

Love Conquers All

A story is told of a man who, while he lived upon the earth, was unconcerned about the state of his soul, or spiritual growth, or eternity. When he died he found himself not enjoying eternal happiness but, rather, suffering eternal torment.

His friends and relatives went down to the gates of hell and tried to intercede for him, giving him a positive endorsement and a good character reference, but the gates of hell would not open to release him. Likewise, his parish priest tried to plead for him saying that he really wasn't all that bad. Still, the gates of hell remained closed. Finally, came his mother. She did not plead for him, she did not try to bargain for him, she did not make excuses for him. She simply said, "Let me in." The gates

of hell opened immediately because they could not withstand the force of love.

Our Father among the Saints, John Chrysostom writes: "Let no one fear death, for our Savior's death has set us free. He has destroyed death by enduring it. He has despoiled death by going down to its kingdom. O Death where is your sting, O Hades where is your victory? Christ is risen and you are abolished! Christ is risen and life is freed! Christ is risen and the tomb is emptied of the dead, for Christ has become the Leader and Reviver of those who had fallen asleep. To Him be glory and honor forever!" (*Paschal Sermon*)

Christ is Risen! Indeed He Risen!
Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!

PASCHA - THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Icon of the Resurrection

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Sunday – April 5, 2026

Христос Воскрес – Воістину 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

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<p>Saturday April 4 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:00 noon 8:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Great and Holy Saturday Church opens for Visitation of the Tomb All Day Jerusalem Matins at the Tomb Confessions Blessing of Easter Food Baskets 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</p>
<p>Sunday April 5 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>PASCHA – THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST Resurrection Matins Divine Liturgy Followed By Blessing of Easter Food Baskets (Deceased Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Religious)</p>
<p>Monday April 6 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p>Bright Monday (Health of Roman and Nadia from the Serbyn Family)</p>
<p>Thursday April 9 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>(+Charles Belanger from Mike Wilson)</p>
<p>Friday April 10 9:00 a.m.</p>	<p>(+Helen and +John Fedkiw from the Popadiuk Family)</p>
<p>Saturday April 11 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Great Vespers</p>
<p>Sunday April 12 10:00 a.m.</p>	<p>Thomas Sunday - Sviachene and Easter Egg Hunt (For the Parish)</p>

PRAYER LIST

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Valarie Balthis, 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, Myroslava Futey, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Robert Harnest, Catherine Hetmansky, Vanessa Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Ellen Hitchens, Janet Hitchens, Fr. Robert Hitchens, Boris Hlynsky, Daniel Horeczko, Oksana Horszynska, Ihor Hulawyj, Nila Iwaskiw, Sarah Kelt, LTJG Lydia Kowalskyj USN, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Mr. Marko, Melissa Martin, Paul Marynowych, Irene Nagurney, Myron Nagurney Jr, Michele Pretka Litvak, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Patricia Pylypec, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Ivanna Richardson, Roman Rusynko, Chris Saboe, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Teresa Sherwood, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta, Andrew, Larry Sosnowich, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, 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 12 – 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!**