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Gospel: Mark 9:17-31

**April 11, 2021, St. John Climacus
4th Sunday of Great Lent**

Epistle: Heb.6:13-20

Schedule of Lenten Services

Sunday, April 11, Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, April 14, Confession 6:00 p.m. Presanctified Liturgy 6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 16, Confession 8:30 a.m. Presanctified Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Akathist 6:30 p.m. – Most-Holy Lady Theotokos

Sunday, April 18, Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great 9:30 a.m. Parastas (40th day) for Evelyn Fish offered by Steve & Rose Franchak. - **Archpastoral Lenten Visit of Archbishop Mark**

Archbishop Mark will be making his Archpastoral Lenten visitation to our Church next Sunday, April 18, for the 9:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy. **Please make every effort to attend!**

In order to meet our growing financial obligations, we are asking all our parishioners, when not in Church to send in their weekly offering envelopes. **We thank you in advance!**

Choir Rehearsal in preparation for the visitation of Archbishop Mark will be held this Tuesday, April 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Church. **Please make an effort to attend!**

The Presanctified Liturgy will be held this Wednesday, April 14 at 6:30 p.m. The responses will be led and chanted by Bill and Maryann Dubee. Please make every effort to attend. **For those participating in Holy Communion, please keep the fast from 12:00 p.m. (Noon)**

During the Special Church Committee Meeting held this past Monday, April 5; a unanimous motion was made and approved; resulting in entering into an agreement with the Windsor Inn & St. Michael's Center. The first cooperative & kickoff event will be held in the beginning of June; **"Chicken & Rib Dinner"** more information will be forthcoming. **A contractual agreement will follow as the business at St. Michael's Center increases. It was also noted during this agreement period, all events initiated by the Windsor Inn will be discussed and approved by our Church Committee."**

The Prospora (Church Bread) Group headed by Eva Demchak will be baking on Tuesday, April 20 at 9:00 a.m. at St. Michael's Center. **We thank them in advance for the stewardship of time & talent.**

Confession and Covid 19: Once you receive your second vaccine, please wait 14 days and you may approach private confession with Fr. John. (Our Priest has been fully vaccinated with both shots) and wearing masks still should be normative.

Easter Flowers (Lilies \$15.00 & \$20.00) Easter Candles \$10.00 donations are being accepted. You can make your offering for the health of your family or in loving memory of your departed family members.

Easter Donation: \$100.00 for the continued good health of George, Marilyn & Josh Petorak. **Easter Flowers & Candle donation: \$50.00** offered in memory of Bohdan Fedorchak, given by John & Tamara Swam. **Easter Flower & Candle donation \$25.00** in memory of husband Robert Telep & parents; Mary & Nikita Hrichuk. **Easter Flower donation \$20.00** for the health of the Grancey family. **Easter Candle donation \$20.00** for the health of Steve & Rose Franchak.

Church (Altar Wine) and Incense will be needed for the remaining part of Great Lent, Holy Week & Easter (Paschal) Services. **Please contact Fr. John if you are interested in making this offering.**

OCA Online Church School Please go to OCA.org and click on OCA Online Church School. Classes will be held every Tuesday at 7:00 pm EST/4:00 PM PST. Click on the buttons to enter the appropriate class. The links will go live 15 minutes before the class starts.

If your Church Dues are in arrears, please make an effort to send them to the Church as we began the New Year. The Annual dues are **\$160.00** per year. Please call Gloria Shaw at 570-954-3905 to get your balance. **May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to bless you for many years!**

Please remember in your prayers: Peter Senio who is a guest at; The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. and **Jacky Drutarosky** who is in the Lackawanna Health and Rehab Center, 260 Terrace Drive, Peckville, Pa. 18452

On the Fourth Sunday of Holy Lent the Orthodox Church commemorates our Righteous Father John Climacus. He is called Climacus due to his authorship of the great spiritual work; **The Ladder of Divine Ascent.** His commemoration is designated by the Church on one of the Sundays of Lent as his life and writings affirm him as a supreme bearer and proponent of Christian asceticism. The ascetic example of this great Saint of the Church inspires us in our Lenten Journey.

