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MARCH 24, 2024
DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT
SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Epistle Reading

Hebrews 11:24-26; 32-12:2

Gospel Reading

John 1:43-51

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

Holy Sacrament of Chrismation

May the Lord bless Syreeta Scarboro as she is received into the Orthodox Christian Faith during today's Divine Liturgy through the Sacrament of Chrismation. Elizabeth Minahan is her sponsor.

Grant, O Lord, a peaceful life, health, salvation and furtherance in all good things to the servant of God Syreeta, keep and preserve her for many years!

Troparion (Resurrection)

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, while the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life: "Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Thy Kingdom! Glory to Thy dispensation, O thou who lovest of mankind!"

Troparion (Sunday of Orthodoxy)

We venerate Thy most pure image, O Good One, and ask forgiveness of our transgressions, O Christ our God. Of Thy good will Thou was pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh and deliver Thy creatures from bondage to the enemy. Therefore with thankfulness we cry aloud to Thee: Thou has filled all with joy, O our Savior, for Thou didst come to save the world.

Kontakion (Sunday of Orthodoxy)

No one could describe the Word of the Father; but when He took flesh from thee, O Theotokos, He accepted to be described, and restored the fallen image to its former state by uniting it to divine beauty. We confess and proclaim our salvation in words and images.

Prokeimenon

Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our Fathers and
praised and glorified is Thy name forever!

Welcome to all guests via livestream and in person today. We invite you to stay for Coffee Hour. If you are interested in learning about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with Fr. John or Deacon Stefan. Please come again!

Memory Eternal+ Većnaja Pamjat+

We offer prayers for the newly departed Archpriest Anthony Karbo, and for Archpriests Basil Summer and Anthony Perdomo, George Mihich, Nelly Mudrezow, Donna Valdez, Maureen (Amanda Costello's mother) and Maria (Kamelia Sahno's mother) on the anniversaries of their falling asleep. Give rest, O Lord, to the souls of Thy servants.

Lenten Prayer Partners

Our Prayer ministry is off to a good start with a large number of adults and children participating. If you added your name to the basket and have not yet drawn a name, please stop by the basket today. For anyone else interested, there's still time to join in. You will pray for the person drawn during Lent. Keep the name secret until Pascha.

Archdiocesan Vigil for the Great Feast of Annunciation New Calendar Today at 6PM

Join His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon and the clergy and faithful of the Archdiocese of Washington in celebrating the great Feast of Annunciation with responses sung by the Archdiocesan Choir. Come to St. Mark Orthodox Church, 7124 River Rd., Bethesda, MD.

Addictions Workshop Support Network – Monday, March 25 – 7-8:15PM on Zoom

The free monthly session is for anyone interested in Orthodox Christian addiction support: <https://zoom.us/j/2100687480> Meeting ID: 210 068 7480, Password: 208156

"Knowing St. Nikolai: Memories of an American Saint" – Tues., March 26 at 7PM

The Annual St. Nikolai Velimirovich Lecture will be a livestream on YouTube.stots.edu. Fr. Jaroslav Sudick will offer his personal remembrances on this beloved saint.

Visitation of the Wonderworking Sitka Icon of the Theotokos – March 27 at 6:30PM

The first stop of a nine-stop tour of the well-known healing icon will be at St. Mark's in Bethesda, MD. Find the full schedule at https://www.wdcoca.org/news_240313_1.

Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts – Wednesday, March 27 at 7PM

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy will be served here this Wednesday at 7PM. Fasting in preparation to receive the Eucharist begins after the midday meal. A Lenten Potluck follows.

St. Luke Sisterhood Lenten Soup Social – Sunday, April 7

Following Liturgy on April 7, Sisterhood volunteers will provide a variety of Lenten soups and sides as a charity fundraiser for New Hope Housing, an agency in our local area.

St. Luke Annual Assembly and Sisterhood Lenten Soup Social – Sunday, April 7

All parishioners are invited to the parish annual meeting on April 7 to hear about the physical and spiritual health of our parish. See President Ron Kecman with questions.

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja Ljeta!

God bless Fr. John and Popadija Kitty's grandson Arun Bhattacharya on his 7th birthday.