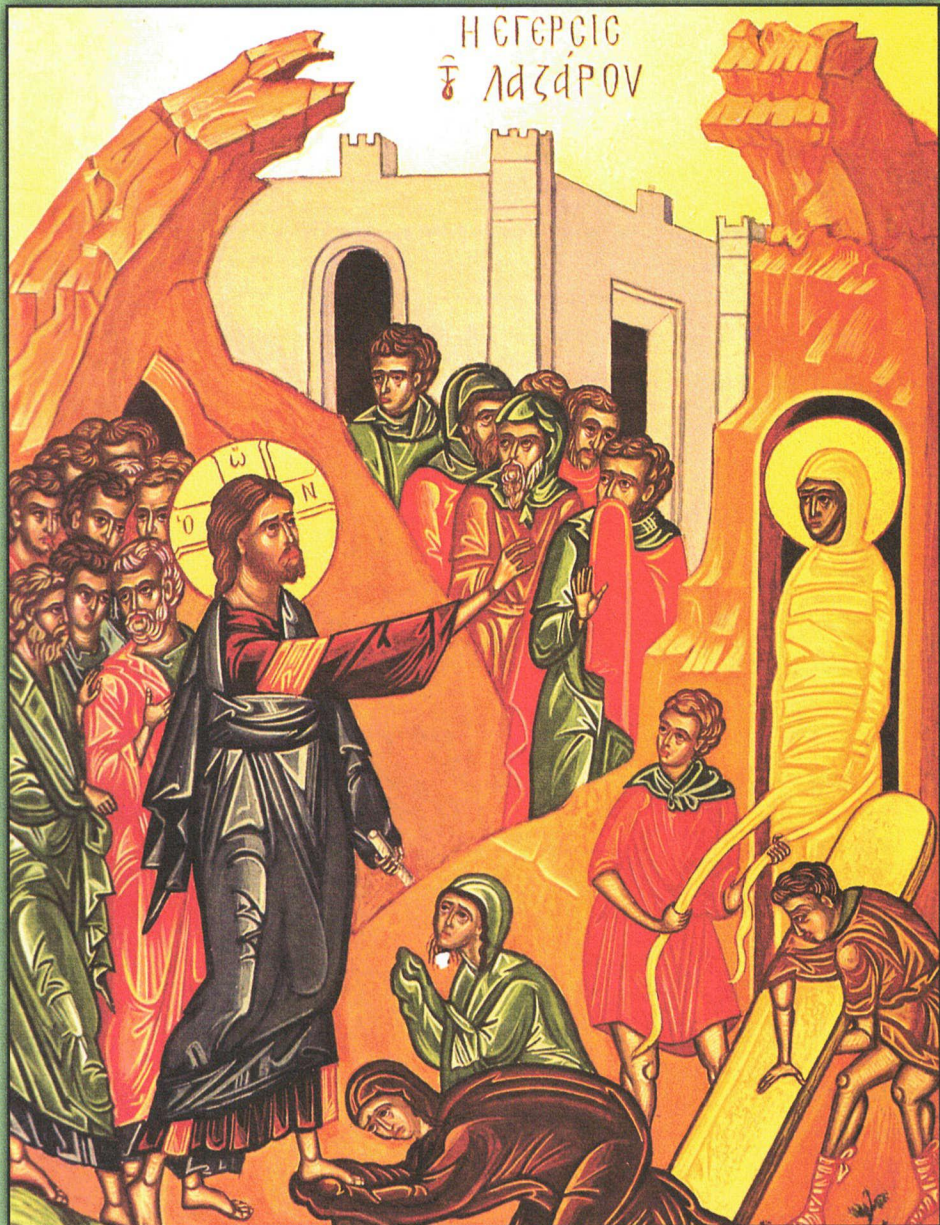


FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST  
SUNDAY OF ST. MARY OF EGYPT



*Icon of Raising Lazarus from the Dead*



## PATRONAGE OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

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Divine Liturgy Schedule: March 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00pm

### PATRONAGE CHURCH SERVICES SCHEDULE

Date	Time	Service	Intention
5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Great Fast – St. Mary of Egypt 3.17.2024	9:00pm	Divine Liturgy	For living and deceased parishioners of our church
Friday 3.22.2024	6:00pm	Presanctified Liturgy	For living and deceased parishioners of our church
Palm (Flowery) Sunday 3.24.2024	9:00am	Divine Liturgy Blessing of Palms/Pussywillows	For living and deceased parishioners of our church
Holy Monday Annunciation of the Theotokos 3.24.2024	6:00pm	Vigil Divine Liturgy	For living and deceased parishioners of our church

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Great Fast – St. Mary of Egypt

Today's Propers can be found on page 125, Tone 1, then page 230, in our Divine Liturgy book. Anaphora responses for the Liturgy of St. Basil are on page 100.

**MYSTERY OF REPENTANCE:** Confession is available beginning an hour before Divine Liturgy, and ending 15 minutes before the start of services. **Fr. Vasyl will also be having confession on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, from 5-7pm.**

**HOLY COMMUNION AND VISITATION OF THE SICK:** Holy Communion can be brought to parishioners who are ill, in the hospital, or at home. If you would like to receive Communion, or a visit by either Fr. Vasyl, or Deacon Tony, you can send the church an email or contact either one.

**LITURGY INTENTIONS:** It is a beautiful part of our Byzantine Catholic tradition to have the Divine Liturgy celebrated for a special intention or for health and God's blessings upon a living person, or for the repose of the soul of a deceased person. Liturgy intention books and forms are available on the bookrack in the Narthex. Forms can also be found on our website. A donation or stipend is an offering made to the priest for the Divine Liturgy for such a request. **Checks should be made payable to: Fr. Vasyl Symyon.** You can either mail your Intention request to the rectory, or place it in the offertory basket in the back of our Temple. A special date may be requested, but it may not always be available. The date is assigned on a first come, first served basis, and are reserved upon receipt of the offering. **We currently have some dates open, if you would like to request an intention!**

**GOD WITH US - FREE ONLINE WEBINAR:** The Bible is full of stories of women who have borne witness to their faith and courage in challenging and pivotal moments in salvation history. These women inspire and model for us the call to holiness and greatness in the life of the Church. Join Biblical scholar, Dr. Sandra Collins, as we explore their stories! This live webinar, "**Great Women of the Bible – Inspiring Women of Faith & Models of Holiness,**" will be held on **Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> and Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.** Please visit [www.godwithusonline.org](http://www.godwithusonline.org), click on "online," then scroll down to this webinar to register.

**PATRONAGE CHURCH SHOPPING BAGS FOR SALE:** Please consider purchasing our church's shopping bag. They are \$5 per bag. Please see Mary Demyan, or Sharon Kotula, if you would like to purchase any. The shopping bags will also be available for sale at our festival.

**ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT:** Many thanks to those who donated candy for our annual Easter Egg Hunt, which will be held outside on **Palm Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>,** after Divine Liturgy, weather permitting. All children of our parish are invited to participate in the egg hunt. We are hoping that all the children will be able to participate. Parishioners are invited to be spectators. Any questions, please contact Kevin Ross ([keviross@gmail.com](mailto:keviross@gmail.com)).

**ANNUAL ST. THOMAS SUNDAY PARISH DINNER:** Please mark your calendar - on **Sunday, April 7<sup>th</sup>,** **Divine Liturgy will be a 11:00am,** followed by a pot-luck dinner.

**GREEK CATHOLIC UNION (GCU) COOKBOOK:** If anyone is interested in purchasing a GCU cookbook, we now have them back in stock, and cost \$18 per book. You can find them on the table in the back of church. There are sections in the back of the cookbook explaining the traditional Easter basket, with recipes, and the Christmas Eve Holy Supper, with recipes. Proceeds benefit our ECF program.

**EASTER FLOWER ORDER: Today is the deadline** for anyone wanting to place a flower order for Pascha. Order forms can be found on the shelf, next to the bulletin, in the Narthex. Details are included on the order form. Many thanks to those who participated in this fundraiser. Proceeds benefit our church.

**PASCHA SERVICES SCHEDULE:** A copy of the schedule can be found on either our website, or on the shelf in the Narthex.

*Slava Isusu Christu! Slava na viki! Glory to Jesus Christ, Glory forever!*

**Byzantine Catholic Eparchy of Passaic Fasting Regulations for the Great Fast 2024**

*Abstinence:* The law of Abstinence forbids the use of meat, permitting the use of eggs and dairy products. All the faithful of the Eparchy who receive Holy Communion are obliged to abstain. Abstinence is to be observed on all Wednesdays and Fridays during the Holy Season of the Great Fast.

*Strict Abstinence:* The law of Strict Abstinence (Fast) forbids the use of meat, eggs, and dairy products. All the adult faithful of the Eparchy who receive Holy Communion are obliged to observe Strict Abstinence, and is to be observed on the First Day of the Great Fast, Pure Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, and on Great and Holy Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>.

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*Having Suffered the Passion for Us  
Jesus Christ, Son of God  
Have Mercy, Have Mercy, Have Mercy on us*

*Preterpivjy za nas strasti,  
Isuse Christe, Syne Bozij,  
Pomiluj, pomiluj, pomiluj nas.*

# CHILDREN'S CORNER

## God Loves

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perfect	jesus	loving	caring	patient
forever	promises	faithful	trinity	holy spirit
son	christ	won the battle	overcomer	worthy of praise
grace	savior	lord	father	king
forgiver	creator	almighty	everlasting	

**PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:** The people of Ukraine, that peace may be soon be restored to their land, our parishioners, the founders of our parish, our benefactors, those who are sick, and those who cannot make it to church. Also, Fr. Vasyl Symyon, Matthew Skovran, Mike Skovran, James DeWolfe, Clara Valeika, Caroline and Joe Belensky, Kay Dinko, Doris Ruszin, Veronica Ruszin, Anna Martin, Joseph Repasi, Mary Jo Kelly Wilhelm, HowardGuba, Albert Ondrish, our first responders, and all military service men and women throughout the world. *May our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician and Healer of souls and bodies, grant them peace and good health for many blessed years!*

### STEWARDSHIP:

<b>Patronage Church: March 10, 2024</b>	<b>Hagerstown Mission: March 9, 2024</b>
<b>Offertory: \$1,880.10</b>	<b>Tithe.ly: \$175.00. Offertory: \$162.00</b>
<b>Easter Flowers: \$96.00</b>	<b>Lent: \$80.00</b>
<b>Religious Articles: \$70.00</b>	

You honor God and our Church by continuing to tithe each week. A collection basket is on the table in the back of our Temple for your weekly donation. You may also mail in your donation, or donate online at: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=2346733>. The link is also on our website. *“Remember then, it is the Lord, your God, who gives you the power to acquire wealth” (Dt. 8:18).*

**PARISH SOCIAL:** All are welcome to join us after Divine Liturgy this morning for refreshments in our social hall. If you would like to provide some snacks for one of our upcoming socials, please contact Mary Demyan or Sharon Kotula.

**PATRONAGE CHURCH SLAVIC FOOD FESTIVAL:** Our festival is scheduled for this **Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 10:00am – 2:00pm**. A reminder, the **festival order deadline is Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**. We truly appreciate everyone who has donated towards our festival to help reduce the cost of our expenses. If you have donated any food item, **please be sure to give us a copy of your receipt**, so that we can have a more accurate accounting of our festival costs, as well as a fair representation of your individual donations. *We will also continue to accept any amount of cash donations.* Any questions, please email Mary Demyan at [mdemya1@verizon.net](mailto:mdemya1@verizon.net). **We need many volunteers for the following dates (please let Mary know if you are able to volunteer):**

**Wednesday, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am** - kolachi baking, packaging, filling orders, and clean-up  
**Friday March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9:00am** - festival preparation and set-up  
**Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 10:00am – 2:00pm** - festival and clean-up

**FESTIVAL BAKED GOODS NEEDED:** Gather up your favorite recipes and get the whole family involved! We are in need of your homemade baked goods for our festival, and would love to fill our bake table. **You can drop your donation off on either this Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, or Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> (before 10:00am). It would also help, and save time, if your baked good donations were wrapped/packaged, and priced in sellable portions.** We appreciate your assistance!

**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH:** We welcome all new visitors, to our parish family, and are happy you are joining us to share in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy and hope you will become an active part of our parish community. We receive the Body and Blood of Christ in our mouth by spoon; please DO NOT stick out your tongue. All Catholics may receive the Eucharist if you are in good-standing and prepared. If you would like to be added to our parish email list, send us an email at [patronage.church@gmail.com](mailto:patronage.church@gmail.com). If you want to make us your home church, parish registration is the OFFICIAL way we join a church. Simply complete a census form that is located either on the bookrack in the Narthex, or can be found on our website, and either mail it to the church, or place it in the collection basket in the back of our Temple. Donation information can be found under “Stewardship” in this bulletin. *“My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples” (Isaiah 56:7).*

Reflection from Mount St. Macrina, Uniontown, PA

By: Sister Barbara Jean Mihalchick, OSBM

The Seventh Commandment: Let us reflect, love, serve

Glory to Jesus Christ!

As we continue to work through the Commandments, I noted the last seven are about love for one another. This one, the Seventh, says, "You shall not steal." Of course, respecting others would include respecting what they treasure – that is their rights, their possessions – in the same measure that we want to be respected and have our rights and possessions respected.

Like "thou shall not kill," this is for the good order of a society. Remember that this doesn't mean just stealing; it means cheating. The positive side includes being faithful in contracts, paying a just wage, practicing justice and charity in business relationships and every day relationships.

The injustices that are committed here in the Seventh Commandment, though, the Church teaches and expects, that part of the forgiveness there must be reparation. There must be restitution. Pay back what you have taken away from another.

However, the Church's idea of stealing goes even further. It calls us to respect the rights of others and it includes the social doctrines of the Church. So, think broadly about our relationships with finances, with law, with political matters. It's the section that calls us to awareness of the poor and care for the poor; helping them to improve their economic situations, helping them to be lifted up. This first of all requires justice but also charity.

The Seventh Commandment absolutely forbids the taking of persons, the enslavement of persons for commercial reasons or for totalitarian reasons. Human slavery of any sort is, of course, against this Commandment.

The Church cares about the social and economic fundamental rights of the person as much as it cares about the salvation of souls. Everyone should have that common good in mind. "Love one another" as Jesus has taught us.

The Seventh Commandment also includes a proper love for creation. A few years ago, Pope Francis wrote the document about this and calls us to be truly careful and mindful of how we affect the world around us; how we together need to respect what is necessary for life on this planet and in that document, he calls us also to change our behaviors where we may become aware that they are excessive or destructive in some way.

This Commandment also talks about work. Work can be redemptive. It's a necessary part of human life and it allows us to participate truly in the sense of the work of creation – God's work of creation. For this, I often suggest to people that they make a prayer of intention in the morning; we often call it the morning offering. Set your day unto the work and the glory of the Lord. Bring His good into this world.

Giving alms to the poor is a witness of fraternal charity and one woven all through the teachings of Jesus. In this Commandment, let us become aware all the more where that fits in our lives and remember the words of Jesus and the Last Judgment: "What you did not do for others, you did not do for me. What you did for others, you did for me."

Come, let us reflect, love, and serve. God bless you.

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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:**

1. We are looking for a volunteer(s) to assist in the **sale and removal of a freezer in our social hall**, which was replaced in November. The freezer is believed to be in repairable condition. Please see Dennis Kotula or Alex Demyan, if you can help. This needs to be taken care of before our upcoming festival.
2. The **rubber baseboard, in the entrance way to our social hall, needs to be re-glued, or replaced**. If you are able to do the repair, please see Dennis Kotula. This needs to be take care of as soon as possible.
3. A parishioner is needed to **manage the inspections that are required for our church/rectory**. Please see Dennis Kotula if you would like to be responsible for this task.

**1924 CENTENNIAL 2024 - Establishment of the Byzantine Ruthenian Church Exarchate in the United States.** The Ruthenian Exarchate was established on February 25, 1924. Pope Pius XI appointed Most Reverend Basil Takach, D.D., as the first Byzantine-Ruthenian Bishop in the United States on May 20, 1924. He arrived at New York Harbor on August 13, 1924, on the liner RMS Mauretania and offered a Moleben of Thanksgiving at St. Mary of the Protection Church, New York City. A **Jubilee Weekend Celebration will take place October 12-13, 2024, in Washington D.C. and Annandale, VA.** More details to follow.

**PICK UP YOUR PANS FOR "OUR DAILY BREAD" CASSEROLE DONATIONS:** You can find aluminum pans and recipes on the kitchen counter in our social hall for this project. Additional information can be found in last week's bulletin (on our website), or a flyer is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex, and in our social hall. Any questions, please contact either Greg Calvitt ([gregcalvitt@gmail.com](mailto:gregcalvitt@gmail.com)) or Mike Skovran ([michaelskovran@gmail.com](mailto:michaelskovran@gmail.com)). **The first casserole collection date is Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**PRINTER CARTRIDGES:** We continue to collect used printer cartridges to recycle, and earn rewards to help pay for new cartridges we use to print our weekly bulletins and Liturgical information. You can place your cartridges in the labeled box in the cry room. **Many thanks to those who have already contributed – we've now collected 86 cartridges, so far!**

# **Patronage of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Church**

## **Schedule of Pascha Services 2024 Resurrection of our Lord**

**Christ Is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!**

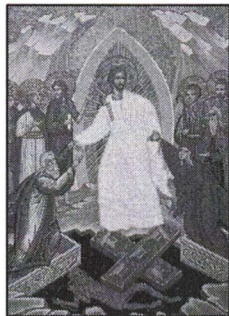
**Christós Voskrése! Voístinnu Voskrése!**

**Holy Monday/Annunciation of the Theotokos –  
Monday, March 25, 2024 – Vigil Divine Liturgy at  
6:00pm**

**Holy Thursday - March 28, 2024 - Vigil Divine  
Liturgy at 6:00pm**

**Holy Friday – Vespers with Burial Shroud –  
March 29, 2024 at 3:00pm**

**Resurrection of our Lord – Sunday, March 31, 2024 –  
Matins at 8:00am followed by Divine Liturgy and  
Blessing of Paschal Food**



## EASTER FLOWERS

Our parish is once again sponsoring a flower sale for Easter. The flowers will be used to decorate the church and altar for Divine Liturgy on Pascha. Each donated flower will be published in a special insert of the Easter Bulletin. Plants may be taken by the giver after Resurrection Liturgy.

Please place the order form & payment in the offering basket or mail to the rectory by **Palm Sunday, March 24**. Make checks payable to *Patronage of the Mother of God Byzantine Catholic Church*.

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**Name of Giver:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Honor of:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Memory of:** \_\_\_\_\_

Type of flower (*check one*): \$14.00 each

Easter Lily \_\_\_\_\_ Tulip \_\_\_\_\_ Hyacinth \_\_\_\_\_ Daffodil \_\_\_\_\_

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**TOTAL AMOUNT ORDERED** \_\_\_\_\_ x \$14.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## *Conventional Wisdom and the Lord's*

Listen, friend, it's a dog-eat-dog world out there. You've got to do it to them before they do it to you.

*But it cannot be like that with you ...*

Always remember the golden rule: those who have the gold, make the rules.

*But it cannot be like that with you ...*

Remember: Never get mad. Get even.

*But it cannot be like that with you ...*

Take my advice, kid - Don't make waves. You've got to go along to get along. Keep your eyes open and your mouth shut.

*But it cannot be like that with you ...*

Charity is fine, but business is business. Always, always, always buy low and sell high.

*But it cannot be like that with you ...*

The drug users and the city scum - they deserve what happens to them. We work hard for what we've got - nobody is doing us any favors. Let them do the same. It can be done. Hey, look: You got to take care of your own.

*But it cannot be like that with you ...*

Jesus' admonition is almost a pleading: If you really understand Me and what I am about, if you really want to be My disciple, if you really seek to be worthy of My name, then you must see the world differently and respond to its challenges with a very different set of values. The world may try to justify vengeance rather than forgiveness, to glorify self-preservation over selflessness, to insist on preserving the system and convention for the sake of compassion and justice.

*But it cannot be like that with you.*

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# Preparing a Traditional Easter Basket



Among the Slavs, especially Ruthenians and Ukrainians, the custom of bringing an Easter Basket to Church on Easter Sunday is an age old tradition. It stems from the desire of the Christian community to ask God's blessing on the foods that will break the Great Fast (Lent) and from which they have abstained during this period. The religious significance attached to the foods is symbolic of Christ Himself, our true Passover (Pascha). The foods prohibited during Lent, meat and dairy products, naturally become the main staple during the festive time of the Easter celebration.

We have listed the items traditionally placed in a wicker basket and brought to the Church for the Easter Matins after which a grand blessing takes place. The people then take their foods home to be enjoyed by the whole family. It should be noted that if you have abstained from these foods during Lent, and especially Holy Week, they will taste better on Easter Sunday.

#### PASCHA (*PAS-ka*)



The Easter Bread. A sweet, yeast bread rich in eggs, butter, etc. Symbolic of Christ Himself who is our True Bread. Usually a round loaf baked with a golden crust decorated with a symbol indicative of Christ. Sometimes a cross (†) of dough is placed on top encircled by a plait (*giving it a crowned effect*) or Greek abbreviations for the name of Christ, namely IXC, XP, IC XC which stand for the word Christ in Greek. The letters XB indicate *Христос Воскрес* (*Khrystos Voskres*) - the Slavonic for Christ is Risen.

#### HRUDKA or SIRETS (*HROOD-ka, sir-ETS*)



A custard-type cheese shaped into a ball having a rather bland but sweet taste, indicative of the moderation that Christians should have in all things. Also, creamed cheese is placed in a small dish and both are decorated with symbols (*see Pascha*) out of cloves or peppercorns.

#### MASLO (*MAS-loh*)

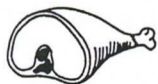


Butter, the favorite dairy product, is shaped into a figure of a Lamb or small cross and decorated in the same manner as the cheese. It reminds us of the goodness of Christ that we should have toward all things.

#### KOLBASSI or KOLBASA (*kol-BAH-si, kol-ba-SA*)



A spicy, garlic seasoned sausage of pork products (also known as kielbasa), indicative of God's favor and generosity.



### SUNKA or SHYNKA (*SHOON-ka, SHIN-ka*)

Ham, the flesh meat popular with the Slavs as the main dish because of its richness is symbolic of the great joy and abundance of Easter. Some may prefer lamb or veal. This is usually well roasted or cooked as well as other meats so that the festivity of the day will not be burdened with preparation and all may enjoy the Feast.



### SLANINA or SOLONYNA (*sla-NI-na, so-lo-NI-na*)

A piece of uncooked bacon cured with spices. Symbolic of the overabundance of God's mercy to us.



### PISANKI or PYSANKY (*PI-san-ki*)

Eggs brightly decorated with symbols and markings done by a wax-resist process. Indicative of new life and resurrection.



### KRASHANKY (*KRA-shan-ki*)

Hard-boiled eggs dyed a single bright color which will be used to first break the fast, and the sharing of one egg shows family unity and hope for a good life in the year ahead.



### SOL' or SIL' (*pronounced with a soft l*)

Salt, a condiment necessary for flavor reminding the Christian of his duty to others.



### CHRIN or KHRIN

Horseradish, which is often mixed with grated red beets. Symbolic of the Passion of Christ still in our minds - the bitter-sweet red colored mixture reminds us of the sufferings of Christ. It is sweetened with a bit of sugar because of the Resurrection.

These items are placed in a wicker basket and a ribbon or bow is tied to the handle. A decorated candle is placed in the basket and is lit at the time of blessing. A linen cover, usually embroidered with the words "Christ is Risen" or a picture or symbol of the Risen Christ is placed over the food when brought to the Church.

In some places a large Pascha (Easter Bread) is made and brought separately in a large linen cloth. Also, a sweet wine may be brought if the origin of the people was from a wine growing area.

# Easter Recipes

## PASCHA -EASTER BREAD

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|-------------------------|--------------------|
| 2 cakes household yeast | 6 eggs             |
| 1/2 cup lukewarm water  | 3/4 cup shortening |
| 2 tablespoons sugar     | 3/4 cup sugar      |
| 1 quart scalded milk    | 1 tablespoon salt  |
| 12 cups flour           |                    |

Dissolve yeast in lukewarm water with 2 tablespoons sugar. Stir in lukewarm milk and 1/2 of the flour. Place in greased bowl and let rise for about 8 minutes.

Add eggs, shortening, 3/4 cup sugar, salt and remainder of flour. Knead until smooth (about 9 minutes). Let rise again until double in bulk (about 1-1/2 to 2 hours).

Set aside some dough for decoration. Shape remaining dough in round loaf in baking pans. Decorate with symbol using dough which was set aside. Brush with beaten egg. Bake at 350°.

## HRUDKA - EASTER CHEESE

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|--------------------|---------------|
| 2 dozen eggs       | 1 quart milk  |
| 1 teaspoon vanilla | 1/2 cup sugar |

Beat eggs; add milk, sugar, and vanilla and beat well. Cook in double boiler until mixture forms curds and only water remains. Pour into a cheesecloth sack, squeeze and tie tightly. Shape and hang up to drain. Refrigerate.

## CHRIN - HORSERADISH

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|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 can whole red beets                | +/- 2 tablespoons sugar  |
| 1/2 bottle horseradish (not creamed) | 1 tablespoon lemon juice |

Drain the beets and grate finely. Add 1/2 bottle of horseradish. Add sugar to taste and lemon juice. Refrigerate.