

ST. STEPHEN BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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GLORY TO JESUS CHRIST!

THOMAS SUNDAY

APRIL 19, 2020

GLORY FOREVER!

Acts 5:12-20

Jn. 20:19-31



Now Thomas (called Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe it."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." (John 20:24-29)

‡ CHOOSE LIFE! For the disciples and apostles in our day, that they may teach that each human life is a gift from God, we pray to the Lord.

THANK YOU – Father Ron and Abbot Leo thank the parish for the prayers, Easter wishes, and gifts over this Resurrection period.

SCHEDULE OF LITURGIES FOR HOLY WEEK

SUN	APR 19	11:00 AM	THOMAS SUNDAY	PARISH FAMILY
MON	APR 20	6:00 PM	Theodore the Hairshirt Wearer +Mary Perhach, Req. by Richard Perhach	
TUES	APR 21	6:00 PM	Januarius and Others (Bishop - Martyr) +Deann Marhush, Req. by Richard Perhach	
WED	APR 22	6:00 PM	Theodore Sykeot (Venerable) +Marie Perhach, Req. by Richard Perhach	
THURS	APR 23	6:00 PM	George (Great – Martyr) (Simple) For the Parish Family	
FRI	APR 24	6:00 PM	Sabbas (Martyr) (Simple Abstinence or equivalent required) +Susanne Perhach, Req. by Richard Perhach	
SAT	APR 25	6:00 PM	Mark (Apostle - Evangelist) +Edward Perhach, Req. by Richard Perhach	
SUN	APR 26	11:00 AM	SUNDAY OF THE OINTMENT-BEARERS	PARISH FAMILY

(Weekday Divine Liturgies are in the Rectory Chapel)

DIVINE LITURGIES ON YOUTUBE - St. John the Baptist Byzantine, Uniontown, will video and then post on YouTube the Divine Liturgies for both Palm Sunday and the Resurrection. To view them, go to YouTube on either your computer or phone and search for stjohnthebaptistbyzantine. Then click on the Divine Liturgy you wish to view. These can be viewed at your time convenience; they are not live streamed.

VIGIL CANDLES - Because we are not gathering in church and some of you like to light candles for your various intentions, I will light candles for you. The offering of \$3.00 per candle can be brought to church when you return. This is on the honor system. Please DO NOT send me cash or checks for candle intentions. You DO NOT have to tell me your intention. Say a prayer, mentioning your intention to God, Who hears all prayers wherever they are offered. Please call me at 724-438-6027 and tell me how many candles you want me to light. Stay healthy and well by listening to the authorities and their recommendations and restrictions.

PRAYER REQUESTS – Father Ron asks that anyone who has prayer requests to please email him at stjohnthebaptistuniontown@gmail.com.

YOUR CHURCH TITHES – If you want to make your regular church contributions (offertory), please send a check, no cash please, to St. Stephen.

PRAYER FOR OUR WORLD, COUNTRY, AND PARISH –

Lord, Our God, we praise you, we thank you, and we glorify you.

We know that you love us, your creation, and that you have empowered us in your image and likeness in those who believe in you and fulfil your commandments.

Look upon all your creation and guide your people in this time of crisis and those you have given talents to and a vocation to bring healing in this time of pandemic.

Give your authorities who possess knowledge and wisdom to fulfil your will and help the people of this world.

Lord, Jesus, you gave suffered and died for us. We ask you to bless those who are suffering with faith in you. Relieve those who have contracted this virus in your healing power and for those you have called to yourself, grant them eternal memory and console those who are in need in their death.

CHRISTOS VOSKRESE! VOISTINNU VOSKRESE!

FROM THE METROPOLITAN ARCHBISHOP OF PITTSBURGH

Most Reverend William C. Skurla:

“...Effective immediately, all public Liturgical celebrations are being suspended until further notice. This includes Sunday Divine Liturgy, Lenten Services and Holy Days. The faithful of the Archeparchy are dispensed from the obligation of attending Sunday and Holy Day Divine Liturgies, but you should keep holy the Lord’s Day through prayer and support of those in need in your Church.”

All other activities are cancelled, except baptisms, weddings, and funerals. Parishioners are encouraged to “attend” any live streaming or radio broadcasts of Byzantine Divine Services. These are listed below.

Divine Liturgy at Various Times:

Cathedral of St. John

www.stjohnbyzantinecathedral.com

Saturday 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

Holy Ghost, McKees Rocks

www.holyghost-byzantinecatholic.org

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

WEDO Radio 810 AM

St. John Chrysostom:

www.sjbcc.com

Sunday 10:30 a.m.

St. Gregory Upper St. Clair:

www.facebook.com/stgregoryusc

Sunday 9:30 a.m.

St. Michael Campbell:

www.facebook.com/st.michaelbyz.campbell

Saturday 6:00 p.m. & Sunday 11 a.m.