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# Lenten Services for 2024 Wednesdays 4:00PM Northern Cambria Fridays 3:30 PM Revloc

As ever-blooming fruits, you offer the teachings of your God-given book, O wise John, most blessed, while sweetening the hearts of all them that heed it with vigilance; for it is a ladder from the earth unto Heaven that confers glory on the souls that ascend it and honor you faithfully. — KONTAKION OF ST. JOHN CLIMACUS

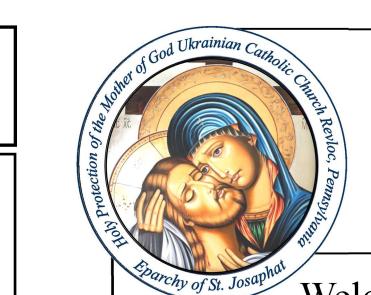
St. John Climacus entered the ascetic arena in his teenage years, struggled as a hermit for 40 years, and then became abbot of the monastery in Sinai. He wrote the Ladder of Divine Ascent in the sixth century. The Ladder of Divine Ascent is most likely the foremost ascetical text in the Byzantine Church. We often think of the ascetical life as individual effort; an examination of conscience, a striving against the fallen passions, or sinful habits, to be formed more in the image of Christ. The ascetical life is often and rightly associated in our minds with the monastic life, though it is not the exclusive purview of monks and nuns, for all Christians are called to live the ascetical life. And yet, one of the greatest ascetics of all time and the father of monastics, St. Anthony the Great, said, "Our life and death is with our neighbor." The ascetical life, as given to us by St. John, is indeed focused on our interior struggle against the flesh, the world, and the devil. However, ascetical life is not an end itself. The highest rung is love, and love primarily is about our neighbor. That is the end to which the ascetical life is given to us, so that we might overcome ourselves to better love God and our neighbor. (Rev. Father Gregory Hohnholt)



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# Our Weekly Bulletin

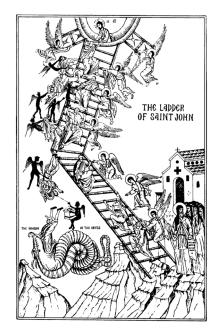
Welcome to our Parish

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

### Divine Liturgies and Services for the Week

Sunday, Mar 10	Sunday of St. John of the Ladder Fourth Sunday of Lent	➤ Charles Lutak from Matthew Woznak
Mar 11	No Liturgy	
Mar 12	No Liturgy	
Mar 13	Liturgy of Presanctified Gift — Northern Cambria	4:00PM
Mar 14	No Liturgy	
Mar 15	Liturgy of Presanctified Gift — Revloc	3:30PM
Mar 16	No Liturgy	
Sunday, Mar 17	Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt Fifth Sunday of Lent	♥ Charles Lutak from Anna Woznak

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) Weekly Collection - March 3, 2024 - \$2,246.00. Thank you for your generosity. Sunday - \$1675.00 Candles - \$50.00 Dues - \$25.00 Misc.- \$94.00 Pyrohi - \$20.00 Egg Class - \$306.00

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

## **PARISH NEWS**

**Pyrohi for Sale -** We have pyrohi in the freezer for sale. Please spread the word to your friends and family. Remember Lent will be here soon and they are great food for Lent.

**Easter Bake Sale** - Please spread the word to your friends and family about our bake sale. Please help to get orders to make the bake sale a success.

Holy Thursday Dinner - Please sign up if you will be attending the dinner.

### **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, Alan Zadjel, Richard Shonk, Ryder McDermitt, Steve Helsel, Patricia Dragani, Eugene, Sonya Kohan 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*.

Three men were stealing stuff from a storage room when one of the men dropped something and made a noise. The security guard who was guarding the door heard the noise and came in to check it out, gun drawn. The three men were quick enough to hide in empty sacks as the policeman came in.

Joke of the Da

The guard started kicking the sacks to try to find the intruder(s). He kicked the first man's sack. "Woof woof!" the first man said and the guard thought there was a dog in the sack. He then kicked the second man's sack. "Meow, meow!" the second man said, and the guard thought there was a cat in there. But, as the guard kicked the third man's sack, he said "Potatoes, potatoes." The third man was dumped out and arrested.