



April 2, 2023  
**PALM SUNDAY**



Apr. 1 (Sat) **SATURDAY OF LAZARUS**

**Divine Liturgy of St. Basil**

+John Ott req by the Novotnak Family

**5:00pm**

Apr. 2 (Sun) **PALM SUNDAY**

**Divine Liturgy**

+Thomas & Geraldine Hricik req by Andrew J. Doherty

**10:30am**

See the included schedule for Holy Week

Our Tithe to our Parish - March 26, 2023 - \$3,793.00

The Sanctuary Lamp continues to burn before the presence of Our Risen Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ in our church during the week of April. 2 thru April 8 for health and well-being of our parish family.



*Let us remember in our prayers all of our friends and parish family members who are sick at home or in a nursing facility and for all who are in need of our prayers.*



Jan Bishop, George Bodnar, Pamela Seech Dawson, Steve Fekete  
Margaret Gegick, Barbara Gulich, John Hresko, Kevin Ianni,  
Jeff Kaloski, Helen Magdic, Ted Race, Helen Rizzi, Joseph Rusinko, Sr,  
Mark Sethman

This week is very busy for Father Vasyly, but he would like to visit anyone who is homebound and would like Father to visit for confession and communion.

Please call him as soon as possible to schedule a visit. His telephone number is 412-627-1678.

**A HUGE THANK YOU**

A very big thank you goes out to all the volunteers who helped make our Famous Ham Bingo a success. There was another great turnout and the profit was \$3,000. Looking forward to Turkey Bingo !!

MOUNT SAINT MACRINA  
HOUSE OF PRAYER

Women's Weekend Retreat

April 21 - 23

7:00pm Friday - Sunday after Brunch

Presenter: TBA

Offering: \$95

Registration Due: April 14

**EPARCHIAL ASSEMBLY 2023**

**Saturday, April 29, 2023**

**St. John the Baptist Cathedral, Munhall, Pa.**

All four eparchies in the Metropolia participated in the National Synthesis of the People of God in the USA.

Eparchies utilized a variety of opportunities for engaging people in the process, including local gatherings, listening sessions and surveys.

The purpose of this Assembly is to hear the responses from all four eparchies. Together we will discern the common joys, hopes and wounds. With the help of the Holy Spirit, we will know how to move forward.

If you are interested in attending, pamphlets are available in the vestibule of the church.

## PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday is celebrated as a Holy Day in remembrance of Jesus arriving in the city of Jerusalem on Sunday before the Crucifixion. It was recorded that as Jesus approached the city on a donkey, his true and faithful Christian followers waved palms and swept palm leaves across the road to herald his coming. In remembrance of this event Catholics are given palms on the Sunday before Easter. The Russian Orthodox Christians, as well as the Byzantine Greek Catholics are given palms and pussy willows. The pussy willow were originally given in Russia and countries with the colder climates because palms were not readily available, but the pussy willow were plentiful.

### Some reminders ...

**Fasting:** Good Friday is a day of strict fast (no meat or dairy products are permitted), and simple abstinence from meat is certainly encouraged on Holy Saturday. In fact, all of Holy Week should be a special time of fasting for all of us ... not only from food ... but also from loud music, entertainment, etc.

**Vigil At The Tomb:** Each family or individual is encouraged to spend some time in personal prayer before the Tomb of the Lord. The church will be open until Midnight on Friday evening.

**Blessing of Foods:** The blessing of the Paschal Foods will take place after the Resurrection Matins and Liturgy on Saturday night, and also after the Divine Liturgy on Sunday morning.



## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR GREAT AND HOLY WEEK

<b>April 2, 2023</b>	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b>	<b>5:00 pm Saturday</b>
	<b>Divine Liturgy &amp; Blessing of Palms and Willows</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
<b>April 6, 2023</b>	<b>Great and Holy Thursday</b>	
	<b><u>Confessions</u> from 4:00pm to 6:00pm</b>	
	<b>Vespers with the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
<b>April 7, 2023</b>	<b>Great and Holy Friday</b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>
	<b>Great Vespers with the Burial Service of the Lord</b>	
<b>April 8, 2023</b>	<b>Great and Holy Saturday</b>	<b>8:00 pm</b>
	<b>Solemn Resurrection Matins</b>	
	<b>Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom</b>	
	<b>Blessing of Baskets with Paschal Foods</b>	
<b>April 9, 2023</b>	<b>GLORIOUS FEAST OF PASCHA</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
	<b>THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD</b>	
	<b>Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom</b>	
	<b>Blessing of Artos</b>	
	<b>Blessing of Baskets with Paschal Foods</b>	
<b>5 April</b>	<b>Bright Monday</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>
	<b>Divine Liturgy and Procession with the Four Gospels</b>	