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ST. JOSAPHAT UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Бюлетень – Bulletin

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Please identify yourself as a St. Josaphat parishioner.

**YouTube & Facebook:** “St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Munster IN”

**3.22.2020**

**Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast – John Climacus; The Holy Priest-Martyr Basil, Presbyter of Ancyra (363); Passing into eternal life (1924) of Fr. Isidore Dolnytsky, hymnographer, professor and spiritual father of L’viv and the Greek College in Rome**

**Tone 8**

## Schedule of Sunday & Weekday Services

**All services & classes are suspended until further notice.**

**In case of emergency, illness or need for funeral please contact one of the numbers listed above.**

## Prayer list of the sick or aged parishioners & friends of the parish

Finbarr Jones, Olga Wasyłowsky, Olena Wasyliw, Teodozia Shyika Lucyk, Natalie Shuya, Irene Karpinec, Nadia Kusznir, Oksana Nosyk, Larry Baker,

Rose Adamko, Pat Lewis (mother of Jean Juskiw) & young Samuel Rocha.

*If you know of someone who should be on this list, please let me know the name of the individual.*

*Our intercessory prayer for the sick and aged is truly helpful and comforting.*

## INFORMATION ABOUT COVID-19

As we all are learning new information every day about Covid-19, please know we will let you know if there needs to be any changes to Sunday Liturgy. Meanwhile parishioners should use their good judgement based on their own personal health and the current level of infection in the area and their own possibility of exposure to the virus. As a reminder:

1. Wash your hands often and well – use soap and warm water and scrub 20 seconds.
2. Avoid touching your face, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands.
3. Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
4. Clean and disinfect surfaces that are frequently touched.
5. Stay at home and away from others (particularly the elderly as they are most vulnerable) if you are feeling ill.
6. When sick (not just Covid-19), cover your cough and sneezes with a sleeve (not a bare hand) or, better, with a tissue & discard used tissues, and then wash your hands as explained above.
7. Upon entering and exiting the Church, wash your hands with soap and water or with antibacterial hand sanitizers.
8. Holy Water fonts at the entrance of the Church have been removed.
9. Refrain from kissing icons and hand crosses. Simply bow in reverence.
10. Divine Liturgy has been suspended at St. Josaphat. We will reach out to you when we are able to resume normal schedule. Please take this time to pray, meditate, read the Bible and other religious texts. If you have available access to the internet, there are several churches that will be live streaming Liturgy – the bishops of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the United States have given dispensation to all due to the Covid-19 pandemic, however you should still spend some time each day in prayer .

*Prepare for Pascha (Easter) during the Great Fast (Lent) through prayer, fasting, abstinence, penance and sacrifice.*

**CHURCHES THAT HAVE LIVE STREAMING OF SERVICES & OTHER AIDES:**

## **St. Nicholas Cathedral, Chicago**

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/StNicholasCathedralChicago/> there are links to YouTube when Live Streaming is on the schedule, not just for Sunday Liturgy but also Morning and Evening Prayers, and other Liturgical Services.

## **Sts. Volodymyr Church, Chicago**

Go to <http://www.stsvo.org/> Or <https://www.facebook.com/StsVO/> has links to services and other information. Live streaming of Sunday Liturgy.

## **Sts. Vladimir & Olga Church, Windsor, Ontario, Canada**

A lot of resources and also live streaming <https://eeparchy.com/>



## St. Joseph the Betrothed Church, Chicago

Go to <https://www.facebook.com/stjosephugcc/> Or

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9TLGpyZPlmiTMCQENme9uw> Or

<http://stjosephukr.com/?fbclid=IwAR1xmmrtyek50tRD-u3a5KVRuZ0gSqZzcgrcaYKvRStBK6PnvxjnaBOum8>

## Edmonthon Eparchy, Edmonton, Alberta Canada

A lot of resources and also live streaming <https://eeparchy.com/>

### Church Donations from Last Week 3/15/2020:

Envelopes: \$206.00

Loose Cash: \$56.00

Candles: \$41.50

Church in need: \$5.00

TOTAL: \$308.50

**During this difficult time, please help your church. With no pyrohy sales or church services, income will be at zero without your help. Please mail your weekly donation to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321.**

### *The Ladder of Divine Ascent*

Saint John Climacus (which means, of the ladder) was a sixth-century saint who entered the Monastery of Saint Catherine at Mount Sinai at age sixteen and dedicated his life to God. Over the course of his years at the monastery he developed a reputation for wisdom, selfdiscipline and an intense desire to grow in holiness.

He lived for seventy years at the monastery and eventually became hegumen (abbot). Although Saint John loved his monastery, he preferred solitude and spent many years in the wilderness living the life of a hermit. Even so, he was sought out by many pilgrims who traveled to Mount Sinai in search of this hermit saint and his wisdom.

Saint John is perhaps best known for his au-

thorship of a book entitled *The Ladder of Divine Ascent*. Even today, this thirty-chapter book is considered to be one of the most significant spiritual writings of Christian literature. Each of the thirty chapters represents one rung on a symbolic spiritual ladder of perfection leading from earth up to heaven. Thus, each chapter presents the reader with another spiritual exercise through which the highest point of earthly perfection may be reached before being consummated in heaven.

When he died, it was said of him that "his body ascended the heights of Mount Sinai, but his soul ascended the heights of heaven." By his example and through his prayers, may our sights remain high and heavenward as we continue on our Lenten journey.

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SAINT JOHN CLIMACUS



*Icon of Saint John Climacus*