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FOURTH SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

April 3, 2022 Hebrews 6:13-20 (Epistle)

Tone 8

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Epistle: Maria LLAMAS

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship. If you are without a spiritual home, please make OUR HOME, YOUR HOME.

TODAY

St. John Climacus (of The Ladder); Ven. Nikétas the Confessor, Abbot of Medikion (†824); Virgin Martyr Theodosia of Tyre, and Martyr Irene (†307-308); St. Illyricus of Mt. Myrsinon in the Peloponnesus; Martyrs Elpidephorus, Dius, Bithonius, and Galycus; "Unfading Flower" Icon of the Mother of God.

READERS: Hours: Sevasti BERGSTROM

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours; Confession

10:00 am Divine Liturgy - LIVE Stream on St. Nicholas Facebook Page

11:20 am **Sunday School** 11:40 am **Fellowship**

12:00 pm Easter / Pascha Bazaar meeting

6:00 pm **Deanery Vespers** Protection of the Virgin Mary, 8600 Grand Boulevard, Merrillville, IN

Wednesday, April 6

6:00 pm Confession

6:30 pm **Presanctified Liturgy**

Friday, April 8

6:30 pm Akathist to the Most-Holy Theotokos

Saturday, April 9

5:00 pm **Great Vespers**

Sunday, April 10 5[™] Sunday of Lent; St Mary of Egypt; Martyrs Terence, Pompeius, Africanus,

Maximus, Zeno, Alexander, Theodore, Macarius, and 33 others, beheaded at Carthage (†3RD с.). Martyrs James the Presbyter, and Azadanes and Abdicius — Deacons, of Persia (са. †380) READERS: Hours: Anna VILCHIS Epistle: Alexis Ouchakov

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STEWARDSHIP CORNER Sunday, March 27TH, 2022 - Donation / Assessments \$676.00

PASCHA FLOWER DONATION As we walk towards Pascha, we invite you to prayerfully consider offering a donation to offset the cost of the Easter Flowers that we will buy to beautify our church.

GROUNDS CLEAN-UP Our church landscape needs a clean up. Unfortunately due to rain our Church Grounds Clean-up has been rescheduled for Saturday, April 9TH at 9:30am. Please, help spruce up our beautiful church grounds. Signup isn't necessary but does help us plan!

FOR THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE, FOR PEACE AND FREEDOM. FOR ALL WHO HAVE DIED AND THOSE WHO GRIEVE THEIR LOSS.

MOLEBEN FOR PEACE IN UKRAINE On Saturday, April 16TH at 5:00pm in lieu of our evening vespers we will hold a candle lit Moleben for Ukraine. The world is shocked and they all want to pray. I encourage you to reach out to your friends and neighbors and invite them to pray with us. To pray for peace.

EASTER / PASCHA BAZAAR This year our annual bake sale will look a little different. Please join us Sunday, April 3RD after Diving Liturgy for a short meeting.

BAKE SALE We humbly ask our talented bakers to contribute to our Parish fundraiser by baking homemade cookies and bringing them Saturday, April 16TH by 8:30am. Please bake 5-6 dozen of the same cookie without any gooey or sticky frosting. If you are unable to come Saturday but would like to drop off your cookies on Friday, please give Fr. Mykola a call to coordinate a mutually convenient time.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following people, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

His Eminence PAUL Tom Kompare Joseph Orlovich Jovan Haug Lucy Strickland Luda Hamlin Dn. David HANNEMAN Nina ARNOLD Elena Pavlova Stefan Karadjov Gary Gallick Iosephine Orlovich Sevasti Bergstrom Nadia Bilanyk Chrstyna ZATKHEY Yurij Pavlov Toma Andreev Iose Felix Alice PISTILLI Timothy Kleinert Fedir Luhovy Natalia Malaidakh Matushka Roberta Spengler

Today Epistle (Hebrews 6:13-20)

Brethren... For when God made a promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, saying, "Surely blessing I will bless you, and multiplying I will multiply you." And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise. For men indeed swear by the greater, and an oath for confirmation is for them an end of all dispute. Thus God, determining to show more abundantly to the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath, 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. This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil, where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus, having become High Priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek.

Today Gospel (Mark 9:17-31)

Then one of the crowd answered and said, "Teacher, I brought You my son, who has a mute spirit. 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." 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." 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. So He asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. 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." Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" 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!" 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." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when He had come into the house, His disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" So He said to them, "This kind can come out by nothing but prayer and fasting." Then they departed from there and passed through Galilee, and He did not want anyone to know it. 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."

Апостол Дня (Евреям 6:13-20)

Братия... Бог, давая обетование Аврааму, как не мог никем высшим клясться, клялся Самим Собою, говоря: истинно благословляя благословлю тебя и размножая размножу тебя. И так Авраам, долготерпев, получил обещанное. Люди клянутся высшим, и клятва во удостоверение оканчивает всякий спор их. Посему и Бог, желая преимущественнее показать наследникам обетования непреложность Своей воли, употребил в посредство клятву, дабы в двух непреложных вещах, в которых невозможно Богу солгать, твердое утешение имели мы, прибегшие взяться за предлежащую надежду, которая для души есть как бы якорь безопасный и крепкий, и входит во внутреннейшее за завесу, куда предтечею за нас вошел Иисус, сделавшись Первосвященником навек по чину Мелхиседека.

Евангелие Дня (Марк 9:17-31)

Один из народа сказал в ответ: Учитель! я привел к Тебе сына моего, одержимого духом немым: где ни схватывает его, повергает его на землю, и он испускает пену, и скрежещет зубами своими, и цепенеет. Говорил я ученикам Твоим, чтобы изгнали его, и они не могли. Отвечая ему, Иисус сказал: о, род неверный! доколе буду с вами? доколе буду терпеть вас? Приведите его ко Мне. И привели его к Нему. Как скоро бесноватый увидел Его, дух сотряс его; он упал на землю и валялся, испуская пену. И спросил Иисус отца его: как давно это сделалось с ним? Он сказал: с детства; и многократно дух бросал его и в огонь и в воду, чтобы погубить его; но, если что можешь, сжалься над нами и помоги нам. Иисус сказал ему: если сколько-нибудь можешь веровать, все возможно верующему. И тотчас отец отрока воскликнул со слезами: верую, Господи! помоги моему неверию. Иисус, видя, что сбегается народ, запретил духу нечистому, сказав ему: дух немой и глухой! Я повелеваю тебе, выйди из него и впредь не входи в него. И, вскрикнув и сильно сотрясши его, вышел; и он сделался, как мертвый, так что многие говорили, что он умер. Но Иисус, взяв его за руку, поднял его; и он встал. И как вошел Иисус в дом, ученики Его спрашивали Его наедине: почему мы не могли изгнать его? И сказал им: сей род не может выйти иначе, как от молитвы и поста. Выйдя оттуда, проходили через Галилею; и Он не хотел, чтобы кто узнал. Ибо учил Своих учеников и говорил им, что Сын Человеческий предан будет в руки человеческие и убьют Его, и, по убиении, в третий день воскреснет.