### Looking Ahead . . .

April

April 14 - Holy Thursday Dinner

April 24 - Parish Easter Dinner

### Know Your Church . . . Laity Formation

St. John Climacus

Saint John Climacus, from the age of sixteen, renounced all the pleasures of this vain life for love of God and went to Mount Sinai and consecrated himself to the Lord. Then, he submitted body and soul to an elder called Martyrios. He tonsured John when he was twenty. Strategios, one of the monks present at the tonsure predicted that the new monk would one day become one of the great lights of the world. He chose a solitary place called Tholas, situated five miles from the main monastery, where other hermits lived, and he stayed there for forty years free of all contact with men. As for sleep, he allowed himself just the measure necessary to keep his spirit vigilant in prayer and, before sleeping, he prayed at length, or wrote down on tablets the fruit of his meditations on the inspired Scriptures. When God judged that the time had come for him to transmit to others the light he had acquired, He led a young monk named Moses to John, and was accepted as his disciple. One afternoon, when Moses had gone a long way away to find earth for their little garden, and had lain down under a large rock to rest, Abba John, in his cell, received the revelation that Moses was in danger, and he immediately seized the weapon of prayer. In the evening, when Moses returned, he told John that in his sleep he had, all of a sudden, heard the voice of his elder calling him, at the very moment when the rock began to break away from its moorings and threatened to crush him. Saint John's prayer also had the power to heal visible and invisible wounds. It was thus that he delivered a monk from the demon of lust. On another occasion, he made rain fall. Yet it was above all in the gift of spiritual teaching that God manifested His grace in him. Basing his teaching on his personal experience, he generously instructed all those who came to him on the snares which lay in wait for monks in their battle passions and against the prince of this world. Saint John was held in awe by all the monks. The Saint was charged by God to become abbot of the monastery at the foot of the holy mountain. He wrote the Tablets of the Spiritual Law. He presented this treatise as a Ladder of thirty steps, that Jacob contemplated while he was lying on the bed of ascesis (Genesis 28:12).

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# Our Weekly Bulletin

## Welcome to our Parish

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever! Christ is among us! He is and always will be!

#### Divine Liturgies and Services for the Week

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Week of March 27 to April 3,	Sunday, Mar 27	4th Sunday of Lent St. John Climacus	
	Mar 28	No Liturgy	
	Mar 29	No Liturgy	
	Mar 30	No Liturgy	0,,,,
	Mar 31	No Liturgy	
	Apr 1	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts 5:00PM	
	Apr 2	No Liturgy	
	Sunday, Apr 3	5th Sunday of Lent St. Mary of Egypt	Michael & Helen  Loden  Loden  Michael & Helen  Michael & Helen  Loden  Michael & Helen  Michael & Helen  Loden  Michael & Helen  Michael & Helen  Michael & Helen  Loden  Michael & Helen  Mich

If you are looking for a closer relationship with Jesus Christ and are looking for a home, you are welcome to be part of our kid friendly family in Christ. You have found your way home.

#### 4th Sunday of the Great Fast - St. John Climacus

Hebrew 6:13-20 Mark 9:17-31

*Troparion (Tone 3)* 

Let the heavens be glad, let the earth rejoice, for the Lord has done a mighty deed with His arm. He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead; He saved us from the abyss of Hades and granted great mercy to the world. Glory be ...

*Troparion of John of the Ladder (Tone 1)* 

O John, our God-bearing father, you were shown to be a citizen of the desert, an angel in bodily form, and a worker of miracles. Through fasting, prayers and vigils you received heavenly gifts to heal the sick and the souls of those who, with faith, run to you. Glory to Him who gives you strength. Glory to Him who crowned you. Glory to Him who works healing for all through you.

Kondakion (Tone 4)

Glory be ... On the heights of true abstinence, the Lord established you as a reliable star, giving light for guidance to the ends of the earth, O father John, our teacher.

Prokeimen (Tone 8)

Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

verse: In Judea God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Pray and give praise to the Lord our God.

Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Verse It is good to give praise to the Lord; and to sing in Your name, O Most High.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Verse They who are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Today the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great is celebrated. Turn to page 274 in the blue book for the Great Entrance to the Hymn to the Mother of God.

Then turn to page 153 for the rest of the Divine Liturgy.

### **PARISH NEWS**

Weekly Collection - March 20, 2022 - \$540.00 Thank you for your generosity.

Relief for Ukraine - Amount collected to date \$2,096.00.

Confessions - Father will hear confessions following Sunday Liturgies.

Saturdays with Jesus - Saturday, May 14, 2022

10:00AM - Adult class 2:00PM - Children from 5 and up

**Relief for Ukraine** - Anyone wishing to help send financial help to Ukraine may do so by writing a check to: Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat and on the memo line: Aid for Ukraine. Place it in the collection basket and it will be sent to the chancery.

#### **Prayer List**

Parishioners: Connie Butkus, Kathy Ott, Sarah Kelt, Gary Maurer, the Lutak family,

Jeremiah Hunt

Friends of the Parish: Jennifer Maurer, Breanna Borlie, Tom and Kris, Mark Prewitt, Richard Shonk, Ryder McDermitt, Steve Helsel, Tuinstra family, Patricia Dragani, Kevin Rogers, Darla Tishok, the Sherman family, the Williams family, Lindsey Lamer.

#### Joke of the Day

A Woman Shoots Her Husband For Stepping On The Clean Floor... A police officer jumps into his squad car and calls the station. "I have an interesting case here," he says.

"A woman shot her husband for stepping on the floor she just mopped."

"Have you arrested her?" asks the sergeant. "No, not yet. The floor's still wet."



# Pray for Peace in Ukraine