

St. Thomas the Apostle Byzantine Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday, 10 AM to 4PM and by Appointment.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES AND EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, MARCH 1ST, 2026

SUNDAY OF THEOSIS (GREGORY PALAMAS)

Propers: 146, 222/ 223

Saturday, February 28th

9AM-3PM Fisherman's Flea Market

5:00 PM Divine Liturgy
For our Parish Family

Sunday, March 1st

9:00 AM ECF & Bible Study

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
+Caroline Sassi *By Father Tom,
Caroline and Family*

Monday, March 2nd

5:00 PM Rosary *(All welcome!)*

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

Tuesday, March 3rd

9:00 AM TYPKA with Holy Communion

Wednesday, March 4th

7:00 PM Liturgy of St Gregory

+Louise Surmay
By Friends and Family

Thursday, March 5th

9:00 AM TYPKA with Holy Communion

Friday, March 6th

10:00AM PRAYER SERVICE

7:00 PM Liturgy of St Gregory
+Joe Rudo *By Friends*

NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 8TH, 2026

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY CROSS

Propers: 152, 223-224/ 224-225

Saturday, March 7th

10:00 AM ALL SOULS Liturgy

12:30 PM LENTEN RETREAT begins

1:30 PM First Retreat Session

2:30 PM Second Retreat Session

3:30 PM Final Retreat Session and
opportunity for Confession

5:00 PM Divine Liturgy
For our Parish Family

Sunday, March 8th

9:00 AM ECF (Sunday School)

9:00 AM Bible Study

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
+Father Michael Mondik
By Parishioners and Friends

February Flea Market Report

The February Flea Market had 46 Vendors for a total of \$1,260; the Parish Table earned \$801 in hidden treasure sales; and the Parish Kitchen sold \$1040 in food to hungry patrons, for a grand total of \$3,101.00! A busy and very good day! THANKS FOR EVERYTHING!

The next Flea Market is Saturday, March 14th!

In Blessed Repose... Please remember the soul of +SUZANNE JOYCE VOYNIK who fell asleep in the Lord and was buried from our parish on Tuesday with all services at the Gibileco Funeral Home in Rahway. She joins her beloved husband +Richard and daughter, +Donna in the abode of the Lord. To her children Richard and Edward, her grandchildren and all her family and friends, we extend our heartfelt condolences. *May her memory be eternal!*

Thanks for support of Rafael's Life House collection tank parishioners for contribution items and cash. The staff was extremely appreciative. Thanks to your generosity, as well as matching funds contribution from the GCU, over 1,800.00 was donated to Rafael's Life House in support of you mothers and their young children.

Easter Food Baskets for the Shut-Ins—HELPING HANDS WELCOME! We'd love to have YOUR help spreading some Easter JOY to our homebound parishioners! Join us on **Saturday, April 4th at 9AM** to assemble and deliver about a dozen baskets to our homebound parishioners. Can't make it? You can STILL HELP by donating items such as *ham, kielbasa, butter, colorful eggs, horseradish, baggies, or candy!* Every little bit helps! Email Emily at emilymiannotta@gmail.com if you would like to help or contribute something. *Thanks!*

Bi-Lingual Easter Confessions, March 24th—Visiting priests will be available for the Sacrament of Holy Confession in English and Slavonic at **St Thomas on Tuesday, March 24th at 7PM**. Bi-Lingual confessions will also be heard at St Mary's in Hillsborough on Thursday, March 26th at 7PM. Please take advantage of one of these opportunities.

Annual Pysanky / Easter Egg Decorating Class, Friday, March 20th—learn the fine art, technique, and symbolism of "pysanky" egg decorating with bees wax on Friday, March 20th beginning at 5PM. Pizza and soda will be served. No charge to attend. The class is taught by our own Lora Rayner. Please put your name on the SIGN-UP sheet in the church vestibule to attend.

Easter Bread (Paska) ORDERS Once again, homemade Paska (Easter) bread, with braided cross, will be available *with or without raisins*. The bread is only \$12.00 per loaf. **Order deadline is weekend of March 15th!** TO ORDER: Call the Parish Office at 732-382-5300 and leave a message. Leave your NAME, PHONE number and quantity needed, specify WITH or WITHOUT raisins. **Pick up is Saturday, March 28th from Noon-5PM, and Sunday, March 29th, from 9AM to Noon**

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

Sunday Offering/Donations	\$	1045.00	Monthly/Initial	\$	40.00
Candles	\$	110.00	Charities/Missions/Peter's Pence	\$	xxx.00
Flowers	\$	xxx.00	Holydays/Easter	\$	xxx.00
Maintenance/Fuel	\$	10.00	ECL/Seminary	\$	xxx.00
Mision	\$	90.00	Total	\$	1295.00

Bingo Players \$ xxx.00 Bingo Kitchen: \$ xxx.00 **God Bless You!**

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