

#### + УКРАЇНСЬКА ГРЕКО- КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА СВ. ЙОСАФАТА ST. JOSAPHAT UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH Бюлетень – Bulletin

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YouTube & Facebook: "St. Josaphat Ukrainian Catholic Church, Munster IN"

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### Pascha: The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord God and Savior, Jesus Christ

Schedule of Sunday & Weekday Services

All services & classes are suspended until further notice.

Pussy willows have been cut and will be distributed when services resume.

Please see on next page the listings of online livestream services.

No computer? Listen to church on the radio! The services from St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Church are available on WJOB locally at AM 1230/104.7 FM.

Holy Thursday Vesperal Liturgy at 7pm; Good Friday Vespers at 7pm; Holy Saturday Resurrection Vespers at 7pm; Easter Liturgy at 8:30am Sunday.

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

Finbarr Jones, Olga Wasylowsky, 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. And remember those affected by the Covid-19 pandemic: patients and medical personnel and all first responders and essential workers who help us all. 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.

## Christ is risen! He is truly risen!

About Blessing the Foods Eaten at Easter: Although in this year of the Pandemic, we cannot gather to have our Easter foods blessed, you can continue to keep our traditions by preparing and pondering what each food represents. PASKA/BREAD represents the risen Christ, full of all that is good. MEAT reminds us we are breaking the Lenten fast, and pork is an end to the Old Testament prescripts, sausage (links) represent the chains that bound the worthy dead before Christ freed them so they could enter heaven. EGGS (the shell) remind us of the tomb Christ was buried in while inside was something very good. CHEESE & BUTTER indicate the Lenten fast is over and reminds us how God gives us an abundance of good things. HORSERADISH reminds us of the bitterness of Christ's passion, if made with beets, it represents Christ's blood. SALT reminds us that we are called to be the salt of the earth. If you have holy water at home, you can sprinkle holy water over the Easter foods as you say a prayer asking God to bless the food and those who partake of it. May you have a blessed Easter!

#### CHURCHES THAT HAVE LIVE STEAMING OF SERVICES & OTHER AIDS:

St. Nicholas Cathedral, Chicago Go to https://www.facebook.com/StNicholasCathedralChicago/for links to YouTube when Live Steaming 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 and other services.

Sts. Vladimir & Olga Church, Windsor, Ontario, Canada A lot of resources at www.stsvladimirandolgachurch.com and also live streaming at https://www.facebook.com/stsvowindsor

St. Joseph the Betrothed Church, Chicago

Go to https://www.facebook.com/stjosephugcc/ Or livestreaming at http://stjosephukr.com/live-broadcast/

Edmonthon Eparchy, Edmonton, Alberta Canada

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

#### **Church Donations:**

ONLINE DONATIONS – waiting for Facebook approval of new fund DONATIONS (mail) after 4/1 thru 4/7/2020 TOTAL: \$100.00

**TOTAL for 4/1 thru 4/7/2020:** \$125.00 (minus online fees)

TOTAL: \$25.00

We are still waiting for Facebook to approve a new online fundraiser for April 2020! Please mail donations in the meantime!

During this difficult time, please help your church. With no pyrohy sales, Easter Bazaar or regular church donations, income will be \$0 without your help, and basic expenses such as utilities and insurance continue. If you are able to go online and go to Facebook and, once approved, look for the Faith Fundraiser for St. Josaphat Church at https://www.facebook.com/mary.vaughn.589. Once Facebook receives a donation, they collect a small fee for processing, and the remainder is sent automatically to the bank account of the St. Josaphat Altar Rosary Society who will then transfer funds to the church account. We thank all who have donated or may donate in the future. If you are not tech savvy, please mail your donation to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321. THANK YOU!

#### INFORMATION ABOUT COVID-19

As we all are learning new information every day about Covid-19, please know we will let you know when we are able to resume Sunday Liturgy. Meanwhile due to the stay in place orders, parishioners should follow the government directives and if venturing out for essential trips such as food, medicine, doctor visits, or essential work, 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:

- Wash your hands often and well use soap and warm water and scrub 20 seconds. Hand sanitizer is not necessary, but if
  water is not available, it is a substitute for good hand washing. Soap and sanitizer destroys the outer surface of the virus.
- 2. Avoid touching your face, nose, or mouth with unwashed hands. The virus enters those sites to cause the disease.
- 3. Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When out try to keep a 6 foot distance from others.
- 4. Clean and disinfect surfaces that are frequently touched. If you are out and have sanitizing wipes available, wipe any surfaces before touching (such as grocery carts, door handles, etc.) Wipe down items that enter your house from outside.
- 5. Stay at home and away from others (particularly the elderly as they are most vulnerable) if you are feeling ill or especially if you have conditions that make you more vulnerable to infection. Call your doctor if you have questions on your health.
- 6. When sick (not just Covid-19), cover your cough and sneezes with a tissue and discard the tissue; if a tissue is not available, cough or sneeze into your sleeve/elbow area (not bare skin), and then in all cases wash your hands as explained above. Wash any clothing that has been coughed into also.
- 7. Any time you come into contact with things from outside your home (mail, packages, groceries, deliveries) wash your hands with soap and water or with antibacterial hand sanitizers. Sanitize any packages and cook items well to kill viruses.
- 8. 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 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.

#### The Lamb Who Was Slain Has Delivered Us from Death and Given Us Life

There was much proclaimed by the prophets about the mystery of the Passover: that mystery is Christ, and to Him be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

For the sake of suffering humanity He came down from heaven to earth, clothed Himself in that humanity in the Virgin's womb, and was born a man. Having then a body capable of suffering, He took the pain of fallen man upon Himself; He triumphed over the diseases of soul and body that were its cause, and by His Spirit, which was incapable of dying, He dealt man's destroyer, death, a fatal blow.

He was led forth like a lamb; He was slaughtered like a sheep. He ransomed us from our servitude to the world, as He had ransomed Israel from the land of Egypt; He freed us from our slavery to the devil, as He had freed Israel from the hand of Pharaoh. He sealed our souls with His own Spirit, and the members of our body with His own blood.

He is the One who covered death with shame and cast the devil into mourning, as Moses cast Pharaoh into mourning. He is the One who smote sin and robbed iniquity of offspring. He is the One who brought us out of slavery into freedom, out of dark-

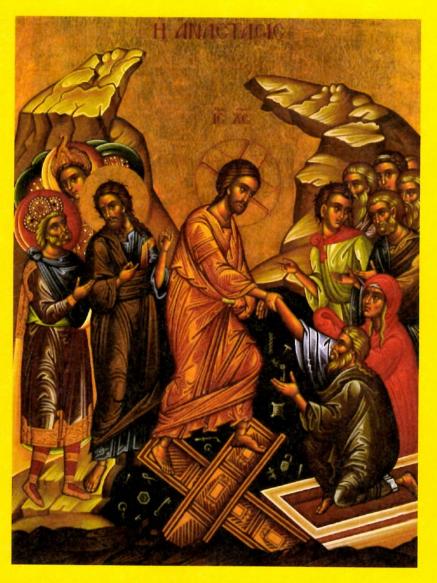
ness into light, out of death into life, out of tyranny into an eternal kingdom; who made us a new priesthood, a people chosen to be His own forever. He is the Passover that is our salvation.

It is he who endured every kind of suffering in all those who foreshadowed Him. In Abel He was slain, in Isaac bound, in Jacob exiled, in Joseph sold, in Moses exposed to die. He was sacrificed in the Passover lamb, persecuted in David, dishonored in the prophets.

It is He who was made man of the Virgin, He who was hung on the tree; it is He who was buried in the earth, raised from the dead, and taken up to the heights of heaven. He is the mute lamb, the slain lamb, the lamb born of Mary, the fair ewe. He was seized from the flock, dragged off to be slaughtered, sacrificed in the evening, and buried at night. On the tree no bone of His was broken; in the earth His body knew no decay. He is the One who rose from the dead, and who raised man from the depths of the tomb.

St. Melito of Sardis

# GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA: RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST



Icon of the Descent into Hades