

"ASCEND THE LADDER OF THE VIRTUES"

On the 4th Sunday of Lent, we annually commemorate a 7th century monastic saint: ST. JOHN CLIMACUS. He is best remembered today for his spiritual writing entitled the "Ladder of Divine Ascent." In this marvelous work, he compares the quest for spiritual perfection with climbing a 30-step ladder, with each rung corresponding to a year in the life of Christ that was hidden from the world. Even today, many Orthodox monasteries will begin the season of Great Lent with a public reading of Climacus' book.

While the "Ladder of Divine Ascent" was written primarily for those living a monastic life, it offers wonderful spiritual advice from which we can all benefit. Listen to some of John's profound comments in his spiritual work:

"In a meek heart, the Lord will find rest."

"Humility is a divine shelter to prevent us from seeing our achievements."

"Those who wish to learn the will of God must first suppress their own will."

"Run from places of sin as from the plague, for when fruit is not present, we have no frequent desire to eat it."

"Let your prayers be completely simple. Remember that both the Publican and the Prodigal Son were reconciled with God by praying only one phrase."

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ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY BULLETIN

April 14, 2024

ST. JOHN CLIMACUS

Orthros 9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy immediately following the Orthros.

APRIL SCHEDULE

SUN APR 14	†St. John Climacus Maids of Athena Pasta Dinner	9:00 a.m.
MON APR 15	†Great Compline Service	6:00 p.m.
TUE APR 16	Silver Liners' Luncheon Father Nick's Bible Study Greek School	11:30 a.m. 3:30 p.m. 5:30 p.m.
WED APR 17	Sr. Choir Practice †PreSanctified Liturgy @ Holy Assumption	5:45 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
THU APR 18	Hellenic Beginners Dance Practice Hellenic Intermediate Dance Practice Hellenic Sr Dance Practice Parish Council Meeting	4:30 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 5:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
FRI APR 19	Fish Fry †Akathist Hymn	4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.
SUN APR 21	†St. Mary of Egypt General Assembly GOYA Meeteing JOY Meeting	9:00 a.m.



ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE

APRIL 14, 2024

TEAM B



TODAY'S MEMORIALS/TRISAGIONS

MEMORIALS

40-Day Memorial ~ Eleni Esber
40-Day Memorial ~ Darlene Panagopoulos

TRISAGIONS

49yr ~ George Kalantzis
17yr ~ Georgia Kalantzis
30yr ~ Lester Eframedes
21yr ~ Christina Eframedes



GOYA LUMINARY PROJECT

GOYA is sponsoring a Luminary project, for the benefit of the youth program. The luminary display will be Friday evening, during the Good Friday evening service. The luminaries will adorn the path of the procession with the Epitaphio.

Individual luminaries can be purchased in memory of, or for the health of your loved ones, for a donation of \$5.00 each.

Luminary Project forms are located in the organizer located outside of the church office.



BIBLE STUDY WITH FATHER NICK APRIL 16TH ~ 3:30 ~ 4:30 P.M.



GENERAL ASSEMBLY APRIL 21ST

PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY

April 17th @ 6:30
Assumption OCA, Canton
followed by a Lenten Dinner

DOLMATHA ROLLERS NEEDED!

You are invited to be a
Dolmatha Roller on
Saturday, April 20th at 9:00 a.m.

We need your HELP!
To Volunteer, please call or email:

Nick Ramphos, 330-495-2311
narelmr@aol.com

or
Lauri at the church office, 330-454-7278
Lauri@stharalambos.com



Happy 100th Birthday to Irene Chagaros!

Georgia Stylianos would like us to know that her mother Irene Chagaros celebrated her 100th birthday on April 3, 2024.

With all of our best wishes to Irene on her 100th birthday and to her daughter.

May our Lord continue to bless them always.



An Ohio Light Opera Production JUNE 25, 2024

The acclaimed American musical *Guys and Dolls* comes to the Ohio Light Opera. Based upon the works of Damon Runyon - Sky, Sarah, Nathan, and Miss Adelaide will bring the streets of New York City to Wooster, Ohio. Songs include: "Luck be a Lady", "I've Never Been in Love Before", and "My Time of Day"



Music and Lyrics by Frank Loesser

Lunch at THE BARN Smithville

Banquet Menu Items Include: (3) Meats, Side Dishes, Tossed Salad, Homemade Bread, Dessert and a Beverage. "No Doggie Bags are Permitted"

Bonus Stop:
Smucker's Company Store, Orrville

COST: \$116.00
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For Questions Call:
Kathy Dieringer (330) 265-3876

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Either option will take you directly to our donation website for your donation to St. Haralambos Church.

April 14, 2024: FEAST: St. Basil Liturgy. Fourth Sunday in Lent, commemorating John Climacus, author of "Steps of Virtue"; Aristarchos, Poudes and Trophimos, of the 70 Apostles (+1st c.); Thomais, Martyr (+476); Demetrios of Tripolis, Neomartyr (+XIXth c.).

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Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον ᾠχος δ΄
Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριάι,
καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρήψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον·
Ἑσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωροῦμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Τοῦ Ὁσίου ᾠχος πλ. δ΄
Ταῖς τῶν δακρύων σου ῥοαῖς, τῆς ἐρήμου τὸ ἄγονον ἐγεώργησας, καὶ τοῖς ἐκ βάθους
στεναγμοῖς, εἰς ἑκατὸν τοὺς πόνους ἐκαρποφόρησας, καὶ γέγονας φωστὴρ τῇ οἰκουμένῃ,
λάμπων τοῖς θαύμασιν, Ἰωάννη Πατὴρ ἡμῶν ὅσιε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς
ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Τοῦ Ναοῦ
Ὡς στῦλος ἀκλόνητος, τῆς Ἐκκλησίας Χριστοῦ, καὶ λύχνος αἰφώτος, τῆς οἰκουμένης
σοφέ, ἐδείχθης **Χαράλαμπες**· ἔλαμψας ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, διὰ τοῦ μαρτυρίου. ἔλυσας καὶ
εἰδῶλων τὴν σκοτόμαιναν μάκαρ· διὸ ἐν παρρησίᾳ Χριστῷ. Πρέσβευε σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Κοντάκιον ᾠχος πλ. δ΄
Τῇ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, Ὡς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια,
Ἀναγράφω σοι ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. Ἀλλ’ ὥς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, Ἐκ
παντοίων με κινδύνων ἐλευθέρωσον, Ἵνα κράζω σοι· Χαῖρε νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.

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Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode 4
When the women disciples of the Lord heard the Angel joyously proclaim the
resurrection, they cast aside the ancestral verdict, and boasting in glory they said to the
Apostles, “Death has been despoiled! Christ God has risen, granting the great mercy to
the world!”

For the Devout Man Mode pl. 4
With the rivers of your tears you made the barren desert bloom; and with your sighs from
deep within, you made your labors bear their fruits a hundredfold; and you became a
star, illuminating the world by your miracles, O John, our devout father. Intercede with
Christ our God, for the salvation of our souls.

Hymn of the Church
As a pillar unshaken of Christ’s holy Church, and lamp ever-burning to all the world you
emerged, O wise Haralambos; in all the world you shined, with the martyrdom you
suffered, you dispelled the dark night, of the idols, O blessed; whence, with courage do
intercede, to Christ that we may be saved.

Kontakion Mode pl. 4
O Champion General, I your City now inscribe to you Triumphant anthems as the tokens
of my gratitude, Being rescued from the terrors, O Theotokos. Inasmuch as you have
power unassailable, From all kinds of perils free me, so that unto you I may cry aloud:
Rejoice, O unwedded Bride.

April 14, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Hebrews 6:13-20

Epistle

The reading is from Paul's Letter to the Hebrews.

Brethren, when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore to himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise. Men indeed swear by a greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he interposed with an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God should prove false, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

April 14, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent

Mark 9:17-31

Gospel

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

At that time, a man came to Jesus kneeling and saying: "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit; and wherever it seizes him it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." And they brought the boy to him; and when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting." They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."