



3rd Sunday of Great Lent: Veneration of the Cross

Troparion — Tone 4

O Lord, save Your people, / and bless Your inheritance. / Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians, / over their adversaries. / And by virtue of Your Cross / preserve Your habitation!

Kontakion — Tone 7

Now the flaming sword no longer guards the gates of Eden; / it has mysteriously been quenched by the wood of the Cross! / The sting of death and the victory of hell have been vanquished; / for You, O my Savior, have come and cried to those in hell: / “Enter again into paradise.”





Sunday, March 31, 2019

Tone 3

Gospel: St. Mark 8:34-9:1

Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6

3rd Sunday of Lent / Veneration of the Precious Cross

St. Hypatius of Gangra / St. Innocent of Alaska

March Bulletin Sponsor: Basil

In loving memory of wife, Jean

Liturgical & Events Schedule

Sunday, March 31

9:05 am: Hours followed by DL / Social

5:00 pm: Deanery Lenten Mission

Wednesday, April 3

6:00 pm: Liturgy of Pre-Sanctified Gifts /
Lenten Social

Thursday, April 4

9:30 am: Lenten Prayers

Friday, April 5

6:00 pm: Memorial Service w/ Diptychs

Saturday, April 6

9:00 am: Lenten Retreat @ St Innocent

4:00 pm: Great Vespers

Sunday, April 7

9:05 am: Hours followed by DL / Social /
Choir Rehearsal

CONFESSIONS

Opportunities for confession BEFORE April 19 are many. Please do not wait until the last minute for your confession. April 19 is the last day of confessions during this Lenten period and time on that day will be very limited. Please make every effort to confession prior to this time.

For Your Prayers

Julia Guzy (95 ½ yrs old)

1601 Church Rd

Marblehead, OH 43440

Please remember her & Susan (her daughter) in your prayers. Send a card of greeting.



VIGILS- March 24

Laura Kovach (1) Special intention

Sandy Martin (1) Special intention

Darlene, Nick & Gabe Mazurik (1) Special intentions

Ron & Bobbie Royhab (2) Special intentions

Twarek family(10) God's peace for Uncle Larry; In Loving memory of my Godmother, Aunt Ella (anniversary 3/23); In loving memory of Aunt Anna (birthday 3/23); Health and recovery of Julia; Health and recovery of Dick, Brad and Nancy; God's peace to Todd; In memory of Chris Galvin; Health of Diane, Betty, Steve, John, Doris, Stella, Ron, Jake, Helen; Special intention; Special intention

MARCH

	<u>Cleaners</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Social</u>
3	Mary Hiser	Tim	<i>Pot-luck</i>
10	Stephanie & Cooper	David	Pot-Luck
17	Sandy	Ron	<i>Open</i>
24	Greg M	Wayne	<i>Open</i>
31	David & Roddie	Natalie	<i>Open</i>



MARCH SPECIAL COLLECTION
St. Tikhon's Seminary

Please be generous!

PRAYER LIST Updated 3-27

Clergy:

His Beatitude, Metropolitan Theodosius
His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman
John Duranko (*Father's home pastor*)
James Gleason (*Father's Spiritual Father*)
Joseph Gibson
Emilian Hutnyan
John Jones
Josef Von Klarr
Vladimir Lecko
John Matusiak
Zachariah Trent
Peter Tutko
Sub-deacon Wylie Meath

Matushkii:

Pani Patricia Duranko
Barbara Kopka
Virginia Lecko
Sonya Tutko

Parishioners / & their Family:

Carol Chevenger (*Roddie's mom*)
MaryAnn Cook (*Cousin to Twarek's*)
Christopher Dixon (*Mary H's son-in-law*)
Victoria Dixon (*Mary H's daughter*)
John Richard Elcishko
Debbie Garnek (*Roddie's sister*)
Michael Glovinsky (*Basil's nephew*)
Ernest Gresh (*Basil's nephew*)
Julia Guzy
Joseph Habegger (*Laura brother-in-law*)
Margi Habegger (*Laura's sister*)
James Heffernan (*Jennifer father-in-law*)
Judy Heffernan
Michael Kouznetsov (*Mary Hiser's son*)
Kristen (*Cassell's daughter*)
Helen Lis
Stanley Lis
Walter Litzie (*Fr.'s cousin*)
Maria (*Terrie's mom*)
David Martin
Greg Mazur
Judy Mazurik
(*Paul Mazurik's sister-in-law*)
Baby Stella Miller (*Chico's granddaughter*)
Helen Jean Rofkar (*Rose's cousin*)
John Rofkar (*Rose's cousin*)

Joe Rose
Margaret Rose
Steven Schirtzinger
(*Christi's brother*)
Christy Schutt (*Joe's sister*)
Joe Schutt
Nancy Sitzler
(*Amber Twarek's mother*)
Peter Truta (*Jean H's cousin*)
Diane Tryon
Greg Tryon
Larry Twarek
(*Gregs T's uncle*)
Lauren Jerome & her unborn
baby (*Jean H's daughter*)
Nikki and her unborn baby
Brianna and her unborn baby
(*Trudy's daughter*)
Katie and her unborn child
(*Cassell's daughter-in-law*)

Other Requests:

Victor Abrahamowicz
(*Mary Hiser's friend*)
Brad Bauer (*Natalie's friend*)
Dick Biro (*Natalie's friend*)
Steven Brancho (*Fr's friend*)
Anna Burch (*Wayne's friend*)
Danielle (*Cassell's friend*)
Chris Fallon
(*Bishop Matthias's sister-in-law*)
Ben Franklin (*Laura friend*)
Theodore Geletka
(*St. Michael OC-Broadview
Heights' choir director*)
Donald Gresh
(*Basil's neighbor*)
Tom Hutnyan
(*Fr. Emil's brother*)
Elliot Joy (*Police chief's son*)
Jake Lipstraw
(*Natalie's friend*)
Tommy Leonchick (*Fr's friend*)
Jim Mahler (*Laura's neighbor*)
Anna Maiani (*Friend of Wayne*)
Dan Mallory (*Basil's neighbor*)
Pauline Meath (*Fr's friend*)
Marsha Ontko (*Sonya's friend*)
Todd Pollick (*Twarek's friend*)

Beth Reinhard (*Diane friend*)
Matthew Sterling
(*Diane T's neighbor*)
Janice Timko
Becky Vermillion
(*Laura's friend*)
Cheyenne Welch & her two
newborn babies: Luke &
Lydia
(*wife of Former Sgt. Of
Marblehead Police Dept*);
Katie & her unborn baby
(*manager at Bruno's wife*)

Military:

Craig Cassell
Nathan Brown

Captives:

Metropolitan Paul
(*Orthodox Archdiocese of
Aleppo*);
Archbishop John
(*Syriac Archdiocese of
Aleppo*);

The UN & IOCC humanitar-
ian aid workers in & around
Syria; Those suffering perse-
cution in Iraq, Syria, Israel,
Egypt, Ukraine and through-
out the world

**NOTE: Please let Fr. Andrew
know when someone needs to**

ATTENDANCE - March

Sunday, March 3

26 Total (21 members, 1 non-member; 4 children; 14 Communicants; 6 attended Vespers; 10 attended Memorial Service)

Sunday, March 10

23 Total (20 members; 1 child; 2 guests; 12 communicants; 9 attended Vespers)

Monday, March 11: 13 people attend Canon

Tuesday, March 12: 12 people attended Canon

Wednesday, March 13: 15 people attended Canon

Thursday, March 14: 9 people attended Canon

Friday, March 15: 13 people attended Pre-Sanctified

Sunday, March 17

27 Total (21 members; 3 children; 3 guest);
15 Communicants; 9 attended Vespers

Wednesday, March 20: 14 attended Pre-Sanctified

Friday, March 22: 10 attended Memorial Service

Sunday, March 24

23 Total (18 members; 1 non-member reg.; 4 children; 19 Communicants; 10 attended Vespers)

40 DAY REMEMBRANCE

March 31: Shooting victims in Aurora

April 7: Police officer Nicholas from TN; Police officer Steve TN / Fire Fighter John / Jack Condulis

April 14: All those who lost their lives from the Tornadoes in AL / Joseph / Victims from the Egyptian plane crash / Glen / Peggie / Sheriff deputy Jacob from IL / Terror attack victims from New Zealand / Mat. Julia Petranin / Leonard Soroka

May 5: 2 soldiers killed in Afghanistan; Police officer killed in IL; David

OTHER WEEKLY INCOME

Sunday, March 3: \$110 Special Collection (St. Tikhon's Seminary); \$15 in Candles; \$50 in Altar Candles; \$50 Chandelier; \$45 in Vigils / **TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$1,250**

Sunday, March 10: \$250 Special Collection (St Tikhons & \$10 Special Collection for Zoe for Life); \$10 Restoration; \$25 cemetery / **TOTAL DEPOSIT FOR THE DAY \$1,428.45**

Sunday, March 17: \$36 Special Collection (St. Tikhons Seminary); \$12 Candles; \$95 Vigils **TOTAL DEPOSIT: \$1,150**

Sunday, March 24: \$35 Special Collection (St. Tikhon's); \$10 Candles; \$50 Chandelier; \$25 Tomb Candles; \$95 Vigils; \$50 Bulletin

WEEKLY TITHING ONLY

Goal Pledged per month: \$4,100

Sunday, March. 3: \$ 980
Sunday, March 10: \$ 936.80
Sunday, March 17: \$1,007
Sunday, March 24: \$3,695

FASTING FOR PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGY

Those who will be receiving communion at this Liturgy, please fast from lunch time (but no later than 1:00pm).

LENTEN DEANERY SERVICE

TODAY @ 5:00pm
Holy Trinity Orthodox Church, Parma

Leave Holy Assumption at 3:15 pm
Return about 8:30-9:00 pm.

See the sign up sheet. If enough people wish to attend, we can take a couple of cars or rent a van.

APRIL CELEBRATIONS

Birthday		Namesday
2-Fr. Andrew 2-Nadia Sumner 4- His Grace Bishop Matthias 5- Nicholas Schutt 13- Jennifer Heffernan 17- Natalie Twarek	18- Nancy Bunge 18- Diane Tryon 22- Greg Tryon 23- Paul Demkosky Jr 24- Jim Mazur 27- Katie Cassell	4-22: Archbishop Nathaniel of Detroit 4-25: Archbishop Mark of Philadelphia <p style="text-align: center;">ANNIVERSARY</p> 4-1-1994: Retired Bishop Varlaam of Vancouver 20- Ron & Bobbie Royhab 4-30-2011: Retired Bishop Matthias of Chicago

If there are those names to be added or removed, please contact Fr. Andrew. He would like to list all members of your family Orthodox and non-Orthodox.

Bishop Paul's Travel Schedule

- March 29-31: St. Lukes, Palos Hills, IL**
- April 3: St. Nicholas in Kenosha, WI:**
Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
- April 5: St. Herman of Alaska Chapel, West Bend, WI:** (Fr. Harold Madlom to receive the Synodal Award of the Palitza)
- April 12-14: St. Innocent Church, Olmstead Falls, OH**
- April 16-18: St. Vladimir's Seminary, New York**
Visit Seminarians
- April 19-20: Ss Cyril & Methodius, Milwaukee, WI:** (Lazarus Sat)
- April 20-28: Holy Trinity Cathedral, Chicago:**
(Palm Sunday, Holy Week & Pascha Services)

CANDLE / BULLETIN SPONSORS OFFERED FOR APRIL

- Chandelier:** (\$50) Laura: In loving memory of her father, Steven Mazur
- Altar Candles:** (\$50) Fr. Andrew: in Memory of his mother, Dorothy
- Candles on the Tomb:** (\$25) Joe & Valerie: in loving memory of their mothers: LaVerne & Violet
- Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** (\$25) Fr. Andrew: in honor of His Grace Bishop Matthias on his 8th Ann. To the Episcopate & his 70th B-day
- Bulletin:** (\$50) Joe & Valerie: Lenten blessings to Fr. Andrew and all Parishioners

APRIL Reposed List

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| 1- Andy Basala (1982) | 16- Mary Wright (2005) | 28-Ann Kovalick (2018) |
| 4- Sophia Jump (2012) | 17- Lois Mazurik (1999) | 29- Olga Kollmeier (1972) |
| 4- Rose Bartek (1986) | 22- Olga Belenky (1971) | 30- Anthony Hubicki (1977) |
| 7- Louis M. Benya (1976) | 22- John Beadle (1988) | Dolores Martin (1974) |
| 7- Mitered Archpriest Basil Dziama (1969) Former Pastor | 22- Fred Millie (1996) | Herb Hobson (2004) |
| 11- Archbishop John (1982) | 24- Demasthony Ballan (1968) | Charles Rose (2015) |
| 12- Helen Tomko (1989) | 24- Fr. Stephen Dutko (2009) | Michael Elchisco (1913)- |
| 14- Paul Glovinsky (1978) | 26- Margaret Mazur (1987) | Andrew Kopchock (1914)- |
| 15- Stephen Brooks (2005) | 26- Russell Kovach (1981) | Anna Onyock (1916)- |

Living Lent 4

Weekly Reflections by Metropolitan Tikhon

His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon offers a series of reflections on the themes contained in the Triodion hymns sung on Monday of each week during Great Lent.

We have now come to “the middle of the time of abstinence” and “have reached the veneration of the lifegiving Cross of Christ.” In the common understanding, the Cross is often seen as a symbol of the great difficulties that face us in life: the cross of illness, the cross of painful relationships, the cross of a heavy personal burden. Although these difficulties are all too real, we are reminded this week that “the veneration of the Cross has come shining as the sun with the light of salvation...” making this a “holy week of light.”

The question then becomes: how do we, who are “held fast by the darkness of the passions” receive this light which is shed on us? How do we transform those difficulties into opportunities to return to Paradise? We are familiar with the liturgical depiction in which the flames of the fiery sword guarding Eden are quenched by the wood of the Cross; This is not simply a literary image but an expression of a spiritual truth.

The Lord Himself, through His Passion, has shown us that “the best path to exaltation is humility,” and He has reminded us, in the parable of the Publican and the Pharisee, that this is the best path for us as well. The Pharisee was rejected for his boasting but the “humble-minded Publican was justified through his silent prayer.” We are asked not only “to choose this humble mindedness, but to accept it in our heart.”

It is in the heart of the humble that God’s grace comes to dwell, and one way to acquire this inner humility is to “humble the passions of the body through abstinence from food and the rejection of pleasures.” Our Lenten ascetical activities will not remove the difficulties from our lives, but they will help us learn the humility that brings God’s help.

In this way, we can sing with the hymnographer: “O brethren, having come to the

middle of the Fast, in good courage, and with willing hearts, let us complete with God’s help the part which still remains, that in great joy we may behold the Passover of the risen Christ.”

Orthodox Christian Fellowship launches search for Executive Director

[Orthodox Christian Fellowship](#) [OCF] is now accepting resumes from interested candidates for the position of Executive Director.

OCF is the official campus ministry of the [Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America](#) which strives to transform the lives of college students in the US and Canada by guiding them along the path to Jesus Christ through His Church and cultivating a campus community of worship, witness, service, fellowship, and education.

Headquartered on the campus of [Hellenic College/Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology](#), Brookline, MA, and boasting a network of more than 400 chapters across the US and Canada, OCF is seeking a motivated individual who can champion Orthodox campus ministry and oversee the operations of OCF’s regional and national programs. The candidate must demonstrate strong leadership ability, management skills, an ability to multitask, and an understanding of and respect for the practices, traditions, theology, and structure of the Orthodox Church. Deadline for accepting applications is April 26, 2019. A [complete job description and comprehensive details](#) regarding resumes, letters of reference, and other requirements are available online. Applicants will be reviewed and contacted in May, with the targeted start date set for July 1, 2019.

MEDITATION

When a king is about to make a triumphal entry into a city, at first his emblems and royal banners are seen, then he himself comes greatly rejoicing in his victory, while all his subjects rejoice with him. So also our Lord Jesus Christ, Who is about to show His victory over death and to appear in glory on the Resurrection Day, sends in advance the emblem of His power, His royal banner, the life-giving Cross, to make us ready to greet the King Himself and glorify Him in His triumphal presence on the Day of Resurrection.