

# Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church

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Deseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called... endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Ephesians 4:1 & 3



## Sunday March 21, 2021

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT** — **Tone 8. Sunday of Orthodoxy.** St. James the Confessor, Bishop of Catania. St. Cyril, Bishop of Catania. St. Thomas, Patriarch of Constantinople.

<u>Schedule:</u> Hours - 9:10am; Divine Liturgy (Last names L-R) - 9:30am; Open House -11am; Orthodoxy 101 -12:15pm



<u>elcome</u> to our Visitors!

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### Hymns & Readings

#### Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone VIII —

Thou didst descend from on high, O merciful One; Thou didst endure the three-day burial to free us from our sufferings; O Lord, our life, and resurrection, glory to Thee.

### Troparion, Tone II —

We venerate Thy most pure image, O good One, and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ God: of Thy good will, Thou wast pleased to ascend the cross in the flesh, to deliver Thy creatures from bondage to the enemy; wherefore, with thankfulness, we cry aloud to Thee: 'Thou hast filled all with joy, O our Saviour; for Thou hast come to save the world'.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

### Kontakion, Tone VIII —

The uncircumscribed Word of the Father became circumscribed, taking flesh from thee, O Theotokos: and He hath restored the sullied image to his ancient glory, filling it with the divine beauty; this, our salvation, we confess, in deed and word, and depict it in the holy icons.

#### **Prokeimenon & Readings:**

**Tone 4:** Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers, / and praised and glorified is Thy Name forever! (Song of the Fathers)

v. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us!

pistle: (Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2) Brethren, by faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, <sup>25</sup> choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, <sup>26</sup> esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward. <sup>32</sup> And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: <sup>33</sup> who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, <sup>34</sup> quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. <sup>35</sup> Women received their dead raised to life

again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. <sup>36</sup> Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. <sup>37</sup>They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented— <sup>38</sup> of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. <sup>39</sup> And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, <sup>40</sup>God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. <sup>12</sup>Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, <sup>2</sup> looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

#### Alleluia Verses:

Moses and Aaron were among His priests; Samuel also was among those who called on His Name.

They called to the Lord and He answered them.

 $\mathsf{G}^{\mathsf{ospel:}}$  (John 1:43-51) At that time, <sup>43</sup> The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote—Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." 46 And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." 47 Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" 48 Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." <sup>49</sup> Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" 50 Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup> And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

### Upcoming Services & Events

Weekday services and Sat Vespers are "open" (no sign-up necessary)

Mar 23, Tue: Adult Ed Series 1 via Zoom -7pm

Mar 24, Wed: Bible Study (Mark) - noon; Vesperal Liturgy (Annunciation) -6:30pm

Mar 27, Sat: Vespers - 5pm; Confession, following

Mar 28, Sun: Hours - 9:10am; Divine Liturgy (Last names S-Z) - 9:30am; Memorial Litiya +Bill Kantor 40 days, Ap. Andrew Shuga, & Helen Umphred, following; Open House –11am; Orthodoxy 101 – 12:15pm; Youth Group - 4pm



Adult Ed Lenten Series: Will begin this Tuesday, March 23rd @7pm via Zoom. The series is: Reflections on Great Lent: Journey to Pascha by Fr. Alexander Schmemann & it will continue each Tuesday until April 6th.

Paschal Lenten Project: The church school has a project available for parish families with school age children. "Love at Lent" card packets are available in the vestibule. If families are interested, please email Lorrie Pawlush to participate in this project - lpawlush13@gmail.com.

FOCA Virtual Youth Lenten Retreat: "Rediscovering Pascha - After a Year of Pandemic" Grades K-12! Join Ap. Timothy Hojnicki & Ap. Benjamin Tucci via Zoom on Sunday, April 11 from 4-7pm. Please check the parish weekly email for Zoom details.

**Pussy Willows:** If you have any pussy willow trees on your property, please be sure to cut down some branches for church (for use on Palm Sunday - April 25). You can leave them on the porch of the parish hall.

St. Jerome Book Club: Our next book selection is "Saint John Chrysostom Letters to Saint Olympia" & we will meet on Sunday, May 23 at **1pm.** Copies will be available at our parish bookstore soon or you can order via syspress.com! Contact **Joe McClure** if you have any questions.

# Parísh Prayer Líst Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless requested.

NEWLY DEPARTED [40<sup>TH</sup> DAY]: John Osuch - Mar 10 [4/18]; Arash (Snyder family) - Mar 9 [4/17]; Terri Prioetti (Evan & Johnna McGreevy's cousin) -Mar 7 [4/15]; David Newhouse - Mar 4 [4/12]; Svitlana & Volodymyr (fiends of Irina Pototska); Diane Williams (Deb McGinnes sister) - Mar 1 [4/9]; Ap. John Tkachuk - Feb 19 [3/30]; Basil "Bill" Kantor - Feb 16 [3/27]; Ruby Barnard (Ethan Mandel's grandmother) Feb 17 [3/28]; Ap. John Chupeck (Nick Somple's uncle) - Feb 10 [3/21];

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED: George S. Klipa, Mar 22 - 22<sup>nd</sup>; Sophie Fatich, sister of +Janet Kuzupas, Mar 22 – 15<sup>th</sup>; Ap. Eugene Vansuch, Mar 23 - 13<sup>th</sup>; Fr. Alexander Atty, Mar 23 - 7<sup>th</sup>; Gebrekristos (Gabe) Gebre , Mar 23 -5<sup>th</sup>; June Taleff, Mar 24 -4<sup>th</sup>; Joseph Hand, father of Joan Dupkanick, Mar. 24 - 53<sup>rd</sup>; Martha Rapso, cousin of M. Theodora, Mar 24 - 2<sup>nd</sup>; George **Spaseff,** husband of Effie, Mar 25 – 40<sup>th</sup>; **Mildred Belic,** aunt of the Klipa's, Mar 24 – 12<sup>th</sup>; **Paul Litiaho,** father of Nadzia Schilling, Mar 26 – 44<sup>th</sup>; **Ann** Osacky, Archbishop Job's mother. Mar 27 - 16<sup>th</sup>; Gabriella Georgescu, +Maria Vasilca's mother, Mar 27 – 4<sup>th</sup>; **Beverly Ruhi**, Pat Drebot's sister-inlaw. Mar 27 – 2<sup>nd</sup>:

AILING: PARISHIONERS: FAMILY/FRIENDS: Fr. Peter Pawlack (cousin of P. Hadginske); Martha (aunt of A. Cole); Kristin & Abe (family & friend of Dn. Peter); Chase, Marlin, & Wendy (Treece family friends/neighbors); Michael (B. Drozd brother); Lori (Z. Bares mother); Nina (friend of D. Bupp); Gary & Peggy (cousin & friend of Donna Bretz); Shirley (L. Pawlush's mother); Joe (friend of E. McGreevy); Sandy, Hailey, & Kelly (friends of DiFlorio's); Ronald; Joseph (nephew of L. Hancher); Ruth (T. McMahons sister-in-law); child Joshua; Sandy, Sue & Doreen (E. Bare's friend & family); Betty (grandmother of J. McClure); Andrea & child Silas (family of E. Herman); Dori (niece of N. Lubecki & J. Lewis); M. Lisa Weremedic (wife of Fr. James); Janice & Emil (J. Zuro & G. Leer's aunt & uncle); child Fynn; Fr. George Livanos; Kay, Richard, & Anya (aunt & friends of K. Leader); Patty (friend of K. Pankiw); Neal (D. Pawlush's brother); Richie & MaryAnne (friends of the White's); Mitchel (Jean Dotsey's nephew); Linda (M. Sharon's mother); Ap. Michael & M. Valeria Hatrak; David (L. Mantle & C. Kemps brother); Jeanette (daughter of E. Onufer); Jacob (brother of Pat Drebot); Connie, Charlie, Carol & Connie (friends of Mallick's); Wendy (M. Deamer's mother); Janet (friend of D. Fedetz); Kim & Mona (sisters of Ab. Mark); David (friend of L. DiClemente); Brandon & Pam (friends of C. Neumann); Mary (mother of S. Kellachow); Alissa; Catherine; Andrew, Maureen, Mary, Joanne, Roger, & John (family & friends of the Kuchta's); Annie (daughter of the Africa's);

Carole; Fern (Dn. Peter's mother); Grace & Karen (J. Mamay's sisters); Maria (Worley's friend) Victoria, Erin & David (friends of L. Smith); Paul (J. Osuch's brother); Pavlina (friend of B. Slivka); M. Emily (Larissa & Anita's aunt); Karenmay (friend of L. Mantle); child Aura (friend of D. Zullo); Steven (J. Hake's father); child Eva; Lori & Constantine (Z. Bare's mother & family friend); Flora (T. Gault's mother); Linda, Christine, & Cynthia (friends of M. Myra); Grace (sister-in-law of D. Fedetz); Wiera, Vera (Ressetar's family); Elizabeth; Cassandra & Peter (friends of L. Shuga); Gemma, (E. Herman's friend); Bernadine, Lonnie & Fred (Osuch family); Barry, Edwin, Phillip, Connie, & Daniel (family & friends of the Leer's); Paul, Adam, Jeff, Bev, Alynda, Tina, Jenny, Marilyn, Jan, Alicia, Shelby, & Malynda (family & friends of the Kushlans); Seraphima (friend of J. Barns); Shari, Norman, Darrell, Justo, Alexa, Thomas, Leida, Jesus, Marsha, Alexander, Anastasia, Deanna, John, Brian, Timothy, Jessica, Saulo, Theodore, & Tanya, (Lopez friends & family); Juanita, Terry, & Morgan (Hisiro's family); Joseph & **Louise** (S Demchak's brother & sister-in-law);

**HEALTH & WELL-BEING:** Those suffering from natural disasters. All victims of Sickness, Terror, War, Violence, Racism, Injustice & Civil Strife; Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo held hostage by Syrian Terrorists; PARISHIONERS: Nicholas & Kelly Somple; Anghesom Zerezgi; Melissa Zuro; Emma Heimbaugh; Tony Onufer; Ita (Stephanie) Snyder; Rdr. Matthew (Chet) & Mary (Nora) Lubecki; M. Theodora Ressetar; Dorothy Fedetz; Cathi Kemp; Richard & Sandy Wood; Natalie Treece; John "Jack" Sweikert; Loretta Ivanoff; Marina Cameron; Joseph Sembrot; Birikit & Hannah Zerat; Jeanne Zane; Teklu Ogbamichael; Temesgen Kidane; Una McManus; Katherine Kudelko; BetteAnn Slivka; Evelyn Onufer; Kristen Hertzler; Lazarus (Manny) & Samantha Lopez; M. Ap. Daniel & M. Myra Kovalak; Joseph (Moe) & Ruth Mazurek; Lazarus (Jonathan) Dunnavent; Ann Cole; Sean Cameron; Andrea (Ivanoff) Worley; Mary Ellen Osuch; Kathryn Kellachow; Sue Wolfe; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas. HOME-BOUND & IN-CARE FACILITIES: Carol; Rita; Nicholas Demopoulos; Nicholas Essis; Millicent Russell; EXPECTANT MOTHER(s): Shannon Henry; Natalie Murphy; Genevieve (Jennifer) Knox; Matrona (Stephanie) Keoseyan; Lara (Haluszczak) Galis; Jessica (Agnes) Priestley; Suzanne Kordsmeier; Kristina **Leverone** and the children to be born of them; **COLLEGE STUDENTS:** Tseday Afrassa; Semhar Anghesom, Eden Araya, David, Amelia Demopoulos; Grace Firestine; Taylor Gladys, Michelle Gopinath; George Hatalowich, Paige Hisiro; Shawn Jacob; Vladimer Kellachow; Sammy, & Salina Kidane; Alexander & Drake Lamb; Joseph Martin, Evan & Johnna McGreevy, Kayli (Kaliope) Mikita; Timothy Monko, Otilia Murariu, Nicole & Shane Staller, Ashley; Dave; Peter; Wessam; MILITARY: Gabriel; Stephanie; Matthew; David; Michael; Peter; Sean; Ian, Zachary; Josiah; FAMILY & FRIENDS: Marina (D. Martin's neice); Michael (B. Drozd father): Deb (sister of Donna

Bretz); Kiki, Maria & Theodore (Dn. Peter's friends); Elaine (Rdr. Leo & Garnice's daughter); Ethan, Mitch, Rob, Jody, Jackie, & Bruce (family & friends of the Mallick's); Gary & Paul (friends of the Lenker's); Joan (friend of the Zart's); Tony (K. Hertzler's husband); Gene (K. Leader's uncle); Iryna (Snyder family); Matthew (K. Mikita's son); M. Natasha Lazor, Cindy, Christine, & Stella "Linda" (M. Myra's friends); Mary & Judy (Rdr. L. Leer's cousins); Raul (friend of B. Drozd); Ron (friend of K. Pankiw); Vasiliki; George (friend of J. Mamay); Dottie Sysak; Heather (sister of S. Cameron); Shenia (sister of N. Schilling); Martha (aunt of A. Cole); Frank (uncle of U. McManus); Eva & Donna (friends of the Kuchta's); Rosalie; David & Dawn (cousins of Chet); Alexandra; Masha, Ethan & Wesley (M. Cameron's family/friend); Pauline (friend of E. Bare); Nancy & family (Snyder's friends); Priest Demetrius Nicoloudakis, Megan, Jacob & family, Georgia, Maria, Blake, Keisha, Cynthia, Dimitrios, child Evangelia, Kyle, Martha, Emma, Nicholas, Jack, Samuel, Christian, Theodore, Steve, John, Alexandra, Juan, Isaac, Daniel, Judy, Luke, Johnny, Leticia, Jim, Paul, Samuel, Faye, Jon, child Landon (family/friends of the Lopez's); Christine (M. Gopinath's aunt); Natalie (E. Herman's godchild); Christine (sister of P. Taleff); Dorothy, Shirley & family, Nathan; Jeff, Greg, David & William (family & friends of J. Barns); Nancy (John & Chris Cole's mother); Ben & Amanda (S. Marasco's children); Marc & Cecilia (L. Smith's cousins); SEMINARIANS: (St. Vladimir's) Dn. John & M. Alexandra Black - Evyn, Lydia, Joshua, & Noah (St. Tikhon's) Rdr. Thomas & Lydia Given - Magdalena & Dominic; CATE-CHUMEN(S): John Romain; Matthew Deamer; Andrew & Rebecca Brown -Nathan, Devin, Ava, & Liam; Joseph Middelkoop; Ray & Amy Rieck - Gordon, Maren, & Morgan; Melissa Hanna - Tressa & Sarai





Many Years!
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BIRTHDAYS: Susan Dotsey - Mar 21; Noah Goitom - Mar 22; Joseph Russian – Mar 22; Melissa Hanna – Mar 22; Anastasia Nikolaeva – Mar 23; Marina Cameron - Mar 23; Kaylee Schofield -Mar 24; Dorothy Fedetz – Mar 25; David (DJ) Pawlush – Mar 26; Douglas Cain – Mar 27; Sean Cameron - Mar 27;

Candle Offerings
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