

# St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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Served by Right Rev. Archpriest James G. Hayer, with the ministry of Deacon Charles Laskowski, Father Thomas Shubeck and Cantors George Birchack, Doreen Plahovinsak, and MaryAnn Laskowski

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Office Hours: Monday — Thursday, 12 Noon to 4PM.

## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

**SUNDAY APRIL 7TH, 2024**

**THOMAS SUNDAY—OUR PATRON SAINT**

Propers: 175-176 / 176-177

**Saturday, April 6th**

**5:00 PM Divine Liturgy**

Intentions of our Parish Family

**Sunday, April 7th**

**9:00 AM Bible Study—All welcome!**

**9:00 AM ECF (Sunday School)**

**10:00 AM Divine Liturgy**

+Dr. Frank Rampello

By Fr. Tom, Caroline and Family

**Thomas Monday, April 8th**

**7:30 PM B-I-N-G-O!**



**Thomas Tuesday, April 9th—No Liturgy**

**Thomas Wednesday, April 10th—No Liturgy**

**Thomas Thursday, April 11th—No Liturgy**

**Thomas Friday, April 12th—No Liturgy**

Fr Jim and Fr Tom are at the Eparchial Presbyteral Days Meetings this week. The parish office remains open, and AnnMarie is happy to answer all your questions and lend a helping hand! For pastoral emergencies, please contact Deacon Charles, or leave a message for him through the Parish Office.

**NEXT SUNDAY APRIL 14TH, 2024**

**SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS**

Propers: 177-180 / 180

**Saturday, April 13th**

**9AM-3PM FLEA MARKET**

**5:00 PM Divine Liturgy**

Health and God's Blessings

for Intentions of Jan Vira

By Family

**Sunday, April 14th**

**9:00 AM Bible Study—All welcome!**

**9:00 AM ECF (Sunday School)**

**10:00 AM Divine Liturgy**

Intentions of our Parish Family

**Sanctuary Lamp NEXT Week.**

**April 13/14, 2024**

In Memory of

**+LOUISE LISNOCK**

By Douglas and Susan Wood

Blessed Repose and Eternal Memory!



**F**lea Market—our April Flea Market is **Saturday, April 13th from 9AM to 3PM!**

The KITCHEN is open with traditional and Slavic treats! There will be over 50 VENDORS with new & used items, crafts & collectibles! Our PARISH TABLE always has hidden treasures!

**ST THOMAS SUNDAY, OUR PATRONAL FEAST!**—the Sunday after Easter is dedicated to St Thomas—our patron saint! But, St Thomas is not the ONLY saint who watches over us! Our church was originally named after St John the Baptist when it was established on Irving Street in 1912. When we relocated to St Georges Ave in 1969, our parish was renamed “St Thomas the Apostle”. So, we have TWO very special saints watching over us in our 112 year history!

**MAY GOD BLESS ALL THOSE WHO HELPED MAKE OUR EASTER CELEBRATION** so special! Resurrection Day was a Great Day thanks to YOUR prayerful participation, with a special thanks to our Cantors, Lectors, Ushers, Altar Servers, Decorators, Cleaners, and all those who work behind the scenes to make sure everything is “just right!”

**Easter Baskets for the Shut-Ins**—Once again, Easter Food Baskets were prepared for our parish shut-ins! Each basket contained ham, kolbasi, hrudka, paska bread horseradish, and more! Then the baskets were blessed and delivered to our shut ins on the Saturday before Easter! What a labor of love! Many thanks to all who participated! *Special thanks to Emily Iannotta for coordinating!*

**Good Friday THANKS**—Many thanks to those who kept the All Night Vigil before the Tomb of Our Lord on Good Friday evening to Saturday morning! It was so inspiring to see your prayerful sacrifice and commitment! *SPECIAL THANKS to the ECF students and teachers for leading us in Procession with the Instruments of the Passion and for the ever-inspiring Passion Narration, led by Lily Gaulin! Good job everyone!*

**Pysanky EGGstravaganza!** Over 25 participants enjoyed learning the symbolism and tradition of traditional egg-decorating on Palm Sunday, thanks to the Pysanky skills of Lora Rayner! It was inspiring to see the creativity and prayerful skill behind the creation of the beautiful eggs! Everyone from the young to the young-at-heart enjoyed the day! *Thanks, Lora!*

**BISHOP'S APPEAL UPDATE:** Our goal this year is \$12,400. So far, we have raised \$8,550.00. If you have NOT received a pledge card, please contact AnnMarie in the Parish Office. Send your donation directly to the Eparchial Chancery, 445 Lackawanna Ave., Woodland Park, NJ 07065, with checks payable to “Eparchy of Passaic.” Or, you may go online and make your contributions directly at [www.eparchyofpassaic.com](http://www.eparchyofpassaic.com), then click on the “Giving” tab. If we reach our goal by June, we will get a guaranteed refund of \$4,960.00! *That would be a great blessing!*

### INCOME FOR LAST WEEKEND: Including online e-giving.

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	1450.00	Monthly/Initial/Gifts	\$	90.00
Candles	\$	360.00	Charities/Missions/Peter's Pence	\$	xxx.00
Flowers	\$	10.00	Holydays/Easter	\$	5117.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	xxx.00	ECL/Seminary	\$	18.00
Retired Religious	\$	xxx.00	Total	\$	7045.00

Additional Income: Bingo \$ 1887.00

Bingo Kitchen: \$ 305.00 **God Bless You!**

