March

March 18 and 25 Pysanky Classes from 9 to 12 Mar 25 - Saturdays with Jesus (Children)

April

Apr 2 - Paska and Roll Sale Apr 6 - Holy Thursday Dinner Apr 16 or 23 Easter Dinner (TBD)

Know Your Church . . . Laity Formation

Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast

The Fourth Sunday of Lent is dedicated to Saint John Climacus, the author of The Ladder of Divine Ascent. In this book the Igoumen of Saint Katherine's Monastery on Mount Sinai bears witness to the great effort which is required for entry into God's Kingdom. The spiritual struggle of the Christian life is difficult since it is "not against flesh and blood, but against ... the rulers of the present darkness ... the hosts of wickedness in heavenly places ..." (Ephesians 6:12). Saint John encourages the faithful in their efforts for, as the Lord has said, only "he who endures to the end will be saved" (Matthew 24:13). St. John was a monk at the Monastery of St. Catherine located at the foot of Mount Sinai, where Moses received the Ten Commandments from Almighty God. St. John spent most of his life in complete solitude and unceasing prayer not too far from the main monastery itself. His was a radical call to uncompromising obedience to the teachings of Jesus. Towards the latter part of his life, St. John Climacus of the Ladder became the abbot of St. Catherine's Monastery where he wrote his famous work, entitled, The Ladder of Divine Ascent. In this work he offers his wisdom on spiritual and moral perfection through a life in union with God, the high point of the human quest for true life and fulfillment. Jesus said to his disciples, "you must be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect" Matthew 5:48. Simply stated we are to live just as Jesus did so that we may become mature people reaching to the very height of Christ's full stature (Ephesians 4:13). Our life, according to St. John, is a spiritual ascent through Christ, a Jacob's ladder which brings us to the very presence of God. In conclusion St. John says, "do not be surprised that you fall every day; do not give up but stand your ground courageously". This is the meaning of the ascent we as Christians need to follow.

Protection of the B.V.M. Ukrainian Catholic Church 560 Cambria Avenue PO Box 194 Revloc, PA 15948-0194 Rev. Fr Andriy Kelt, Pastor Fr. Deacon Christopher Bellock Fr. Deacon Anthony Dragani, PhD.

Anyone wishing to be a member of the parish, contact Fr. Andriy

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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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Sunday, Mar 19	Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast Sunday of St. John of the Ladder	▶ Darlene Ashcom
Mar 20	No Liturgy	
Mar 21	No Liturgy	
Mar 22	No Liturgy	();;;
Mar 23	No Liturgy	
Mar 24	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts 5:00PM	();;;;
Mar 25	No Liturgy	
Sunday, Mar 26	Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt	▶ Jeff Gummo

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 8)

You came down from on high, O Merciful One, and accepted three days for burial to free us from our sufferings. O Lord, our life and our resurrection, glory be to You.

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

Communion Verse

Praise the Lord from the heaven; praise Him in the highest. Rejoice in the Lord, O you just; praise befits the righteous, Alleluia. (3)

PARISH NEWS

Weekly Collection - March 12, 2022 - \$60.00. Thank you for your generosity.

Relief for Ukraine - Amount collected to date \$6,483.00.

Saturdays with Jesus - May 20: 10AM Adults March 25: 1PM Children

Relief for Ukraine - Financial help to Ukraine can be done by writing a check to:

Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of St. Josaphat and on the memo line: Aid for Ukraine.

Holy Thursday Meal - We will be having the annual Holy Supper Meal following Vespers and Divine Liturgy. Please sign up on the sheet if you will be attending.

Pysanky Class - The 2023 Pysanky class will be on March 18 & 25 from 9 to 12.

Please register for the class by calling 814.472.9396 or telling Deacon Chris or Edna.

Paska Sale - The parish will be selling Paska and Nut Rolls for Easter.

Please sell to your friends and family. These fundraiser help the parish to have programs for the children and also sustain the up keep of the parish.

Prayer List

Parishioners: Millie & Steve Deskevich, Connie Butkus, Kathy Ott, Sarah Kelt,

Gary Maurer, the Lutak family, Jeremiah Hunt, Margaret Reighard.

Friends of the Parish: Jennifer Maurer, Breanna Borlie, Tom and Kris, Richard Shonk, Ryder McDermitt, Steve Helsel, Patricia Dragani, Eugene, Kevin Rogers, Darla Tishok, the Williams family, Patty Hunt, Kevin Blem, Linda Kusmierski.

To add or remove a name, place your request in the collection basket.

Joke of the Day

A few of us were discussing the perils of drinking and driving when my fiveyear-old granddaughter threw in her two cents. "I can see why it would be dangerous to drink and drive," she said. "The straw could go up your nose."

I'm a nurse in a hospital's children's ward. One night, I was at the nurses' station when I heard a little boy in his room talking. He kept the patter up for some time. Finally, I got on the intercom and said softly but firmly, "All right, Johnny, it's time to go to sleep now." There was quiet in the room, and then he said, "OK, God, I will." I didn't hear a peep from him until morning.