## The Lamb Who Was Slain Has Delivered Us from Death and Given Us Life

There was much proclaimed by the prophets about the mystery of the Passover: that mystery is Christ, and to Him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

For the sake of suffering humanity He came down from heaven to earth, clothed Himself in that humanity in the Virgin's womb, and was born a man. Having then a body capable of suffering, He took the pain of fallen man upon Himself; He triumphed over the diseases of soul and body that were its cause, and by His Spirit, which was incapable of dying, He dealt man's destroyer, death, a fatal blow.

He was led forth like a lamb; He was slaughtered like a sheep. He ransomed us from our servitude to the world, as He had ransomed Israel from the land of Egypt; He freed us from our slavery to the devil, as He had freed Israel from the hand of Pharaoh. He sealed our souls with His own Spirit, and the members of our body with His own blood.

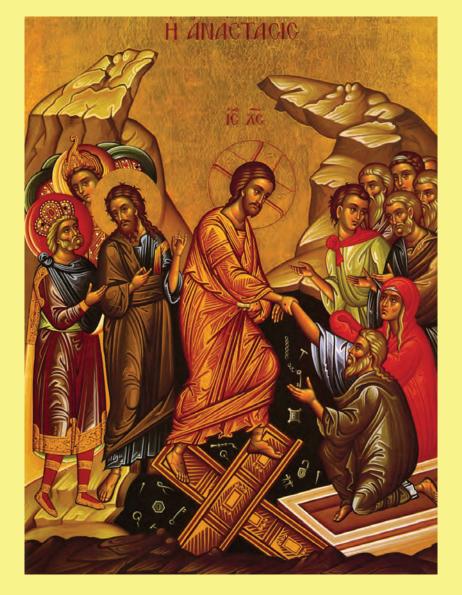
He is the One who covered death with shame and cast the devil into mourning, as Moses cast Pharaoh into mourning. He is the One who smote sin and robbed iniquity of offspring. He is the One who brought us out of slavery into freedom, out of darkness into light, out of death into life, out of tyranny into an eternal kingdom; who made us a new priesthood, a people chosen to be His own forever. He is the Passover that is our salvation.

It is he who endured every kind of suffering in all those who foreshadowed Him. In Abel He was slain, in Isaac bound, in Jacob exiled, in Joseph sold, in Moses exposed to die. He was sacrificed in the Passover lamb, persecuted in David, dishonored in the proph-

It is He who was made man of the Virgin, He who was hung on the tree; it is He who was buried in the earth, raised from the dead, and taken up to the heights of heaven. He is the mute lamb, the slain lamb, the lamb born of Mary, the fair ewe. He was seized from the flock, dragged off to be slaughtered, sacrificed in the evening, and buried at night. On the tree no bone of His was broken; in the earth His body knew no decay. He is the One who rose from the dead, and who raised man from the depths of the tomb.

St. Melito of Sardis

# PASCHA: THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST



Icon of the Descent into Hades

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**Sunday – April 20, 2025** 

Христос Воскрес – Bоістину Воскрес Christ is Risen – Truly He is Risen Confessions are available before the Divine Liturgies

All Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Platform: https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/

Saturday April 19	Great and Holy Saturday
9:00 a.m.	Church opens for Visitation of the Tomb All Day
10:00 a.m.	Jerusalem Matins at the Tomb
11:30 a.m.	Confessions
12:00 noon	Blessing of Easter Food Baskets
8:30 p.m.	Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great (For the Parish)
	First Liturgy of Pascha-Easter Vigil [Satisfies Easter Obligation]
	Followed by Blessing of Easter Food Baskets
Sunday April 20	PASCHA – THE RESURECTION OF JESUS CHRIST
8:00 a.m.	Resurrection Matins
9:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy Followed By Blessing of Easter Food Baskets
	(Deceased Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Religious)
Monday April 21	Bright Monday
7:00 p.m.	(Blessings for Natalia from Stephania Iwaskiw)
Tuesday April 22	
9:00 a.m.	(Blessings for the Kosten Family from Elizabeth)
Wednesday April 23	
9:00 a.m.	(Blessinsg for the Gleason Family from E. Wallace)
Thursday April 24	
9:00 a.m.	(Blessings for Ellen from Family)
Friday April 25	
9:00 a.m.	(Blessings for Sophia from Mother)
Saturday April 26	Great Vespers
5:30 p.m.	
Sunday April 27	Thomas Sunday - Sviachene and Easter Egg Hunt
10:00 a.m.	(For the Parish)

## **CATECHISM CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-5**

Catechism classes will be held from 10:15-11:15 am on Sunday. Please mark these dates for the first semester: April, 27, May 4, 18.

### IN YOUR CHRISTIAN CHARITY, PLEASE REMEMBER +MARY ANN GRONER IN YOUR PRAYERS

In your Christian charity, please remember +Mary Ann Groner (96), in your prayers. Mary Ann entered Eternity on April 11. Her Funeral Service was held at the Ukrainian Catholic National Shrine of the Holy Family on Tuesday April 15. Burial will be in Michigan at a later date. Please remember her daughter, Kristina Orange, and son, Richard Groner, who mourn her in your prayers. May her memory be Eternal – Vichnaya Yi Pamyat - Christ is Risen- Khrystos Voskres!

#### **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, Robert Dulaine, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Ferne Fisanich, Myroslava Futey, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, Vanessa Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Ellen Hitchens, Janet Hitchens, Daniel Horeczko, Boris Hlynsky, Nila Iwaskiw, Sarah Kelt, LTJG Lydia Kowalskyj USN, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Mr. Marko, Melissa Martin, Paul Marynowych, Michele Pretka Litvak, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Patricia Pylypec, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Teresa Sherwood, 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, Fr. George Worschak, and 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.

Sunday April 27 – Sviachene and Easter Egg Hunt ONE DIVINE LITURGY at 10:00 a.m. \$20 adults, \$15 Seniors (65+), \$5 college students, \$1 youth (0-18)

Fr. Robert and Fr. Mykola
wish everyone
a Blessed and Holy Pascha!
Christ is Risen!
Truly He is Risen!

отець Роберт та отець Микола бажають Вам Божого благословення та щасливих і веселих Великодніх Свят! Христос Воскрес! Воістину Воскрес!