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Vol. 84 No. 1972 **Sunday, March 15th, 2026**


# *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**
Resurrection Tone 7 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 99 & 185-186
Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

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***Bible Study Tuesday, March 17th @ 6:30 pm***
***Join us here or Via Zoom***

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**Services for the week of March 15th**

**Mon. 3/16** … +Mary, Ivan, Shelly, and Maria offered by Mary Skovan; and
+John and Susie Schaeffer (Perpetual) – Parastas…….……8:00 am
**Tue. 3/17** … +Mary Antonikas (Perpetual) – Parastas..……..……..…….……8:00 am
**Wed. 3/18** … ***Moleben to the Holy Cross ……6:00 pm***
**Thur. 3/19** … +Andrew and Helen Dluhos (Perpetual) – Parastas…….……..…8:00 am
**Fri. 3/20** … ***Pre-sanctified Liturgy…..……6:00 pm***
**Sat. 3/21** … +Mary Fedorchak (Perpetual)
***4th All-souls Saturday***…..……..……9:00 am
Great Vespers…..……..……4:00 pm

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**Sunday, March 22nd, 2026**

# *Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast*

## *Saint John Climacus*

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

Panachida for ***+John Chupka Sr., +Nicholas Don, John P. Chupko and Nicholas Don Chupko Jr., and Joseph M. Quinn*** offered by Kathryn Oravec***; +Alfred Novak, +Elsie Gomilar, +Michael Dzura, +Deacon Robert Conjelko, and +Cindy Dzvonik*** offered by Fr. Robert and Pani Kathy;
***+Mary and Edward Tavalsky*** offered by their children
Resurrection Tone 8 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 102 & 183-184

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

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**Services for the week of March 22nd**

**Mon. 3/23** … +Mary & +Stephen Karnosky (Perpetual) - Parastas…….8:00 am
**Tue. 3/24** … +George and +Mary Pakh Magdinec
offered by John and Mary Gido (Perpetual) – Parastas…….8:00 am
**Wed. 3/25** … +Georga Paczolt and Joseph & Mary offered by Mary Kindya – Par..……8:00 am
**Canon of Saint Andrew……..……6:00 pm**
**Thur. 3/26** … +Mary, Michael, and Mary Hritz; and
+Boyd Conrad (Perpetual) - Parastas……..……..…8:00 am
**Fri. 3/25** … ***Pre-sanctified Liturgy……6:00 pm***
**Sat. 4/28** … Lenten Retreat at St. Nicholas in Homestead – no Vespers Scheduled

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**Sunday, March 29th, 2026**

# *Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast - St. Mary of Egypt*

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

Panachida for ***+Margaret Herko*** offered by the family; ***+John Horner, Mary Ruth Horner, James Horner, Michael Horner, and Mark DeCoske*** offered by the Horner Family.
***+Emma Jean Yazvak*** offered by Fr. Robert and Pani Kathy Buczak
Resurrection Tone 1 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 81 &185-186

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

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**BIRTHDAY PRAYERS** – ***Jon Billetdeaux (3/15), Halee Leader (3/15), Joy Love (3/15), Aaron Szapka (3/15), Lynn Hood (3/17), Nancy Earnest (3/19), John Lakatos (3/19), Alison Archer (3/20), Joshua Machik (3/21), Nick Bocher (3/21), Helen Gvozdich (3/22), and Sienna Pelesky (3/22).*** You were remembered in Prokomedia!

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**THE ETERNAL LAMP and ALTAR CANDLES** – are offered today in memory of ***+Emil and Helen Yursky by the family.***

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## Jr. A.C.R.Y. Hosts Lenten Spring Encounter at Camp Nazareth,

The National Jr. A.C.R.Y. (American Carpatho-Russian Youth) will host its annual **Lenten Spring Encounter** at **Camp Nazareth** from **Friday, March 20 through Sunday, March 22, 2026,** inviting **all youth ages 8–18** for a weekend of faith, fellowship, spiritual growth, and all the joys of spending the first days of Spring at beautiful Camp Nazareth! Centered on the theme **"Return to the Lord: Come Home to Christ this Lent!"**, the weekend encourages young people to experience Great Lent not simply as a season of "doing more," but as a joyful return to God like that of the Prodigal Son.

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# ACRY "Lenten Soup/Food Sale"

Our chapter will be having our Annual Stewardship "Lenten Soup/Food Sale" for $8.00 a quart continuing thru Sunday, April 5, 2026, held at the Cathedral Auditorium after Divine Liturgy. A sign-up sheet and plastic containers will be available for those who would like to make their favorite Lenten recipes to help with sales. Proceeds will benefit our American Carpatho-Russian Youth. Volunteers are needed for the Cambria County Backpack Project at the Garfield school on Mondays, March 23, April 20 and May 18, 2026, from 4-5pm.Sixteen bags will be distributed for Paska to our shut-ins and those in assisted living homes. Saturday's Kitchen's next volunteer dates are Saturdays, March 21 and May16, 2026. Please contact Melanie Dudak if you are able to help. The next ACRY meeting will be Thursday, April 2, 2026, at 6:30pm in the Cathedral auditorium. The Westend Food Bank coordinator Steve Horbal thanks everyone for a successful "Souper Bowl" canned soup drive bringing in more than last year! Our ACRY members Stewardship obligations and your support is what keeps our Chapter going. Thank You everyone!
Thank you for supporting our ACRY Chapter! – Rose Ann DeCoske

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# CENTRAL REGION DIOCESAN LENTEN RETREAT

## *Saturday, March 28th*

All are invited and encouraged to attend the Diocesan Lenten Retreat held Saturday, ***March 28th*** from 10:00 am – 5:00 pm at Saint Nicholas Orthodox Church; 903 Ann Street; Homestead, Pa. 15120. A free-will offering will be taken. ***Please contact Cathy Pawlik at 412-461-2110 if you plan to attend!***

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# PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SEMINARIANS

Fr. Peter Sodini, Deacon Maximus Cannaverde, Fr. Alexander Hurtsellers, Deacon Bradley Shaffer, Nicholas Cizin, John Bonnewitz-Coffey, John Fedornock III, Spyridon Raburn, Clayton Woods and Ignatios Leonardo.

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# FOR CONSIDERATION

Those who let us do as we like are neither good teachers nor good friends. Blessed John Moschus writes about one eminent woman of senatorial family, who visited the Holy Land: 'Arriving at Caesarea, she planned to remain there and applied to the bishop with this request: "Find me a young woman to teach me the fear of God". The bishop introduced her to a humble girl. After some time, he met this woman and asked her: "How is the girl that I introduced to you?" "She is alright", replied the woman, "but she has been of little help to my soul, because she lets me have my own way. It is because she is humble, but I need her to grumble at me and not let me do as I please". The bishop found her someone else, a girl with a fairly rough character, who grumbled at her, called her an ignorant rich woman and so forth. After some time, the bishop once again asked the woman: '" and how does this young woman get on with you?" "She is truly helpful to my soul", replied the woman of senatorial family – and she thus became very humble' ('The Spiritual Meadow').

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## PRAYER CHAIN

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| Thomas Buczak | Shirley Mazurak | Marcia Matthews | Michael Mehalacki | Zander Marshall |
| Veronica Buczak | Erin Demich | Jolene McClain | Matthew Hanak | Kara Dorsey |
| Michael Sakmar | Mary Ann Muchesko | Georgene Coulter | Mary Frances Dutko | Ronald Patrick |
| Joseph Muchesko | Michaela Miller | Tanya Britan | Clarabella Knight | Lisa Daugherty |
| Dave and Roberta Kovalik | Arianna Jade Miller | Frank and Daniel Porembka | Matushka Mary Margaret | Cindy LaBarr |
| Kira Pronin | Taylor Miller | Dr. Rose Ann Jordan | Remona Blunt-Wall | Amber |
| Alexxa Lowery | Jennifer Gardenhour | Demetra Mavrophilipos | Patti Sweeney | Diana Gvozdich-Smith |
| Romayne Laichak | Steve Prieber | Rose Conjelko | Samantha Salway | Jean Barnes |
| Zachary Rogina | Aberdeen Rudge | Cindy Birth | Joan and Ronald Bost | Jennifer Beas |
| Ron Kuzmyak | Pat Hanuska | Roger Zankey | Cheryl Reese | Ellen Kuzmyak |
| Paul Kalcik | Dwight Nugle | Jess Ambrose | Sheri Smay | Elaine Adams |
| Henry Laichak | Rose and Terry Fyock | Paul Kalinyak | Geroge Kuzmiak | Ronnie Horbal |
| Ronald Kmet | Rosalia Horner | John Rosiak | Lisa Luterman | Audrey Novak |
| Eva Zeleniak-Whitak | Beverly Mayo | Louis Pocchiari | Jeanne Norris | Lindsay Penatzer |
| Judith Rowlands | Al Kuzmyak | Ed and Christine Sakmar | Kristo Burkett | Carol Devine |
| Angeline Komara | Michael Paul Gost | Julie Locher | Amanda May | Dominic |
| Arianna Risso | Matushka Helen Jasiukowicz | Denise Stroud | Jean Romesburg | Florence Gost |
| Charlie Erisman | Joanne Democko | Brianna Thompson | MaryAnn Savering | Irene Lenzo |
| Rachael Costlow | Robert and Barbara Stokes | Elijah Groff | Spenser Kreger | |

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*You have never really lived*
*until you have done something for someone who cannot possibly pay you back*