



+ УКРАЇНСЬКА ГРЕКО-КАТОЛИЦЬКА ЦЕРКВА СВ. ЙОСАФАТА  
ST. JOSAPHAT UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Бюлетень – Bulletin

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**March 10, 2024**

## Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast: St. John Climacus. Holy Martyr Codratus and Those with Him (249-51).

**Tone 8**

### Schedule of Sunday and Weekday Services

#### 3.10.2024 – 4-та Неділя Посту

9:30 a.m. - Вервиця і сповідь  
10:00 a.m. - Служба Божа

#### 3.13.2024 – 17:00 (5:00 p.m.)

Хресна дорога та Сорокоусти

#### 3.17.2024 – 5-та Неділя Посту

9:30 a.m. - Вервиця і сповідь  
10:00 a.m. - Служба Божа

#### 3.10.2024 – 4th Sunday of the Great Fast

9:30 a.m. - Rosary and Reconciliation  
10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy  
Memory of: +Yaroslava Woloch (Vaughn Family)

#### 3.13.2024 – 5:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross & Sorokousty

#### 3.17.2024 – 5th Sunday of the Great Fast

9:30 a.m. - Rosary and Reconciliation  
10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy

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

**Вітаємо отця Йосафата  
Ковалю, ЧСВВ, який  
провадитиме нашу  
Великопосну місію.**



**Welcome to Fr. Josaphat  
Koval, OSBM, who  
joins us today for  
our Lenten Mission!**



# EASTER BAZAAR



**March 23, 2024 – 11am-3pm**

## Парафіяльні Оголошення

1. В часі Великого посту ми традиційно молимося за усіх усопших з наших родин (Сорокоусти). Якщо ви бажаєте, щоб імена померлих ваших рідних згадувались під час Сорокоустів, будь ласка, впишіть їхні імена.
2. Запрошуємо долучатись усіх бажаючих для приготування вареників. Просимо приходити у четвер вранці для підготовки продуктів і у п'ятницю для ліплення.
3. Ми закликаємо всіх наших парафіян молитися за мир у світі, особливо про закінчення війни та мир в Україні, а також щоб США зібралися разом і намагалися зрозуміти один одного.

## Parish Announcements

1. During Great Lent we traditionally pray for all reposed in the Lord loved ones (Sorokousty). If you would like to pray for your deceased relatives, please provide list of their names.
2. We are in need of additional volunteers for our pyrohy ministry, especially in the food preparation area (Thursday morning) and in the cooking area (Friday).
3. We call upon all our parishioners to pray for peace in the world, especially for the end of the war and peace in Ukraine.



## Sunday Collections for Sunday, March 3, 2024:

**Envelopes: \$505.00**

**Candles: \$101.00**

**Loose Cash: \$177.00**

**Church in Need: \$30.00**

**TOTAL: \$813.00**

*Please mail your donations to: St. Josaphat, 8624 White Oak Ave, Munster IN 46321. THANK YOU!*

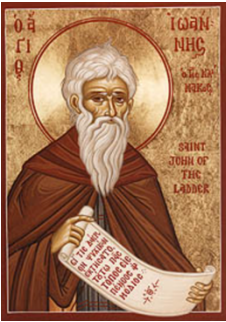
## Prayer list of the sick or aged parishioners & friends of the parish



Stephanie Babij, Olga Wasylowsky, Charlotte Scheuer, Teodozia Shyika Lucyk, Georgia Sosnowski, Myroslava Iwachiw, Irene Karpinec, Howard Vaughn and young Samuel Rocha. Remember those who have suffered or died due to Covid 19. Please pray for those who have been killed, injured or displaced due to war in Ukraine.

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. Father Volodymyr would like to visit our sick and elderly parishioners, especially those who cannot be with us for liturgies. Please call him at 773-979-4737 to let him know who would like a visit. О. Володимир бажає відвідати хворих та старших парафіян, які не можуть приходити до церкви. Просимо повідомити його за номером 773-979-4737





## Who is St. John Climacus?

Our venerable & God-bearing Father John Climacus (ca. 579 - 649), also called John of the Ladder, John Scholasticus, & John Sinaites, was a 7th century monk at St. Catherine's Monastery at the base of Mount Sinai. He became a novice at the age of 16 years old; when he died in 649 he was the monastery's abbot. He wrote a number of instructive books, the most famous of which is "The Ladder of Divine Ascent." It is because of this book that John is known as "Climacus," which means "of the ladder". It describes how to raise one's soul to God, as if on a ladder. This book is one of the most widely read among Eastern Orthodox Christians, especially during Great Lent before Pascha (Easter). On the 4th Sunday of Great Lent he is especially commemorated. **A few quotes from St. John Climacus:** "Do not be surprised that you fall every day; do not give up, but stand your ground courageously. And assuredly, the angel who guards you will honor your patience." \* "He who really keeps account of his actions considers as lost every day in which he does not mourn, whatever good he may have done in it." \* "I consider those fallen mourners more blessed than those who have not fallen and are not mourning over themselves; because as a result of their fall, they have risen by a sure resurrection." \* "Repentance is the renewal of baptism. Repentance is a contract with God for a second life. A penitent is a buyer of humility. Repentance is constant distrust of bodily comfort. Repentance is self-condemning reflection, and carefree self-care. Repentance is the daughter of hope and the renunciation of despair. A penitent is an undisgraced convict. Repentance is reconciliation with the Lord by the practice of good deeds contrary to the sins. Repentance is purification of conscience. Repentance is the voluntary endurance of all afflictions. A penitent is the inflicter of his own punishments. Repentance is a mighty persecution of the stomach, and a striking of the soul into vigorous awareness."

### *Journeying to Pascha*

Jesus continues today his work of healing and exorcism, and that is appropriate for this time of Lent, because Lent is a time for healing and exorcism. It is a time for us to heal the wounds of our souls – self-inflicted wounds due to our complacency and laziness and self-indulgence. It is time to get rid of those demons of our own sinful habits and anything that keeps us away from God and from living that abundant life that Christ came to give us.

We start to make our way toward Jerusalem. At the end of today's Gospel already there is the prediction of the passion, the death and the resurrection of Christ, giving a little hint in the Gospel that the course of Lent is moving now towards Jerusalem. We have gone through several weeks now of spiritual preparations, Scripture texts, prayers and activities. Now our focus is starting to turn towards Jerusalem. That will

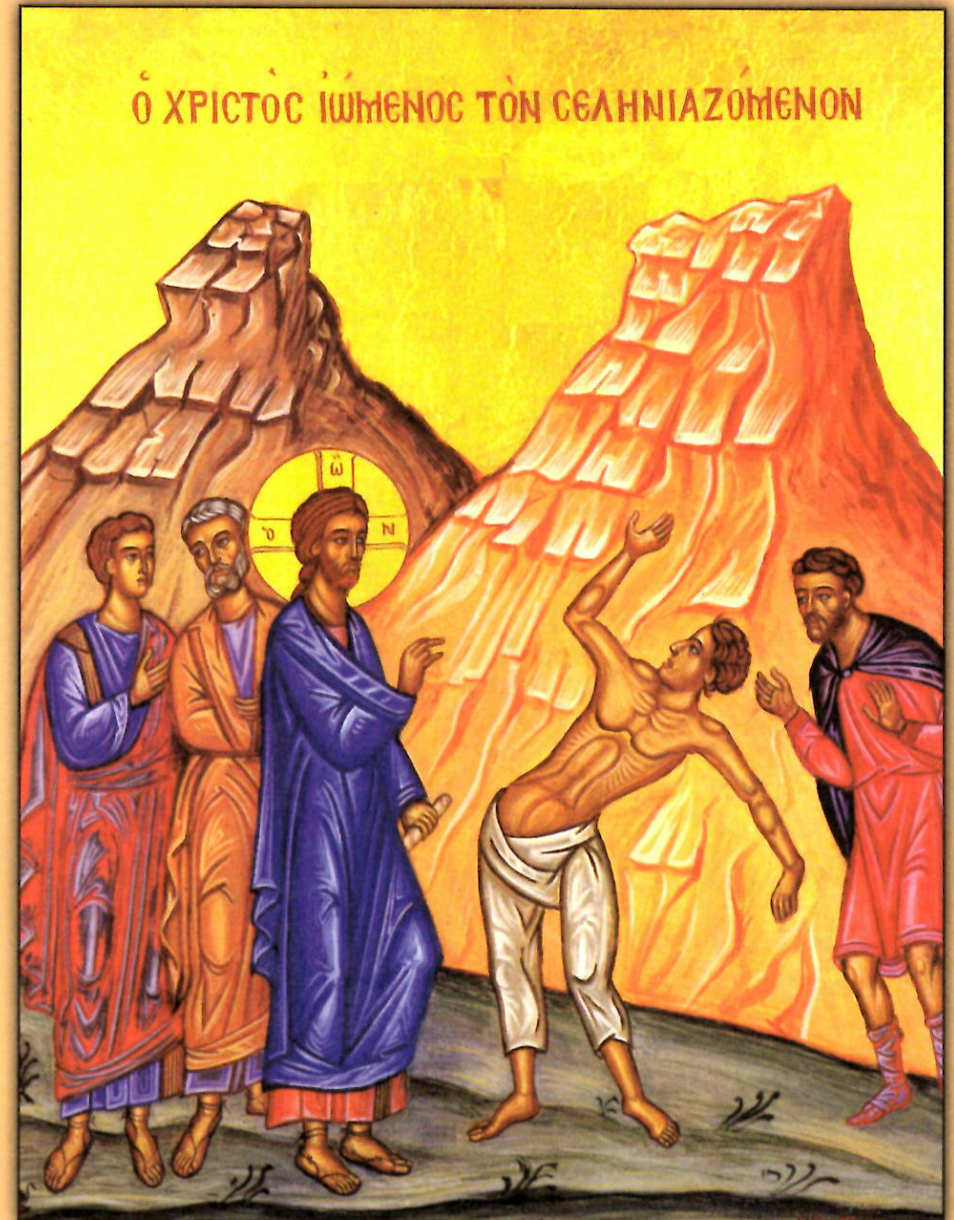
be made more explicit in next Sunday's Gospel, but we are already getting a hint of it now.

There are only three weeks now until Easter, two weeks until Palm Sunday, when we are really liturgically accompanying Christ into the mystery of His Passion.

So it is coming soon, and we have to start turning towards Jerusalem. We have to get focused, we have to get recollected, we have to really revive our Lenten prayer and fasting so that we can make the rest of this journey and be fruitful and overcome the demons and find healing for the wounds of our souls – and go with Christ to his Passion and, through the mystery of His Cross, come to that great, transfiguring, glorious celebration of His Resurrection.

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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SUNDAY OF ST. JOHN CLIMACUS



*Icon of Healing the Boy with a Demon*