

Sunday Bulletin – March 22nd, 2026
Sunday of John Listvychnyk

THE LADDER OF DIVINE ASCENT

SAINT JOHN
CLIMACUS



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*Having suffered the Passion for us,
O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on us*



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CHANGEABLE PARTS OF THE DIVINE LITURGY

Tone 8 Troparion (*Resurrection*)

You descended from on high, O Merciful One!

You accepted the three day burial to free us from our
sufferings!// O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

Tone 1 Troparion (*St. John Climacus*)

O dweller of the wilderness and angel in the body,
you were a wonderworker, O our God-bearing Father John.
You received heavenly gifts through fasting, vigil and prayer,
healing the sick and the souls of those drawn to you by faith.

Glory to Him Who gave you strength!

Glory to Him Who granted you a ^crown!//

Glory to Him Who grants healing to all!

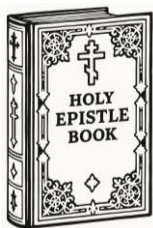
Tone 4 Kontakion (*St. John Climacus*)

The Lord truly set you on the heights of abstinence,
to be a guiding star, showing the way to the universe!//
O our father and teacher John.

Tone 8 Prokeimenon (*Resurrection*)

Pray and make your vows / before the Lord, our God!(Ps. 75:10a)
V. *In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.* (Ps. 75:1)

The Reading is from the Letter of St Paul to Hebrews 6:13-20



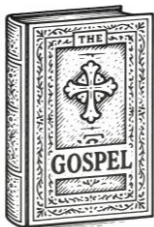
Brethren: When God made his promise to Abraham, since there was no one greater for him to swear by, he swore by himself, saying, "I will surely bless you and give you many descendants." And so after waiting patiently, Abraham received what was promised. People swear by someone greater than themselves, and the oath confirms what is said and puts an end to all argument. Because God wanted to make the unchanging nature of his purpose very clear to the heirs of what was promised, he confirmed it with an oath. God did this so that, by two unchangeable things in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled to take hold of the hope set before us may be greatly encouraged. We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf. He has become a high priest forever, in the order of Melchizedek.

Alleluia and Verses Tone 8

V. Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior! (Ps. 94:1)

V. They that are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God. (Ps. 91:12)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia



The reading is from the Gospel according to St. Mark 9:17-31

A man in the crowd answered, "Teacher, I brought you my son, who is possessed by a spirit that has robbed him of speech. Whenever it seizes him, it throws him to the ground. He foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth and becomes rigid. I asked your disciples to drive out the spirit, but they could not." "You unbelieving generation," Jesus replied, "how long shall I stay with you? How long shall I put up with you? Bring the boy to me." So they brought him. When the spirit saw Jesus, it immediately threw the boy into a convulsion. He fell to the ground and rolled around, foaming at the mouth. Jesus asked the boy's father, "How long has he been like this?" "From childhood," he answered. "It has often thrown him into fire or water to kill him. But if you can do anything, take pity on us and help us." "If you can?" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for one who believes." Immediately the boy's father exclaimed, "I do believe; help me overcome my unbelief!" When Jesus saw that a crowd was running to the scene, he rebuked the impure spirit. "You deaf and mute spirit," he said, "I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." The spirit shrieked, convulsed him violently and came out. The boy looked so much like a corpse that many said, "He's dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him to his feet, and he stood up. After Jesus had gone indoors, his disciples asked him privately, "Why couldn't we drive it out?" He replied, "This kind can come out only by prayer."

(Instead of "It is truly meet..." we sing the following) Hymn to the Mother of God

All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace: the assembly of angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a Child – our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you!

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! (Ps 148:1)

EMORY ETERNAL

PLEASE PRAY FOR RESTING OF THE SOULS

Sandy Burlock, Robert Rudolph, Patricia Mogish, Helen Fusco, Maria Koval-Melnykovich, Peter Hucul, Mary Bobersky, Walter Duzzny, Dennis Currie, Julian, VasyL Zomchak, Heather Rhodes, Joe Zemko, Jeff Ulrich, Judy Cebriak, William Zylka, Serhiy, Pat Mamajack, Arlene Hawryluk, Mary C. Moon, Lidiia Zabrodina, Metro Senedak. Victims of the war in Ukraine.



PRAYER LIST

PLEASE PRAY FOR HEALING, COMFORT, AND SPIRITUAL PEACE



Metropolitan Anthony, Archbishop Daniel, Bill Starr, Gene, Rasa, Fr. Philip, Dominick Woloschak, Beth Zets, Shirley Duffy, Denny Lightner, Kevin Finnerty, Alice Dobransky, Jamie Maluk, Alexandr, Missouri, Jane, Sam, Lorenzo, Lori, Christine Kline, Larry, Soldier Ivan, Dolly Mehalco, Stephen Shonn, Thelma Zemko, Artur Bohuslav, Lori Hayda, Shirley Duffy, Michele (Senediak) Caulder, Dobrodiyka Lilya, Sandy, Marilyn O'Leary, Harold Owens, Marianne Carmack, Nicholas Yurchyk, Pauline Witkowski, Eileen Maluk, Peter Anderson, Albert Auden, Boris & Kathleen Vuksanovich, Kathy Zebel. People Suffering from any Illnesses. Ukrainian people suffering from war.

THIS MONTH OUR PARISH CELEBRATES



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

1 Kathryn Walcowiec	20 Kimberly S.
3 Nadiya Lyubuska	Bobersky
7 Marcia Goodge	23 Nicholas Majetich
7 Samuel Goodge	25 Boris Vuksanovich
7 Theresa Semchee	25 Katherine Zomchak
10 Luba Medved	28 Gregory Battisti
12 Ronald N. Kichton	28 Alice Mae Gregory
12 Michael III Woloschak	30 Thomas Lane
16 Karen Yuschak	30 Laura Zavadil
20 Lindsay Anderson	31 Nicholas Inchak

Dear Parishioners and Friends, WE NEED HELP!

Please offer your time to help at the Bingo kitchen on available dates (?)

BINGO KITCHEN WORK SCHEDULE 2026 (Updated Mar 19)

Date	Register	Server	Server
Mon., Mar. 23	Crystal Walkowiec	Barb Ross	?
Mon., Mar. 30	Karen Semchee	?	?
Mon., Apr. 6	Crystal Walkowiec	?	?

Please call or text Annie Woloschak if you would like to help – 330-766-0182

OUR OFFERINGS TO THE LORD	On March 8	On March 15
General:	\$ 1727.00	\$ 1727.00
Renovation:	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
Online Donations on Tithe.ly	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00

Liturgical Schedule & Feast Days

SERVICE AND FEAST DAY SCHEDULE



* (HEARING **CONFESSIONS** ON SUNDAYS BEFORE LITURGY 8:30AM - 9:15AM)

- Sunday, March 22, 9:30 AM – **Divine Liturgy, 4th Sunday of Great Lent, Ven John Listvychnyk** Mk.9:17-31
- Sunday, March 22, 5:00 PM – **Sunday Lenten Vespers**
– at Saint John the Baptist Orthodox Church at 2220 Reeves Road Warren, OH
- Wednesday, March 25, 6:30 PM – **Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts. Potluck Dinner**
- Thursday, March 26, 6:30 PM – **Penitential Canon of St. Andrew of Crete**
- Sunday, March 29, 9:30 AM – **Divine Liturgy, 5th Sunday of Great Lent, Ven Mary of Egypt** Mk.10:32-45
- Sunday, March 29, 5:00 PM – **Sunday Lenten Vespers**
– at Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church at 1025 N Belle Vista Ave, Youngstown, OH
- Wednesday, April 1, 6:30 PM – **Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts. Potluck Dinner**
- Sunday, April 5, 9:30 AM – **Divine Liturgy, 6th Sunday of Great Lent**
PALM SUNDAY. THE ENTRY OF THE LORD INTO JERUSALEM.

Pyrohy Schedule

ORDER BY DATE:	WORK DAYS	PICK-UP DAY
March 30	March 31 & Apr 2	April 3
April 20	April 21 & 23	April 24
May 4	May 5 & 7	May 8
May 18	May 19 & 20 (Wed)	May 22
June 8	June 9 & 11	June 12



Baked Goods Schedule

ORDER BY DATE:	WORK DAYS	PICK-UP DAY
Paschas: April 1	Friday, April 3 rd at 9:00 am	Saturday, April 4, 11:00am to 1:00pm
Kolachi: April 1	Saturday, April 4 th at 9:00 am	Saturday, April 4, 3:00pm to 5:00pm

To Place the Order Please use the attached Order Form, any questions? – 234-247-1534, Anna

Upcoming dates & events

- March 28 – Sisterhood meeting Sat Mar 28 at 11:30, at Denny's.
- Saturday, April 25 – **Super Bingo to sponsor a prosthetic for a wounded Ukrainian Soldier.**

St. Mary's sisterhood Updates:

1. 2026 Sisterhood dues - (\$10) must be paid by May 1.
2. Sisterhood Semi-Annual Flower Fund. *The donation will count toward Stewardship*
3. The next Sisterhood meeting will be Saturday, March 28, 11:30, at Denny's.

The Priceless Gift of Tomorrow

Someone once stood before a group of people and asked a very simple question:

"Who here would like ten million dollars?"

Immediately, every hand in the room went up. No hesitation. No second thoughts. Everyone wanted it.

Then he said, "There is only one condition."

The room became quiet.

"You will receive the ten million dollars... but you will not wake up tomorrow."

And just like that—every hand went down. No one wanted the offer anymore. Why?

Because in that moment, everyone understood something we so often forget:

Tomorrow is worth more than ten million dollars.

Life itself—another day, another breath, another sunrise—is more valuable than all the riches in the world.

And yet, how easily we take this gift for granted. We go to sleep assuming we will wake up.

We make plans as if tomorrow is guaranteed. We live carelessly, as if time is unlimited. But Scripture reminds us: "You do not know what tomorrow will bring..."

For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away." (James 4:14)

At the same time, as Christians, we are not people who live in fear of death. We believe in God's promise. We believe in eternal life. We believe that death is not the end, but a passage into the fullness of life with Christ. Because of this, we do not cling to this world out of fear.



But - and this is important - We also do not despise this life. This earthly life is a gift. A beautiful gift. A sacred gift.

It is the place where: we encounter God, we learn to love, we grow in faith, we serve one another.

Every sunrise, every conversation, every small moment carries meaning.

So even though we are not afraid of death, we still recognize something deeply true:

Every single day of this life is worth more than ten million dollars.

Not because it lasts forever, but because it is filled with opportunities that shape eternity.

Tomorrow is a priceless opportunity. An opportunity to love more deeply, to forgive more freely, to heal what is broken, to serve Christ in others, to become who God created us to be. Tomorrow is another chance to begin again.

How many people would give everything they have for just one more day?

And yet, we are given that day - freely.

So the question is not only, "Will we receive tomorrow?"

But: "How will we live it if we do?"

Will we rush through it? Will we complain? Will we waste it on things that do not matter?

Or will we recognize it for what it truly is - a gift beyond price.

Let us remember: if tomorrow is worth more than ten million dollars, then every hour is precious, every moment is meaningful, every person we meet is important.

So tonight, let us not take tomorrow for granted. Let us receive it with gratitude. Let us prepare for it with prayer.

And if God, in His mercy, grants us another day - let us wake up and say:

"Glory to God for another day."

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

(Psalm 118:24)

Let us live tomorrow: with gratitude in our hearts, with love in our actions, with faith in our souls.

Because tomorrow is not just another day. It is a sacred gift. A beautiful gift. A treasure beyond price.

