

# St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

**NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 14TH, 2021**

**SUNDAY OF CHEESE-FARE**

Propers: 141, 218-219 / 219

**Saturday Morning, February 13th**

12 NOON BAPTISM (Private)

**Saturday Evening, February 13th**

5:00 PM Divine Liturgy

Intentions of our Parishioners

**Sunday, February 14th**

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
(live streamed)

+Anna Rudo

by Marlene Porter

11:30 AM BAPTISM (Private)

**Monday, February 15th—No Public Services**

**First Day of the Great Fast (Lent)**

STRICT FAST (no meat, egg, dairy)

**Tuesday, February 16th—No Public Services**

**Wednesday, February 17th**

**LENTEN SERVICE**

7:00 PM Divine Liturgy of St Gregory

(Intention: +Gloria Ryan

by Barbara Svitnik)

**Thursday, February 18th—No Public Services**

**Friday, February 19th—No Public Services**

**NEXT SUNDAY FEBRUARY 21ST, 2021**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST**

**SUNDAY OF THE HOLY IMAGES**

Propers: 146, 220/ 221

**Saturday, February 20th**

5:00 PM Divine Liturgy

Intentions of our Parishioners

**Sunday, February 21st**

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
(live streamed)

+Louise Surmay

by Family and Friends

*NEXT week, February 20/21, 2021*



**SANCTUARY LAMP**

For the Blessed memory of

+John and +Louise Surmay

By Susan and Douglas Wood

**BLESSED REPOSE AND ETERNAL MEMORY!**



**BISHOP'S APPEAL 2020:**

Please mail in your pledge card, or go on line at [www.eparchyofpassaic.com](http://www.eparchyofpassaic.com), then click on the "Giving" tab. **Our goal this year is \$12,400.** Together we can reach our goal and get a rebate of almost \$5,000 as we've done every year so far!



**Baptized in the Lord!** Our parish family welcomes the newest child of God, **ANNALISE DANIELLE IANNOTTA**, who was Baptized, Christmated and Communicated into the Lord on Saturday, February 13th! To her parents, Emily and Vincent, as well as to her Godparents, Shawn Iannotta and Grace Klinkus, and to Deacon Charles and MaryAnn Laskowski, as well as to Baba Sausnock, we extend our joyful congratulations! *May God grant her many blessed years!*



**Baptized in the Lord!** Our parish family welcomes the newest child of God, **JONATHAN RICHARD SZPYHULSKU**, who was Baptized, Christmated and Communicated into the Lord on Sunday, February 14th! To his parents, John and Alison, as well as to her Godparents, Andrew and Nadia Szpyhulsky, as well as to her grandparent, especially John and Chris Szpyhulsky of our parish, we extend our joyful congratulations! *May God grant him many blessed years!*

**In Blessed Repose** ... please remember in your prayers the soul of **+MARGARET SOKOL** who fell asleep in the Lord and was buried from our church on Wednesday, February 10th. Until recently, Marge was a faithful worshipper at our parish who never missed a weekend service. To her son, as well as to her friends and family in our parish, we extend our heartfelt condolences. *May her memory be eternal!*

**In Blessed Repose** ... please remember in your prayers the soul of **+SISTER REGINA ADAMS, OSBM** who fell asleep in the Lord unexpectedly last week and was buried from the Monastery at Mt. St. Macrina in Uniontown, PA on Tuesday. Until recently, Sister had been assigned to pastoral ministry at St Mary Church in Wilkes-Barre, PA. To her friends, family and fellow Basilian Sisters, we extend our heartfelt condolences. *May her memory be eternal!*

**Covid-19 Vaccine**—To schedule a vaccination, or to see when you will be eligible for the vaccine, visit <https://ucnjvaccine.org> OR <https://covid19.nj.gov/pages/vaccine>. OR call our parish office for a registration form that you can place in a city drop-off box.

**AVOID CONFUSION! Reserve your seat for Weekend Divine Liturgies!** Here's how: Invitations are emailed on Sunday and confirmations are sent on Friday. Spill over is in the Church Hall. MASKS are required in both locations and at all services. No email? Call the Parish Office and reserve a seat. with AnnMarie, OR watch us on **Facebook**, or **YouTube** or listen on the FM radio from the church parking lot on channel **90.5 FM**. (Reservations REQUIRED on Sunday) <https://www.facebook.com/saintthomastheapostlebyz/> <https://saintthomastheapostle.org/>

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

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	1369.00	Monthly/Initial	\$	255 .00
Candles	\$	180.00	Missions	\$	5.00
Flowers	\$	xxx.00	Holydays/Christmas	\$	55.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	60.00	ECL	\$	18.00
Retired Religious	\$	.00	Total	\$	1942.00

**BYZANTINE MONASTERY CLOSING**—Holy Dormition Franciscan Friary, in Sybertsville, PA will close as of January 2021. Father Jerome, OFM stated that this is mainly due to the lack of available Friars. **On January 31, at 2pm, they will have a final prayer service to close the chapel**, with a reception if conditions permit. The friars are still able to honor all intentions and memorials; and will continue to pray for all of their benefactors. *They ask for your prayers at this difficult time.*