

# SAINT BASIL THE GREAT

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC PARISH

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**SUNDAY, APR 5th, 2020**

## SUNDAY LITURGY

10:00 a.m. English

(Rosary at 9:30 am)

12:00 p.m. Ukrainian

Office Hours (Tues. & Thurs.)

11:00 am – 2:00 pm

CONFESSIONS Before Divine Liturgies

BAPTISM By appointment

FUNERALS By arrangement

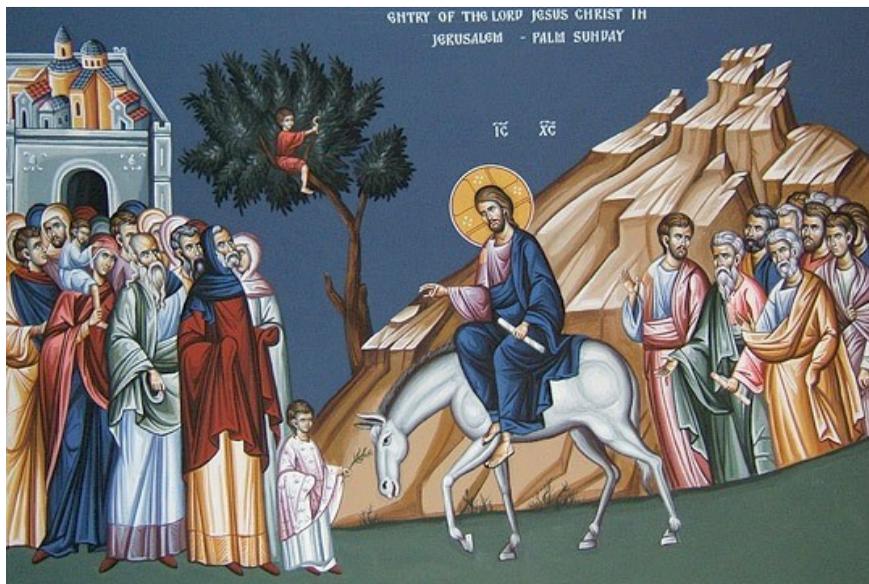
MARRIAGES: By appointment at least six months in advance

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## Palm Sunday

On the Sunday before the Feast of Great and Holy Pascha and at the beginning of Holy Week, our Church celebrates one of its most joyous feasts of the year. Palm Sunday is the commemoration of the Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem following His glorious miracle of raising Lazarus from the dead. Having anticipated His arrival and having heard of the miracle, the people went out to meet the Lord and welcomed Him with displays of honor and shouts of praise. On this day, we receive and worship Christ in this same manner, acknowledging Him as our King and Lord. *“As by baptism we were buried with Thee, O Christ our God, so by Thy Resurrection we were deemed worthy of immortal life; and praising Thee, we cry: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord” “Sitting on Your throne in heaven, carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God. Accept the praise of angels and songs of children who sing: Blessed is He that comes to recall Adam.”*



***SCHEDULE All Sunday and Feast Day  
Divine Liturgies are hereby closed to  
the public!!!***

	<i>Time</i>	<i>Feast or Intention, requested by</i>
<b>5 Apr., Sunday</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Divine Liturgy for all parishioners</b>
06 Apr., Monday		
07 Apr., Tuesday		
08 Apr., Wednesday		
09 Apr., Thursday	5.00 PM	Vespers with the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great for +Tony Lamothe and +Nicholas Kuryk offered by Anne Lamothe
10 Apr., Friday	9:00 AM	Matins of Great and Holy Friday (Twelve Passion Gospels)
	3:00 PM	Vespers with the Laying Out of the Holy Shroud
11 Apr., Saturday	9:00 AM	Jerusalem Matins
	4 :00 PM	Vespers with the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
<b>12Apr., Sunday</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Nadhrobne. PASCHAL MATINS.</b>
	<b>10.00 AM</b>	<b>Divine Liturgy for all parishioners, blessing of the baskets</b>

**We will have a live stream of all the services from the schedule above. Please check our web-site in the “News Update” section for the links.**

**KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS**



Due to the COVVID-19 outbreak the following Knights events are cancelled, Coffee House, March Perogy Supper (April perogy supper decision to be made at later date) Spring Fling Dance. On behalf of my Brother Knights we thank all of our parishioners for your support of all of our events and look forward to your support when COVID-19 is no longer a problem, in the mean time stay healthy, Brother Knights if you aren't feeling well or have a cold, say your Rosary and pray at home

*Submitted by John Bazarkewich Saint Basil Council Grand Knight*

**God's Blessings for your  
Happiest Birthday**

to everyone who has birthday this week

***МНОГАЯ ЛІТА!***

***SANCTUARY LIGHT*** burns eternally to indicate the presence of the Holy Eucharist  
In the tabernacle.

*The Sanctuary light can be reserved, please contact the office at 204-837-4180.*

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS**

Call and visit our many parishioners that are ill or experiencing various challenges in life. **Remember:** *If anyone wishes to receive the Sacraments at home or in the hospital or nursing home please contact the parish office or Fr. Ihor directly, at the numbers noted, and we will be happy to visit.*

**Church Custodians**

March: David & Phyllis Shumski &  
Maryanne Siwicki

Dear Parishioners, Please contact me to help clean the church for a month in 2020. Your early attention would be greatly appreciated.

**Diane Pinuta - Church Cleaning Chair**  
**204-774-1350**

**If you wish to come to the church for private prayer you must contact father Ihor in advance.**

**PRAYER VIGIL will be held Holly Friday (11:00 am to 11:00 pm) from our homes. Please pray for the needs of St. Basil's and your personal needs.**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO SUPPORT YOUR PARISH**

**DURING THIS UNPRECEDENTED TIME, EVERYONE IS ENDURING HARDSHIPS.**



**PARISHES, WITH NO WEEKLY COLLECTIONS AND CANCELLED FUNDRAISERS, ARE ALSO EXPERIENCING FINANCIAL HARDSHIPS AND HAVE A DESPERATE NEED OF FUNDS TO PAY THEIR REGULAR BILLS AND MEET THEIR PARISH EXPENSES.**

**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH BY MAILING YOUR WEEKLY OFFERINGS TO YOUR LOCAL PARISH UNTIL PUBLIC LITURGICAL SERVICES RESUME.**

## Christianity Offers No Answers About the Coronavirus. It's Not Supposed To

For many Christians, the coronavirus-induced limitations on life have arrived at the same time as Lent, the traditional season of doing without. But the sharp new regulations—no theater, schools shutting, virtual house arrest for us over-70s—make a mockery of our little Lenten disciplines. Doing without whiskey, or chocolate, is child's play compared with not seeing friends or grandchildren, or going to the pub, the library or church.

There is a reason we normally try to meet in the flesh. There is a reason solitary confinement is such a severe punishment. And this Lent has no fixed Easter to look forward to. We can't tick off the days. This is a stillness, not of rest, but of poised, anxious sorrow.

No doubt the usual silly suspects will tell us why God is doing this to us. A punishment? A warning? A sign? These are knee-jerk would-be Christian reactions in a culture which, generations back, embraced rationalism: everything must have an explanation. But supposing it doesn't? Supposing real human wisdom doesn't mean being able to string together some dodgy speculations and say, "So that's all right then?" What if, after all, there are moments such as T. S. Eliot recognized in the early 1940s, when the only advice is to wait without hope, because we'd be hoping for the wrong thing?

Rationalists (including Christian rationalists) want explanations; Romantics (including Christian romantics) want to be given a sigh of relief. But perhaps what we need more than either is to recover the biblical tradition of lament. Lament is what happens when people ask, "Why?" and don't get an answer. It's where we get to when we move beyond our self-centered worry about our sins and failings and look more broadly at the suffering of the world. It's bad enough facing a pandemic in New York City or London. What about a crowded refugee camp on a Greek island? What about Gaza? Or South Sudan?

At this point the Psalms, the Bible's own hymnbook, come back into their own, just when some churches seem to have given them up. "Be gracious to me, Lord," prays the sixth Psalm, "for I am languishing; O Lord, heal me, for my bones are shaking with terror." "Why do you stand far off, O Lord?" asks the 10th Psalm plaintively. "Why do you hide yourself in time of trouble?" And so it goes on: "How long, O Lord? Will you forget me for ever?" (Psalm 13). And, all the more terrifying because Jesus himself quoted it in his agony on the cross, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" (Psalm 22).

Yes, these poems often come out into the light by the end, with a fresh sense of God's presence and hope, not to explain the trouble but to provide reassurance within it. But sometimes they go the other way. Psalm 89 starts off by celebrating God's goodness and promises, and then suddenly switches and declares that it's all gone horribly wrong. And Psalm 88 starts in misery and ends in darkness: "You have caused friend and neighbor to shun me; my companions are in darkness." A word for our self-isolated times. Read more on © <https://time.com/5808495/coronavirus-christianity/>

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