

### *Celebrating Holy and Great Pascha*

Brethren, how fine a thing it is to move from festival to festival, from prayer to prayer, from holy day to holy day. The time is now at hand when we enter on a new beginning: the proclamation of the blessed Passover, in which the Lord was sacrificed. We feed as on the food of life, we constantly refresh our souls with His precious blood, as from a fountain. Yet we are always thirsting, burning to be satisfied. But He Himself is present for those who thirst and in His goodness invites them to the feast day. Our Savior repeats His words: If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink.

He quenched the thirst not only of those who came to him then. Whenever anyone seeks him He is freely admitted to the presence of the Savior. The grace of the feast is not restricted to one occasion. Its rays of glory never set. It is always at hand to enlighten the mind of those who desire it. Its power is always there for those whose minds have been enlightened and who meditate day and night on the holy Scriptures, like the one who is called blessed in the holy psalm: Blessed is the man who has not followed the counsel

of the wicked, or stood where sinners stand, or sat in the seat of the scornful, but whose delight is in the law of the Lord, and who meditates on his law day and night.

Moreover, my friends, the God who first established this feast for us allows us to celebrate it each year. He who gave up His Son to death for our salvation, from the same motive gives us this feast, which is commemorated every year. This feast guides us through the trials that meet us in this world. God now gives us the joy of salvation that shines out from this feast, as He brings us together to form one assembly, uniting us all in spirit in every place, allowing us to pray together and to offer common thanksgiving, as is our duty on the feast. Such is the wonder of His love: He gathers to this feast those who are far apart, and brings together in unity of faith those who may be physically separated from each other.

*St. Athanasius the Great*

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## RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST



*Icon of the Descent into Hades*

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Sunday – March 31, 2024

**Христос Воскрес – Воістину Воскрес Christ is Risen – Indeed 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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Saturday March 30 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:00 noon 8:30 p.m.	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 First Liturgy of Pascha-Easter Vigil [Satisfies Easter Obligation] Followed by Blessing of Easter Food Baskets
Sunday March 31 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	PASCHA – THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST Resurrection Matins Divine Liturgy Blessing of Easter Food Baskets (Deceased Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Religious)
Monday April 1 7:00 p.m.	Bright Monday (+Deacon Theophil Staruch from Family)
Tuesday April 2 9:00 a.m.	Bright Tuesday (+Horace Hitchens from Family)
Wednesday April 3 9:00 a.m.	Bright Wednesday (Blessings for Claire from Elizabeth)
Thursday April 4 9:00 a.m.	Bright Thursday (+Frank Fisanich from Ferne )
Friday April 5 9:00 a.m.	Bright Friday (Deceased of the Nagurney-Medwid Family from Irene)
Sunday April 7 10:30 a.m.	Thomas Sunday - Sviachene and Easter Egg Hunt (For the Parish)

**Sunday April 7 – Sviachene and Easter Egg Hunt**

**ONE DIVINE LITURGY at 10:30 a.m.**

**\$20 adults, \$15 Seniors (65+), \$5 college students, \$1 youth (0-18)**

**LENTEN BIBLE STUDY WITH FATHER ANDRII WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 P.M. (APRIL 10)**

Our Fr. Andrii will have the next Bible Study Wednesday April 10 at 6:30 p.m. Please bring your bible, colored pencils or markers. Please meet in the Fr. Shawel Room, the small church hall.

**SPRING CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-6 – NEXT CLASS APRIL 21**

All children ages 3-6 are welcome to join Holy Family’s Catechism classes this spring 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: 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, Myroslava Futey, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, Vanessa Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Ellen Hitchens, 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.

**Fr. Robert and Fr. Andrii  
wish everyone  
a Blessed and Holy Pascha!  
Christ is Risen!  
Indeed He is Risen!**

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