

Ascension of Our Lord
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Served by Reverend Father Alex Shuter, Pastor

Schedule of Services and Activities

Sun Mar 25	9:45 a.m.	Fifth Sunday of the Fast; Holy Mother Mary of Egypt AND Annunciation of the Theotokos Eastern Christian Formation (ECF) AND Adult Education: Byzantine Customs and Traditions: Liturgical, Spiritual & Cultural	Tone 8 Page 161 & Pages 230& 325
	11:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy of St. Basil—For Health and God’s Blessings for Our Parish Family	
	Afterward	Needlework Group meets in St. Phillip’s Hall after Liturgy	
Mon Mar 26	5:30 p.m.	Divine Liturgy—For Health and God’s Blessings for Eugene Kokinda and his family	
Tue Mar 27	5:30 p.m.	Divine Liturgy—For Health and God’s Blessings for Veronica Radda by Mary Faith West	
	Afterward	Decaf Coffee Group Discussions	
Wed Mar 28	5:30 p.m.	Divine Liturgy—For Health and God’s Blessings for the Simchak family by Eugene Kokinda	
Thu Mar 29	5:30 p.m.	Divine Liturgy —For the Blessed Repose of Michael Zavada by Kathleen Zavada	
	1:00 p.m.	Movie Matinee—“Passion of the Christ” in St. Phillip’s Hall	
Fri Mar 30	7:00 p.m.	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts	
Sat Mar 31		Lazarus Saturdaay No Divine Liturgy—Please take time for Private Devotions	
Sun Apr 1	9:45 a.m.	Flowery Sunday-Journey of Our Lord into Jerusalem Eastern Christian Formation (ECF) AND Adult Education: Byzantine Customs and Traditions: Liturgical, Spiritual & Cultural	Page 235
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Schedule of Services and Activities

Sun Mar 25	8:00 a.m.	Fifth Sunday of the Fast; Holy Mother Mary of Egypt AND Annunciation of the Theotokos Divine Liturgy of St. Basil—For the Blessed Repose of Elmer Dorony by Jacki Basalla	Tone 8 Page 161 and Pages 230 & 325
Wed Mar 28	6:30 p.m.	Prayer Service with Holy Communion—For Health and God’s Blessings for Our Parish Family	
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Ascension Parish News

Schedule for Sunday Volunteers

☞☞☞ Our thanks to all of you who volunteer! ☞☞☞

	This Week (March 25)	Next Week (April 1)
Ushers	Jeffrey Sotack & Laura Sotack	Kathy Alexander & Morgan Kelly
Lector	Jeffrey Sotack	Mary Jean Sotack
Hospitality	Lolly Vinson	Chris Noonan
Offertory Recorders	Monica Ruscus & Ellen Postemski	Patty Duttry & Chris Noonan

Offertory Recorders are gently reminded to complete an Operating Acct. (...401) deposit slip to include in the Bank Bag. Thank you.

Trustees: Lee Alexander, Robert Linderman, and John Rayno;

Property Maintenance: Lee Alexander, Don Merkley, John Rayno, and Tom Postemski.

Finances: John Rayno, Jeffrey Sotack, & Tom Postemski; and **Financial Secretary:** Patty Duttry

Parish Secretary: Ann Kelly; **Procurement of Sanctuary Supplies:** Betty Mae Hertz

If you would like to become involved as a volunteer in any area, just tell a trustee.

Thank you for your contributions (March 18, 2012)

Offertory & Dues	\$1044.00	Stewardship Appeal Reversion
Candles	145.00	\$1,634.89
Building & Improvement	5.00	
TOTAL	\$1194.00	God loves a cheerful giver.

2 Corinthians 9:7

Prayer Intentions for March

Sanctuary Lamp—The lamp burns for Health and God's Blessings for the Margan Family by Katarina Margan.

Christ the Teacher—The candle burns for Health and God's Blessings for Dara Murphy during her surgery and recuperation by Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Horvath

Theotokos & Child—The candle is burning for Health and God's Blessings for Sgt. Markus Svetahor and Family by Nick and Lillian Svetahor.

Saint Nicholas—The candle burns for Health and God's Blessings for Uncle Jim by Libby Linn.

Saint John the Baptizer—The candle is burning for God's Protection for Patrick Alexander by his parents.

Tetrapod—The candles are burning for Health and God's Blessings for Eugene and Christina Vinson by Lolly Vinson

☒ Icon candle sponsorship is \$11.00/month; Sanctuary Lamp sponsorship is \$20.00/month; Tetrapod \$22.00. ☒

Recurring Events Reminders

3rd Sunday—Mar 18th—FISH—collection of non-perishable food, clothing and household goods for. For example: canned meats and stews, peanut butter, canned fruits, vegetables, and juice; shelf stable milk, beans, etc.

3rd Week—Mar 18th-20st—St. Luke's Icon Guild in St. Phillip's Hall (3:00-6:00 p.m. Sunday, all day Mon/Tues)

1st Tuesday—No meeting in March; Next meeting April 3rd—Ascension Parish Guild in Office, 6:00 p.m.

Last Sunday—Mar 25th—Needlework Group meets after Liturgy

1st Sunday—Apr 1st—Bring a Friend Sunday, Monthly Birthday Celebration

2nd Tuesday of Alternate Months—May 8th—Parish Advisory Board @ 7:00 p.m.; Skip July; Sep 11; Nov 13

3rd Thursday—Apr 19th—6:00 p.m. Church opens for Private Devotions

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+If you would like to **become a member** of the Ascension parish family and need a **Census Form or need offertory envelopes**, ask for one of the **Trustees**. Census forms are located at the bulletin board/info table.

ADULT EDUCATION: Byzantine Customs and Traditions: Come and explore the many beautiful traditions and customs of the Eastern Catholic Churches, liturgical, spiritual and cultural. **9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.**

WANTED! Catholic men who wish to strengthen their faith, service to the Community and to enhance life for themselves and family. Members of **Knights of Columbus**, Council #6828, **will be on hand after today's Liturgy with information** about the many programs and opportunities that membership brings.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY! Because you were so generous in your contributions to the Eparchial Stewardship Appeal in 2011, \$1,634.89 has been returned to the parish.. May God bless you all.

SPRING CLEANUP AND MAINTENANCE DAY AT THE CHURCH—March 31st. We need painters, landscapers and all around kibitzers. There will be a **sign up sheet in the back of the hall by the office** after liturgy. Please consider signing up and joining your parish friends with this important project. If you can't make it please **consider a small contribution to offset the expense.**

CRAFT SHOW AND BAKE SALE—Saturday, April 14th from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

ST. THOMAS SUNDAY, APRIL 15TH, there will be a **luncheon** to celebrate Pascha. Please bring a dish to share. This date will take the place of our Monthly Potluck. Old Testament Grillers will serve smoked turkey and pulled pork. Many thanks to the parishioners who are donating the meat, and to all who help prepare it and the delicious side dishes.

FISH is running low on **Canned Meat & Fish, Baked Beans, Peanut Butter & Grape Jelly, Breakfast Cereal, Macaroni & Cheese, and Applesauce.** You might consider a **cake mix and frosting** too.

FARM FRESH RECEIPTS are once again being collected through the end of the school year.

COMING EVENTS

- **April 14th—Craft Show with Bake Sale.** All tables have been rented so it'll be a great show. Watch for a **Bake Sale sign-up sheet** as it approaches.
- **April 21st—Pirohi Preparation Day for next Ethnic Dinner, 9:00 a.m.**
- **April 28th—Spring Cleanup and Maintenance Day at the Rectory**
- **May—Birthday Sunday is moving to the second (2nd) Sunday.**
- **May 5th—Holupki Preparation Day for next Ethnic Dinner, 9:00 a.m.**
- **May 18th—Ethnic Dinner**
- **May 26 is an All Souls Saturday**
- **June 16th--Tag Sale with Bake Sale.** Start collecting your items now and reserve a spot w/ **Ann Merkley**

Both Parishes

THE GREAT FAST- Abstinence and other penances are traditionally observed throughout the Great Fast. Wednesdays and Fridays during Lent are kept by Simple Abstinence from meat. On Good Friday strict fast and abstinence are required with no meat or dairy products consumed.

Information Regarding Sacraments

+Father Alex is available for the **Holy Mystery of Reconciliation** at **Ascension** before Divine Liturgy on Sundays (10:00 a.m.) or ½ hour before weekday liturgies. By appointment as well.

+Father Alex is available for the **Holy Mystery of Reconciliation** at **Our Lady of Perpetual Help** before Divine Liturgy on Sundays (7:30 a.m.). By appointment as well.

+Receiving the **Mystery of Holy Eucharist:** As you approach Father or Deacon please tell him your name so that the prayer can be personalized for you; lift the cloth beneath your chin; next tilt your head back; widely open your mouth but do not extend your tongue. No response is required for the prayer. The body and blood of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ will be dropped into your mouth from a golden spoon.

Please keep in your prayers those who are ill or infirm:

Stephen Brown, Anthony Kass Jr., Josephine Horvath, Inga Schmit, Audrey Bill, Dn. Daniel Wolfe, Jesse Hall, Laura Michael, Tim Baker, Sherri Hokanson, Merle Phillips, Ryan Nichols, Michael Sotack, Jeffrey Sotack, Debbie Nyman, Kathleen Zavada, Eva Delgado, Joseph Miller, Robert Sotack, Willie Torres Jr., Christine Krulak, Steven Kass, Diana Hurtig, Brian Hurtig, John Hessler, Nancy Ward, Chris Sheafe, Randy Powell, Marion Thurnher, Mark Lesko, Nicholas Dadonna, Jr., Phillip Johnson, Betty Backfield, Ronnie Gloria, Myrtle Mackerly, John Heffler, Elfriede Mielczarek, Elia Soriano, Courtney Horvath, Hope Van Alstine, Anthony Sandi, Veronica Williams, Cindy Steffens, Nicola and Bruce Kendall, Chelyse Miller, Walter Valley, George Karol, Joan Scull, Sophie Zavada, Bill Basalla, Rose Henger, Rose Dumaran, Bobby Thomas, Isaac Pinon, Marty Felix, Fr. Ron Hatton, Michael Hatton

If you or someone you know is sick or needs prayer, please contact Patty Duttry at (804)725-0904 or email pmduttry@gmail.com or contact Dn. Dan or Reader Joe to add them to the prayer list. Likewise, if our prayers have been answered, let them know if someone can be removed from the list.

Please remember in prayer those who serve our nation:

Lord, please hold our troops in your loving hands.
Protect them as they protect us.
Bless them and their families for the selfless acts
they perform for us in our time of need.
Amen.

Stateside: Col. David DeMartino
Captain Jeremy Blascak
Cmdr. Carol Burroughs, USN
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