

# St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

**PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 13TH, 2025**  
**THE ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM**  
 Propers: 235-238 / 239

**Saturday, April 12th**  
**9AM-3PM FLEA MARKET**  
**5:00 PM Divine Liturgy (live streamed)**  
*with CHRISMATION of Gus Citsay*  
*For our Parish Family*

**Sunday, April 13th**  
**10:00 AM Divine Liturgy with BAPTISM of Serafina Shults**  
 +Carol Teufel *By Friends*

**Great and Holy Monday, April 14th**  
**5:00 PM Rosary (all welcome)**  
**7:30 PM B-I-N-G-O!**

**Great and Holy Tuesday, April 15th**  
**8:30 AM Lenten Service**  
*with Holy Communion*

**EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20TH, 2025**  
**THE GREAT DAY—THE RESURRECTION!**  
 Propers: 164-166 / 166-168

**Easter VIGIL, Saturday, April 19th**  
**7:00 PM PROCESSION/ RESURRECTION MATINS/ LITURGY/ BLESSING of BASKETS**

**EASTER Sunday, April 20th**  
**10:00 AM Easter Divine Liturgy**  
*followed by Basket Blessing*

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!  
 Christos Voskrese! Voistinnu Voskrese!

**Sanctuary Lamp this Week:**  
**April 12/13, 2025**

In Memory of  
 +LOUISE LISNOCK

*By Susan and Douglas Wood*  
*Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory!*



**Great and Holy Wednesday, April 16th— Liturgy with Holy Anointing (Healing Service)**  
**7:00 PM Divine Liturgy of St Gregory**

**Great and Holy Thursday, April 17th— Institution of the Holy Eucharist**  
**7:00 PM Vespersal Divine Liturgy of St Basil the Great**

**Great and Holy Friday, April 18th— The Crucifixion and Death of Jesus**  
**7:00 PM Vespers of the Crucifixion with Children's Passion Play and Procession**  
**ALL NIGHT VIGIL BEFORE THE TOMB - Friday evening through Saturday morning.**



**Chrismated in the Lord!** Our parish family rejoices with **GUS CITSAY** who received the Holy Mystery (Sacrament) of Chrismation on Saturday, April 12th, at the 5PM Liturgy! To his father, Eric, his sister, Anastasia, his brothers, Josef and Alexander, as well as to his aunt, Christie, and his Grandmother, Millie and too all his family and friend we extend our joy-filled congratulations! May God grant him many blessed years!



**Baptized in the Lord!** Our parish family rejoices with **SERAFINA SHULTS** who received the Holy Mysteries (Sacraments) of Baptism, Chrismation and Eucharist today, Palm Sunday, April 13th, at the 10AM Liturgy! To her parents, Michael and Lisette, to her grandmother, Marilyn Sentmanat, and to her big sister, Michalina, as well as to all her family and friends we extend our heartfelt congratulations! May God grant her many blessed years!

**MAN OF THE YEAR AWARD** presented to **MIKE KUZMA!** At our recent Family Day celebration, Men's Club President William Graham surprised Mike Kuzma with the 2025 "Man of the Year" Award! Mike is an active volunteer and usher in our parish, always eager to lend a helping hand. On the plaque, his name appears right next to his FATHER's name! Michael Kuzma Sr., who was "Man of the Year" in 2000! Indeed, good will and charity runs deep in the Kuzma family! Congratulations!

Many thanks to **Lora Rayner and her helper, George** for once again hosting our *Pysanky* Egg-Decorating class! 20 students of all ages enjoyed learning the art and symbolism of traditional egg decorating using dye, wax and a stylus. It was an inspiring way to prepare for the Resurrection of Our Lord! *Thanks Lora and George!*



**Good Friday All Night Vigil**—YES, we will once again have an "in-person" all night vigil before the Tomb of Our Lord on Good Friday evening through Holy Saturday morning. Please see the sign-up sheet in the vestibule to see which hours are unattended. We would like to have at least TWO persons (or families) in church, every hour, all night long! Our Lord asks, "*Can you not stay with me for just one hour?*"

**Lenten Clothing Drive CONCLUDES today.** MANY THANKS to ALL of you who dropped off an ABUNDANCE of gently used spring and summer clothes, shoes and accessories to the Clothes Closet Ministry of Second Baptist Church in Rahway. **GOD BLESS YOU!**

### INCOME FOR LAST WEEKEND: (including those mailed in —thank you!)

|                           |    |         |                                  |    |         |
|---------------------------|----|---------|----------------------------------|----|---------|
| Sunday Offering/Donations | \$ | 1750.00 | Monthly/Initial                  | \$ | 285.00  |
| Candles                   | \$ | 297.00  | Charities/Missions/Peter's Pence | \$ | .00     |
| Flowers                   | \$ | 100.00  | Holydays/Easter                  | \$ | 150.00  |
| Maintenance/Fuel          | \$ | 25.00   | ECL/Seminary                     | \$ | 22.00   |
| Retired Religious         | \$ | xxx.00  | Total                            | \$ | 2629.00 |

Bingo 124 Players \$ 1076.00 Bingo Kitchen: \$330.00 **God Bless You!**

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