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Easter Greetings

On behalf of **Fr. Yves, Popadija Kathy** and the **St. E Premte Church** we would like to wish everyone a **Blessed Pascha**.

<u>Gezuar Pashket!</u> Krishti U Ngjall!



CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

Albanian: Krishhti Unjall! Vertet Unjall! Slavonic: Christos Voskrese! Voistino Voskrese! Greek: Christos Anesti! Alithos Anesti! Serbian: Hristos Vaskrese! Vaistinu Vaskrese! Italian: Cristo e' Risorto! Veramente e' Risorto! Romanian: Hristus A Inviat! Adeverat a Inviat! Arabic: Almaseeh qam! Hakkan qam!

Schedule of Services for 2024 Holy Week and Pascha

April 28 - Palm Sunday 10:00am (Blessing of palms & Easter Egg Hunting)

May 2 - Holy Thursday Matins 6:00pm Reading of 12 Passion Gospels

May 3 - Holy Friday

3:00pm Great Vespers Placing of the Shroud on the Tomb 6:00pm Matins Lamentations with procession of the Shroud

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May 4 - Paschal Saturday

11:30pm Nocturne and Paschal Matins with procession around the Church, followed by the Easter Liturgy (Bless Eggs)

May 5 – Pascha Sunday

12:00pm Agape Vespers and after Bless Baskets

<u>Easter Eggs</u>



Please bring half a dozen red edible dyed Easter eggs for church, please bring on Holy Friday services or after and put them in the refrigerator. Father Yves will then bless them on Pascha to be passed out after Liturgy on Pascha

<u>"The Chosen" - Multi-Season Series About</u> Jesus's Life

Father, Yves encourages us to take time and watch "The Chosen" a show that explores Jesus through the eyes of those who knew Him. It is a the first-ever multi-season series about the life of Jesus. This fresh take on the Gospels follows Jesus as he gathers his disciples, heals the needy, and sacrifices himself for the sake of humanity. You can find it on Netflix or Angel.com. Ask father if you have any questions.

Confessions

Please come to confession <u>after the Sunday Liturgy</u>, because there is not enough time before the Sunday Divine Liturgy.

Have you been baptized?

Do you know what the ceremony looks like? SAVE THE DATE – MAY 25 at Noon

You are invited to join the baptism of our church parishioner Valentina Shkarpa.

For the Health & Well-being of

Please remember them in your prayers. May God give them strength to endure and get well. NAME - To add the name to the prayer list, leave a voicemail 216-941-1508 or email Victor at

office@stepremte.org

Popadija's Corner LITURGICAL NOTES ABOUT THE PASCHAL SEASON

Kathy, wife Father Yves is also known also as Popadija

As we make our Lenten Journey, we should reflect on what direction we will be taking. First, we need to have forgiven everyone in our lives for any transgressions they may have caused us, or we may have caused them.

We had Forgiveness Sunday and we asked every one of our church family to please forgive us and that may God forgive us all too.

When we said these things to one another, were we sincere? Did we just go through the motions of this because we are expected to do this every year right before Great Lent starts? If your answer to these questions is yes, then you really need to look at yourself and do some soul-searching.

Until I came into the OCA, I had never, ever heard of "Forgiveness Sunday", it was something that my Orthodox church never discussed or practiced. When I came into the OCA and heard about this "Forgiveness Sunday", I honestly did not know what to do. I was observing everyone else in line, listening and watching what they were doing and saying. It was not the same for every person. One woman came up to me and said that she had no idea who I was but asked for forgiveness from me and I responded, "Sure" because I did not know who she was either.

Later that evening I had thought about what had just happened a few hours earlier and I must say I still did not truly understand what this was all about. That night I prayed and prayed that God would help me figure this all out.

I remember growing up as a child people saying that sorry sometimes just does not make it. You chop someone's head off and then say you are sorry about it. You should always think before you do something so that you will not have to apologize or ask for forgiveness.

It is, sometimes, very difficult to not make mistakes and need to ask for forgiveness and be sorry for what you have done. We are only human. God gave us free will and this is why we make mistakes. I hope that we learn from our mistakes and repent.

I am wishing everyone a good Lenten Journey. We are close to celebrating the Resurrection of Christ! God Bless everyone! **Popadija Kathy**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you or someone you know is interested on volunteering, please email Victor at office@stepremte.org.