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THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

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Hebrews 4:14-5:6 (Epistle)

Mark 8:34-9:1 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship.

If you are without a spiritual home, please make OUR HOME, YOUR HOME.

TODAY **Veneration of the Cross;** Martyrs Chrysanthus and Daria, and those with them at Rome: Claudius, Hilaria, Jason, Maurus, Diodorus the Presbyter, and Marianus the Deacon (†283); Saint Innocent of Komél and Vologda disciple of Saint Nilus of Sora (Vologdá—†1521); Martyr Pancharius, at Nicomedia (ca. †302); “Sweet-Kissing” Icon of the Mother of God of Smolensk (1103).

READERS: Hours: Anna VILCHIS

Epistle: Maria LLAMAS

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**

12:15 pm **First Confession Lesson**

6:00 pm **Lenten Vespers**

St. Nicholas Church 1000 Barber Lane, Joliet, IL

Wednesday, March 22

6:00 pm **Presanctified Liturgy**

Friday, March 24

6:30 pm **Parish Council Meeting**

Saturday, March 25 **Annunciation of our Most Holy Lady, Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary**

9:00 am **Divine Liturgy**

5:00 pm **Great Vespers**

Sunday, March 26 **4TH Sunday of Lent; St. John Climacus (of The Ladder);** Hieromartyr Irenæus, Bishop of Sirmium (†304); Martyrs Bathusius and Bercus—Presbyters, Arpilus—Monk, Abibus, Agnus, Reasus, Igathrax, Iskous, Silas, Signicus, Sonirilus, Suimbalus, Thermus, Phillus—laymen, and the women: Anna, Alla, Larissa, Manca, Virko, Animais, Gaatha & Duklida, in the Crimea (†375); St. Malchus of Chalcis, Syria (†4TH c.); Ven. Basil the New, Anchorite, near Constantinople (†10TH c.); Martyr Montanus, Presbyter, of Singidunum, and his wife, Maxima (†235).

READERS: Hours: Sevasti BERGSTROM

Epistle: George KLEINERT

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11:40 am **Fellowship**

6:00 pm **Lenten Vespers**

St. George Cathedral, 917 N Wood St., Chicago, IL

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sunday, March 12TH, 2023 — Collection

\$823.00

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.

MANY THANKS to OUCHAKOV family for hosting today's fellowship hour.

NEWLY ELECTED PARISH COUNCIL Thank you to everyone that were elected to various parish positions. I pray that our Lord gives strength to both our continuing and newly elected Board Members and Auditors.

St. Nicholas Parish Board Members

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Alex OUCHAKOV
Daniel ANDREEV
George KLEINERT

LENTEN PRAYER OF ST. EPHREM O Lord and Master of my life, take from me the spirit of sloth, despair, lust of power, and idle talk. (*prostration*)

But give rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience, and love to Thy servant. (*prostration*)

Yea, O Lord and King, grant me to see my own sins, and not to judge others, for blessed art Thou, unto ages of ages. Amen. (*prostration*)

MANY YEARS... Happy Birthday to Andrew HAUG on March 23RD

May God grant all our celebrants Many Happy and Healthy Years!

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

Dn. David HANNEMAN	Tom KOMPARE	Joseph ORLOVICH	Elena PAVLOV	Soldier Sergij MARTYNUK
Kathy HANNEMAN	Susan NICKLAS	Josephine ORLOVICH	Tetiana MAZUR	Stefan KARADJOV
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Today Epistle (Hebrews 4:14-5:6)

Brethren... Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest taken from among men is appointed for men in things pertaining to God, that he may offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can have compassion on those who are ignorant and going astray, since he himself is also subject to weakness. Because of this he is required as for the people, so also for himself, to offer sacrifices for sins. And no man takes this honor to himself, but he who is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify Himself to become High Priest, but it was He who said to Him: "You are My Son, today I have begotten You." As He also says in another place: "You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek".

Today Gospel (Mark 8:34-9:1)

When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me. For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy Angels." And He said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the kingdom of God present with power."

Апостол Дня (Евреям 4:14-5:6)

Братия... Итак, имея Первосвященника великого, прошедшего небеса, Иисуса Сына Божия, будем твердо держаться исповедания нашего. Ибо мы имеем не такого первосвященника, который не может сострадать нам в немощах наших, но Который, подобно нам, искушен во всем, кроме греха. Посему да приступаем с дерзновением к престолу благодати, чтобы получить милость и обрести благодать для благовременной помощи. Ибо всякий первосвященник, из человеков избираемый, для человеков поставляется на служение Богу, чтобы приносить дары и жертвы за грехи, могущий снисходить невежествующим и заблуждающим, потому что и сам обложен немощью, и посему он должен как за народ, так и за себя приносить жертвы о грехах. И никто сам собою не приемлет этой чести, но призываемый Богом, как и Аарон. Так и Христос не Сам Себе присвоил славу быть первосвященником, но Тот, Кто сказал Ему: Ты Сын Мой, Я ныне родил Тебя; как и в другом месте говорит: Ты священник вовек по чину Мелхиседека.

Евангелие Дня (Марк 8:34-9:1)

И, подзвав народ с учениками Своими, сказал им: "Кто хочет идти за Мною, отвергнись себя, и возьми крест свой, и следуй за Мною. Ибо кто хочет душу свою сберечь, тот потеряет ее, а кто потеряет душу свою ради Меня и Евангелия, тот сбережет ее. Ибо какая польза человеку, если он приобретет весь мир, а душе своей повредит? Или какой выкуп даст человек за душу свою? Ибо кто постыдится Меня и Моих слов в роде сем прелюбодейном и грешном, того постыдится и Сын Человеческий, когда приидет в славе Отца Своего со святыми Ангелами." И сказал им: "Истинно говорю вам: есть некоторые из стоящих здесь, которые не вкусят смерти, как уже увидят Царствие Божие, пришедшее в силе."

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