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Ukrainian Catholic Church

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

Saturday, 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. (English)
Sunday, 9:00 a.m. (Ukrainian and English)
Sunday, 11:00 a.m. (Ukrainian)
Tuesday - Friday, 8:00 a.m.
Holy Days of Obligation:
6:00 p.m. (English on the preceding evening)
8:00 a.m. on the Holy Day
Other Services as announced.

OFFICE HOURS:

Tuesday 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. ; 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

BAPTISM AND CHRISMATION:

Parishioners should make plans to have their children baptized and chrismated in a timely fashion. Please call the rectory before setting a date for the ceremony.

CONFESSIONS:

Before weekend Divine Liturgies and Holy Days.

MARRIAGE:

Please call the rectory at least six months in advance. Pre-marital counseling is mandatory.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

Kindly notify the rectory regarding parishioners who are hospitalized, homebound, or in nursing homes.

CEMETERY:

Purchase of cemetery plots is a privilege reserved to parishioners. Please contact the rectory before any major improvements are undertaken.

CHURCH FACILITIES:

Any use of church facilities must be cleared in advance at the rectory. Literature may not be placed in or around the Church without approval.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

8:00 a.m. of the Monday preceding the weekend in which the announcement is to appear.

WEBSITES:

www.stjohnbaptistucc.com
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SUNDAY, February 26 - Cheesefare Sunday—The Sunday of Forgiveness

9:00AM - For Parishioners

11:00AM - In memory of +Maria Majkowycz
req. John and Sophie Hvozda

***** No Liturgies Scheduled for this week *****

SATURDAY, March 4

8:00AM - In memory of +William Majowsky
req. children, John and MaryAnn

Sorokousty services for deceased following the Divine Liturgy

5:00PM - In memory of +Larry Lemanczyk
req. wife, Helen

SUNDAY, March 5 - First Sunday of the Great Fast

9:00AM - Pope Francis Monthly Intentions - Support for
persecuted Christians: That persecuted Christians
may be supported by the prayers and material help
of the whole Church. req. Apostleship of Prayer

11:00AM - For Parishioners



READINGS (today)

Epistle: Romans 13:11-14, 14:1-4

Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21

Tone: 8

Sorokousty

Please get your requests in for Sorokousty services for your beloved deceased friends and family members. Sorokousty services will be held every Saturday, following the 8:00AM Divine Liturgy, starting March 4.

Fill out the special Sorokousty envelope and drop it into the collection basket. Additional forms can be found in the back of the church. Please print clearly.

**Egg Decorating Class
Stained Glass Method**

Mrs. Halia Kelley is offering a class on

**"How to Decorate Eggs—using the
Stained Glass Method."**



Participants will learn the basics of egg decorating using a Kistka and Indian ink to create their own stained glass egg. The class will be held in the undercroft of the church on **Saturday, March 4, from 10:00AM - 1:00PM.** There is no cost for the class, however participants must bring their own Kistka's (a fine and a heavy), a fine paint brush (for painting with the Indian ink) and a room temperature egg to work on. **Class is open to adults only.**

If you are interested in attending, please contact Stephanie Woyciesjes at 315-657-6868 or via email saw@twcnyn.rr.com Space is limited and **you must be registered to attend.**

**Vigil Lights
\$10**



Main Altar: In loving memory of my mother, +Margaret
Req. daughter MaryAnn and Steve Suche

PRAY FOR US



Please pray for the souls of the deceased members of the parish and those for whom Divine Liturgies will be offered this week. We ask that you also pray for the following parishioners who are ill or homebound:

Anastasia Burak, George Chuposka, Olga Holl, Peter Holl, Julie Horbatyj, Andrew Krzywyj, Emma Kuncio, Anastazja Majkowycz, Julia Maliwesky, Walter Melnick, David Michaels, Sophia Mykolajewycz, Konstantyna Mykytyn, Dorothy Onoff-Graser, Julie Pinkasewicz, Mary Sheremeta, Maria Szorobura, Pavlo Tkach, Anna Urdianyk, Carol Werbeck, Gabriella Wicker, Kalina Woloszyn, Anna Wovk, and Nina Wozniak.

Lenten Charity



Today I received a very special "Thank you" letter from St. Lucy's Food Pantry, thanking all of us for our kindness and how grateful they are for our donations.

During Lent the parish will be collecting food for St. Lucy's Food Pantry at all Divine Liturgies.

Keep in mind, as you prepare for the Great Fast, and find yourselves deciding on something to fast, that Lent is not just a time for fasting it is also a time for greater charity. It is a time to help those less fortunate than us. We should always remember :

"I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." Matthew 25:40

So, please think of those less fortunate than you and bring a food item, to the usher room, to donate.

Сьогодні я отримав дуже особливий "подячний" лист від допомогової організації Церкви Св. Люсії, в якому вони вдячні всім нам, за вашу доброту; за наші продуктові пожертви.



Під час Великого Посту наша парафія буде збирати їжу для цієї допомогової Харитативної Організації Церкви Св. Люсії, - на всіх наших Літургіях.

Майте на увазі, як ви готуетесь до Великого Посту, і хочете знайти собі те, над чим будете працювати над собою, - бо Великий Піст, це не тільки час для посту свого тіла, а це також час для більшої благодійності на потреби інших людей. Це час, щоб допомогти тим, кому пощастило менше ніж нам. Ми завжди повинні пам'ятати слова Христа:

"Я говорю вам, як ви зробили це одному з найменших моїх братів, ви зробили це для мене." Матвія 25:40

Так що, будь-ласка, подумайте про тих, кому пощастило менше, ніж вам, і принесіть харчовий подарунок з вашого дому, та залишіть у Церковній кімнаті для збору пожертв

Father Mykhaylo

Hymns



Saturday, February 25

5:00PM Divine Liturgy
Lector: Alice Malick

Sunday, February 26

9:00AM Divine Liturgy
Lector: Fred Bush

(Use Purple Hymnal)

Opening: "May You, Christ, be Blessed" Pg. 46 Vs. 1 & 2
"Будь Благословенний"
Communion: "I Do Believe" Pg.48 Vs. 1 & 2
"Вірую Господи"
Closing: "All Creatures Praise Mary" Pg. 27 Vs. 1 & 2
"Вихваляйте доли, гори"

Apostleship of Prayer

will pray the rosary beginning at **8:30AM next Sunday, March 5, 2017** and will receive the Holy Eucharist as a group at the 9:00AM Divine Liturgy. All members are encouraged to attend.

There will be an very important meeting for all members following the Divine Liturgy, in the undercroft of the Church. All members are asked to attend.



Coffee Hour sponsored by the Apostleship of Prayer will be held following the 9:00AM Sunday Divine Liturgies. We are asking that all Apostleship members bake an item for the coffee hour.

Bioethics Certificate Program at St. Basil Seminary

On **March 9-12, 2017**, St. Basil Seminary will be offering **Bioethics Certificate Program**. You will find the registration form, and information regarding the program, in the back of the church. **Please mail the registration form, along with payment no later than March 2, 2017**. For more information, please contact V. Rev. Roman Malyarchuk., St. Basil Seminary at 203-324-4578.

Taras Shevchenko Concert

Sunday - March 12, 2017

**Following the 10:00AM Divine Liturgy
In the School Auditorium**



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Everyone is Welcome to Attend!

"Ukrainian Catholics in America: A History"

A new edition, edited by Father Ivan Kaszczak, of the book by Bohdan P. Procko, "**Ukrainian Catholics in America: A History**" has been published. This book discusses the history of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the United States. Get your copy today. The book costs \$25.00 plus \$5 dollars for shipping and handling. Please make your check payable to Father Ivan Kaszczak and mail it to: Holy Trinity UCC, 211 Foordmore Road, Kerhonkson, NY 12446.

Cantors Workshop

On **March 24 - 26, 2017**, St. Basil's Seminary will be offering a Cantors Program entitled "**Services of the Holy Week**" at St. Basil Seminary. The program will be held under the guidance of Mr. Ihor Boyko and will focus on the melodies for Holy week services. We encourage all parishioners to participate in this program.

Registration forms, along with the schedule of the program and costs can be found in the back of the church. **Please return the registration form no later than March 2, 2017** to V. Rev. Roman Malyarchuk., St. Basil Seminary, 195 Glenbrook Road, Stamford, CT 06902. Those who register and pay in advance will be assured participation in this program. For more information please contact us at **203-324-4578**.

Lenten Journey - 2017



Christians throughout the world are entering Lent, the season of Christianity where people fast for 40 days (excluding Sundays). The 'sign of penitence' that lasts for the whole season starts on Monday and ends on Holy Saturday - the day before Easter Sunday.

The season is widely understood and accepted to be a period of meditation, fasting, repentance and reflection on one's deeds and many exercises encapsulating various disciplines are undertaken by Christians as a reflection on life, the words and sacrifices of Lord Jesus Christ.

Lent is a time to renew wherever we are in that process that I call the divine therapy. It's a time to look what our instinctual needs are, look at what the dynamics of our unconscious are. "Lent comes providentially to reawaken us, to shake us from our lethargy." - Pope Francis.

"Renounce yourself in order to follow Christ; discipline your body; do not pamper yourself, but love fasting." -- Saint Benedict.

There is no way we can arrive to Easter Sunday if we do not live the agonies of all our Good Fridays. There is no way we can achieve eternal life with God unless we deny ourselves utterly and totally in Christ. This we do when we endure and sustain our own personal crosses and follow Him.

These gifts we must seek the only moral way – through prayer and inner struggle. If you would be first in our Lord's estimation, you must imitate, not the rulers of this world, but the humble spirit of the Master Himself, who told us, "I have not come to be ministered unto, but to serve".

Amen, and God help us faithfully follow Jesus', on the path of our new life of holiness...

Fr. Mykhaylo - Pastor.

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