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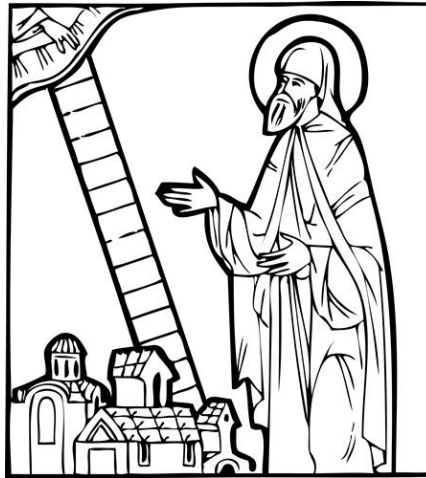
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SUNDAY MARCH 18, 2018

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT — Tone 8. Repose of St. Nikolai of Zhicha(1956). St. John Climacus (of *The Ladder*). St. Cyril, Archbishop of Jerusalem (386). Martyrs Trophimus and Eucarpus of Nicomedia (ca. 300). Ven. Aninas of the Euphrates.

Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20; Ephesians 5:5-19
Gospel: Mark 9:17-31; Matthew 4:25-5:12

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Confessions: Saturdays Following Vespers
Also by appointment

Vespers: Saturdays at 6pm

Vigil: Eve of Feasts at 7pm, except Sundays when at 6pm.

Divine Liturgy: Sundays at 9:30am
Feast Days at 9:30am

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Sun, Mar 18:

Hours and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great -9:10; Coffee Hour: Mission Service St. Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Chester with Greater Philadelphia Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood 4pm.

Wed, Mar 21:

Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts 9:15am; Matins with Great Canon – 7:00pm

Fri, Mar 23:

Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts 9:15am –Matins with Akathist-7pm

Sat, Mar 24:

Food Sale – 1pm-3pm; Vigil for Annunciation 6pm.

Sun, Mar 25:

Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am; Coffee Hour and Church School. Lenten Mission Service Assumption of the Holy Virgin, South Philadelphia – 4pm.

Church Cleaning: Looking for something to do for Great Lent? Take a week or two. It is especially helpful during Great Lent to have a thorough cleaning at least once a week. Thank you to those who have volunteered so far.

Church School Retreat: Lazarus Saturday. Begins with Liturgy followed by lunch, mini lessons and crafts for Pascha (make bees wax candles and banners for the procession), service projects – clean and replant in the two planters outside front of the church and make crosses out of the palms for Palm Sunday. Each student will receive a shirt. The day will close with Vigil for Palm Sunday at 4pm. Those attending are asked to sign up so that sufficient materials are available for all on that day.

Scrip: Profit \$17.50, YTD \$145.75. Thank you for your participation.

St. Nikolai of Zhica Online: You may read The Prologue of Ohrid online at this address:

<http://www.westsrbdio.org/en/prologue>

And you may read Prayers by the Lake online at this address: <http://www.sv-luka.org/praylake/>

Wrightstown Food Cupboard In preparation for 135 Easter Baskets which will be packed on March 24th, we are requested to bring the following items:

Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Juice, Coffee (30), Tea (30), Jelly Beans (30)

Birthday

Veronica Tyshko

Names Day

Douglas Yates

Daria Cortese

Vigil Lights

From The Ristveys

For the Health of: **George**

In Memory of: **Stephanie, Nicholas**

From The Arhipovs

For the Health of: **Theresa, Sergei, Peter, Stephanie, Alexandra, Anthony**

In Memory of: **Newly departed Mary and Lydia, Maria, Katherine, Anthony, Boris**

Please remember in your prayers

Living: *Captive Hierarchs Paul and John, orphans of St. Thekla's, Pdn. Joseph, Priest John, Mats. Myra, Elena, Laryssa, Lisa, Mary and Priscilla, Peter, Stephanie, Samuel, Anthony, Sergei, Michael, Tatyana, Vera, Anna, Krastyo, Tom, Michael, Martin, Matthew, Nicoletta, Anita, Carmen, Nathan, George, John, John. Matushka Priscilla, Serge, Dennis*

Departed: Archpriest Paul, Priest Christopher, Matushka Barbara Kucynda, Matushka Mary Perez, Valeriy, Barbara, Helen, Ivan, Viktor, *Archpriest Stephen, Archpriest Vladimir*

Lenten Schedule

- ❖ Weekly Presanctified on Wednesday mornings and Friday evenings 9:15am/7pm respectively except this week!
- ❖ Sunday Lenten Mission Vespers each Sunday afternoon at 4pm.
 - Fourth Sunday, March 18 –St. Mary Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Chester
 - Fifth Sunday, March 25 – Holy Assumption OCA South Philadelphia
- ❖ **Confessions** available on Saturdays after Vespers **and before all other scheduled services by appointment only.**

Pascha Church Preparation

Individuals can do any of these other than the first one, which requires several people. They do not have to be polished, but do need to be washed with hot water to remove the wax. For safety and practical reasons it would be helpful to have 4 people, including Fr. Martin. Starred ones can be done at home, though some of them are time sensitive. Speak with Fr. Martin if you are willing to do any of these. Timing is flexible.

Remove wax from carpet with iron and paper bags – men needed for altar portion

Polish the Iveron icon shrine

- * Clean table used for charcoal related items in Altar
- * Replace the sand in the candle stands on the amvon