

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

S c h e d u l e o f D i v i n e S e r v i c e s

SUNDAY OF THE RADIANT RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, JESUS CHRIST

Saturday, April 17 9:00 AM Intention of the Parish Family

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Web Liturgy Intention for Week of April 17, 2022 sponsored by
Lori Urban Lyons in Memory of +John J. Urban & Betty Lyons

Sanctuary Candle is lit from April 10 – April 23
In Memory of Father Dennis Bogda by Elaine Bogda

Bright Monday, April 18 9:00 AM +Eugene Lucas by Family

THOMAS SUNDAY

Saturday, April 23 5:00 PM +Father Dennis Bogda by Elaine Bogda

Sunday, April 24 9:00 AM +Metropolitan Judson

OUR RETURN TO THE LORD FOR ALL HE HAS GIVEN ME:

Regular Offertory	\$3,504.00
Maintenance Fund	1,037.00
Holy Day	37.00
Seminary	5.00
Easter	430.00
Candles	96.55
Loose Cash	65.00
Flowers	671.00
TOTAL	\$5,845.55

Total Parish Lenten Almsgiving: \$8,305.00

Total Aid to Ukraine: \$17,373.00

Audio System: \$50 in Memory of +Margerite Seigler by Staci, Ron & Jack

During these challenging times we thank you for your kindness and generosity.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND SHUT-INS

AT HOME: Richard Lesko, *Ronald & Arletta Lutka*, Margie Seman, *Elizabeth Pristas*, Teri Phares, Raymond Petro, Jr., Luke Pasternak, Marissa Stout, Tara Seman, Michael Matus, Patrick Singer, Joan Bodnar, Mary Ann Urban, Carole Srsic, Pauline Johnson, *Ann Havrilscak*, Aaron Spang, Janet Ducar, Mary Pavasko, Suzie (Wargo) Bodziach, Betty Martin, Teresa Sekel, Lynne Black, Patty Schneider, Regina Kraus, Elaine Nassif, Andy Halapin

Italicized names indicate Parish Shut-ins. Other names are submitted prayer requests.

NURSING HOMES/REHABILITATION CENTERS/ASSISTED LIVING

Elsie Urban, Len Stagon, Dorothy Hritz, Eleanor Chekan, Sue Goda, Steve Kish

**Steve Kish: Vincentian Personal Care Home ... Building 5 Room 7
111 Perrymont Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15237**

APRIL BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

14 Emily Wahal
18 Anna Marie Miller
18 Zachary Wahal
18 Maria Wahal
19 Michael Semego
19 Michael and Arlene Martin (Anniversary)
20 Marsha Hrabik
21 Barbara Hrapchak

May God grant to His servant peace, health and happiness for many years!

In person Attendance: *Saturday, April 9: 59; Sunday, April 10: 85*
Pre-sanctified Liturgy, Holy Monday April 11: 18
Pre-sanctified Liturgy, Holy Tuesday April 12: 19

Live Stream Viewing: *Saturday, April 9: 36 (WS); 53 (FB)*
Sunday, April 10: 76 (WS); 63 (FB)
Pre-sanctified Liturgy, Friday, April 8: 42 (WS); 42 (FB)
Pre-sanctified Liturgy, Holy Monday April 11: 21 (WS); 62 (FB)
Pre-sanctified Liturgy, Holy Tuesday April 12: 28 (WS); 66 (FB)

CRAFT SHOW

Our Parish will conduct our Spring Craft Show on **Saturday, April 23, 2022** from 10 AM – 3 PM. There will be a limited number of craft vendors. We will be selling take-out food as well as our kolache and other baked goods.

APRIL TAKE-OUT DINNERS

On Saturday, April 23 **ONLY**, in conjunction with the Craft Show, we will be offering 2 take-out dinners. We will be offering an **Ethnic Platter (1 stuffed cabbage, kolbassi, halushki and pirohi) and/or Lasagna (with a salad)**. Each dinner will include roll and butter. Cost for each dinner is \$12. They can be picked up between 11 AM to 2:30 PM. Pre-orders will be accepted and guaranteed.

UPCOMING CATHEDRAL EVENTS

April 23	Spring Craft Show
April 30	Wedding Reception

“CATHEDRAL KITCHEN”

We have *stuffed cabbage*, packaged in ½ dozen for \$18 or 1 dozen for \$30 and quarts of *Halushki & Wedding, Stuffed Cabbage, Potato/Green Bean, Vegetarian Vegetable, Mushroom and Pasta Fagioli soups and Chili* for \$7; *Goulash* for \$10. If you would like to buy any please see Patty Bovee or Fr. Andrew.

FLEA MARKET

We will be holding another Flea Market on June 3 & 4, 2022. Please put aside any items you no longer want or need for our flea market.

As in the past, we cannot accept TV's, computers, shoes and clothes. Small boxes may be left in the church vestibules after April 30, but before May 30. Arrangements can be made to pick up larger items. Please consider also helping to mark and sell the items in May. Thanks for your donations.

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL WOMEN'S DAY OF REFLECTION

Saturday, May 7, 2022, 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM, Cathedral Center. *“A New Perspective on: Compassion, Courage and Confidence.”* **Pre-registration is required by April 25, 2022, \$40 includes lunch (no refunds).** Registration forms can be found in the vestibules. For more information call 412-322-8773 or email ore@archpitt.org.

MEN'S CLUB OF SS. PETER & PAUL PARISH, DUQUESNE

Thank you to our St. John Cathedral neighbors for helping us with another successful Kolbassi sale!

Mission Statement

Saint John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Cathedral is a member of the Byzantine Catholic Metropolitan Church of Pittsburgh who through the Holy Spirit is called to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As a community and family, we grow in faith and in the image and likeness of God by dedicating ourselves to welcoming, celebrating and caring for all of God's people.

Mysteries of Initiation (Baptism, Chrismation & Eucharist): Must be a registered, active, supporting member of the parish family. Pre-baptism instructions are required. Contact Fr. Andrew to schedule.

Mystery of Crowning: Must be a registered, active, supporting member of the parish family. Must meet with Fr. Andrew before setting date and reserving your banquet hall. Pre-Cana program is required and three sessions with Fr. Andrew. The ceremony will be celebrated according to the prescription of the liturgical book of the Byzantine rite.

Mystery of Reconciliation: Celebrated Saturdays, 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM and upon request.

Mystery of Anointing: Celebrated upon request. Ideally celebrated in Church the Sunday before undergoing any surgical or other medical procedure.

Visitation of the Sick: The parishioners confined to their homes or nursing homes due to health reasons are visited monthly. Also, persons who are hospitalized are visited when Fr. Andrew is notified. It especially is important that a family member contact Fr. Andrew whenever a loved-one is hospitalized.

Funerals: Families of the deceased or the funeral director must contact Fr. Andrew before setting and publishing the day and time of the funeral.

Parish Membership: We welcome anyone to become a parishioner of St. John the Baptist Cathedral Parish. Only those who are registered are considered members of the Parish. When one registers to become a parish member they assume the responsibility of rendering stewardship of time, talent and treasure to this parish family. Worship at this parish is always expected. Registration is done only through the pastor by appointment. The Parish Office should be notified as soon as possible of any change of address within the Parish as well as one's leaving.

Godparent/Sponsor Letters: Must be a registered, active, supporting member of the parish.

Rectory Office Hours: Judy is in the parish office Monday – Friday from 9:00 AM – 2 PM. Father Andrew is available on other days and times by appointment.

We call this Day “*The Great Passover.*” The day when Jesus Christ passed over from death to life, thereby giving us New Life. When things become “new” or “Re-newed” they are changed. For this reason, everything in our lives is changed because of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ: the way we pray, our posture in Church, the Church building itself, everything

THERE IS NO KNEELING...

from Easter until Pentecost Sunday. We are a resurrected people and we stand in the glory of Christ’s Holy Resurrection.

THE BELLS ARE RUNG...

over and over again on this day as we proclaim to all that Christ has trampled down death for us.

THE GOSPEL IS READ IN AS MANY LANGUAGES AS POSSIBLE...

announcing that the Resurrection is for ALL peoples. Aside from the Gospel being read in English, portions will be read in Slavonic, Greek, Latin, Spanish and Slovenian.

BRIGHT VESTMENTS AND PROCESSION DECORATIONS...

are used to constantly remind us that we celebrate the Feast of Victory.

THE RESURRECTION ICON...

shows Christ coming from the tomb and raising up Adam and Eve. We, too, are raised up with Him.

THERE IS NO FASTING...

during the entire Bright Week in honor of the Resurrection of Christ.

THE DOORS OF THE ICON SCREEN...

remain open during this entire week – even when no services are celebrated. The tomb is empty and Heaven is open to all of us!

BRIGHT MONDAY

proclaiming the Gospel and Good News to the four corners of the World, to all people of every nation.

Paschal Greetings

<u>English:</u>	Christ is Risen!	Indeed He is Risen!
<u>Church Slavonic:</u>	Christos Voskrese!	Voistinnu Voskrese!
<u>Rusin:</u>	Christos Voskres!	Voistinu Voskres!
<u>Greek:</u>	Christos anesti!	Alithos anesti!
<u>Hungarian:</u>	Feltamadt Kristus!	Valoban feltamadt!
<u>Arabic:</u>	Al Masee Kam!	Hakku Kum!
<u>Italian:</u>	Cristo e risorto!	In verita e risorto!
<u>Spanish:</u>	Cristo es resucitado!	En verdad es resucitado!



Attentive to the Word

Feast of the Radiant Resurrection

Acts 1: 1-8

John 1: 1-17

Symbols are an important part of our faith and are very evident within our churches. The icons, the altar, the icon-screen, the candles, and even the vestments of our priests are all symbols of various types. Each holds a meaning that must be understood if the symbol is to touch our lives with more than its mere external appearance. An ordinary egg, for example, is a symbol of the Resurrection of our Lord. On the Feast of Pascha, we bless baskets of food containing, among other things, eggs. Just as the egg appears to be lifeless, so too did the body of Christ appear to be a mere corpse. But just as the egg can contain life, so does Christ contain the life we receive through His Resurrection. This is the symbolic meaning behind the use of the egg as a symbol of Resurrection. Another common symbol of the Resurrection is the lily. It blossoms from a dry and lifeless-looking bulb into one of the most beautiful flowers of God's creation. Jesus Himself speaks of the lily in His Sermon on the Mount when He says that "not even Solomon, in all of his splendor, was attired like one of these." This is the beauty from lifelessness that no king on earth could ever hope to match. An ancient bird from Greek mythology, the phoenix, has been incorporated as a symbolic form of the Resurrection in many churches. Mythology describes how the bird fell to earth and burned, and yet from its ashes arose another bird. Christ's life in an earthly form was destroyed through the Crucifixion, but a new and more glorious life came about as a result of His Resurrection. The idea of resurrection, in analogy to the tale of the phoenix, is depicted visually in icons showing an eagle rising out of a flame. The peacock is a symbol of antiquity often found upon the walls of the ancient catacombs of the early Church. The bird was used as a symbol because the peacock has an unusually beautiful tail. Each year, however, the bird loses its beauty during the molting season to such an extent that the apparent intrinsic worth of the bird is greatly diminished. Yet the value of the bird is enhanced as the molting season comes to an end and a new and more beautiful tail appears. In the eyes of men, the mystery, the awe, the greatness of Christ is enhanced countless times over through the Resurrection. An even more common and certainly much more familiar example of the Resurrection is the existence of the Church itself. The community of the faithful would not exist at all had it not been for the miracle of the Resurrection. Thus the Church, the peacock, the phoenix bird, the lily and the egg are all reminders of the greatest event in history. We should seek to grow in awareness and appreciation of this event, being reminded of it again and again through the use of the symbol, a means of communication and understanding.