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SUN 27 MARCH '22 FOURTH SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT; SUNDAY OF OUR FATHER JOHN CLIMACOS

- TROPARIA:** TROPARIUM OF THE RESURRECTION (Tone 3): *Let all in heaven rejoice... (p. 23)*
TROPARIUM OF JOHN CLIMACOS: *You abundant tears made the wilderness sprout and bloom, and your deep sighing made your labor fruitful a hundred fold. You became a star shining over the world with miracles, holy father John. Pray to Christ God that he may save our souls.*
TROPARIUM OF ANN: *O divinely wise Ann... (p. 30)*
- KONTAKION:** TRIUMPHANT LEADER: *Triumphant Leader, to you belongs our prize of victory... (p. 168)*
- PROKIMENON:** *The Lord will give strength to his people; the Lord will bless his people with peace.*
Stichon: Give to the Lord, you sons of God, give to the /lord glory and praise.
- EPISTLE:** HEBREWS 6: 13-20. (Reader: Mary Hajj)
- ALLELUIA:** *It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High!*
Stichon: To proclaim your kindness at dawn and your faithfulness throughout the night.
- GOSPEL:** MARK 9: 17-31

DIVINE LITURGY WILL BE CELEBRATED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF: ✕ LEILA NOUJAIM (FRED & RANDA ANTOUS); ✕ AUGUSTINE DELUCA, SR. (AUGUSTINE & LORRETTA DELUCA); ✕ ALFRED & LOUISE HAJJ (HAJJ & GOODSSELL FAMILIES); ✕ NAHOUM & SA'ADA AYOUB (GEORGETTE AYOUB); ✕ SR. SOPHIA MICHALENKO (+5 YEARS)(SR. VICTORIA & SR. MARY ANN); ✕ JOHN MICHALENKO (SR. VICTORIA & SR. MARY ANN); ✕ DECEASED OF THE MICHALENKO FAMILY (SR. VICTORIA & SR. MARY ANN); ✕ THE UKRAINIAN PEOPLE, RECENTLY DECEASED IN THE CURRENT INVASION OF THEIR HOMELAND (EPARCHY OF NEWTON); **AND FOR THE HEALTH AND SALVATION OF THE UKRAINIAN PEOPLE ENDURING THE VIOLENT ATTACKS OF THE RUSSIAN INVASION AND OPPRESSION (EPARCHY OF NEWTOWN)**

SUN. 3 APRIL 2022: FIFTH SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT; SUNDAY OF MARY OF EGYPT

EPISTLE: HEBREWS 9:11-14 (Readers: Arabic, Jeanine Antonios; English, Nabil Takla) **GOSPEL:** MARK 10:32-45

DIVINE LITURGY WILL BE CELEBRATED FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF: ✕ LEILA NOUJAIM (FRED & RANDA ANTOUS); ✕ NAHEEL HADDAD (SELIM, LINDA & BRIDGET NOUJAIM); ✕ RAYMOND & JOAN ASMAR (THERESE BRANDANO); **UKRAINIAN PEOPLE RECENTLY DECEASED IN THE CURRENT INVASION OF THEIR HOMELAND (EPARCHY OF NEWTON) AND FOR THE HEALTH AND SALVATION OF ANNE GOEBEL (FR. THOMAS); THE UKRAINIAN PEOPLE ENDURING THE VIOLENT ATTACKS OF THE RUSSIAN INVASION AND OPPRESSION (EPARCHY OF NEWTOWN)**

Lenten Evening of Recollection: Monday, April 4, 2022 @ 6:30 pm. Fr. Gregory Lozinsky will preach our annual parish Lenten retreat. His meditation will proceed in two parts, bookending a period of quiet reflection and personal prayer during which Fr. Gregory will be available for sacramental confession. Light refreshment will be provided in the hall at the conclusion of the evening. Please make every effort to attend this event, which promises to awaken our hearts and minds as we prepare for Holy Week and the Great Feast of Feasts.

Easter Flowers & Intentions: Don't forget to submit your Easter flower donations with your liturgy intentions.

March 31 @ 6:30- 8:00 pm - St. Rose of Lima Church in Newtown, in collaboration with the Diocese of Bridgeport, will host an information session regarding legacy planning. Speakers will address the spiritual, liturgical, financial, and legal aspects of planning for end-of-life from a Catholic perspective.

The Candle Bearers leading our liturgical processions this Sunday are Selim & Lind Noujaim. Thank you, Selim & Linda, for your donation for the candle lamp burning before the icon of the Annunciation.

Parish Spring Clean Up Day, Saturday April 2 – Outdoor and indoor cleaning. A sign-up list will be in the church hall identifying tasks that need attention to make our church look its best for Easter. Lunch will be provided.

Choir Practice for Holy Week and Easter: Choir will hold two rehearsals in preparation for Holy Week and Easter. **Session I: Tuesday, March 29, 5-6 pm. Session II: Saturday April 9 @ 4-5 pm.** Anyone wishing to prepare for the upcoming services are welcome, even if you do not intend to join the choir for the liturgical celebrations of Holy Week and Pascha. Specific assignments for English and Arabic as well as some solo assignments will be made at these rehearsals, so all regular choir members are strongly encouraged to attend.

Donations of Flowers for Akathist Hymn:

- Friday, March 4: Mrs. Nuhad Haddad. In memory of **Souad Karam**
- Friday, March 11: Sr. Mary Ann & Sr. Victoria. **Living & deceased of the Michalenko & Socha families**
- Friday, March 18: **For the parishioners of Saint Ann Parish**
- Friday, April 1: Mrs. Samira Karam. In memory of **Souad Karam; Fahima Karam; Laura Karam**
- Friday, April 8: *Available for Donation*

The intentions of the Akathist donors will be commemorated in the Divine Liturgy of Lazarus Saturday, **April 2 @ 10:00 am**, which is the morning after the final Akathist Hymn and the final day of Great Lent.

Sunday Collections:

2/20/2022 Reg: \$1,186 Spec. Proj: \$336 Clergy Ret: \$10	2/27/2022 Reg. \$2,972 Spec. Proj: \$100 Fundraising: \$500	3/6/2022 Reg. \$ 1,781 Spec. Proj: \$20 Fuel/Elec: \$ 184 Clergy Ret: \$ 70 Easter Flowers: \$55	3/13/2022 Reg. \$955 Fuel: \$50 Easter Flowers: \$240 Akathist Flowers: \$50	3/20/2022 Reg. \$1,327 Spec. Proj. \$351 Fuel/Electric \$25 Clergy Ret: \$25
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Special Project Honor Donors for 2022:

- Robert & Dianne Morey
- Joseph & Daad Noujaim
- Selim & Linda Noujaim
- Josephine Nassif
- Nabil & Hind Takla
- Robert Hennessey
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- +Nazha Abdella Zowine
- + Joe & Rita Stankwitz
- + Jim & Helen Hennessey
- + James L. Hennessey

Special Project Honor Donors make a one-time donation of \$1,000 or more to fund special projects.

Remaining Lent & Holy Week Schedule

- Monday 3/28: Great Compline @ 5:30 pm
- Monday 4/4: Lenten Evening of Recollection @6:30 pm. Refreshments following.
- Wed. 3/30 & 4/6: Presanctified Liturgy @ 5:30 pm
- Friday 4/1 & 4/8: Akathist Hymn @ 5:30 pm
- Lazarus Saturday 4/9: Divine Liturgy @ 10 am
- Palm Sunday 4/10: Procession & Divine Liturgy @ 10:30 am**
**Later than usual Sunday start to allow all to arrive comfortably for procession
- Mon & Tues 4/11-12: Bridegroom Matins @ 5:30 pm
- Wed 4/13: Blessing of Oils & Anointing Service @ 5:30 pm
- Thurs 4/14: Vesper Divine Liturgy @4pm followed by Potluck dinner; Passion Gospels & Crucifixion @ 6 pm
- Friday 4/15: **Descent from Cross**** followed by Epitaphios Service (Lamentations) & Procession @ 6 pm
**Descent to be assisted by the women of the parish with Rose water & petals
- Saturday 4/16: Blessing of New Light @ 10 am; **Chrismation Service @ 10:30**** followed by Vesper Divine Liturgy Hajme/Orthros/Divine Liturgy 9 pm
**Chrismation of Damien, Isaac & Margret Genn
- Sunday 4/17: Divine Liturgy 10 am