

HOLY RESURRECTION ORTHODOX CHURCH

Mary Street, Belle Vernon, PA
(Serving the faithful of Belle Vernon and surrounding areas)

Glory be to Jesus Christ! Glory be Forever!

The Very Rev. Fr. Samuel Smolcic March 14, 2010
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Epistle Reading: Hebrew 6:13-20 **Gospel Reading:** Mark 9:17-31

Next Week: Hebrew 9:11-14 **Next Week:** Mark 10:32-45

*Take time to read the scriptures to prepare your heart and mind for Sunday's Liturgy.

Altar Servers: Mark Farrell / Zach Billie

Services:	Wed., Mar. 17 th	Pre-Sanctified Divine Liturgy St. John the Divine, Monessen	6:30 pm
	Fri., Mar. 19 th	Akathist Sacrament of Confession	7 pm
	Sun., Mar. 21 st	Mary of Egypt Sunday Sunday School Divine Liturgy	9:15 am 10 am
		Mission Vespers -- Masontown	6 pm

Announcements: TODAY Holy Resurrection welcomes His Grace, Bishop MELCHISEDEK on his first pastoral visit to Holy Resurrection Church! All parishioners are cordially invited to remain after services to attend the Bishop's Luncheon today. His Grace is eager to meet as many of the faithful as possible. His Grace will conclude his archpastoral visit with a meeting with the Parish Council following the Luncheon. Eis polla eti despota!

Again this year, the Church School children will be collecting the names of our beloved dead for commemoration on the blessed Feast of Holy Saturday. This effort serves to join the names of our loved ones 'fallen asleep', with those down through the ages who have heard the message of Christ's 'trampling down death by death' on the 'great and holy Pascha' of Holy Saturday.

All Hands On Deck! The Paska Baking Sessions are scheduled for Tues., March 16th, Wed., March 17th and Fri., March 19th. All sessions start at 7 am. Come join the fellowship and help Baba with her baking!

DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR 11 Week Lenten/Holy Week/Paschal calendar TODAY! It is a wonderful, useful tool which charts all the Church services from before Great Lent through the post-Paschal period so that you will not miss a service. See you in church!

Your Lenten 'to do' check list should include the following:

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| + Attend more church services | + Adjust your diet to reflect the Fast |
| + Come to Holy Confession S-O-O-N | + Read your Bible |
| + Improve your prayer life | + Pick a charity & give from your heart |
| + Resolve to receive Holy Communion now through the Paschal season | + Charge your heart & mind |
| + Cultivate love, patience & obedience | + Make Holy Week a priority in your personal schedule |
| + Attend a Retreat | + Read a book on prayer, spirituality, etc. |

If you don't like this list, make up your own, but do **something** to help you grow during this holy season into 'the full stature of humanity in our Lord Jesus Christ'!

Fr. Sam will be starting to schedule shut-in Sacramental Visits this coming week. When he calls, try to accommodate his request for a visit. If you know of a person that Father may not be aware of, who would appreciate a visit, please let Father know.

Pussy Willows: Due to the early date of Palm Sunday this year, we urge any parishioner who have willow bushes to please cut them early and force bloom them in a bucket of water indoors then bundle and place somewhere cool to hold.

It is with great joy that we announce the occasion of the Baptism & Chrismation of our Catechumen, Tim Bertovich! Tim will be receiving the Sacraments of Holy Illumination on Lazarus Saturday (March 27) at St. Michael's Orthodox Church in Greensburg. St. Michael's has a walk-in baptismal font which can accommodate adults. The service will begin at 7:45 am with Divine Liturgy following at 9:00 am. All parishioners are, of course, invited to attend this festive celebration. You will be able to 'MapQuest' directions to St. Michael's by entering the church address of Ashland Avenue Extension, Greensburg, PA 15601.

Paschal Altar Candles: Gifts are now being accepted for the Paschal Altar Candles. If you would like to make a gift in memory of loved ones or in honor of loved ones, place your offering in an envelope marking it "Paschal Candles" and leave it at the Candle Stand.

Below is a list of those of our Parish Family who would especially appreciate a card or call during the Paschal Season:

Sophia Krill, Mon Valley Care Center, 200 Stoops Dr., Room 211, Monongahela, PA 15063
Ann Simmons, P.O. Box 102, Fayette City, PA 15438
Charles Homanics, Mt. Macrina Manor, Uniontown, PA 15401
Margaret Wiker, 188 Piersol Road, Belle Vernon, PA 15012
Helen Davis, 319 Wellness Way # 109, Washington, PA 15030
Rose Steiner, 936 McKean Avenue, Charleroi, PA 15022
Julia & Claudette Yuschak, 398 Fell Street, Belle Vernon, PA 15012
Ann Sutovich, Country Care Manor, 205 Coldrens Road, Fayette City, PA 15438
Jane Gombo, Hallsworth House, 1661 Grand Boulevard, Monessen, PA 15062
Jean Astle, Country Care Manor, 205 Coldrens Road, Fayette City, PA 15438
John & Mary SESCO, 834 Ridge Road, Brownsville, PA 15417

Parish Friend Separated by Miles:

Sonia Walsen, 29015 Bassett Road., Westlake, OH 44145

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