

The Cross, Our Victory

Have you seen the wonderful victory? Have you seen the splendid deeds of the Cross? ... Who can tell the Lord's mighty deeds? By death we were made immortal: these are the glorious deeds of the Cross.

Have you understood the victory? Have you grasped how it was wrought? Learn now, how this victory was gained without any sweat or toil of ours. No weapons of ours were stained with blood; our feet did not stand in the front line of battle; we suffered no wounds; witnessed no tumults; and yet we obtained the victory.

The battle was the Lord's, the crown is ours. Since then victory is ours, let us imitate the soldiers, and with joyful voices sing the songs of victory.

Let us praise the Lord and say, "Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?"

The Cross did all these wonderful things for us: the Cross is a war memorial erected against the demons, a sword against sin, the sword with which Christ slew the serpent.

The Cross is the Father's will, the glory of the Only-begotten, the Spirit's exultation, the beauty of the angels, the guardian of the Church. Paul glories in the Cross; it is the rampart of the saints, it is the light of the whole world.

St. John Chrysostom

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THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SUNDAY OF THE HOLY CROSS



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Sunday – March 3, 2024

Glory to Jesus Christ – Glory to Him Forever + Слава Ісусу Христу – Слава на віки

Confessions are available before the Divine Liturgies

All Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM

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Sunday March 3 **10:30 a.m.**	Veneration of the Holy Cross (For the Parish) Fr. R. (+Charitina Lytwyn from Family) Fr. A
Friday March 8 6:00 p.m.	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts (Living of the Nagurney-Medwid Family from Irene)
Saturday March 9 10:00 a.m.	Sorokousty Divine Liturgy (Sorokousty)
Sunday March 10 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	St. John of the Ladders (+Irene Wilson from Family) (For the Parish)

THE GREAT FAST – A TIME FOR PENANCE AND METANOIA

The Great Fast is here. Our parish will make a commitment to observe this sacred time in accord with the authentic traditions of our Ukrainian Catholic Church. We will celebrate the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Fridays at 6:00 p.m. in our Church. *Wednesdays will be at SS. Joachim and Anna in Front Royal, VA.* On Saturdays, we will celebrate the Divine Liturgy for the Souls enrolled in the Sorokousty 10:00 a.m. in our Church. Christians have been challenged to practice: **FASTING – ALMSGIVING – PRAYER – ASA WAY OF LIFE AND A WAY TO ETERNAL LIFE.** All parishioners are urged to resolve to make their best effort to attend at least 5 of these sacred services during the Great Fast, especially those in which we remember our deceased loved ones. All must attend the Divine Liturgy on Sundays. **Everyone, regardless of age, is encouraged to observe the GREAT FAST as piously as possible!**

75TH JUBILEE LENTEN MISSION STARTS FRIDAY MARCH 15, MARCH 16, AND MARCH 17

As we begin our 75th Anniversary observances, we are blessed to have a Lenten Mission this year by Father Dmytro Dnistrian, C.Ss.R. Fr. Dmytro will be with us for Confessions as well as our preacher at our services. Father will bring the relics of Blessed Vasyl Velychkovksy, C.Ss.R. for veneration. In the Soviet Union under the atheistic regime many Christians, especially Ukrainian Catholics laid down their lives rather than deny Jesus Christ and His Church. Among the martyrs was Nicholas Charnetsky and his twenty-four Companions. They all shared their martyrdom under the Soviet regime, mostly during and after the Second World War. Among the Companions was the Redemptorist Bishop, Vasyl Velychkovksy, whose relics will be displayed for veneration. The schedule will be announced soon.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY WITH FATHER ANDRII WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 P.M.

Our Fr. Andrii will begin a basic Bible Study Class this Wednesday March 6 at 6:30 p.m. Please bring your bible, colored pencils or markers. Please meet in the Fr. Shawel Room, the small church hall.

2024 EASTER BAZAAR AND BASIC PYSANKA WORKSHOP SATURDAY MARCH 16

Buffet Luncheon: "Traditional Ukrainian" – 10:30 a.m. until the food is gone. **Easter Bazaar:** 10:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. Traditional Ukrainian arts and crafts, pysanka kits, how-to books, videos, traditional foods & baked goods, and smoked & other meats. **Basic Pysanka Workshop:** Learn to decorate Easter Eggs the traditional Ukrainian way. Detailed A/V presentation, personalized instruction, materials & supplies included. Workshop Fee: Adults: \$35. Registration/payment required in advance at "Eventbrite" Attendance limited to 60. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/837381650057?aff=oddtcreator>

EASTER BAZAAR 2024 PREPARATION – SATURDAY MARCH 9 AND FRIDAY MARCH 15

PLEASE Join us Saturday March 9 starting at 11AM (after the Sorokousty Services) to make varenyky, both potato and sauerkraut. On Friday, March 15, our second session is to make holubtsi and other food items on Friday, March 15 starting at 10AM. Please sign-up with Nusia Kerda.

SPRING CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-6 HAVE BEGUN

All children ages 3-6 are welcome to join Holy Family's Catechism classes this fall with Co-Catechists Lindsey Fedyk and Julia Dezelski. Classes will be held between the two liturgies from 10:15-11:15. Please email Lindsey (lindseyfedyk@gmail.com) with any questions and to register your family. Classes will be held on: 3/3, 3/17, 4/7, 4/21, 5/5, Last class 5/12 End of year celebration!

Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Valarie Balthis, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Terry Boyle, Taisia Bullard, Mary Connors, Veronica Cosio, Darlene Dossick, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Lindsey Fedyk, Lilian Garland, Alice Gogniat, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, Vanessa Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Daniel Horeczko, Boris Hlynsky, Nila Iwaskiw, Sarah Kelt, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Mr. Marko, Michael Joseph Little, Paul Marynowych, Fr. Roman Mirchuk, Michele Pretka Litvar, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Thomas Nagurney, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Patricia Pylypec, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Michael Sharr, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta, Andrew, Larry Sosnowich, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Stefania Szahaj, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Anne Woroniak, Rose Wilson, Jennifer Wilson, Paul Yarrish.** If you know of someone who should be on this list, please email or call with the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and the aged is truly helpful and comforting. In your Christian Charity, kindly remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and perhaps a card or note.

Welcome Patriarch Sviatoslav
Вітаємо Патріарха Святослава