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Rdr. James Kushlan, *Choir Director (interim)*

Dr. David Pawlush, *Parish Council President*

John Dotsey, *Treasurer*

OUR ”WHY” - To experience and share Christ's love so that everyone we encounter finds healing, purpose, and eternal life.



And let us consider one another in order
to stir up love and good works. *Hebrews 10:24*



SUNDAY APRIL 14, 2024

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT — TONE 4. **St. John Climacus (of *The Ladder*)**. St. Martin the Confessor of Rome. Martyrs Anthony, John, and Eustathius of Vilnius. Martyr Ardalion the Actor. Martyr Azades the Eunuch and 1,000 Martyrs of Persia.

Schedule: Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy – 9:30am; Church School & Fellowship; Lenten Vespers – 5pm at St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church, Oberlin, PA

3rd Hour: **Arun Gopinath** • 6th Hour: **Michelle G. w/Meera**

Epistle: **Adam Priestley** • Post-Communion: **Rdr. Leo Leer**

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Interested in learning more?

Contact our pastor, **Fr. Stephen Vernak**

Email: pastor “at” ctshbg.org

or: www.ctshbg.org/visitors



HYMNS & READINGS

Troparion, Resurrection, Tone IV — When the women disciples of the Lord/ learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection,/ they cast away the ancestral curse/ and elatedly told the apostles:/ “Death is overthrown!/ Christ God is risen,//granting the world great mercy!”

Troparion, St. John Climacus (“of *The Ladder*”), Tone I — O dweller of the wilderness and angel in the body,/ you were a wonderworker, O our God-bearing Father John./ You received heavenly gifts through fasting, vigil and prayer,/ healing the sick and the souls of those drawn to you by faith./ Glory to Him Who gave you strength!/ Glory to Him Who granted you a crown!//Glory to Him Who through you grants healing to all!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, St. John Climacus, Tone IV — The Lord truly set you on the heights of abstinence,/ to be a guiding star,/ showing the way to the universe,//O our father and teacher John.

Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Kontakion, Resurrection, Tone IV — My Savior and Redeemer/ as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains./ He has shattered the gates of hell,/ and as Master,//He has risen on the third day!

PROKEIMENON – Tone IV: O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; / in wisdom hast Thou made them all. (*Resurrection*)

V. Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, Thou art very great!

PROKEIMENON – Tone VII: Let the saints exult in glory; / let them sing for joy on their couches! (*St. John Climacus*)

EPISTLE: (*Hebrews 6:13-20*) *Brethren:* when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, ¹⁴ saying, “Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you.” ¹⁵ And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise. ¹⁶ For men indeed swear by the greater, and an oath for confirmation is for them an end of all dispute. ¹⁷ Thus God, determining to show more abundantly to the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath, ¹⁸ that by two immutable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we might have strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope set before us. ¹⁹ This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil, ²⁰ where the forerunner has

entered for us, even Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

ALLELUIA VERSES: *Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth! ■ For Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest iniquity. ■ They that are planted in the house of the Lord shall flourish in the courts of our God.*

GOSPEL: *(Mark 9:17-31) At that time:* one of the crowd answered and said, “Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. ¹⁸ And wherever it seizes him, it throws him down; he foams at the mouth, gnashes his teeth, and becomes rigid. So I spoke to Your disciples, that they should cast it out, but they could not.” ¹⁹ He answered him and said, “O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him to Me.” ²⁰ Then they brought him to Him. And when he saw Him, immediately the spirit convulsed him, and he fell on the ground and wallowed, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ So He asked his father, “How long has this been happening to him?” And he said, “From childhood. ²² And often he has thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, have compassion on us and help us.” ²³ Jesus said to him, “If you can believe, all things *are* possible to him who believes.” ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, “Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!” ²⁵ When Jesus saw that the people came running together, He rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “Deaf and dumb spirit, I command you, come out of him and enter him no more! ²⁶ Then *the spirit* cried out, convulsed him greatly, and came out of him. And he became as one dead, so that many said, “He is dead.” ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” ²⁹ So He said to them, “This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting.” ³⁰ Then they departed from there and passed through Galilee, and He did not want anyone to know *it*. ³¹ For He taught His disciples and said to them, “The Son of Man is being betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him. And after He is killed, He will rise the third day.”

INSTEAD OF “IT IS TRULY MEET”: In thee, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices;/ the assembly of angels and the race of men./ O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise,/ the glory of virgins,/ from whom God was incarnate/ and became a Child:/ our God before the ages./ He made thy body into a throne,/ and thy womb He made more spacious than the heavens./ In thee, O Full of Grace, all creation rejoices://glory to thee!

COMMUNION HYMNS: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! ■ The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance! He shall not fear evil tidings! *Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

April 15, Mon: Food Fest Meeting –7pm (via Zoom)
April 16, Tue: OCCSP Clergy Meeting –10:30am (*York, PA*); **Lenten Compline – 6:30pm;** Adult Ed –7pm
April 17, Wed: Bible Study (Zoom) -12pm; **Matins & Canon of St. Andrew – 6:30pm;** Confession
April 18, Thu: Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 9:30am at *Holy Ascension, Frackville, PA*; Parish Council Meeting –6:30pm
April 19, Fri: Akathist – 6:30pm; Confession
April 20, Sat: Parish Work Day –10am; First Confession Class –4pm; **Vespers – 5pm;** Confession & Choir Rehearsal.
April 21, Sun: ST. MARY OF EGYPT. Hours – 9:10am; Divine Liturgy – 9:30am; Church School & Fellowship; St. Jerome Book Club –1pm; **Lenten Vespers – 5pm** at *Holy Apostles Orthodox Church, Mechanicsburg, PA*
3rd Hour: **Kenneth Snyder** • 6th Hour: **Zoe Vernak**
Epistle: **John Constantine** • Post-Communion: **Mary White**

PARISH NEWS

Planning ahead for Holy Week and Pascha:

- **Parish Work Days:** To prepare the building & grounds for are **Sat, April 20 at 10am; and Sat, April 27 at 12:30pm** (*after Liturgy*).
- **Holy Week/Pascha Duties:** See sign-up list or Dr. Dave Pawlush.
- **Youth Readings for Holy Saturday Liturgy:** See Andrea Zart or your Sunday School teacher.
- **Grave Watch:** See parish email to sign-up; or Fr. Stephen
- **Decorated Candles for Pascha:** The sign-up list is located in the vestibule; please print the name of the person/persons for “in Memory of” or “for the Health & Salvation of....” then your name. Candles are \$12.00.
- **NOTICE: Basket Blessing and Fellowship on after the Pascha Liturgy** will all take place in the **hall basement and patio**. This will allow us to gather more people together to celebrate the Feast! The hall upstairs will not be open.

St. Jerome Book Club: Will meet next **Sun, April 21 at 1pm**, the book is: “*The Lenten Spring*” by Thomas Hopko.

Financial Peace: Have you been looking for a way to finally get on top of your money? Visit <https://www.fpu.com/96353C> to join *Financial Peace University* or see the parish email. Class is starting on **Saturday, May 18**.

Engagement Fund: This summer three of our parish young adults will be engaging their faith, & they need our support: *CrossRoad Summer Institute* - Tressa Hanna & Zoe Vernak; *Project Mexico* - John Romain. You can write a check & put “**Engagement Fund**” on the memo; or you may also donate online, select “**Engagement Fund**” on the dropdown list.

Meals on Wheels: Needs A.M. delivery volunteers to take meals to shut-ins. It takes about one hour mid-morning, For more information contact - Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging at 717-780-6130 and ask for Chris.

Summer Camp Volunteers: Want to make a difference this summer? Volunteer to be a counselor or staff at St. Tikhon Summer Camp (June 30 - July 6). Learn more at - https://accounts.doepa.org/counselor_application

First Confession Class: The final class will be held on **Sat. April 20 at 4 pm**, followed by Vespers & the Sacrament of Confession. If you have any questions please contact Sophia Kellachow.

Pascha Breads for Sale: See Dave Martin or John Dotsey.

OCCGH Golf Tournament: Will be held on **Sat, July 13** at Eagles Crossing Golf Course in Carlisle. See Carl Hisiro and parish email for details.

Fellowship Hour: The Men's Club will host their Annual Lenten Soup Sale starting March 24th. All proceeds will go to various & worthy charities.

NEW Fellowship Hour Sign-Up List: Dates available starting May 19 (2024). To sign up see the parish email or visit the "Parish Resources" tab on our website (www.CTSHBG.org). Questions? See Christine Velott.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless requested.

NEWLY DEPARTED [40TH DAY]: **Edward Hojnicky** (Fr. Timothy's father) - April 4 [5/13]; **Eugenia "Shenia" Dubiaha** (sister of Nadzia Schilling) - April 3 [5/12]; **James McMillen** (Mark Rodak's friend) - March 31 [5/9]; **Ariadna** (aunt of Anastasia Preciado) - Mar 27 [5/5]; **Dustin Leer** (Rdr. Leo's cousin) - Mar 25 [5/3]; **Madeline Minarich** - March 22 [5/1]; **M. Ap. Anthony Karbo** - Mar 19 [4/27]; **Kim Fraser** (family friend of Natalie Kennedy) - Mar 14 [4/22]; **Patriarch Neofit of Bulgaria** - Mar 13 [4/21]; **Andrew Spaseff** (son of Effie) - Mar 10 [4/18]; **Virginia LiVolsi** (aunt of Christopher Preciado's aunt) - Mar 7 [4/15];

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED: **Jean Leer**, mother of Rdr. Leo, - Apr 14 - 14th; **His Eminence Archbishop GREGORY**, Apr 15 - 16th; **Martha Branchak**, aunt of +Andy Fedetz, Apr 15 - 12th; **William Butka, Jr.**, uncle of Bob Drodz, Apr 15 - 1st; **Dragina "Dottie" Barbu**, Apr 16 - 6th; **Michael Sensor**, Sasha Ressetar's friend, Apr 17 - 7th; **Ap. John Platko**, Apr 17 - 19th; **Joseph Zullo**, Denise's husband, Apr 17 - 15th; **William Brill**, great-uncle of Elizabeth Bare, Apr 17 - 4th; **Alex Kuzupas**, +Janet's husband, Apr 18 - 17th; **Stephen Fatich**, father of +Janet Kuzupas, Apr 19 - 55th; **Donald S. Smith**, father of Larry, Apr 19 - 11th; **Ap. Peter Pawlack**, Paul Hadginske's cousin, Apr 19 - 3rd; **Tommy Kerrigan**, family friend of Bob Drodz, Apr 20 - 9th;

AILING - PARISHIONERS: **Francis "Frank" Bifano** **FAMILY/FRIENDS:** **Brenda** (friend of Jeannie Dotsey); **Kyle** (cousin of S. Africa); **Bill, John, Travis, & Bonnie** (colleagues & cousins of G. Goss); **Dn. Geoffrey LoBalbo**; **Nancy** (friend of B. Keener); **Elena** (family friend of I. Pototska); **Judith & Alfred** (grandparents of J. McGee); **Galo** (C. Preciado's grandfather) **Samantha, Suzanne, & Natalie** (friend, family & godchild of E. Herman); **Michael** (father-in-law of C. Velott); **Fadia** (W. Botros' mother); **Blaise** (Nora & Jennifer's brother);

Lori (sister-in-law of J. & N. Schilling); **David** (friend of C. Kemp); **Tais** (cousin of C. Kemp & L. Mantle & niece of D. Fedetz); **Gregory** (brother of K. Kuchwara); **Presbytera Marina Lillian Thornburg** (Nora's Goddaughter); **Lois** (mother of J. Dunnevant). **Reba** (mother of S. Africa & L. Files); **Walt & Jerry "David"** (friends of B. Keener); **Thalia, & Bonnie**, (aunt & cousin of Donna Bretz); **Brandon** (family of J. Koach); **Child Julia; Melvin, & Frank** (D. Martins brother & friend); **Kay, Richard, & Anya** (aunt & friends of K. Leader); **Seraphima & John** (friend & brother of J. Barn's coworker); **Joyce** (mother of J. Reba); **Bob, Dennis Patrick** (nephew of D. Bupp); **Louise Bare**; **May** (cousin of E. Sarraf); **Isabella; Christine Perrin; Melanie & Alex** (friend & uncle of C. Yerke); **Alexandra, & Tamara** (B. Kuchta's family); **Bp. Matthias Moriak; Adley** (child of N. Somple's friend); **Aiden** (nephew of S. Hanna); **Robin** (son-in-law of E. Files); **Fred** (cousin of the Kormushoff's); **Maria** (friend of the Cain's); **Grace** (D. Fedetz sister-in-law); **Tom** (friend of D. Bupp & Kushlans); **M. Olga Klembara** (Larissa & Anita's aunt); **Joan, & Kim** (friends of the J. & A. Cole); **Hannes & Anne** (family of R. Rieck); **Pastor Charles, Mary, Peter, & Edwin**, (family & friends of the Leer's); **Karen, Jenny, Joanne, & Steve**, (Hisiro family & friends); **John** (brother of J. Krut); **Pam, Dan & Nina** (friends of D. Bupp); **Igumen David (Lewis); Neal** (D. Pawlush's brother); **James** (brother of M. Koviloff); **Grace, Karen, Lois, & Rich** (J. Mamay's sisters & friends); **Joan Therese & Dori** (mother & niece of N. Lubecki & J. Lewis); **Lynn** (Himes daughter-in-law); **Deana & Kelly** (friends of DiFlorio's); **Shirley** (L. Pawlush's mother); **child Joshua; M. Lisa Weremedic** (wife of Fr. James); **Janice & Emil** (J. Zuro & G. Leer's aunt & uncle); **child Fynn; Patty** (friend of K. Pankiw); **Mitchel** (Jean Dotsey's nephew); **Linda** (M. Sharon's mother); **Ap. Michael & M. Valeria Hatrak; Jacob** (brother of Pat Drebot); **Wendy** (M. Deamer's mother); **Mona** (sister of Ab. Mark); **Mary** (mother of S. Kellachow); **Mary & Nicholas** (family & friends of the Kuchta's); **Victoria, Erin & David** (friends of L. Smith); **Flora** (T. Gault's mother); **Vera** (Ressetar's family); **Bernadine, Lonnie & Fred** (Osuch family); **Mike, Jessica's & their families; Jonathan, Paul, Adam, Bev, Alynda, Tina, Mark, Jenny, Marilyn, Alicia, Shelby, & Jim** (family & friends of the Kushlans); **Alexa, Thomas, Alexander, Anastasia, Saulo, Theodore** (Lopez friends & family);

HEALTH & WELL-BEING: Those suffering from natural disasters. All victims of **Sickness, Terror, War, Violence, Racism, Injustice & Civil Strife; Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo** *held hostage by Syrian Terrorists, for the suffering people of Israel, Palestine, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Ukraine, Haiti & Afghanistan, especially our citizens & soldiers who are in harms way;* **PARISHIONERS:** **Milan Koviloff; Natalie Murphy; Sue Mioff; Jason Zeppuhar; Effie Spaseff; Kristen Hertzler; Kayli (Kalliopi) Mikita; Tenley Jo Zeppuhar; Ava Brown; Nektaria (Mariana) Cruz; Katherine Kuchwara; Frank Bifano; Michael Zuro; Bahliby Kidane; John Coles; Rebecca Brown; John Yerke; Elizabeth; Ann & Gerald Cole; M. Theodora Ressetar; Charlene Dardaris; Johnna; Terry Drebot; Lazarus & Samantha Lopez; Gail (Brigit) Goss; Mary Ellen Osuch; Natalie Treece; Evan M.; Tony Onufer; Ita (Stephanie) Snyder; John "Jack" Sweikert; Joseph Sembrot; Birikit & Hannah Zerat; Jeanne Zane; Katherine Kudelko; M. Ap. Daniel & M. Myra Kovalak; Lazarus (Jonathan) Dunnavent; Kathryn Kella-**

chow; Sue Wolfe; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas; Larry Lewis HOME-BOUND/CARE FACILITIES: Nicholas Demopoulos; Millicent Russell; EXPECTANT MOTHER(S): Susan; Anastasia Preciado; Karin Smith; Luam Ghebregiorghis; Cathy Platt; Monica (Jekel) Chilbert; Chicory (Snyder) Biers; Brittany Kemp; *and the children to be born of them*; COLLEGE STUDENTS: Tseday Afrassa; Eden Araya; Adriel Armstrong; Olivia Drozd; Grace & Evelyn Firestine; Jacob Herman; Shawn Jacob; Sophia Kellachow; Rdr. Vladimir Kellachow; Faniel Kesete; Flimon Kesete; Matthew Mikita; Zachary Matthews; Otilia Murariu; Molly Pylypciw; Rachel Reba; John Romain; Melat Tesfay; Siem Tesfay; Sophia Vernak; Jessica Williams; Cassandra Zart; Ashley; David, Dave; Peter; Wessam; MILITARY: Artem; Alexander; Valery; Conrad; Shawn; Benjamin; Rdr. Vladimir; Abel; Jacob; Gabriel; Matthew; David; Michael; Peter; Sean; Ian, Zachary; Josiah; Evgeny (Owen) FAMILY & FRIENDS: Mark, Melanie, & Vera (family of Libby); George (brother of Frank); James, Svitlana, & Andrew (friends of T. Gault); Terri, Bethesda Women's Mission, & the Allen-Benson families; Nikolina; Rachel; Gage, Amanda, & Vanion (family fiends of N. Kennedy); Jeanne, Michael, John, & James (family of G. Spears); Noelle (daughter of J. Zane); Robert, Patricia & George (husband & parents of V. Baker); Michelle (friend of M. Reba); Maria (friend of M. Theodora); David (brother of Larissa & Anita); Colton & Ron (cousins of Donna Bretz); Bill (C. Yerke's father); Jesse & Amelia (grandchildren of C. Dardaris); Christine (sister in law of the DiFlorio's); Steve G. (friend of J. McGreevy); Stacy & Mia (B. Keener's friends); Tony (K. Hertzler's husband); Ronald; Una; Jean & Robert (aunt & friend of Rdr. Leo); Anne (sister-in-law of R. Rieck); Mitchell, Deborah, Michael, Emily, Ezra (S. Kellachow's family); George, Matthew, Ed, George, & Terry (family & friends of J. Mamay); Kalei (family of K. Leader); Vicki, Ken, Ron, & Scott (friends of the Pankiw's); Jackie, Bruce, Shirley, Connie, Helen, Rob & Jody (family & friends of the Mallick's); Kane Anthony, Cindy, Michael, & Kyle, (grandson & friends of B. Lenker); M. Natasha Lazor, Cindy, & Linda, (friends of M. Myra); Rosalie; David & Dawn (cousins of Chet); Alexandra; Masha, Ethan & Wesley (M. Cameron's family/friend); Nancy & family (Snyder's friends); Emma, Jeremiah, Elliana, Timothy, Jessica, Noah, Georgia, Amelia, Edgar, Landon, Theodore, Sofia, Evangelia, Zoe, Ryan, Stacey, Bryan, Curt, Thomas, Andrew, Priest Demetrius Nicoloudakis, Megan, Jacob & family, Georgia, Maria, Blake, Keisha, Dimitrios, child Evangelia, Kyle, Martha, Nicholas, Jack, Samuel, Christian, Theodore, Steve, Juan, Isaac, Samuel, Faye, Jon, (family/friends of the Lopez's); MISSIONARIES: Jesse & Juanita Brandow (Guatemala); SEMINARIANS: Fr. Kyril & M. Olivia (*STS*); Fr. Seraphim & M. Elena Robertson *and* family (*STS*); Rdr. Nathan & Rebecca Jekel *and* family (*SVS*) CATECHUMEN(S): John Romain; Joseph Middelkoop; Rudelle Kerests; Daniel Nuemann; Chris Baird - Layla & Lyla Baird; Jeff & Karin Smith

MANY YEARS!

Please submit names and dates to office "at" ctsbbg.org

ANNIVERSARIES: Dn. John Shingara (*Ordination*) – Apr 15; Vincent & Natalie Kennedy – Apr 20;

BIRTHDAYS: Ella Irene Zuro – Apr 14; Kristen Iwancio – Apr 15; Stefan Gewiss – Apr 15; Elena Casterline – Apr 16; John Mosser – Apr 16; Mary Ann Hadginske – Apr 16; Siem Tesfai – Apr 16; George Charlock - Apr 18; Anna Kuchta – Apr 18; Liam Andrew Watkins – Apr 18; Flimon Kesete – Apr 19;

CANDLE OFFERINGS

To donate, please see a vestryperson

7 Day Votive is offered In Memory of Adam Mallick, father of Mike

