St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH, 2020

SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST

Propers: 152, 222 / 223, 148

Saturday, March 7th

5:30 PM **Divine Liturgy**

Intentions of our Parishioners

Sunday, March 8th

9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy

+Gregory Geynes By Bingo Workers

Monday, March 9th—No Services

Tuesday, March 10th—No Services

Wednesday, March 11th

KNITTERS and CROCHETERS 6:00 PM 7:00 PM **LENTEN SERVICE**

> Divine Liturgy of St. Gregory Intention: +Mary Dietz and

+Peter Dietz By the Dietz Family

Thursday, March 12th—No Services

Friday, March 13th

7:00 PM **ALL SOULS LITURGY**

Followed by LENTEN LEARNING PRESENTATION on book "Come and See" (Book Provided) (Dn. Tom)

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 15TH, 2020 THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST Propers: 156, 223, 162 / 224, 225

Saturday, March 14th

5:30 PM **Divine Liturgy**

> +Irene Iaros By Diane Rabiei

6:30 PM **FESTIVAL MEETING**

Sunday, March 15th

9:00 AM **Divine Liturgy**

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Cemetery Palm Cross Sale! Palm Crosses for the Cemetery will be available on the Weekend of March 14th and 15th.

Please plan ahead. "First come first served." Only \$10 each. Questions? See Pat Ciko.

Upcoming meetings...

- The ARS Officers and invited attendees will meet in the Library TODAY, Sunday, March 8th, to review bylaws.
- Festival Meeting has been Scheduled for SATURDAY, March 14th, in the church hall, immediately after Liturgy. (It will not be long ...please attend!)



In Blessed Repose... please remember the soul of +IRENE KENCITZSKI who fell asleep in the Lord and was buried from our parish on Thursday with all services at the Petit Davis Funeral Home. To her son, Frank, as well as to her family and friends, including Anne and Marie Kapiec from our parish, we extend our heartfelt condolences. May her memory be eternal!



In Blessed Repose... please remember the soul of +Theodore "Ted" Loya who fell asleep in the Lord and was buried from our parish on Friday. He joins his beloved wife, +Anna Mary and daughter, +Sharon, in Our Lord's eternal embrace. To his children, Ted Jr. and Diana Faricelli, of our parish, as well as Chris, Hayden and Ethan, also of our parish, as well as all his grandchildren, brothers, sisters, family and friends, and to

Father Joe Loya, we extend our heartfelt condolences. May his memory be eternal!



In Blessed Repose... please remember the soul of +FATHER PAUL TIGYER, a retired priest of the Eparchy of Passaic, who fell asleep in the Lord and will be buried from his former Parish of Holy Ghost Byzantine Catholic Church in Jessup on Monday, by Bishop Kurt. Many of you remember Father Paul as Director of Carpathian Village in the Poconos for many years. To his family, friends, and brother priests we extend our heartfelt condolences. May his memory be eternal!

Come and see what "Come and See" is all about! - Each Friday evening during the Great Fast, following services, we'll have an informative discussion on the new books, Come and See. Books will be provided for you and you can ask as many question about our church and beautiful tradition as you can! Hope to see you there!

Slavic Dinner at Hillsborough Parish -St. Mary Byzantine Catholic Church, 1900 Brooks Boulevard, Hillsborough, will host a Slavic Dinner on Wednesday, March 11, 2020 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM. The cost is \$15.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Children and includes all you can eat Pirohi, Stuffed Cabbage, Kielbasa and Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, salad, dessert and beverage. Questions? Call St. Mary's at 908-725-0615. (PS - Please remember, that Wednesday is a Fast Day for all Byzantine Catholics, so enjoy as much pirohi, kraut, cabbage and salad as you want!)

Annual Parish Lenten Retreat, NEW LOCATION THIS YEAR—Due to a scheduling conflict, the Annual Parish Retreat with Father Spera will be held at St. George Church in Linden on Saturday, March 21st. From 12:30 to 4PM. St. George Church is located at 417 McCandless St, in Linden. See bulletin insert for details.

INCOME FOR LAST WEEKEND:

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$ 1774.00	Monthly/Initial	\$ 298.00
Candles	\$ 101.00	ECL	\$ xxx.00
Flowers	\$ xxx.00	Holydays/Christmas	\$ 48.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$ 52.00	Missions	\$ 31.00
Retired Religious	\$ xxx.00	Total	\$ \$ 2304.00

Additional Income (Bingo)

\$1248.00

GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY OF SPIRIT!

any Thanks for the following donations... a few kind parishioners have made some very generous donations for improvements around the parish! They wish to remain anonymous, but <u>we must</u> <u>acknowledge their kindness!</u> The first is a donation of approximately \$7,000.00 for the installation of new partitions and an ADA-compliant commode in the Parish Hall Ladies Room. The second donation is \$4,000.00 for the installation of new partitions (coming *very* soon!) for the Parish Hall Men's Room. Both donations were unexpected and were motivated by people who just want to do something nice for their parish and to help everyone! May Our Lord bless them for their acts of kindness!

e also gratefully acknowledge a donation of \$14,500.00 from our dedicated BINGO VOLUNTEERS (and patrons!) to offset the cost of some major electric work done around the parish (inside and outside) to maintain safety and security! This includes replacement of over 20 security lights, repair to outdoor parking lights, new outlets in the parish kitchen, emergency lighting in the new library, sacristy, brighter exterior lighting by the doorways, and more!