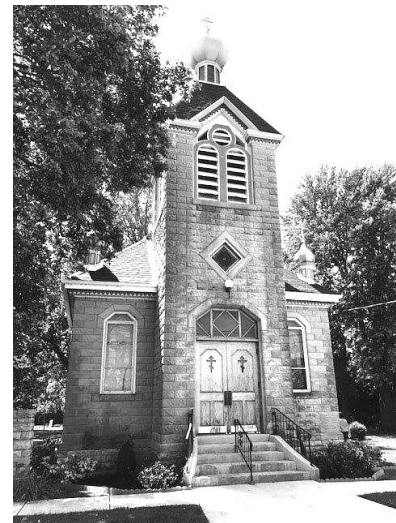


HOLY ASSUMPTION ORTHODOX CHURCH

110 EAST MAIN STREET, MARBLEHEAD, OH 43440

MARCH 12, 2023



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**MARCH 12, SUNDAY OF ST.
GREGORY PALAMAS, 9:10 AM
HOURS / 9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY /
FOLLOWED BY LENTEN COFFEE
HOUR**

**MARCH 15, WEDNESDAY, 6 PM
PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY
FOLLOWED BY SOUP SUPPER**

**MARCH 18, SATURDAY, 3:30 PM
PANIKHIDA, 4 PM VESPERS**

**MARCH 19, SUNDAY CROSS
VENERATION, 9:10 AM HOURS / 9:30
AM DIVINE LITURGY FOLLOWED BY
LENTEN COFFEE HOUR**

EPISTLE **Hebrews 1:10-2:3**

And: "You, LORD, in the beginning laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands.

They will perish, but You remain; and they will all grow old like a garment;

like a cloak You will fold them up, and they will be changed. But You are the same, and Your years will not fail."

But to which of the angels has He ever said: "Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool"?

Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?

Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away.

For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just

reward,

how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him,

GOSPEL **Mark 2:1-12**

And again He entered Capernaum after some days, and it was heard that He was in the house.

Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them.

Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four men.

And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying.

When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven you.”

And some of the scribes were sitting there and reasoning in their hearts,

“Why does this Man speak blasphemies like this? Who can forgive sins but God alone?”

But immediately, when Jesus perceived in His spirit that they reasoned thus within themselves, He said to them, “Why do you reason about these things in your hearts?

Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven you,’ or to say, ‘Arise, take up your bed and walk’

But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins” – He said to the paralytic,

“I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house.”

Immediately he arose, took up the bed, and went out in the presence of them all, so that all were amazed and glorified God, saying, “We never saw anything like this!”

FOR YOUR PRAYERS Diane Tryon, 109 Joslyn Street, Arcadia, OH 44804; Ed & Irene Vangeloff, 454 Strouse Lane, Sandusky, OH 44870

PRAYER LIST Parishioners & Family: James Bargdill / John Beadle / Carole Conaway/ Gary Conaway / Maryann Cook / Sharon Dietrich / Michael Glovinsky / Shirley Gresh / Joseph Habegger / Elaine Hileman / Betty Kovach / Helen Lis / David Mazurik / Child Stella Miller / William Pipenur / Earl Rindfleisch / Helen Jean Rofkar / Sonya Rose / Elaine Libb / Ron Royhab / George Royhab / Marianne Royhab / Stephanie Royhab / Stacy Kaplan / Kathy Jacob / Valerie Schutt / Joe Schutt / Tom Twarek / Diane Tryon / Ed Vangeloff / Irene Vangeloff / the child Bodhi Cassell / Nikki Williams & newborn Brexly / Trisha Monschein & newborn Zackary / Gleice & newborn Chloe / Gabrielle and her unborn child **Other Requests:** Donny / Marge Dziama / Child Ezra / Kurt Franck / Ben Franklin / Donald Gresh / Mark Ludvik / Marsha / Mark Masica / Jamie Philpot / Robert Piznar / Valerie Ritzenthaler / William / Rick Rowe / Sandy Scafaria / David Warner / Chuck Wiedenhoft / Sara / Chris / Tamman Haddad **Military:** Craig Cassell / Jake Ellithorpe / Jordon Fulton / Justin Issler / Tikhon / Nicholas / & all Military

MARCH CANDLE AND BULLETIN SPONSORS **Altar Candles:** (\$50) Natalie Twarek for Birthday memory of Aunt Martha 2/24 and Aunt Anna 3/23; in loving Memory of my Godmother, Aunt Ella, 38 years, 3/23. **Bulletin:** (\$50) Available. **Chandelier:** (\$50) Diane Tryon in loving Memory of my brother, Richard for the 40th anniversary of his passing, March 13, 1983. **Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** (\$25) Available. **Candles at the Cross:** (\$15) Laura Kovach for Birthday blessings to Greg and in Memory of Russ. **Candles at St. Tikhon’s Icon:** (\$15) For Safety of Nicholas, Tikhon, Gleice, and baby Chloe.

VIGILS FOR MARCH 5

Susan Guzy (1) Health and healing to Tina, Tony, Ed, Irene, Gary & Scot

Laura Kovach (2) For health of Tony M., Joe H., Robin, Irene V., Betty K., Ben F., Earl R., Mary P., Margaret M., Mark M., Dana M., Bodhi C., Hattie & Molly K., Pete R., Sharon D., Sonya, John D., Karen D., David W., and Chuck W. Safe travel for family and friends

Sandy Martin (1) Special intentions

Ron and Roberta Royhab (2) For healing and return to good health of Tony M. and Irene V.

Diane Tryon (4) In birthday memory of my dad, In loving memory of Dorothy Margral, Special intentions

Natalie Twarek (4) Health and recovery of Irene, Tony, Father David, Don & Judy, Mimi, For the health of Tina, Pauline, Robin, Valerie, Joe, Ed, Ron, Carole, Gary, Sharon, Kurt, Leslie & Ed, Health of Amber, Zach, Dottie, Jamie, Jim, Stephanie, Ezra, David, Helen Lis and Tina's dad, Earl, Tom, Loren, Sonya, Margi & Joe, Betty, Jackie, MaryAnn & Bob, Chuck, Bodhi, Diane, Stella, Jake, Pat, Karen, special intention

MARCH BIRTHDAYS 3-Tony Monastra; 7-Tamera Blackford; 8-Rachel Adamcio; 8-Ruth Sheller; 11-Jason Monschein; 22- Ariana Holmes; 23-Mason Monschein; 30-Bobbie Royhab; 30-Fred Cassell; 31-Greg Mazur

MARCH REPOSED 1 George Danchisen (2018); 3-Anna Stoyka (2018); 4-Andrew Mazur (2001); 6-Frank Guzy (2002); 6-Robert Haynal (2022); 8-Mat. Sonya Tutko (2021); 11-Ella Mazur (1918); 13-Richard Michael Benya (1983); 17-Frank Holodnak (1961); 23-Eva Pondillo (2001); 23- Ella Mazurik (1985); 23-Francis Mitchell (2008); 23-Barbara Ann Wasylenko (2017); 29-Todd Pollack (2019); 29-Carolyn Woodward (2000); 30-John Rofkar (2019)

MARCH CHARITY IS DANBURY FOOD PANTRY

ATTENDANCE Saturday Vespers, 11 attended; Sunday Divine Liturgy, 16 attended; Wednesday Presanctified, 11 attended

CLEANING SCHEDULE March 13, Roddie; March 20, Natalie; March 27, Basil & Tim

LENTEN PIROGHI DINNERS March 24 at SS PETER & PAUL CHURCH IN LORAIN

Friday March 24th 4 TO 7 PM| Carry-Out Only • 6 Piroghis w/Cabbage & Noodles & Cole Slaw: \$10.00 • Lenten Soup (Large Cup): \$4.00 • Baked Goods: Assorted Prices • Cabbage & Noodles: \$4.00/container • Stuffed Cabbage (Pre-Orders Only) \$24/Dozen or \$2.00 each.

From the Amvon of Father John Adamcio

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

Having now completed two weeks of the Great Fast, we celebrate this Second Sunday of the Fast with a special dedication to St. Gregory Palamas.

St. Gregory, a pious monk who eventually was ordained a priest and later consecrated bishop, had a profound spiritual prayer life. He was a proponent of "hesychasm," a method of prayer emphasizing silence and mental prayer. Those who practice this type of prayer are said to perceive the uncreated light of Mt. Tabor where Jesus was transfigured.

Though he was criticized by some for his practice and teaching of this style of prayer, eventually the Holy Orthodox Church confirmed this method, and eventually glorified him as a saint. Originally, the

Second Sunday was dedicated to St. Polycarp of Smyrna, the Church rededicated this day to St. Gregory.

While noted for his teaching of this intense style of prayer, he was a true shepherd of his flock, teaching them through beautifully simple sermons and homilies.

Much can be said not only of this saint, and his prayer life, we must also address ourselves to the task at hand: the Great Fast.

We must take the Fast seriously! This may not be quite as obvious as it may first seem. Certainly, we go through all the “correct” motions: abstaining from certain foods, perhaps coming to the liturgical services grudgingly, coming to an obligatory “confession.” But, do we really enter into the spirit and purpose of the Fast?

This is a time when we are challenged to change our lives becoming more aware of our sins, taking responsibility for them and confessing them to God. We are challenged to spend more time in prayer, contemplation, and spiritual exercise. This cannot be “legislated,” but it must come from a profound sense of wanting to come closer to our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, we take this opportunity to re-arrange our lives drastically!

Take advantage of the Lenten services. Come to Vespers more regularly. Come to the Presanctified Liturgy. Yes, they do take precious time from our mundane lives, but this spiritual struggle is well worth the effort. Increase the time spent in prayer. Read the lives of the saints. Read spiritual works. Get off the “grid” for just a while! Go beyond the externals of the Fast. Let us look deep into ourselves meditating upon our sins and transgressions, and being thankful for the blessings of the Lord as well as His loving sacrifice upon the Cross for our sakes.

Two weeks have passed; there are a few more to go before we enter Holy Week. Make the best use of your time. The more you give to God, the more He will bless, strengthen, and protect you!

EDITOR'S NOTE: During Lent three books of Sermons by Saint Gregory Palamas (1295-1359)--on Mary, on Saints, and on Saving Work of Christ--are available in Church Library/Books to Borrow.

MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND HISTORICAL MARKER CEREMONY ON APRIL 1

On Saturday April 1 representatives of the Ottawa County Historical Society (OCHS) will dedicate an Ohio Historical marker on Holy Assumption Church property at 2:30 PM. The public is invited to the ceremony which will be followed by church tour/open house and a reception in the hall.

The “Holy Assumption Orthodox Church and County Immigrants” marker recognizes the Carpatho-Russians immigrants from the Austro-Hungarian Empire who founded Holy Assumption Orthodox Church in 1898. It is Ottawa County’s 21st Ohio Historical marker, and puts Holy Assumption on the map of historical markers in Ottawa County.

Parishioners are needed to greet guests, help with open house, prepare church and hall for event, and prepare Lenten appetizers. Please contact Ron Royhab to help.

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