

CATHEDRAL OF ST MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL
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DIVINE WORSHIP THIS WEEK

All services at St Michael's Cathedral unless otherwise noted

PALM SUNDAY MARCH 28	8:15am 9:00am 11:00am	Matins: The Church's Morning Prayer (Livestream) Divine Liturgy: +Elizabeth Bartko (Livestream) Divine Liturgy: +Anthony Migliaccio, Joseph Chromey, Veronica Hripak (<i>Chapel</i>) <i>Blessing of palms and branches at both Divine Liturgies</i>
Monday March 29	9:00am	Bridegroom Matins
Tuesday March 30	9:00am	Bridegroom Matins
Wed. March 31 <u>Abstinence from Meat</u>	9:00am 7:00pm	Service of Holy Oil and Anointing for Healing Liturgy of the Presanctified with Anointing for Healing (<i>Chapel</i>) (Livestream)
Thursday April 1	9:00am 7:00pm	Matins of Holy Thursday Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St Basil Health & Blessings: Gregory Duch (Livestream)
Friday April 2 <u>STRICT FAST</u>	9:00am 3:00pm	Strast'i Matins with Twelve Passion Gospels (Livestream) Vespers with the Holy Shroud (Plasčanica) (Livestream). Cathedral open for vigil until midnight.
HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 3	10:00am 12noon	Jerusalem Matins (Livestream) Blessing of Paschal Foods (Cathedral Lower Hall) Masks and Social Distancing!
PASCHA OF THE RESURRECTION APRIL 4	8:00am 11:00am	PASCHAL MATINS WITH PROCESSION AND DIVINE LITURGY <i>Blessing of Paschal Foods to follow in the Lower Hall</i> PASCHAL DIVINE LITURGY (<i>Chapel</i>). <i>Blessing of Paschal Foods in Hall</i>

WE REMEMBER IN PRAYER: *The Ill and homebound:* Fr. Marcel, Fr. Jody, Sr, Teresa, Robert Gelenius, Loretta Sagan, Michael Lysak, Alex Panzano, Julian Letchworth, Joan Barat, Sonia Kochbarski, Julia Duch, Helen Rock, Marion Beck, Michael Hrehovčik, Diane Rabiej, RJ Fedor, Lucille Filliman, Eva Croneberger, Donald Milne, Ann Gupta, Deborah Kochbarski, Vilma Babin, Mary Kovach, Eleanor Chabra, Kenny Dec, Helen Popovich, Carson Kenworthy, Joanne Graf, Stella Madey, Conor Haag, Miguel Marrero, Diane Borowski, Gerald Kerzetski, Nancy Salch, Ken Brino, John Mihalecko. Veronica Durante, Beth Savage, Michael, Alissa (special intentions). **Preparing for Baptism:** Elowyn Violet LoBozzo. **Preparing for Matrimony:** Scott Berry & Tiffany Russo; Vincent Basile & Mary Rose Curcio, John Pesenti & Christine Turanchik. **Vocations:** Subdeacons Timothy Fariss and Bryan Scotton

YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS FOR MARCH 21: \$2558.00 (including \$394.00 in online donations).
IT TAKES \$7000.00 each week to fund all our operations. Factoring in the school lease, we need \$3750 in offerings each week. "Put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, and see if I do not open the floodgates of heaven for you, and pour down upon you blessing without measure!" (Malachi 3:10). **We thank everyone who has made up "back" envelopes!**
MAKE YOUR SACRIFICIAL OFFERINGS ONLINE: Go to www.stmichaelsarchangel.org, click on the "Donate" button, and be directed to a safe, encrypted site. All online donations are recorded for tax purposes

VIČNA LAMPA DEDICATIONS: March 21 – April 3: *At the Cathedral:* +Anna & Joseph Napovier by the Weinbrecht Family. *At the Chapel:* +Helen Novak by Anna Horkava. The Vična Lampa burns for two weeks for an offering of \$20.00. *Call the Parish office to reserve your 2021 dedications.*

PALM SUNDAY: Please **MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCE** and **FOLLOW USHERS' INSTRUCTIONS** when taking palms and willows after the Liturgy.

ECF FOR CHILDREN VIA ZOOM WILL BE ON PASCHAL BREAK SATURDAYS. APRIL 3 AND 10. Classes resume April 17 at 10am. Separate classes for preschool, elementary and middle school. For more information and to register contact: ecfpassaic@gmail.com. Our ECF program includes children from around the Eparchy! We thank Dee Strawhand and Subdeacon Bryan for creating a quality program we can share with other parishes!

HOLY WEEK FASTING: All the faithful who approach Holy Communion are obliged to abstain from meat products on all Wednesdays and Fridays of the Great Fast and to fast (reduced quantity of food) and to abstain from all meat, dairy and egg products on Great and Holy Friday (April 2). This is the minimum requirement.

The traditional Byzantine fast prescribes abstinence from all animal products, wine and olive oil for the duration of the Fast, with relaxations for wine, oil and fish on certain feast days and Sundays. Please consider adopting a stricter fasting regimen for Holy Week, with some relaxation after Divine Liturgy on Holy Thursday.

In addition to fasting, a Lenten lifestyle includes intensified daily prayer, sacramental confession, and an increased active practice of charity with our time, attention, and material resources.

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP: This week we have the opportunity to walk with our Lord through every step of His Passion and Resurrection and be transformed. Come keep vigil for Him at Bridegroom Matins on Monday and Tuesday. Come be anointed with Him as members of His Body on Wednesday. Come and join Him at the table of the Mystical Supper on Thursday. Come for the Gospels of His Passion on Friday morning, for His burial on Friday afternoon and to lament at His tomb on Saturday morning. These are opportunities, not obligations. Don't let the fuss of the Easter "holiday" get in the way of the holiest days of the year.

COME AND SEE a full color introduction to our Byzantine Catholic Church, is available in the Cathedral and Chapel vestibules. Please take one per household as a gift from the Eparchy. Is someone you know searching for God or looking for a Church? Take one for them too. At a distance? **An introductory series on our Church** based on this book is now being presented in installments on our You Tube channel. Look for "Come and See, A Series for Seekers."

ACCESS ALL OUR LIVE STREAM SERVICES AND CLASSES VIA OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL:
<http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfGN9bRHQ2BbVvjI5sLQPIg>. We regret to inform that the phone link is not working despite our best efforts to address the problem with the software producers.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED A HAM TO OUR FOOD PANTRY. You have brought a little Paschal joy to one of our neighbors. We can always use 1 or 2 lb bags of rice and beans, peanut butter, grape jelly, canned fruit, vegetables, and meat, hearty soups, spaghetti, cereals, oatmeal, and mac and cheese. You may leave donations in the Cathedral vestibule; at the Chapel, please place them in Fr. Jack's trunk (blue Subaru). **We are currently overstocked on Mac and Cheese!**

FR JACK'S NEW BOOK, THIS IS THE DAY OF RESURRECTION, with biblical reflections for each of the 40 days of Pascha, is available in the vestibule. Please place \$15.00 per copy in the collection basket.