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Vol. 78 No. 1766 **Sunday, April 4th, 2021**

Third Sunday of the Great Fast

Sunday of the Holy Cross



Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great - 9:00 am
Sunday School – 10:20 am

Panachida for ***+Helen Herman*** offered by John & Helen Herman; ***+Charles and Mary Yarina*** offered by Theodore Tomera and Family
+Pauline McCormick; ***+Reggie Lengyel***; ***+Andrew Krett*** offered by Edward & Rita Hanechak;
+John Kesselak Jr. offered by Joseph and Eleanor Kravacs

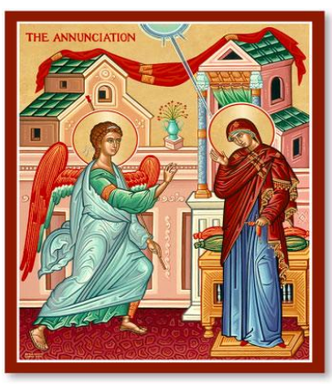
Resurrection Tone 2 –
Tropar & Kondak: pages 84 & 185-186
Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6
Gospel: Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

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Services for the week of April 4th

Tue. 4/06 … ***Vesporal Liturgy for the Feast of the Annunciation*…....……5:30 pm**

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Tuesday April 6, 2021

Feast of the Annunciation

Vesporal Divine Liturgy – 5:30 pm

Epistle: Hebrews 2: 11-18

Gospel: Luke 1:24-38

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Services for the week of April 4th continued

Wed. 4/07 … *Moleben to the Holy Cross*……..…….……*7:00 pm*

Fri. 4/09 … ***Presanctified Liturgy*……*7:00 pm***

Sat. 4/10 … 3rd *All-Souls Saturday*……*9:00 am*

Great Vespers…….…….……..6:00 pm

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Sunday, April 11th, 2021

Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast

Saint John Climacus

Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great – 9 am
Sunday School - 10:20 am

Panachida for ***+Michael and Justina, son John, parents Andrew and Mary, in-laws Paul and Anna, and brother Michael*** offered by Justina Slachta (Perpetual)

Resurrection Tone 3

Tropar & Kondak: pages 87 & 183-184

Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20 Gospel: Mark 9:17-31

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Services for the week of April 11th

Mon. 4/12 … +John and Elizabeth offered by Velma and Irene Vargo; +Andrew Mikolaj offered by Phyllis Mikolaj and family; +Mary and Michael Burcha (Perpetual) – Parastas……..8:00 am

Tue. 4/13 … +Stella Matola; +Joseph Bearjar; +Anna C. Smider (Perpetual) – Parastas …8:00 am

Wed. 4/14 …+Helen and Vasil Chopey offered by Anna Smider (Perpetual) – Parastas.…8:00 am

Canon of Saint Andrew of Crete*……*7:00 pm

Thur. 4/15 … +Mother Susan Korinko offered by Pani Emily Molchany; and Stephen Kassander offered by Mathilda and Stephen Kassander (Perpetual) – Parastas……8:00 am

Fri. 4/16 … +Anna Gergel; +Mary Nemchik; +Anna Patchen offered by John Patchen; and +George and Helen Pazuchanics (Perpetual) – Parastas……...8:00 am

Presanctified Liturgy*……*7:00 pm

Sat. 4/17 … Great Vespers…….…….……..6:00 pm

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Sunday, April 18th, 2021

Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast – Saint Mary of Egypt

Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great - 9:00 am
Sunday School - 10:20 am

Panachida for ***+Anna Fedornock*** offered by Fr. John, Steve and Mary; ***+Departed members of the Yurcisin and Popovich Families*** offered by Ann Melanie Yurcisin; ***+Frank Terchanik, John Dzura Jr. and Dorothy Neff*** offered by Pani Kathy Buczak and ***+Dorothy Kristofco*** offered by Carol Devine

Resurrection Tone 4 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 90 & 185-186

Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14 Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

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CONGRATULATIONS – To Bryan and Anna Seitz on the birth of the daughter, Elizabeth on Monday, March 29, 2021 at 6:20 pm. Elizabeth was 8 pounds 1 ounce and is 20 inches long. Both Mom and Baby are doing well.

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BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday, April 13th, 2021 @6:30 pm

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BIRTHDAY PRAYERS – ***Romayne Laichak (4/4) James Audi (4/4), Carrie Hower (4/6), Nick Miloro (4/6), and Anna Valero (4/6), Lillen Marria Weingard (4/7), Majed Zreigat (4/9), and Sophie Martich- 100th Birthday (4/11).*** You were remembered in Prokomedia!

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"THE VINE AND THE BRANCHES" – APRIL 11, 2021

The next "The Vine and the Branches" online Diocesan Youth event for youth ages 5-18 (Kindergarten up to 12th Grade currently) is scheduled for Sunday, April 11, 2021 at 6pm (Eastern Time). His Eminence Metropolitan Gregory is calling all our youth ages 5-18 to come together again online on April 11 in order to strengthen their faith and connect with their peers around the Diocese. Don't miss out on the opportunity to be together with His Eminence, our priests, and one another, and be encouraged in your faith. Registration is quick and easy at: The Vine and the Branches - 4/11/21. Registration closes on Friday, 4/9 so register TODAY!!

The schedule includes time for a message from the Metropolitan, games to help us get to know each other, activities on the theme of The Vine and the Branches, some entertainment from around the Diocese (special guest appearances!), and time just to see and talk with one another. Youth will be together for part of the Event, as well as in smaller "breakout rooms" grouped by age. Youth Ages 5-12 will be online from 6pm-7:30pm. Youth Ages 13-18 will be online from 7pm-8:30pm. All times are Eastern Time. Once you register for the event, a full schedule and the links to join the Event will be sent to you. His Eminence is looking forward to seeing all of you!!!

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WHY DOES THE VIRGIN MARY WEAR A PURPLE VEIL?

Saint Andrew of Crete (660-740), in his *Great Canon,* kept before him this apocryphal account of Mary preparing the purple thread for the veil, on which she was working before the Archangel Gabriel visited her at Nazareth. He interpreted it symbolically when he chanted, "As from purple silk, O undefiled Virgin, the spiritual robe of Emanuel, His flesh, was woven in thy womb. Therefore, we honor thee as Theotokos in very truth."

The latter detail of the purple thread for the temple veil and the Virgin holding a weaver's spindle was a notion very popular among the Byzantines. It is always included in the icons of the Feast of the Annunciation. Often there is the portrayal of the thread falling away. The significance of this is that Mary will now turn from the external work with the thread for a veil in the Jerusalem temple, to attend to the vocation to become herself the temple of the dwelling place of the incarnate Lord.

Saint Proklos, Patriarch of Constantinople, also enhances this theme and proclaims, "O Virgin! From where didst thou obtain the wool to fashion a garment to clothe the Master of creation? How in the web of thy womb didst thou weave the pure and sinless cloak? Adam was naked, and with the leaves of a fig tree covered his shame. But to restore that which was corrupted, Wisdom in the workshop of virginity, has the divine operation, woven a new covering!" And the same writes that the Theotokos is the "web of the new dispensation on which the incomprehensible cloak of union was woven. The weaver was the Holy Spirit. And the purple wool was the divine power descending from above; and also that wool of the ancient world, Adam's flesh, from the immaculate flesh of the Virgin, would encompass the immeasurable grace of Him Who clothes all flesh."

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QUOTES FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

A mother must pray a lot during her pregnancy and love the child growing within her, caressing her abdomen, reading psalms, singing hymns and living a holy life. This is also for her benefit. But she makes sacrifices for the sake of the embryo so that the child will become more holy and will acquire from the very outset holy foundations. Do you see how delicate a matter it is for a woman to go through pregnancy? Such a responsibility and such an honor!

Elder Porphyrios of Kafsokalyvia

Do not become despondent in your sorrows, and do not give up. Read the Gospel more frequently and more extensively. Jesus Christ forgave all who repented, but He also warned them: 'Go and sin no more.' Turn to Him more often, acknowledge your failings, ask for help, constantly force yourself to say the Jesus Prayer, whether out loud or to yourself.

Abba Nikon of Russia

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PRAYER CHAIN

Thomas Buczak	Ronald Kmet	Arianna Risso	Margaret Blehi	Robert Stokes
Cindy LaBarr	Michael Derby	Charlie Erisman	Bill Pringle	Barbara Stokes
Annie Mishurda	Sue Miller	Rachael Costlow	Valentina Yaremenko	Marcia Matthews
Steve Martyak	Maureen & Jay Dabbs	Marshall Rosenow	Olga Yaremetko	Jolene McClain
Joan Wine	Judith Pringle	Shirley Mazurak	Steve Prieber	Dorothy Kapolka
Jessica McLaughlin	Robert Pringle	Donna Babble	Aberdeen Rudge	Georgene Coulter
Michael Sakmar	Barbara Virostek	Richard Barnes	Mark Kuruzovich	Tommy Lee Knipple
Joseph Muchesko	Robert Janeway	Michael Logan	Pat Hanuska	Tanya Britan
Roberta Kovalik	Helen Duray	Lloyd Broadwater	Dwight Nugle	Frank Porembka
Theresa Milkovich	Andy Walls	Nick Timko	Rose and Terry Fyock	Helen Porembka
Kira Pronin	Jack Dahl	Erin Demich	Rosalia Horner	Daniel Porembka
Alexxa Lowery	Janet Hanak	Mary Ann Muchesko	Beverly Mayo	Dr. Rose Ann Jordan
Romayne Laichak	Eva Zeleniak-Whitak	Joella Hamlin	Al Kuzmyak	Elmer C. Laslo
Debbie Dawson	Malcolm Barnes	Donna Martyak	Michael Paul Gost	Steve Kuzmiak
Zachary Rogina	Ann Koehnlein	Veronica Ronchak	Brooklyn Balamuto	Demetra Mavrophilipos
Robert J. Gritzer	Larry Eisenhauer	Mary Jane Matolyak	Victoria Bennett	Gaynell Shrift
Ron Kuzmyak	Evelyn Houston	Michaela Miller	Christina Sakmar	
Paul Kalcik	Dave Podolak	Arianna Jade Miller	Matushka Helen	
Henry Laichak	Judith Rowlands	Taylor Miller	Jasiukowicz	
Beverly Tinkle	Angeline Komara	Jennifer Gardenhour	Joanne Democko	

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Rectory Office Hours – Father is available any time by appointment.

Emergency Sick Calls can be made at any time. Please phone the rectory when a family member is admitted to the hospital.

Marriages are solemnized on Saturdays or Sundays. Consult the pastor at least six months in advance and before plans have been made for the wedding reception. Marriages cannot be celebrated during the fasting seasons of the church, or on Fridays.

Baptisms are normally scheduled on Saturdays or Sundays. Consult the pastor. Two God-parents are required, at least one of whom must be Orthodox by faith and the other a practicing Christian.

Church Funerals are provided for practicing Orthodox Christians who are current in their spiritual and financial obligations to the parish; otherwise burial is from the funeral home.

The Church does not permit cremation.

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