

**Pray for the Sick, Recovering, and Shut-Ins:**

**Theresa Glagola at Sundale**

**Keep all our ailing and healing parishioners in our prayers every day.**

Please let Father Kyp know to include any family and parish members who are ill, hospitalized, or need a visit for blessing, anointing, confession, or request of prayers. Kindly call Father Kyp at (724) 953-6835 Thank You.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES go to:**



**Les Halapy on Mar. 24th and  
Harold Seger on Mar 28th**

May God bless you with Peace, Health, and Happiness!  
For many happy and blessed years!



Sanctuary Candles Intention is for the Theotokos



In the Eastern Church, the various prayers for the departed have as their purpose: to pray for the repose of the departed; to comfort the living; and to remind those who remain behind of their own mortality, and the brevity of this earthly life.



**Offertory Collection for Mar. 15th, 2026**

Envelope Offerings	Loose Offerings	Candles			Server Vest.	Total
\$945	\$40	\$36			\$20	\$1041

Church Attendance for Sunday was: 25

**Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast**

Heb 9:11-14

But when Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!



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*Holy Mystery of Reconciliation:* After Liturgy or by appointment  
*Holy Mystery of Anointing:* prior to surgery or whenever requested  
*Holy Mysteries of Baptism and Chrismation:* Arrange with Father Kyp  
*New Parishioners:* Welcome! Please see Father for registration

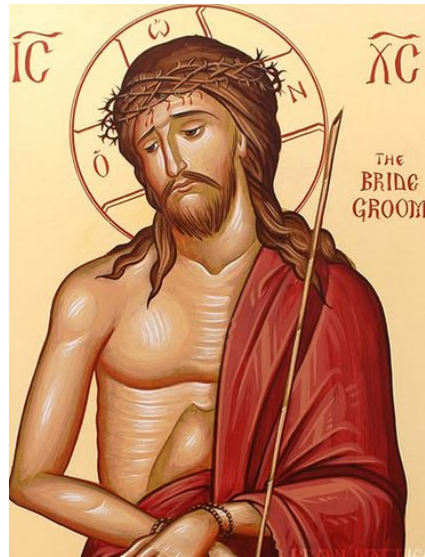


## DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE FOR MAR 22nd to APR 3rd, 2026

<b>Sunday Mar 22nd 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast</b> – pgs 161, 230 <b>Holy Mother Mary of Egypt</b> Readings: Heb 9:11-14; Mk 10:32-45 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish
<b>Wednesday Mar 25th 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Feast of the Annunciation</b> – pg 325 <b>Vespers &amp; Divine Liturgy</b> Readings: Heb 2:11-18; Lk 1:24-38 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish
<b>Saturday, 28th</b>	<b>Saturday of Lazarus</b> Readings: Heb 12:28-13:8; Jn 11:1-45
<b>Sunday Mar 29th 11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b> – pg 235 Readings: Phil 4:4-9; Jn 12:1-18 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish
<b>Tuesday Mar 31st 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Great &amp; Holy Tuesday</b> <b>Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts &amp; Holy Anointing</b> Readings: Ex 2:5-10; Job 1:13-22; Mt 24:36-26:2 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish
<b>Thursday Apr 2nd 6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Great &amp; Holy Thursday - Vespers &amp; Divine Liturgy</b> Readings: Is 50:4-11:1; 1 Cor 11:23-32; Mt 26:2-20; Jn 13:3-17; Mt 26:31-39 Intention: For the people of St Mary's Parish
<b>Friday Apr 3rd 4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Great &amp; Holy Friday - Entombment Vespers</b> Readings: Is 52:13-54:1; 1 Cor 1:18-2-2; Mt 27:1-38; Lk 23:39-44; Mt 27:39-54; Jn 19:31-37; Mt 27:55-61

Mk 10:32-45

They were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death; then they will hand him over to the Gentiles; they



will mock him, and spit upon him, and flog him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise again." James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

### Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt

When the year was past, Zosimas, going to the agreed spot, found the Saint's body stretched on the ground, her arms crossed and her face turned towards the East. His tearful emotion prevented him from noticing at once an inscription traced on the ground by the Saint, which read: "Abba Zosimas, bury here the body of the humble Mary; give what is of dust to dust, after having prayed for me. I died on the first day of April, the very night of the Passion of our Lord and Savior



Jesus Christ, after having partaken in the Holy Eucharist." Consoled in his grief by having learned the Saint's name, Zosimas was amazed to discover that she had, in several hours, covered a distance of more than twenty days' march.

After having vainly tried to break up the earth with a stick, he suddenly saw a lion approaching Mary's body and licking her feet. On the orders of the Elder, the beast dug a hole with its claws, in which Zosimas devoutly placed the Saint's body.

On his return to the monastery, he recounted the marvels that God had wrought for those who turn away from sin and move towards Him with all their hearts. From the hardened sinner that she had been, Mary has, for a great many souls crushed under the burden of sin, become a source of hope and a model of conversion. This is why the Holy Fathers have placed the celebration of her memory at the end of the Great Fast as an encouragement for all who have neglected their salvation, proclaiming that repentance can bring them back to God even at the eleventh hour.

Read More: <https://stmaryofegypt.org/files/library/life.htm>



### St. Mary's Easter Baking

Easter Baking will be **March 30 & 31**, with pickup on April 1 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact Ellen McCabe at 304-282-0431 for questions. Volunteers are much needed. Please make arrangements to help



### St. John the Baptist 19th Annual EggStravaganza

St. John the Baptist in Uniontown, PA will hold their 19th Annual EggStravaganza on **Sunday, March 22** from noon to 4 p.m. Egg artists will demonstrate, display & sell Pysanky eggs. Market place with Pysanky supplies, Easter items, Easter crafts, basket covers, & ethnic items. Children's activities including storytelling, making Easter eggs, & other projects. Lenten lunch menu available for purchase. Also, Hands-on Pysanky workshop and Extensive bake sale with free admission.

### Feast of the Annunciation – March 25th

It is on the Feast of the Annunciation, that Orthodox Christians commemorate both the divine initiative of God, whereby He took on flesh from the Virgin for our salvation, and the human response, whereby Mary freely accepted the vocation offered to her. He elected to become man, and He desired to do this with the willing agreement of her whom He chose as His mother. Mary could have refused, for she was not a passive instrument, but an active participant with a free and positive part to play in God's plan for our salvation. Thus, when on this and other feasts the Orthodox Church honors the Theotokos, the Mother of God, it is not just because God chose her but also because she herself chose to follow His will.



### Lazarus Saturday – March 28th

Lazarus Saturday is a paschal celebration. It is the only time in the entire Church Year that the resurrectional service of Sunday is celebrated on another day. At the liturgy of Lazarus Saturday, the Church glorifies Christ as "the Resurrection and the Life" who, by raising Lazarus, has confirmed the universal resurrection of mankind even before His own suffering and death.

*By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God! Like the children with the branches of victory, we cry out to Thee, O Vanquisher of Death: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord! (Troparion).*

*Christ —the Joy, the Truth and the Light of All, the Life of the world and its Resurrection—has appeared in his goodness to those on earth. He has become the Image of our Resurrection, granting divine forgiveness to all (Kontakion).*

At the Divine Liturgy of Lazarus Saturday the baptismal verse from Galatians: As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ (Gal 3.27) replaces the Thrice-holy Hymn thus indicating the resurrectional character of the celebration, and the fact that Lazarus Saturday was once among the few great baptismal days in the Orthodox Church Year.

