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Leavetaking Of Annunciation

4th Sunday of Great Lent

St John Climacus (of the Ladder)

Epistle:

Hebrews 2:11-18

Gospel

Luke 1:24-38

Troparion Tone 8

(Resurrection)

Thou didst descend from on high, O
Merciful One!
Thou didst accept the three day burial to
free us from our sufferings!//
O Lord, our Life and Resurrection,
glory to Thee!

Troparion Tone 4

(Feast)

Today is the beginning of our salvation,
the revelation of the eternal mystery!
The Son of God becomes the Son of the
Virgin as Gabriel announces
the coming of Grace.
Together with him let us cry to the
Theotokos: “Rejoice,
O Full of Grace,//
the Lord is with thee!”

Troparion Tone 4 **(Archangel)**

Gabriel, Commander of the heavenly hosts, we who are unworthy beseech thee:
by thy prayers encompass us beneath the wings of thine immaterial glory,
and faithfully preserve us who fall down and cry out to thee://
“Deliver us from all harm, for thou art the Commander
of the Powers on high!

Services

March 29, Wednesday, Canon of St. Andrew 5:00 PM

March 31, Friday, Akathist to the Theotokos 5:00 PM

April 1st Saturday, Great Vespers All Saints, 6:30 PM

April 2nd Sunday, St. Mary of Egypt Divine Liturgy 9:30 AM

Lenten Mission Vespers

April 2nd @ 4 PM - Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt, All Saints, Olyphant

For the Life of Our Parish

Something for you to consider and pray about:

“Let each one give as they purpose in their heart: not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:7

Please remember our parish this month

Announcements

Great Lent is the time for increased prayer, fasting, attending liturgical services, and caring for others. In the spirit of almsgiving we will once again collect funds for The Breadbasket of Northeastern PA. This agency serves the people of our community. The collection jar will be at the candle desk until Bright Week.

The Grave Watch sign up sheet is at the candle desk.

I will be available for confession before Liturgy on Sunday. Please arrive one half hour before the beginning of Church. It's our responsibility to receive the Sacraments of Confession and Communion especially during this time of Great Lent.

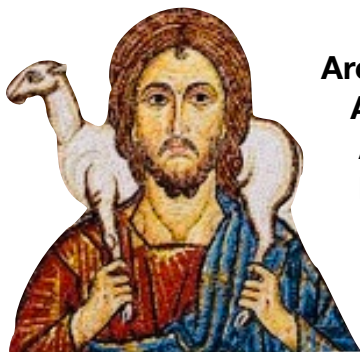
We are asking the faithful once again to donate floral baskets and potted flowers that will adorn Christ's tomb and remain for the celebration of the glorious Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are asking for a donation of \$25.00 for each basket. Please leave your donation along with your loved ones names at the candle desk. Thank you.

All Saints has Great Vespers every Saturday at 6:30 PM

Coffee Hour: Following Divine Liturgy in the fellowship hall.

Gardners Easter Candy Sale Online orders: <gardnerscandies.com> Group# 10-1554 by April 6th.

Prayers for the Sick



Archpriest Vladimir
ArchPriest James
Archpriest Michael
Mat. Gloria
Julie
Thom

Joan
Vera
Helen
Barbara
Marie

*For all who are sick or suffering with afflictions in our parish,
our community and throughout the world!*

Today our strains of praise sung joyfully by the choir of angels, and the light of the advent of Christ shines brightly upon the faithful.

Today is the glad spring-time to us, and Christ the Sun of righteousness has beamed with clear light around us, and has illumined the minds of the faithful.

Today is Adam made anew, and moves in the choir of angels, having winged his way to heaven.

Today is the whole circle of the earth filled with joy, since the sojourn of the Holy Spirit has been realized to men.

Today the grace of God and the hope of the unseen shine through all wonders transcending imagination, and make the mystery that was kept hid from eternity plainly discernible to us.

Today are woven the chaplets of never-fading virtue.

Today, God, willing to crown the sacred heads of those whose pleasure is to hearken to Him, and who delight in His festivals, invites the lovers of unswerving faith as His called and His heirs; and the heavenly kingdom is urgent to summon those who mind celestial things to join the divine service of the incorporeal choirs.

Today is fulfilled the word of David, "Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad. The fields shall be joyful, and all the trees of the wood before the Lord, because He cometh." David thus made mention of the trees; and the Lord's forerunner also spoke of them as trees "that should bring forth fruits meet for repentance," or rather for the coming of the Lord. But our Lord Jesus Christ promises perpetual gladness to all those who believe on Him. For He says, "I will see you, and ye shall rejoice; and your joy no man taketh from you."

Today is the illustrious and ineffable mystery of Christians, who have willingly set their hope like a seal upon Christ, plainly declared to us.

Come, then, ye too, dearly beloved, and let us chant the melody which has been taught us by the inspired harp of David, and say, "Arise, O Lord, into Thy rest; Thou, and the ark of Thy sanctuary." For the holy Virgin is in truth an ark, wrought with gold both within and without, that has received the whole treasury of the sanctuary.

"Arise, O Lord, into Thy rest." Arise, O Lord, out of the bosom of the Father, in order that Thou mayest raise up the fallen race of the first-formed man. Setting these things forth, David in prophecy said to the rod that was to spring from himself, and to sprout into the flower of that beautiful fruit, "Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thine ear, and forget thine own people and thy father's house; so shall the King greatly desire thy beauty: for He is the Lord thy God, and thou shalt worship Him." Hearken, O daughter, to the things which were prophesied beforetime of thee, in order that thou mayest also behold the things themselves with the eyes of understanding. Hearken to me while I announce things beforehand to thee, and hearken to the archangel who declares expressly to thee the perfect mysteries.

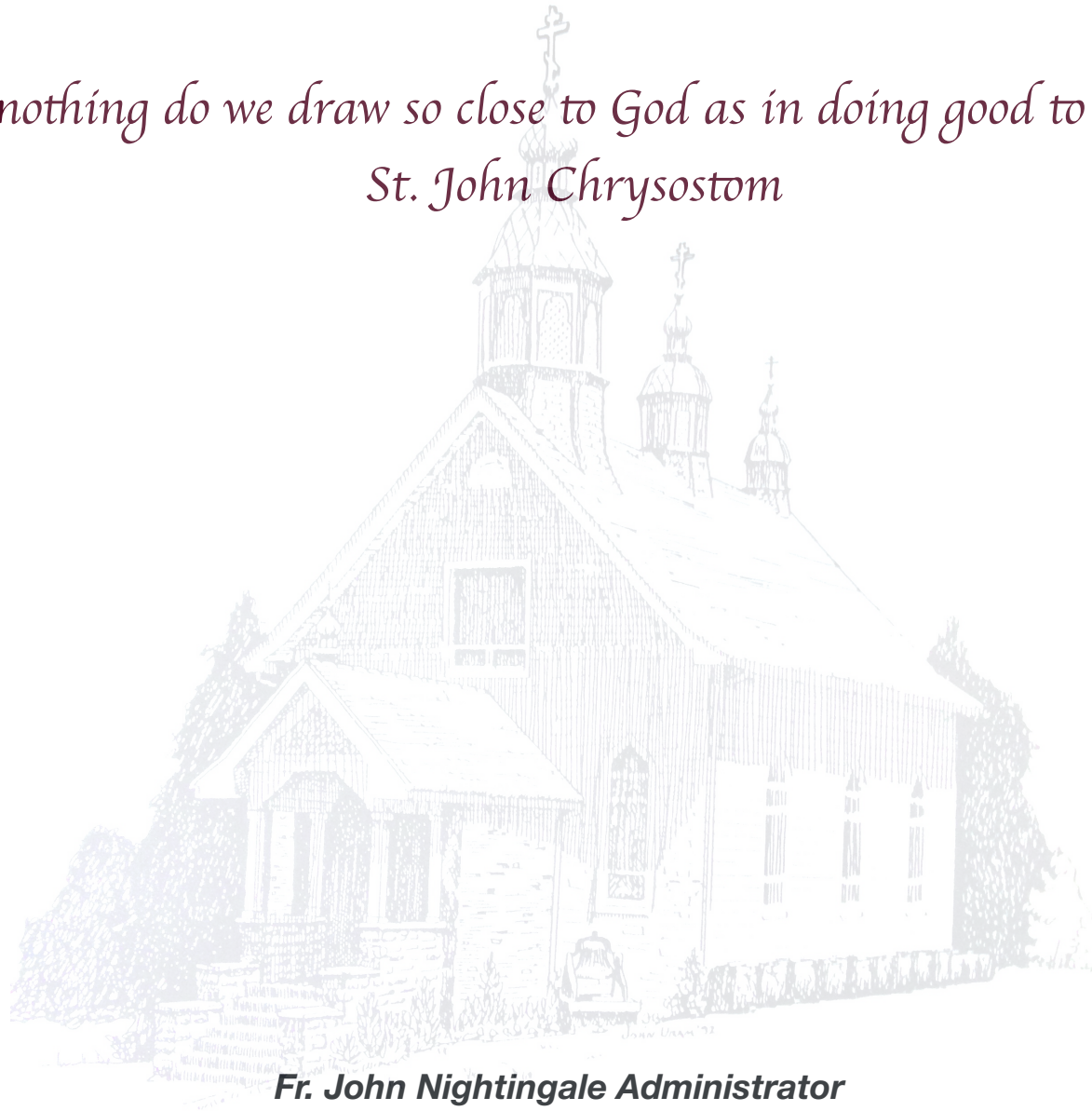
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In nothing do we draw so close to God as in doing good to man
St. John Chrysostom



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