death,
and to those in the tombs giving life.

So too may sinners perish, but let the righteous rejoice in the sight of God.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death,
and to those in the tombs giving life.

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In Place of “Holy God”

All you who have been baptized into Christ, you have put on Christ. Alleluia. (thrice)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and forever, and ever. Amen.

You have put on Christ. Alleluia.

All you who have been baptized into Christ, you have put on Christ. Alleluia.

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Hymn to the Mother of God

The angel cried out to the One full of grace: “O chaste Virgin, rejoice! and again I say, rejoice! Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day and raised the dead.” Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exalt now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.

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Communion Verse

Receive the Body of Christ; drink from the fountain of immortality.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Christ Is Risen! Indeed, He Is Risen!



For a long time, by many prayers, liturgical services and ceremonies, the Church has been preparing us for the glorious day of Christ's resurrection, Easter Sunday. Hoping that during Lent everybody had an opportunity to be cleansed from his or her personal sins, the Church now celebrates ex-

ternally and with beautifully joyous ceremonies the final triumph and life-giving resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. After the long ages of darkness brought about by original sin, after the seemingly endless expectation of the prophets, after the thirty hidden years and the three years of public life, after the frightful passion which had seemed to be the end of all hope, after the three days in the depth of the tomb, behold: Christ is Risen! The time of weeping is over; now is the time for joy. Christ's resurrection is the greatest miracle. It is the most divine and least human, for it took place when the Man-Christ was in the grave. We now know that Christ is God and we rejoice.

**Christ is Risen! -
Indeed, He is Risen!**

**Christos Voskres! -
Voistynu Voskres!**

Properly Receiving Holy Communion

When approaching to receive Holy Communion, do not be afraid to approach the Priest. Father's arms are only so long and when you stand too far away, it is difficult to distribute Holy Communion.

We also remind everyone to tilt your head back and open your mouth WIDE. Please keep your tongue in your mouth. Please do not bite down on the communion spoon. There is no need to say anything since the priest

says the prayer. There is no need to say AMEN as is done in the Roman Catholic Church.

Now finally, a little about the red Communion Cloth. Sometimes the Altar Servers hold it; sometimes Father holds it. When the Altar Servers hold, simply approach (i.e., come close to the Priest). If Father is holding it, simply lift it up to your chin. The purpose of the Communion Cloth is to help prevent accidents.

Easter Symbols

Colors and their meanings:

White means purity. Our Lord, at his transfiguration, appeared in raiment "white as the light" (Matt. 17:2, etc.)" White is also the symbol of holiness: The high priest's holy garments were made of white linen - Leviticus 16:4,32. Purple - is a color royalty and suffering.

Easter Lilies are used to decorate churches and homes. The large, pure white blossoms remind Christians of the pure new life that comes to them through the Resurrection of Jesus. The white lily stands for purity. Artists for centuries have pictured the angel Gabriel coming to the Virgin Mary with a spray of lilies in his hand, to announce that she is to be the mother of

the Christ child.

Eggs - represent new life - Christ coming back to life after death, have been a symbol of spring since ancient times. The oval shape of the egg was the same shape for a raindrop and a seed. These two were important life-giving elements. The egg itself promises new life as in spring, birds, and many other animals are hatched from eggs.

The Lamb - is a particularly important Easter symbol in central and eastern European countries. It represents Jesus and relates His death to that of the lamb sacrificed on the first Passover. Christians traditionally refer to Jesus as "the Lamb of God."

Our Condolences

In your Christian charity, please remember the soul of + **Evelyn Trently** who recently fell asleep in the Lord. + Even-

lyn was buried from St. Cyril's this past Tuesday, April 16th. May her memory be eternal! Vichnaya Pamyat!

Books Appetit

Valley Community Library will hold its annual "Books Appétit" fundraiser Thursday, May 2, 2019, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wine-tasting by Case Quattro Winery, with bottles available for sale. The \$25 tickets (cash or check only), includes food from local restaurants and markets, and free wine or beer. Dozens of raffle baskets. Guests are encouraged to

bring new socks or toiletries to donate to the Gino Merli Veterans Center. Books Appétit is a 2019 NEPA Match Day event, for which the Scranton Area Community Foundation will match fundraising up to \$1,000. Valley Community Library is at 739 River Street, Peckville. Phone 570-489-1765. www.lclshome.org/valley.

Easter Dinner - Sviachene

Father Myron Myronyuk and his Parish Family of Scranton's Saint Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church will conduct their annual Easter Dinner "Sviachene" celebration on Sunday, May 5, 2019, beginning at 12:15pm in the Parish Center at 428 North Seventh Avenue. Dinner will consist of Ukrainian borshch, ham, kobasa, red horseradish, holubchy, potato salad, rye bread, rolls, dessert and beverages. Takeouts available by advance order - must be picked up promptly between 11:30am and no later than 12 noon.

Musical entertainment by the delightful Ihor and Regina Duo. A theme basket and 50/50 raffle will be available along with a drawing for an attractive Ukrainian tablecloth.

Admission: \$15.00 adults; \$8.00 students; age 5 and under free.

Advance reservations only - no tickets at the door. For reservations contact Maria Black at 570 503-1514. Deadline is Monday, April 29.

Everyone is invited to our welcoming church and at our table!

From Auxiliary Bishop Andriy Rabiw

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

During the week of June 2 - 9, the Metropolitan Archeparchy of Philadelphia will welcome our new Metropolitan-Archbishop,

Most Reverend Borys Gudziak. It is a time of great joy for our Church, not only here in Philadelphia, but for the United States.

As you are aware, there are a number of

events scheduled to celebrate His Grace's enthronement during this week. One, in particular, is a Day for Youth where Metropolitan Borys wants to spend a day to get to know, get to listen and share with not only the future of the Church, but it's present generation.

The day, scheduled for Saturday, June 8, will be a day of prayer, of reflection, of dialogue, of visiting and of celebrating. Regardless of what language one speaks, the day will offer an opportunity for our youth and young adults to be with the leadership of our Church, not only in America, but with the head of our entire Church, His Beatitude Sviatoslav.

We invite children, youth and young adults of your family, parish and organization to come and be a part of the celebration

of our Church which will highlight them. There will be catechesis for all age groups: Pre-School (up to age 6), young children (ages 6 - 12), teenagers (ages 13 - 17) and young adults (18 and older). All they have to do is register and bring a sleeping bag.

To register, please have them send an email with their name, address, age and primary language to: h2hyouthday@gmail.com. Once we receive it, information and forms will be sent to be filled out. Enclosed, you will find a copy of the schedule for the day.

We thank you for your willingness to give the children and youth the time to deepen their faith by sharing with our leaders and especially with others of their same age group. Sincerely Yours, and the Lord,
Most Reverend Andriy Rabiy

Collection Processing Team...

ALL available Collection Processing Teams Members are asked to help with the Holy Week and Easter Collection.

This will take place following the 9:00 Divine Liturgy on Bright Monday, April 22nd.

Sunday Collection for April 13 & 14, 2019: \$

Altar Boy and Lector Schedule for April 27 & 28, 2019

| | Altar Boys | Lectors |
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| 4:00 pm | Nicholas Borowski -- Nicholas Muchisky | Bill Vervan |
| 9:00 am | Brennin Marcinko -- Cole Marcinko | Pat Marcinko |
| 11:30 am | Jordan Radle -- Tyler Muchisky | Frank Lesnefsky |

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Rev. Nestor Iwasiw, Pastor

Great and Holy Pascha

It is the Pasch; the Pasch of the Lord.
O You, who are truly all in all!
The joy, the honor, the food and the
delight of every creature;
through You the shadows of death
have fled away,
and life is given to all,
the gates of heaven are flung open.

God becomes man
and man is raised up to the likeness of God.
O divine Pasch!
O Pasch, light of new splendor.

The lamps of our souls will no more burn out.
The flame of grace,
divine and spiritual,

burns in the body and soul,
nourished by the resurrection of Christ.

We beg you, O Christ, Lord God,
eternal king of the spiritual world,
stretch out your protecting hands
over your holy Church
and over your holy people;
defend them, keep them, preserve them.

Raise up your standard over us
and grant that we may sing with Moses
the song of victory,
for yours is the glory and the power
for all eternity! Amen

St. Hippolytus of Rome