THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

March 8, 2026

Mar. 7 (Sat) Divine Liturgy 5:00pm

For health & best wishes on his 71st birthday to Kurt Novotnak reqd by Marian Barry

Mar. 8 (Sun) THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
Divine Liturgy 10:30am

+Catherine Wesdock reqd by Julee Lindberg & Family

Mar. 13 (Fri) Presanctified Liturgy 6:00pm
Hramoty—Remembrance of the Dead

Mar. 14 (Sat) Divine Liturgy 5:00pm

+Great Aunt Stephanie Petrovay reqd by Stephen & Jacob

Mar. 15(Sun) FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
JOHN CLIMACUS VENERABLE
Divine Liturgy 10:30am

+Ruth (Frendzel) Englehart

St. Mary , Herminie - Sunday Liturgy 8:30am

Presanctified Liturgy - Every Wednesday—4:00pm

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Our tithe to our Parish Mar. 1, 2026 - $2,494.00

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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 Mar. 8 thru Mar. 14 for the homebound of our parish.

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Please join fellow parishioners in praying the rosary every week prior to the Sunday 10:30am Liturgy and on Holy Days.

****Don't forget to report your count of the rosary and place the note in the box for St. Agnes****

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.

Marian Barry, Pamela Seech Dawson, Barbara Gulich, John Hresko, Michael Janov, Helen Magdic, Steve Muchoney, Pat Pierro, Pat Race, Ted Race, Helen Rizzi, Rose Marie Rupnik, Ray Seech, Mark Sethman, JerryLee Simpson, Charles Stein, Eleanor Timko, Sally Zeleznik

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ST. STEPHEN HAM BINGO

Sunday, March 22, 2026
Tickets—$20
Donations needed: water, Coke, Pepsi, basket auction items, door prizes greatly appreciated

For more info contact: Julee Lindberg 412-378-6953

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PYSANKY EGG DECORATING

The starting time for the class is 12:00 noon , Sunday, March 15.

Due to limited space and supplies, we must adhere to the list of participants that have signed up for the class.

SANCTUARY LAMP

A long and beautiful tradition in the Byzantine Church is never to forget our deceased. We do that every year with the days of Hramoty. However, we can continue to offer special remembrances in the church every day by requesting that the sanctuary lamp be lit for a deceased loved one.
The suggested donation is $20 and the request can be noted on the list on the bulletin board.

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Lenten Fund Raiser

Our project this year during Lent is a fish fry. We will be offering fish, fried or baked along with many sides. We will be offering a special order of "Gluten Friendly"also. Every Friday during Lent, excluding Good Friday, from 11:00 - 3:00.

Weekly sheets are posted in entrance. This year there will be a lot of competition for lunch. Ads are being sent out and we are hoping with the help of parishioners, this will be a success.

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ROSARY CHALLENGE UPDATE

Thank you to all who are participating in the rosary challenge sponsored by our neighbors at St. Agnes. Their goal is to have 50,000 rosaries said by September 2026. Please continue to drop your weekly cards into the box in the vestibule … especially during this Lenten season.

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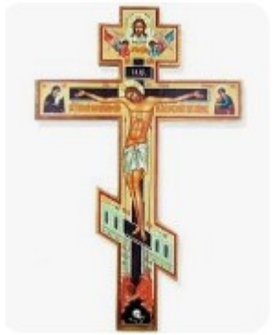
PALM SUNDAY - March 29

We are very fortunate to have parishioners who are able to provide us with the pussy willow branches. With the warm weather—please watch and cut them early.



THE THREE BAR CROSS

It is thought that the crucifixion cross originally contained three cross bars. The top bar bore the initials *INUI* which symbolizes the words, "Jesus of Nazareth King of the Jews". The middle bar held Jesus' out-stretched arms with the shorter bottom bar holding his nailed feet and was parallel to the other two bars. This bar may have been loosened, as Jesus writhed and one of his feet slipped, tilting the bar.

VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

On the Third Sunday of Great and Holy Lent, the Church commemorates the Precious and Life-Giving Cross of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Services include a special veneration of the Cross, which **prepares** the faithful for the commemoration of the Crucifixion during Holy Week.
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