

# St. Ann Byzantine Catholic Church

“Living and Growing in Jesus Christ”  
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Second Collection-Weekly Offering

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## SUNDAY APRIL 5, 2020

### WEEKLY PARISH SCHEDULE AND TYPICON

#### BY ORDER OF BISHOP KURT

BEGINNING MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2020, THROUGH THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2020, ALL PUBLIC LITURGICAL SERVICES ARE CANCELLED IN ALL OF THE CHURCHES OF THE EPARCHY OF PASSAIC. ALL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS ARE SUSPENDED EXCEPT FOR ONLINE EDUCATION. THE PRIESTS WILL CELEBRATE EUCHARISTIC SERVICES IN PRIVATE FOR THEIR PEOPLE WHERE ALREADY SCHEDULED. BECAUSE OF THE EMERGENCY, THE PRIEST IS PERMITTED TO CELEBRATE EVEN IF NO ONE IS IN ATTENDANCE.

Our Churches may be open at designated times for people to spend time in private prayer. People are asked to follow public health guidelines at those times.

#### Sun. APRIL 5 FLOWERY (PALM) SUNDAY

Please continue to pray in your houses with your families. Remember that each family is a “small church.” Patience, Patience, Patience. Patience links to Hope, and Hope never leaves us. God Bless You.  
Father Taras

The Feast of Palm Sunday dates back to at least the third century, having been celebrated first in Jerusalem and quickly spreading to all of the churches in the East, reaching Constantinople by the fifth century. It was also known as Flowery Sunday, since in and near Constantinople spring flowers (lilac, olive, or elder) were distributed to the faithful. Between the sixth and seventh centuries the feast spread to the western church. In the West, the palms are kept for an entire year, then burned, with the ashes spread on the foreheads of the faithful on Ash Wednesday as a sign of penance.

In many countries of Europe the Feast is known as Willow Sunday or Pussy Willow Sunday. Since palms do not grow in northern climates and may not be available, pussy willows, being the first flower to blossom in Spring, were often distributed. Depending on local customs, churches today may distribute palms, pussy willows, spring flowers, or a combination.  
<http://www.eriecountybyzantines.org/sf-palm-sunday.html>

#### Special Candles in front of the main Icons for the Month of April

**Our Lord:** In Memory of +Peter Unuscavage. Offered by Peggy Unuscavage

**The Theotokos:** In Memory of + Irene Sedun. Offered by Anthony and Angela Sedun

**St. Ann:** In Memory of +Irene, +Michael, and +Marie Sedun. Offered by Margie and Bill Schaefer

**St. Nicholas:** In Thanksgiving. Offered by Mary Bobar

### PARISH TITHING AND GIVING - SUNDAY, MARCH 29, 2020

Regular Sunday Collection: \$777.00  
Holy Day: \$50

Candles: \$4.00

Monthly: \$0

Special: \$242.00

Total Offering: \$1073.00

#### April

**Vigil Altar Lamps:** In Memory of +Joseph C. and +Helen Aponick. Offered by Joe and Nancy Aponick

**Vigil Floor Lamps:** In Thanksgiving. Offered by Bruce and Eileen Dietman

**Sanctuary Lamp:** In Memory of +Nicholas and +Anna Charnomaz. Offered by Vera Charnomaz

**Sanctuary Prep. Altar:** In Loving Memory of +Elijah Setlock. Offered by Lorraine Setlock

**Sanctuary Vesting Altar:** In Memory of +Hafid and +Miriam Rezazgui. Offered by Evangel DiMarco

**Tetrapod:** Health and Blessings for Andrew Smith. Offered by Paul and Christine Smith

**Candle Room Crucifixion:** In Thanksgiving. Offered by Julia Dyckman

We wish to thank all parishioners that have continued to mail in their contributions to the parish office. Your devoted support during these difficult times is greatly appreciated as the regular expenses of your parish continue. May God bless you for your generosity.

**Confession Schedule:** Upon Request.

**Prayer List** - Please pray for Sister Elizabeth Bertoldi, Lydia & Alexander Klecor, Eric Rymarczuk, Natasha Rymarczuk, Justine Schwenk, Julia Dyckman, Tom Tomcanin, Michael Jurosky, St. Ann parishioners who are ill & infirm and all our military whether serving stateside or abroad in your prayers.

**Easter Walnut, Poppyseed & Apricot Rolls** sale is cancelled.

**Knights of Columbus:** Hersheypark order forms for tickets are due Sunday, April 26, 2020. Please mail your order form to the parish office or call Tom Walko at 717-350-8866. Thanks for your continuing support.

**St. Ann's Knights of Columbus (Council #15107)** will be selling “COAL = Chance of a Lifetime” Sweepstake Tickets after Sunday Liturgies through EASTER SUNDAY. There are \$65,000 in prizes, including a new car & various trips being given away April 30, 2020. Please contact Stephen Bobar 717-649-5470. Thank you for your continued support of our council.

**Lenten Almsgiving For Orphans In Ukraine.** During this Lenten season of prayer, fasting & almsgiving, let us recognize our blessings & reach out to the less fortunate. **Helping Hands of St. Ann Church** is asking parishioners to once again open their hearts to needy orphans in Ukraine. Please mail your donation to the parish office. **God Bless You For Your Generosity!**

**Morning Star Situational Update: COVID-19.** In light of recent events, we are asking each of you to become a prayer warrior on behalf of our staff & the women, men & children we continue to serve during this difficult time

