

# St. Demetrius Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral



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Epistle: Heb. 11:24-26, 32–12:2;

Tone 1

Gospel: Jn. 1:43-51

## March 24<sup>th</sup> 1st Sunday of the Great Lent: Triumph of Orthodoxy

### **TODAY'S SERVICES:**

- Sun. 8:30am Memorial Service – Demetrius and Sophie Huzar by their daughter Judy
- Sun. 9:00am Divine Liturgy – 1st Sunday of the Great Lent: Triumph of Orthodoxy
- Sun. 10:20am Triumph of Orthodoxy Procession
- Sun. 4:00pm Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers – St. John the Baptist ACROD Parish – 145 Broad Street, Perth Amboy

### **SERVICES FOR THE WEEK**

- Tues. 7:30pm Bible Study – Remote only.
- Fri. 6:00pm Presanctified Divine Liturgy followed by Sorokousty
- Sun. 9:00am Divine Liturgy – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Great Lent: St. Gregory Palamas the Archbishop of Thessalonica. Synaxis of all Venerable Fathers of the Kyiv Caves

**Altar Servers:** Subdeacon Daniel Mazan, Qorey Carter, Ryan Fealy, Daniel Mazan, Bryce Buitrago

**Readers:** Subdeacon Thomas Bodnar, Subdeacon Daniel Mazan, Qorey Carter, Ryan Fealy

**PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR:** Stephen Banko, Leigh Buitrago, Nicholas Chichik, David Deli, Peter Meka, Robert Cousins, Joan Nardi, Marci Pusillo, Richard Hycuna, Diane (Decibus) Morgan, John Piropatto, John Zelenak, Joseph Nardi, Olga Piropatto, Nancy Grabie, Margaret York, Ronald York, Bruce Wadiak, Patty Tucker, Raymond Wizna, Catherine Ann Bylinski, Kathleen Ward, Olivia Zazworsky, Andrew, Christopher, Sarah, David, Alexander, Joseph, John, Kirsten, John, David, Michael, Jerry, William, and Olga. & children Timothy, Mary, Oskar, Tessa, Robert, Jacob, and

Jonathan, remembering all the sick, the suffering, those in hospitals and nursing homes, and all the men and women in the US Military, especially **Subdeacon Vitaly** and **Subdeacon James**, who serve our country and all of us. Please keep them in your prayers daily, asking God's protection upon them all.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** All are welcome to join. We will be reviewing Job Chapters 16-20.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:** Miroslav Pancik and Cristian Chubenko and all those celebrating birthdays or special intentions, may the Lord grant you all "Many Blessed Years, Mnohaya Lita!"

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO:** Bud & Maggie York may the Lord grant you "Many Blessed Years, Mnohaya Lita!"

**MEMORY ETERNAL-** Our deepest condolences go out to Nancy Novak and John Decibus on the loss of their brother in law, Charlie Morgan husband to Diane Decibus Morgan who reposed in the Lord on March 19<sup>th</sup> 2024. Veechna Pamyat!

**SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY** The Sunday of the Triumph of Orthodoxy is celebrated on the first Sunday of Great Lent. It is the celebration of the victory of the iconodules over the iconoclasts by the decision of the Seventh Ecumenical Council. Therefore, the service is to commemorate the restoration of icons for use in services and private devotional life of Christians.

Each of the Sundays of Great Lent has its own special theme. In the course of Church history, almost each Lenten Sunday has obtained a second theme, a historical theme. Originally the Lenten fast was the time for catechumens to prepare for baptism and entry into the Church. The Sunday spiritual themes were part of the early Christian catechesis.

The theme of the day is victory of the True Faith. "This is the victory that overcomes the world, our faith" (1 John 5:4). Also, the icons of the saints bear witness that man, "created in the image and likeness of God" (Gen 1:26), becomes holy and godlike through the purification of himself as God's living image. The connection of the victory over iconoclasm with Lent is purely historical; the first Triumph of Orthodoxy took place on this particular Sunday.

**ALL EMERGENCIES:** PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CALL FATHER JAMES for any and all emergencies – for hospital, nursing home, or home visitations. PLEASE call his Cell number 732-619-3259, if necessary, please leave a voice message, Father will return your call. THANK YOU.