

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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5 March 2017

1st Sunday of Great Lent – Triumph of Orthodoxy

Martyrs Conon & Onisius of Isauria

Martyr Conon the Gardener of Pamphylia

Virgin-martyr Irais of Antinoe in Egypt

Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2 **Reader:** Mike Ratai
Gospel: John 1:43-51 **Tone:** 4 & Lenten Triodion

UPCOMING FEASTS & SERVICES:

Sunday, March 5	1 st Sunday of Great Lent – Triumph of Orthodoxy 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
Thursday, March 8	6:30 p.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy (3 Holy Hierarchs Chapel/St. Sophia Seminary)
Sunday, March 12	2 nd Sunday of Great Lent – St. Gregory Palamas 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
Thursday, March 16	7:00 p.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy (St. Mary Church, Carpathian, Bayonne)

READER'S LIST: Andy Olear (3/12), Andrei Marinich (3/19), Anita Anderson (3/26)

SERVICES DURING GREAT LENT: Please pick up a copy of the Lenten services in the NJ Deanery or check the parish website for the full list of services. Everyone is strongly encouraged to attend services in the nearby parishes.

THANK YOU to Fr. Vasyl Shak for serving today's Divine Liturgy in place of Fr. Vasyl. Please keep his wife Dobrodijka Olena and his family in your prayers this week as they expect the birth of their daughter any moment.

MARCH BIRTHDAYS: Shannon Marinich (9), Jenna Pein (11), Mike Ratai (22)

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES: Fr. Vasyl & Dobrodijka Oksana Pasakas (2)

May God grant them many years!

IN MEMORIAM (March): Fr. Joseph Kopchak, Fr. John Mironko, Fr. William Czekaluk, Gregory Prehodka, Alexander Verona, Stephen Boresky, Bertha Tkachuk, Sydor Prehodka, Julia Sharyk, Peter Stilec, Mary Tooz, Archip Zigmont, Peter Sheller, Luther Short, John Romanowski, George Chernivhowski, Tamaran Alexander, Andrew Huley, Stanley Winnicki, George Weising, Arsa Baran, Afina Wyskonych, Michael Saley, Mary Holynsky, Joseph Siplak, Harry Marmorstein, John Saturniewicz. *May their memories be eternal!*

DEANERY NEWS: At the last two NY-NJ Deanery meetings (spring 2016 and last Sunday), it was decided that each parish must hold an annual collection from its parishioners to cover the expenses of the Deanery. Our parish will hold a collection on the last Sunday in March.

LENTEN RETREATS:

- March 11: at St. Stephen the Protomartyr Antiochian Orthodox Church (So. Plainfield); 10 a.m. followed by Great Vespers
- March 18: 8:30-5:00 Villa Maria PA Retreat Center/Guest Speaker His Eminence Archbishop-Elect Daniel
- April 1: Sponsored by the UOL at St. Francis Center for Renewal in Bethlehem, PA/Guest Speakers: Fr. Bazyl Zawierucha & Fr. Anthony Perkins/Topic: Divine Liturgy

PRAYER SERVICE FOR CHILDREN & PARENTS: Every Monday at 7 pm at St. Andrew's Memorial Church.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP & ANNUAL DUES: Please pay your annual dues by the end of March (\$100/Individual or \$200/Family). Please also update your contact information using the Membership Profile Form. The form is important in updating the parish database for the year. Any questions, see Anita Anderson.

PRAYERS: Please keep in your prayers this week Fr. Vasyl, Fr. Victor, Fr. Ivan, Dobrodijka Ivanka, Pani-Matka Dorothy, Lyudmila, Steffie Tybor, Nettie Sherby, Anita Anderson, Maryanne Quartuccio, Kathie Thomas, Natalia, Taissa, Andy Olear, Joyce Pein, Maria, Olga Almind, Bill Schulze, Angelina and Patricio. *If you or your loved ones are sick or in the hospital, please let Fr. Vasyl know.*

*Out of respect for God's House, please keep all communication to a minimum.
Please join us in the church hall after Liturgy for food and fellowship.
Attend Church as a Family!*