



March 26, 2023

*FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
SYNAXIS OF THE ARCHANGEL GABRIEL*

- Mar. 25 (Sat) ANNUNCIATION OF THE THEOTOKOS
Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 5:00pm
+Mary Ann Harris req by the Novotnak Family
- Mar. 26 (Sun) FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST
SYNAXIS OF THE ARCHANGEL GABRIEL
Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 10:30am
+Charles & Helen Boby req by Andrew J. Doherty
- Mar. 31 (Fri) Presanctified Liturgy 6:30pm
- Apr. 1 (Sat) SATURDAY OF LAZURUS
Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 5:00pm
+John Ott req of the Novotnak Family
- Apr. 2 (Sun) PALM SUNDAY
Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 10:30am
+Thomas & Geraldine Hricik req by Andrew J Doherty

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. 26 thru. Apr. 1 for health and welfare of our parish family.



Our Tithe to our Parish - Mar. 19, 2023 - \$1,676.00



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 Rusink Sr., Mark Sethman*

St. Stephen Fundraiser

Getting down to the last week selling haluski & soup during Lent. It has been very hard work by a few of our dedicated parishioners. We still need soup and servers Friday.



HAM BINGO

We will again be holding our famous Ham Bingo today.
1:00pm to 4:00pm. Tickets are \$15.00.

EASTER KIELBASA

April 2, 2023 -- Delivered here on Palm Sunday

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’ outstretched 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.

From Russian Traditions of Easter

PUSSY WILLOWS

As in the past, we are again in need of pussy willows. If you can bring any, it would be greatly appreciated. We need them no later than Thursday afternoon. They can be left on the rectory porch.



Preparing the Easter Basket

1. Cheese (Siret) – Moderation should always be maintained.
2. Butter (Maslo) – The Goodness of Christ that should be applied to all things. Reminds Christians of Christ’s goodness, which they should show toward all people.
3. Bacon (Slanina) – Represents great abundance of God’s mercy.
4. Salt (Sol) – Reminds Christians of their duty to others.
5. Bread (Paska) – Bread symbolizes Christ, who is the Christian’s True Bread.
6. Ham (Sunka) – Symbolic of joy and abundance.
7. Sausage (Kolbasi) – Indicative of God’s favor and generosity.
8. Eggs (Pisanki) – New life and resurrection.
9. Horseradish (Chrin) – Reminder of the sufferings of Christ.
10. Candle – Signifies Christ as the new Light of the world. It is lit during the blessing of the basket.

