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March 20, Second Sunday of Great Lent

Gregory Palamas.

Gospel: Mark 2:1-12

Epistle: Heb.1:10-2:3

Schedule of Services of Third Week of Great Lent

Sunday March 20, Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, March 23, Presanctified Liturgy 6:30 p.m. Confession 6:00 p.m.

Friday, March 25, Vesperal Liturgy 9:00 a.m. Feast of the Annunciation of the Mother of God

<u>Saturday, March 26</u> Great Vespers 4:00 p.m. <u>Sunday March 27</u>, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. <u>Mid-Lent Sunday of the Cross</u>

<u>A Warm Welcome</u> to Very Rev. David Hester and we thank him for celebrating the Divine Liturgy. May our Lord Bless Fr. David and Matushka Ann for many years!

<u>Lenten Pot-Luck Meal</u> will be held on Wednesday, March 23, following the celebration of the Presanctified Liturgy underneath the Church. <u>Please see Maryann Dubee, who will be organizing the Lenten meal.</u> Fr. John will be giving a Lenten Adult Education meditation.

<u>The Sunday of the Cross Lenten Mission on March 27</u>, will be held at our Church for the 4:00 p.m. Vesper Service. A Lenten meal will be held underneath our Church following the services. Please see Matushka Kathy or Susan Schlasta, if you are willing to help.

<u>Choir Rehearsal for the Lenten Mission</u> at our Church next Sunday, March 27 at 3:00 p.m. Please see Lydia Given and show support by attending the rehearsal.

Coffee Hour for Sunday March 20, Maryann Dubee & Susan Schlasta, March 27, Mille Telep & Dorothy Allen.

<u>Please remember in your prayers; John Drutarosky</u>, who is a patient at the Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center 10 Heart Place, Carbondale, Pa. 18407 <u>Please send him a get-well card!</u>

<u>A donation of \$600.00</u> was given to the Church by Tamrat Bekele M.D. and his wife Nardos. May our Lord continue bless them for many years of good health and salvation for this most-generous gift.

<u>Major Feast of the Annunciation of the Mother of God</u> will be held this Friday morning at 9:00 a.m. Please make every effort to attend this Vesperal Divine Liturgy. <u>Most-Holy Theotokos Save Us!</u>

<u>Flower Donation for the Sunday of the Cross</u> is needed. You may make the offering in loving memory of your family or for your continued good health. <u>Please see Protodeacon Gabriel this morning during coffee hour.</u>

<u>Please remember in your prayers; Alexander Wanas</u> who is recuperating at home; 604 Scranton-Carbondale Highway, Childs, Pa. 18433. Please send him a get-well card. <u>Irene Leschak</u> who is home receiving rehab:.229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. <u>Peter Senio is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge</u>, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa.

<u>If your Church Dues are in arrears</u>, please make an effort to send them to the Church. The Annual dues are <u>\$160.00</u> per year. Please call Gloria Shaw at 570-954-3905 to get your balance.

<u>Omicron variant is in all 50 states in our country</u>. It is recommended to keep everyone safe to start wearing masks while in Church.

Helping the displaced and War-Torn Ukrainian families in Poland during Great Lent with special collection of the following items which are needed: Baby formula, baby food, diapers, wipes, soap, toothbrushes & toothpaste, children's Tylenol and adult Tylenol, feminine hygiene products, sleeping bags, linens, crayons, small toys & winter clothing. Any first aid supplies, including bandages, gauze pads, band aids, Anti-diarrhea medicine, Dry Pedialyte, Antacids, Diaper rash cream, non-perishable food, dry cereal, Ramen Dry Soups, please contact Susan Schlasta at 570 840-9544, if you would rather make a monetary donation and we will purchase these items. Please start bringing these items underneath the Church.

<u>Feast of the Annunciation of the Mother of God:</u> in <u>Christianity</u>, the announcement by the angel <u>Gabriel</u> to the <u>Virgin Mary</u> that she would conceive a son by the power of the <u>Holy Spirit</u> to be called <u>Jesus</u> (Luke 1:26–38). The angel's pronouncement is met with Mary's willing consent ("Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word"), and thus precipitates the <u>Incarnation</u> of Christ and his redemption of the world.