

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MONDAY, APRIL 4

NO SERVICE

TUESDAY, APRIL 5

9:00AM – DIVINE LITURGY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6

9:00AM – LITURGY OF THE PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS

THURSDAY, APRIL 7

5:30PM – ПАНАХИДА (+ЄВГЕН МЕЛЬНИК)

6:00PM – ХРЕСНА ДОРОГА

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

5:00PM – LITURGY OF THE PRE-SANCTIFIED GIFTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 9

9:00AM – SOROKOUSTY

5:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS



SUNDAY, APRIL 10



**PALM SUNDAY:
THE LORD'S ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM**

10:00AM DIVINE LITURGY



PRAYER FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE

O Lord Jesus Christ, our God, we entreat You to hear the earnest prayer of Your beloved Church of Kyivan Rus' for her deeply afflicted children abiding in the land of Ukraine. Behold their grave sorrow and grievous plight, and speedily come to their aid. Deliver Your vulnerable people from unjust aggressors, foreign invasion and the terror of war. Strengthen courageous defenders of the nation to fight virtuously, inspired more by love of those they protect than hatred of the enemy.

O compassionate Lord, shelter the displaced, heal the wounded, console the orphan, protect the widow, comfort those who mourn, and mercifully receive into Your Kingdom those who have nobly died guarding their homeland against every aggression. Quickly make cease the spilling of blood of friend and foe alike, yet stir many to bravely struggle for that true justice which alone can bring lasting peace.

O kind-hearted Lord, as You are our peace, soften the hearts of the unmerciful and convert those who promote hostilities toward reconciliation, so that Your beloved children of the land of Ukraine, may abide in that tranquility, justice and freedom which reflects your Kingdom, where You reign with Your eternal Father, and Your most holy, good and life-giving Spirit, now, and forever and ever. Amen.



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СВЯТОГО ЮРІЯ**

opens wide its doors

to all who mourn or need comfort;
to all who are weary and need rest;
to all who seek friendship;
to all who desire to grow
in relationship with God;
to all who yearn to pray;
to all who need a Saviour,
and in the name our Lord, says:

WELCOME!

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HOLY MYSTERIES

- ✠ **CONFESSIO** / СПОВІДЬ ✠
every Saturday: 4:00-4:50pm
or by appointment
- ✠ **HOLY COMMUNION** / СВ. ПРИЧАСТЯ ✠
for the sick, by appointment,
any time
- ✠ **BAPTISM** / ХРЕЩЕННЯ ✠
by appointment
- ✠ **MARRIAGE** / ВІНЧАННЯ ✠
6 months notice should be given
to the parish priest, and he should
be contacted before any other
arrangements are made
- ✠ **FUNERAL** / ПОХОРОН ✠
by appointment

MARCH 27, 2022
4TH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT LENT



"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Our culture says that if we want make it to the top we got to step on a few heads. If we're going to be number one then we got to push and shove our way in. We got to prove we are important and acquire and succeed and have all the things that say that about us.

But Jesus said success is not stepping on people, its helping them up. It's serving, without expecting in return. He says look at my example. I gave up heaven and became a man. I became a servant. And that's what I want you to do too.

Jesus is the ultimate servant and he is not only our example, he is also our servant. It is not only the disciples' feet that were washed. Our feet are also washed by the Son of God every time we come to him for cleansing from our sin. The Lord of glory came to serve us so that we might be able to serve others in his divine power. He is not only the example of servanthood, he is also the servant who empowers us to serve in his name. In this we see a wonderful truth of the Christian faith: What God demands, he supplies.

Troparion, T.4: When the disciples of the Lord learned from the angel* the glorious news of the resurrection* and cast off the ancestral condemnation,* they proudly told the apostles:* “Death has been plundered!* Christ our God is risen,* granting to the world great mercy.

Troparion, T.8: The divine image was faithfully preserved in you, O mother,* for taking up the Cross, you followed Christ.* By your deeds you have taught us to see beyond the flesh, which passes,* and care for the soul, a thing immortal.* And so, O venerable Mary,* your spirit rejoices with the angels.

Glory be ..., now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, T.3: Once you were filled with every impurity,* now through repentance you have been revealed as a bride of Christ,* following the angelic life, you crushed demons with the weapon of the Cross.* Therefore, O glorious Mary, you have been shown to be a bride of the kingdom.

Prokeimenon, T.4: How great are Your works, O Lord* You have made all things in wisdom.

verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul: O Lord my God, You are exceedingly great.

Prokeimenon, T.4: God is wonderful in His saints,* the God of Israel.

A Reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews (9:11-14): Brothers and Sisters, when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

Alleluia, T.4

verse: Poise yourself and advance in triumph and reign in the cause of truth, and meekness, and justice.

verse: You have loved justice and hated iniquity.

Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

Hymn to the Mother of God: In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices: the angelic ranks and all the human race. Sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, virgins' pride and boast, from whom God is made flesh and became a little Child; and He who is our God before all ages, He made your womb a throne, and He made it wider than all the heavens. In you, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices. Glory be to you.

Тропар, г.4: Світлу про воскресіння розповідь від ангела почувши* і від прадідного засуду звільнившись,* Господні учениці, радіючи, казали апостолам:* Здолано смерть, воскрес Христос Бог,* що дає світові велику милість.

Тропар, г.8: В тобі, мати, дбайливо зберігся образ, бо, прийнявши хрест, ти пішла слідом за Христом і ділом навчала ти погорджувати тілом, бо воно проминає, а дбати про душу – єство безсмертне. Тимто з ангелами разом радується, преподобна Маріє, дух твій.

Слава ..., і на віки вічні. Амінь.

Кондак, г.3: Перше блудами всякими сповнена, як Христова невіста через покаєння днесь явилася, ангельське життя наслідуючи, демонів оружжям хреста ти убиваєш. Ради цього як невіста царева ти явилася, Маріє преславна.

Прокімен г.4: Які величні діла Твої, Господи!* Все премудрістю сотворив Ти.

Стих: Благослови, душе моя, Господа! Господи, Боже мій, Ти вельми великий.

Прокімен г.4: Дивний Бог у святих своїх. Бог Ізраїлів.

До Євреїв послання читання (9,11-14): Браття і Сестри, Христос же, з'явившись як архиєрей майбутніх благ, через більший і досконаліший намет, що зроблений не людською рукою, тобто не земної будови, – і не з кров'ю козлів та телят, але з власною кров'ю, – увійшов, раз назавжди у святиню і знайшов вічне відкуплення.

Бо коли кров волів і козлів та попів із телиці, як покропить нечистих, освячує, даючи їм чистоту тіла, то скільки більше кров Христа, – який Духом вічним приніс себе самому Богові непорочним, – очистить наше сумління від мертвих діл, на служіння Богові живому!

Алилуя г.4:

Стих: Натягни лук і наступай, і пануй істини ради, лагідности і справедливости.

Стих: Ти полюбив правду і зненавидів беззаконня.

Євангеліє: Мр 10, 32-45

Замість Достойно: Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, ангельський собор і чоловічеський рід, освящений храм і раю словесний, дівственна похвало, що із неї Бог воплотився і младенцем став – перед віками сущий Бог наш. Лоно бо твоє престолом сотворив і утробу твою просторішою небес учинив. Тобою радується, Благодатная, всяка твар, слава тобі.

Communion Hymn Praise the Lord from the heavens;* praise Him in the highest.* The just man shall be in everlasting remembrance;* of evil hearsay he shall have no fear.* Alleluia (x3).

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

◆ **THANK YOU TO ALL OUR PARISHIONERS – ДЯКУЄМО** – Many thanks to everyone for your great support with our **ANNUAL EASTER SALE** which took place this Saturday. It went extremely successfully. We sold out everything in 50 mins.

◆ **DEEPEST WORDS OF GRATITUDE** to all those who continue financially supporting our parish. **Sunday donations: March 27th** – \$700.10 and \$619.85 for Ukraine, \$333.55 – candles, \$500.00 – pysnaky fundraiser. May Our Lord reward you richly with his heavenly and earthly blessings.

◆ **EASTER EGGS/PYSANKY WORKSHOP FOR CHILDREN.** Today, we invite the children of all ages to Easter Eggs/Pysanky workshop. It will take place after the Divine Liturgy in the parish hall. Parents and grandparents are welcome to participate and help us with this parish event.

◆ **HOLY UNCTION. COMMUNAL ANOINTING: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13th at 6:00pm.** According to the custom of our Church on the afternoon or evening of Great and Holy Wednesday, the Holy Unction: Communal Anointing is offered for the healing of soul and body. The body is anointed with oil, and the grace of God, which heals infirmities of soul and body, is called down upon each person.

The Holy Unction reminds us that when we are suffering and in pain, either physical, emotional, or spiritual, Christ is present with us through our Holy Church to grant us comfort and healing.

◆ **PRAYER REQUEST: PLEASE REMEMBER** the sick and infirmed of our Parish in your prayers: **BERNICE KALTWASSER, ROSEMARIE PROKOPCHUK, BARBARA WALLACE, DAVE SULLIVAN, LARRY ZALUSKI, MIKE LUTZ, PAUL ROZNER, WALTER MELNYK,** & all who have asked us to pray for them

◆ **CONGRATULATION TO GUILLERMA YAROCKI, ZOFIYA KUDRYK AND ULYANA YRDAN, HARRY BUCKLIN** who celebrate their Birthday. May the Almighty God bless her with good health and salvation in Many Happy & Blessed Years of Life. Mnohaya I Blahaya Lita!

◆ **PASTORAL VISIT OF HIS EXCELLENCY BISHOP DAVID (MOTIUK)** to our parish will take place **ON SUNDAY, MAY 7-8TH**. Please book this date and plan to attend. More information to come.

◆ **PASCAS FOR SALE.** We have Easter bread (Pasca) for sale: \$10.00 and \$8.00 each. If you want to buy one, please, talk to Mrs. Svitlana Rozner.

Причасний: Хваліте Господа з небес,* хваліте Його на висотах.* В пам'ять вічну буде праведник,* злих слухів не убоїться. Алілуя (x3).

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◆ **AID FOR UKRAINE** - Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, please continue to pray for the end of the war in Ukraine and for peace. Our collection for financial support will continue. Thank you for those who already donated. If you wish to donate, please give it to the **"Aid for Ukraine"**. All donations will be directed to regional organizations in Ukraine, who support all people in need including refugees fleeing their homes to other parts of Ukraine. The funds will be forwarded through CNEWA Canada who collaborates closely with local churches and Caritas Ukraine. They supply aid by accessing and delivering food, shelter, medical supplies and providing spiritual and psychological support for those in need. A generous family has pledged to match all donations in support of humanitarian aid in Ukraine up to \$500,000. Help us meet this goal. Make cheques payable to '_____' with memo **'Aid for Ukraine'**. Tax receipts will be issued. Please donate generously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **10th World Meeting of Families (WMF)** will take place with Pope Francis in Rome from **June 22 to 26**, coinciding with the close of the "Amoris Laetitia Family Year."

The Apostolic See, as a result of COVID-19, is only accepting 24 delegates from Canada nominated by the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops to participate in the World Meeting of Families. However, parishes are encouraged to celebrate the World Meeting of Families locally.

For resources and information to facilitate local celebrations of the World Meeting of Families, you are invited to visit "Celebrating the *Amoris Laetitia* Family Year" on the CCCB website: <https://www.cccb.ca/fait-moral-issues/family-and-life/celebrating-the-amoris-laetitia-family-year/>

The **2nd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly** will be celebrated on Sunday, **July 24**. The theme for this 2nd World Day is: *"In old age they will still bear fruit"* (Psalm 92:15). The intended purpose of the theme is to convey "how grandparents and the elderly are a value and a gift both for society and for ecclesial communities."

The Pontifical Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life indicates that a series of pastoral tools will be made available on its website (www.laityfamilylife.va) and that a Message from the Holy Father will also be published.

THE IMPACT OF THE CHURCH IN A TIME OF WAR



FROM THE HEAD OF THE UGCC: "I SEE VICTORY OF UKRAINE IN THE EYES OF PRIESTS AND VOLUNTEERS..."

Last week **His Beatitude Sviatoslav**, Father and Head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, visited some parishes of the Acheprarchy of Kyiv which are in close proximity to the zone of military actions. The UGCC priests collect and distribute humanitarian aid, welcome refugees, and accompany Ukrainian soldiers as military chaplains.

"As I spoke with our military chaplains, I truly felt the pain in their eyes and hearts for the fallen soldiers and wounded civilians," His Beatitude Sviatoslav remarked in his daily wartime address on the 27th day of the Russian war against Ukraine.

"Looking into the eyes of our priests and volunteers, I saw Ukraine's victory. Because they work for it, they live for it. They actually live in our churches. I saw a priest spending the night in the sacristy next to the holy altar, and all the volunteers with him, who are trying to serve. And the whole church is crammed with humanitarian aid -- people constantly streaming in to receive the basics," he added.

His Beatitude Sviatoslav today expresses deep gratitude to our priests and volunteers who tirelessly serve their people at this moment.



One of the metro stations of central Kyiv, which serves as a bomb shelter for residents of the capital, was also the site of the Divine Liturgy, served by priests of the Ukrainian Greco-Catholic Church.

Fathers Josaphat Kovaliuk and Toma Kushka, OSBM, as well as other Basilian

Fathers in Kyiv, who have descended into the bomb shelters on numerous occasions, were there for a special reason this time. They had never served the Divine Liturgy in the capital's metro before. This was a first not only for the priests, but also for the peaceful Ukrainians, who had been sheltering from Russian bombs and rockets in the Kyivan metro station.

"This metro station houses a lot of people that come here for safety, or that even live here," explains Fr. Josaphat, who celebrated the Divine Liturgy.

Father Andriy Zelinskyy has firsthand knowledge of the devastation that war can cause. He has been close to the Ukrainian military, where he serves today as the Deputy Head of the Department of Military Chaplaincy of the UGCC Patriarchal Curia and Advisor to the Head of the UGCC on strategic communications.

In his interview for Crux, he said that during his 16 years as a military chaplain, he had never imagined that in the 21st century "somebody could just start bombing peaceful cities, with no provocation whatsoever."

SUNDAY OF ST. MARY OF EGYPT



Today the Feast of St. Mary of Egypt is commemorated. Many legends surround her life and conversion experience. Born around 344 AD in Alexandria, she was a rich and beautiful courtesan. She chose to lead a selfish life of sin.

Once on an excursion to Jerusalem, she had noticed throngs of pilgrims entering the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Curious to join the attractions, Mary tried to enter the Church, but was prevented by some mysterious force. Mary began to wonder if her sinful life was the cause for preventing her entrance into the Church. At that moment, she became aware of the Icon of the Mother of God which had been above the entrance of the Church. Filled with compunction of heart, she cried for her many sins.

Mary sought a life of repentance for her wicked past by entering the desert. There she lived as a hermit for nearly fifty years, willfully depriving herself of all comforts of life and exposing her beauty to the harshness of the sun.

While in the desert one day, she met Saint Zosimus. According to the custom of Palestinian monks, this priest-monk had gone out into the wilderness in the first days of Holy Week to meditate on the Passion of Christ. She asked him to bring the Holy Eucharist on Holy Thursday.

She related her life to the priest, and then arranged with Zosimus to meet again in a year so she could confess and receive Communion again (frequent Communion was not common among these desert dwellers).

When he returned to the site in 421AD, she was not there, and he finally came upon her body. As happened with some other desert saints, a lion was near her body, and he helped Zosimus to bury her body, and then lay down and mourned for her. The dramatic conversion and life-long penance of Mary is one of the most famous in Christian literature and has been enormously popular among Eastern Christians.