DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT

18 February 2018 ♦ Tone 04 ♦ Eothinon 04 ♣ First Sunday of the Great Fast / Sunday of Orthodoxy

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FIRST:

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THIRD:

ENTRANCE HYMN:

APOLYTIKIA:

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KONDAKION: Annunciation PROKIMENON: Daniel 3:26, 27

Saint Joseph

Blessed are you, O Lord, God of our fathers. **Stichon:** For you are righteous in all things you have done for us.

EPISTLE:

Hebrews 11:24-26; 32-40; 12:1-2

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, denied he was a son of Pharaoh's daughter — choosing to be afflicted with God's people rather than to have the enjoyment of sin for a time, estimating the indignities suffered by Christ to be of greater value than the Egyptians' treasures: for he was considering the reward. By faith he left Egypt not fearing the king's wrath: for he persevered as if he were seeing the One who cannot be seen. By faith, he celebrated the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, so that the one who destroyed the first-born might not touch these. By faith, they passed through the Red Sea, as through dry land — whereas the Egyptians attempting it were swallowed up. By faith, the walls of Jericho fell after people had gone around them for seven days. By faith, Rahab the prostitute who had received the spies in peace did not perish with the unbelievers. And what more shall I say? For time will be too short to speak of Gideon, of Barac, of Samson, of Jephthe, of David and of Samuel and the prophets, who by faith conquered kingdoms, wrought justice, obtained the fulfillment of promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, recovered strength from weakness, became valiant in battle routed foreign armies. Women had their dead restored to them through resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to yield for their release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others again suffered mockery and blows, even chains and jailing. They were stoned, cut to pieces, put to the question, killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, distressed, afflicted (of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts, mountains, caves and holes in the ground. And none of these, despite the positive witnessing of faith, received what was promised, for God had something better in store for us, so that they were not to reach their final perfection without us.

ALLELUIA: Psalm 98:6; 33:17

(Tone 4)

Moses and Aaron were among his priests. They call on the Lord and he hears them.

Matthew 6:14-21

At that time, Jesus was about to leave for Galilee, and he found Philip. And Jesus said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the town of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found the one of whom Moses in the Law and the Prophets wrote, Jesus the son of Joseph of Nazareth." And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him and said of him, "Look, a true Israelite in whom there is no guile!" Nathanael said to him, "Where do you know me from?" Jesus answered him and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him and said, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God, you are King of Israel." Answering, Jesus said to him, "Because I said to you that I saw you under the fig tree, you believe. Greater things than these shall you see." And he said to him, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you shall see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.

HIRMOS:

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SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

17 February *JOSHUA HANISCH
18 February†MARIE PATCHOSKI
from Mr. & Mrs. Tony Barrett
†JOSEPH VIOLA FAMILY
24 February*JOSHUA HANISCH
25 February*MARIE PATCHOSKI
from Koch Foods

THE FAST OF GREAT LENT in the Byzantine Tradition

- † On weekdays of Great Lent, Monday through Friday, there are restrictions on both the number of meals taken daily and on the types of food permitted; but when a meal is permitted, there is no limitation to the quantity of food that may be eaten.
- † On weekdays, fast is broken [the first meal of the day is taken] at/after the noon hour.
- † Throughout Lent, the fast excludes the eating of meat & meat products, cheese, milk, butter, fish, olive oil, wine & alcoholic beverages.
- † On the Feast of Palm Sunday the eating of fish is permitted.
- † Olive oil, as well as wine, is permitted on various feastdays, as well as on Saturdays and Sundays.
- † While the above rules of fasting are to be encouraged, in all things the Christian is called to exercise moderation and charity. The elderly and those in poor health, especially, are urged to be prudent. If in doubt, speak with your spiritual father or confessor.

St. Joseph Ladies Society News

Pascha Baklava Sale:
Please see Kathie or Anne Clarice
to place orders; pick up on Palm Sunday.
Annual Membership Drive:
see Karen or Kathie or letters will be found in

the back of the Church; includes membership for National Assoc. of Melkite Women. New tables for the Church Hall:

Ladies Society is hoping to replace many of the tables downstairs with heavy duty plastic & are seeking donations.

EVENTS IN FERRUARY

Sunday, February 17th
Sunday of Orthodoxy
Procession with icons
after the Divine liturgy
Sunday, February 25th
Food Festival Meeting
Church Hall: after the Divine Liturgy
Sunday, February 25th
Youth Group Meeting
Church Hall: 3:30 p.m.

Lenten Services

Presanctified: Mon, Wed, Fri: 5:00 p.m. at Gregory the Great Academy Friday 7:00 p.m. Akathist Hymn at St. Joseph Church

Gregory the Great Academy
(old Fatima Center)
135 St. Gregory's Place, Elmhurst Twp,
18444 or 119 Griffin Road.
Directions: Take 84 S; Take Route 435 (left exit). When you see civilization again, turn left, cross over Route 590: go straight up the hill to the left (Griffin Road). 'St. Gregory's Place' is on your left. Turn left and follow road to upper building. Enter through the front entrance. Take stairwell, turn right at landing. Go up next stairwell, turn right at landing. Go through the double doors, chapel is on your left.

Make a difference in someone's life. Join our team of care givers at St. Joseph's Center. If interested, please come to our Job Fair will be held March 3rd from 10 to 2 at our DeNaples Building on 320 S. Blakely St.

Lenten Mission:

The Sacraments of the Church:
Sharing in the Life of Christ
Rt. Rev. Philip Raczka, March 5-9, 2018

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

P. H. S.: Rev. Dn. John Karam. Rev. Dn. Joseph Daratony. James & Charlette Abda. Michael Abda. Marie Barron. Nikki Boudreaux. George Bales Sr. Lucille Bales. Jayne Buckley. Chris Carey. John Coury. Maryann Nappi Donahue. Carol Downer. Niko Mayashairo. Mary McNeilly. Ruth Sirgany. Sue Solsman. Kennedy Stevenson. Susan Vieselmeyer. Maryann Walsh. MEMORY ETERNAL: *Rev. Charles Aboody. *Rev. Michael Jolly. *Marie Abda. *Marie Abda. *Nancy Abda *Nicholas Cianci. *Patricia Cimakosky.*Ann Coury. *Mary Sue Betress. *Margaret Dillenburg *Eric Jolly. *Blakely Landell. *Frank Milweski. *Mary Lou Mooty. *Karen Murray. *Marie Patchoski. *Bill Simon. *Genevieve Zaydon

CLERGY:

Rev. Christopher Manuele, Presbyter Divine Services:

Divine Services:	
Saturday:	
Great Vespers:	3:15 P.M.
Sunday:	
First Hour:	9:40 A.M.
Divine Liturgy:	10:00 A.M.
Wednesday:	
Compline:	8:30 P.M.
Holy Days:	
Great Vespers:	5:30 P.M. Eve
Divine Liturgy	

HOLY INSTERY OF CONFESSION: Before Vespers at 3:00 P.M.; following any service; or by appointment.

HOLY ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Following any service/call the Rectory.

HOLY MYSTERY OF CROWNING: Call rectory at earliest convenience.

PARISH AINISORY COUNCIL: Meetings as scheduled.