

But I was busy helping my own mother give a tea.
 She needed me very much.
 I am glad Simon was there to help carry the cross, Lord.
 There were so many things to do; I just could not make it.
 I would have liked to help,
 But I could not get away.
 That, woman, Veronica, was very brave to aid you, Lord.
 She could have been beaten by the soldiers.
 Many times I would like to do things for others,
 But I am afraid to get involved.
 It was nice of the women to be there to comfort you, Lord.
 Some people just seem to have more time.
 I was busy doing errands for my own children,
 Although I would have liked to help.
 I was very sad to hear of your death on the cross, Lord.
 The world needed you so much; there are so few good people.
 Then, I get too emotional at times like that.
 It was not good for me to see.
 I really intended to be there when they laid you in the tomb, Lord.
 It does not seem possible that Lent is over.
 I wanted to do so much, but have done nothing.
 Maybe next year, Lord.



Passion Week

The last week before Pascha is devoted to the commemoration of the last days of the mortal life of the Savior, His suffering, death and burial and is why it is called *Passion Week*. It is also called *Great* because of the significance and greatness of the events that occurred in it. "During this week", as St. John Chrysostom teaches, "the ancient tyranny of the devil is destroyed, death is trampled down, the powerful are in bonds and their weapons are destroyed, sin is expiated, the curse and opening to paradise is removed, heaven has ceased to be inaccessible, people came closer to the angels, the walls of division are broken down, the boundaries are seized. The God of peace has reconciled the heavenly and the terrestrial".

*Having Suffered the Passion for us, Jesus Christ,
 Son of God, have mercy on us!*



The Wonderworker

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Welcome to our parish. We invite you to worship with us again.

April, 2022

**Glory to Jesus Christ!
 Slava Isusu Christu!**

**Glory Forever!
 Slava na viki!**

Schedule of Services (April 3—May 1, 2022)

Sunday, April 3

The Fourth Sunday of the Great Fast in which our Venerable Father, John, Author of *The Ladder*, is Commemorated; Resurrectional Tone 8; Our Venerable Father Nicetas the Confessor, Abbot of Medikion

9:30 a.m.— The Chanting of the Prayers of Preparation for the Holy Mystery of Repentance Followed by an Examination of Conscience and Conclude by Individual Absolutions

10:00 a.m.— The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great-Mouth Panakhida for +Mary Hanna on the First Anniversary of her repose in the Lord offered by her daughter Majdolin Hanna Jasser

Sunday, April 10

The Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast in Which our Venerable Mother, Mary of Egypt is Commemorated, Resurrectional Tone 1; The Holy Martyrs Terence, Pompeius, Africanus, Maximus, Zeno, Alexander, Theodore, Macarius, and 33 others, beheaded at Carthage (3rd c.).

10:00 a.m.— The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great-Mouth

Saturday, April 16

Lazarus Saturday; Virgin-Martyrs Agape, Irene and Chionia (Charity Peace & Snow), in Illyria (304)

10:00 a.m.—Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth

5:00 p.m.—Great Vespers with Lity for Willow Sunday

Holy Anointing Мироаніні

Sunday, April 17

Flowery (Willow) Sunday, the Entrance of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ into Jerusalem

10:00 a.m. - Blessing of the Willow Branches

The Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth

Holy Anointing Мироаніє

Thursday, April 21

Holy and Great Thursday of Passion Week

7:00 p.m. - Passion Matins with the Reading of the 12 Passion Gospel Accounts (Страсти)

Friday, April 22

Holy and Great Friday of Passion Week

7:45 p.m. - Burial Vespers Procession with the Holy Shroud (Плащаниця)

Saturday, April 23

Holy and Great Saturday of Passion Week; Holy Glorious Great-Martyr, Victory-Bearer and Wonderworker George

10:00 a.m. - Great Vespers with the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

Changing of the Altar Covers from burgundy to white

9:00 p.m. - Nocturns - Removal of the Shroud

Cross Procession

Resurrection Matins

Blessing of Paschal Foods

Great Day, April 24

Holy Pascha, Great Day, the Feast of Feasts, Holy Day of Holy Days, the Third-Day Resurrection of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ from the Tomb

10:00 a.m. - The Paschal Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth

Blessing of the Artos

Blessing of Paschal Foods

Sunday, May 1

The Second Sunday of Pascha, Anti-Pascha, the Eighth Day, Sunday of St. Thomas; Holy Prophet Jeremiah (6th c. B.C.). Blessed Tamara, the Queen of Georgia

10:00 a.m. - Final Blessing and Cutting of the Artos

The Paschal Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth

April Milestones, Birthdays: 10, Ilarion Jula, 13, Nickolas Rolin, 16, Gerald Largent. May God grant them and their families peace, health, salvation and longevity for many, blessed years, на многая и благая літа!

The Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA is fundraising to provide HUMANITARIAN AID to the people of Ukraine. The Ukrainian people need our support! However, beware of the many scam organizations that are popping up to exploit this situation. One way to be sure that your donation will go to the people of Ukraine and to where it is most needed is to offer your donations through the Consistory of the UOC of the USA: You can donate on uocofusa.org, or through Paypal

directly <https://bit.ly/3t3K3wb>. Checks can also be mailed to UOC of USA, Attn: UA Aid, PO Box 495, So. Bound Brook, NJ 08880.

Christ is Risen!



Pascha Flowers

When you come across the Easter Flower donation envelope in your envelope box, you have a choice: Either an Easter lily or other appropriate flower for the tomb and temple, or embellishing the temple by purchasing the above ornament to be placed around the stained glass windows. For a donation of \$10 or more we will put your name, your family name, or the name of someone else you wish to commemorate, on Great Saturday prior to the Paschal vigil. Any free will donation will be accepted. There will be a limit of four (4) names per ornament. You can also mail your donation to the Parish: 2101 Quail St. Lakewood, OH 44107. Please indicate on your envelope whether you want to purchase an actual flower, an ornament, or both.

A way to be a part of our Paschal celebration though you are distant is to make a donation to our Easter Flowers! Each Christ is Risen Flower Ornament can have up to two names and will be displayed around the church on Easter Sunday for all to see!

Orders* will be accepted until Wednesday April 17! (*Suggested donation of \$10 or more). Get yours today by emailing stnicholas100@aol.com or by donating online at: https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=6LGQ4FZ9L7HYL

We received a very nice letter of prayerful support from the Sisters of the Congregation of St. Joseph in Rocky River. It is posted on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

The End of Lent

I wanted to be at Your trial today, Lord,
But things went badly at work and I was too tired.
Had I been there, I would have spoken in Your behalf.
Sorry You got such a bad deal.

Your poor mother, how heavy her heart must have been, Lord,
Wish I could have been there to console her,