

PASCHA - THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



Icon of the Resurrection

Divine Liturgy Guide

Sunday, April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday

SAT APRIL 16: 2:00 p.m. Easter Basket Blessing (abstain from meat)

6:00 p.m. Resurrection Services (this is not not divine liturgy, the only divine liturgy is Sunday to fulfill obligation)

SUN APRIL 17: 10:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Easter/Pascha Sunday

MON APRIL 18: Bright Monday 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Blessing for Ukrainian People by Catherine Gallagher

TUES APRIL 19: Bright Tuesday 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy +Camile Secoolish by Richard Brauyer

WED APRIL 20: Bright Wednesday John 1:35-51

THURS APRIL 22: Bright Thursday 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy God's healing for sick parishioners

FRI APRIL 23: Bright Friday 8:20 a.m. Divine Liturgy Private Intention

SAT APRIL 24: Bright Saturday 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy +Joseph & Ester Linko by Linda Pirritano

SUN APRIL 25: **9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy Thomas Sunday**

Collection Basket

4/9 & 4/10 \$4484

Thank you to last week's counters

Dave Pedley and Linda Gerrity

Next Week's Counters are:

Mike Trusz & Olenka Chandoha-Knott

Happy Birthday and Anniversary!

Birthdays April 16 - 22

Linda Pirritano - April 16

Anniversary

Mark & Leslie Izak - April 16

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. IMPORTANT CHANGE IN OUR DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE

IMPORTANT CHANGE IN OUR DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE AFTER EASTER - Starting Sunday, April 24th, the Sunday after Easter, the divine liturgy for St. Vladimir's Church, Scranton will be changed to 9:30AM.

2. MONETARY DONATIONS FOR UKRAINE BEING ACCEPTED

Monetary Donations for Humanitarian Aid of Ukraine are being accepted here at St. Vladimir's Church. Please use the Canister on the Tetrapod to make your Donations. Also, Donations can be mailed to the Rectory.

3. CELEBRATION OF EASTER CONTINUES MONDAY & TUESDAY

There will be a Bright Monday Divine Liturgy & Bright Tuesday Divine Liturgy both beginning at 9:00am here at St. Vladimir's. This is part of the Traditional Ukrainian Celebration of Easter. Please make an effort to come to Church on these Holy Days.

4. THANK YOU TO DECORATORS OF OUR CHURCH

St. Vladimir's would like to Thank those who worked so hard in preparing our Church for Good Friday and decorating our Church for Easter Sunday. Your dedication and love for St. Vladimir's is truly appreciated.

5. DIVINE LITURGY REQUESTS BEING ACCEPTED

We are now accepting Divine Liturgy requests for the Spring & Summer months. Liturgies are available Mondays through Saturdays. Please fill out a request form (pink sheet) located in the back of the Church and drop them into the collection basket or give them to Fr. Myron directly. This is your chance to honor a Loved One (Living or Deceased) by requesting a Divine Liturgy in their Honor.

6. FREEDOM IS NOT FREE FUNDRAISER FOR UKRAINE

The Ukrainian American Sport Center, 1 Lower State Road, Horsham, Pa. will be holding a Fundraiser for Ukraine on Thursday, April 21st, from 6:00pm-9:00pm. Buffet Dinner, Cash Bar, Guest Speakers. \$75 per person. 100% of Profit to United Ukrainian American Relief Committee. For admission send check to: UUARTC, P.O. Box 17, West Point, PA 19486 or pay at the door. More info call 215-290-4056.

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7. LUC LENTEN RETREAT RECORDINGS NOW ONLINE

Dear Friends and Members of the League of Ukrainian Catholics,
Sincerest Thank You to all registrants and participants of our live virtual retreat. A very special Thank You to our Archbishop and Bishops for sharing with us their deep spiritual insights. Please enjoy the retreat recordings. https://leagueofukrainiancatholics.org/?page_id=6. Wishing everyone a joyous Pascha. From our hearts to yours, Sophia Shchur, League of Ukrainian Catholics LUC Let Us Care

ARCHBISHOP VISITS BUCHA, SAYS BLOOD OF DEAD 'CALLS TO HEAVEN'

Major Archbishop Sviatoslav Shevchuk, head of the Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church, visited several cities recently liberated from Russian occupation, including Bucha, where war crimes are believed to have been committed against civilians. Standing before the mass grave in Bucha, Shevchuk said, "It's very difficult to speak. Their blood calls from here, from this land, to heaven." "A good ear must hear the cry of that blood," he said, noting that many of the dead are young people. "It is clear that their lives were taken. We came here to pray for their eternal peace," he said, saying it is important that not only Ukraine, but the whole world feels the pain experienced by those who suffered torture and death. Shevchuk said that he is also praying for justice, because "if this sin is not condemned, if this crime is not exposed, it can be repeated." "Any of us could be in this mass grave," he said. "May the Lord God rest the souls of his innocent slain servants, may he save lives, may he rid Ukraine of those criminals who came to kill, plunder, and destroy.

Eternal memory of the innocent slain!" Shevchuk's visit comes days after reports emerged accusing Russian troops of war crimes during their occupation of Bucha. The Russian forces left the area on April 1. According to photo and video images of the aftermath, citizens were shot with their hands tied behind their backs, or were gunned down while attempting to evacuate, delivering food, riding their bikes, or sheltering pets. There were also reports of rape, torture, and mutilated corpses. The mayor of Bucha, Anatoliy Fedoruk, initially said more than 300 inhabitants of the city were found dead after Russia's withdrawal, and the Ukrainian government has asked the International Criminal Court (ICC) to investigate the events that unfolded in Bucha as part of an ongoing investigation of Russia's invasion of Ukraine to

ascertain whether war crimes have been committed. "We see more and more that this war is, in fact, a war of total annihilation. We see how our occupiers, those who are capturing towns and villages, abuse the civilian population," he said, noting that several evacuation sites, including train stations in eastern Ukraine, have been struck by Russian missiles. There are also reports that Russian military has confiscated humanitarian cargo being transported to those in need, he said, saying, "Among all the horrors of war, every believing Christian asks themselves, 'How do we live in a Christian way in such circumstances?'" "We know that the main commandment of Christian life is the Commandment of Love. Love for God and for one's neighbor. On these two commandments, says Christ, all the law and all the prophets are founded," he said. Shevchuk said he visited Bucha to see the tragedy with his own eyes, calling what happened in the city "an open wound on the body of Ukraine." "There, above the open mass grave, seeing the mutilated, breathless bodies, we prayed for their eternal rest. And in that prayer, I asked myself, I asked God, 'God, what does it mean to love You and love one's neighbor?'" Looking down at the bodies buried in the mass grave, Shevchuk said he understood that "to love your neighbor means to feel related to him. It means feeling that we are human beings together, to belong to the same human race, and where he or she rests in the mass grave, I could have been laid to rest there as well." "We have a common vocation, a common fate," he said. "We, as brothers and sisters in Christ, belong to the same human race. To love one's neighbor means to be aware of and experience one's humanity, and thus to show one's humanity." Because of this, every Christian, he said, no matter where they live or to what nationality they belong, when they see the atrocities that happened in Bucha must say, "I am Ukrainian." "Feeling this unity in our human race with those innocent victims, the occupier is waging war against you and me, to put us in that mass grave tomorrow," he said, and urged Christians to pray for the grace of learning to love one's enemies. To love one's enemy in this case, he said, "means to stop his murderous hand, to take away his weapon, not to give him the opportunity to kill. We ask that in the circumstances of hatred and murder of war, that we know how to love God and our neighbor, that we remain human."



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PLEASE PRAY FOR

Please include in your prayers those members of our parish who are in hospitals, care homes, rehabilitation facilities & those who are not able to join us actively in our church community.

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| <p><u>Mountain View</u>
Irene Slagan
<u>Home</u>
Andrea Geraghty
Stella Patrick
Stanley Krupinski
Helen Ewasko
Andrea Wells</p> | <p><u>Home</u>
Dr. Walter Dobushak
Sophia Soniak
Jean Chomko
John Monsul
Ceil Harrison
Charles Drumsta
Regina Kozel
Mary Tucker
Ronald Kozak</p> | <p><u>Home</u>
Kathleen Izak
Doris Romancho
Mary Warholak
Dorothy Kowalchick
Michael McConnell
Vera Krewsun</p> |
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VIGIL CANDLE SPONSORS: week beginning April 16, 2022

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| 1 | Hanging Eternal Lamp
\$10 | By: Wife Sharmayne
For: I.M.O. + Walter Michael Tucker, Jr. |
| 2 | 2 Altar Vigil Candles
\$10 | By: Mom and Dad
For: Easter Blessings for Kristen Waznak |
| 3 | Proskomedia Candles
\$10 | By: Pat, Frank and Kristen Waznak
For: I.M.O. + Mereslow and + Lovie Kenjerski |
| 4 | 2 Tetrapod Candles
\$10 | By: Maria and Adam Ruane
For: Easter Blessings for Luke Ruane |
| 5 | Jesus Vigil at Iconostas
\$5 | By: Regina Kozel
For: I.M.O. + Ihor Shablovsky |
| 6 | Mary Vigil at Iconostas
\$5 | By: Biloskirka Children
For: I. M. O. + Nicholas and + Nadia Biloskirka |
| 7 | St. Nicholas
\$5 | By: Laskowski Family
For: I.M.O. + Mr. & + Mrs. Joseph Laskowski, our parents |
| 8 | St. Vladimir Vigil at Iconostas
\$5 | By: Laskowski Family
For: Health and God's Blessings for Andrea Wells |
| 9 | Jesus Entrance Vigil
\$5 | By: Stella Patrick
For: Health and God's Blessings for Stephen Patrick |
| 10 | Mary Entrance Vigil
\$5 | By: Sharon and Charles Drumsta
For: I.M.O. + Charles, Sr. and + Tillie & + Delores Drumsta |
| 11 | Mother of God Statue
\$10 | By: Kristen Waznak
For: Easter Blessings upon Frank and Pat Waznak |
| 12 | Altar 7 branch Saturday
\$5 | By: Helen Pagnotti
For: Birthday Blessings APR 16 & Easter joy for Linda Pirritano |
| 13 | Altar 7 branch Sunday
\$5 | By: Olenka Chandoha-Knott
For: Health & God's Blessings at Easter for John Knott |
| 14 | Blessed Mother (side altar)
\$5 | By: Paul and Helen Ewasko
For: I.M.O. + Fr. Nestor & + Panyi Tamara Kowal |
| 15 | Jesus (side altar)
\$5 | By: Sharon and Charles Drumsta
For: I.M.O. + Betty and + Joseph Smulek |

CONFESSION

For anyone that would like to receive the holy sacrament of confession you can let Father Myron know and set up a time either before or after Liturgy from Tuesday through Saturday.

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Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church

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Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever! Slava Isusu Christu! Slava Na Viky!

Divine Liturgies: Saturday 4 p.m., Sunday 10:30 a.m.,

Holy Days & Weekdays see bulletin

OUR MISSION PARISH: Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Greek Catholic Church

635 North River St., Wilkes-Barre, PA 18705

Sick calls / Communion calls / Home visits/ Emergencies: call parish office.

Love Conquers All

A story is told of a man who, while he lived upon the earth, was unconcerned about the state of his soul, or spiritual growth, or eternity. When he died he found himself not enjoying eternal happiness but, rather, suffering eternal torment.

His friends and relatives went down to the gates of hell and tried to intercede for him, giving him a positive endorsement and a good character reference, but the gates of hell would not open to release him. Likewise, his parish priest tried to plead for him saying that he really wasn't all that bad. Still, the gates of hell remained closed. Finally, came his mother. She did not plead for him, she did not try to bargain for him, she did not make excuses for him. She simply said, "Let me in." The gates

of hell opened immediately because they could not withstand the force of love.

Our Father among the Saints, John Chrysostom writes: "Let no one fear death, for our Savior's death has set us free. He has destroyed death by enduring it. He has despoiled death by going down to its kingdom. O Death where is your sting, O Hades where is your victory? Christ is risen and you are abolished! Christ is risen and life is freed! Christ is risen and the tomb is emptied of the dead, for Christ has become the Leader and Reviver of those who had fallen asleep. To Him be glory and honor forever!" (*Paschal Sermon*)

**Christ is Risen! Indeed He Risen!
Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!**