

**ST. MARY'S PARISH LENTEN MISSION**  
**March 27, 28, & 29**  
**Missionary: Most Rev. Peter Stasiuk, CSsR**

Monday, March 27 - 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross & Homily  
 Tuesday, March 28 - 6:00 pm Moleben & Homily  
 Wednesday, March 29 - 6:00 pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts & Homily

DATE	TIME	EPISTLE	CANTOR	USHERS	ORGANIST
SAT MAR 4	5:00 pm English	Sr. Terry Ann Słota	Sr. Terry Ann Słota	John Ostrowercha Vicky Ostrowercha	
SUN MAR 5 <i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Ivan Bachynskyy	Lorne Stechyshyn	Mary Malin Steve Popowich	
	11:00 am English	Gloria Rhinas	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	Ray Gorchinski Elaine Gorchinski	Iris Skehar
SAT MAR 11	5:00 pm English	Delores Oucharek	Delores Oucharek	Tom Abrametz Julie Abrametz	
SUN MAR 12 <i>3rd Sunday of Lent</i>	9:00 am Ukrainian	Sr. Terry Ann Słota	Lorne Stechyshyn	Mary Malin Steve Popowich	
	11:00 am English	Bill Prybylski	Laurie Fedorowich Ron Wizniak	John Woychesko Kathy Woychesko	Iris Skehar

**WE NEED YOUR HELP..** We are looking for volunteers to help with ushering duties at the weekend Divine Liturgies. Training is available if needed. Please call Gwen at 306-621-8725 for more information.

<b>SUNDAY COLLECTION</b>	Received on Feb 19 in 67 Regular Envelopes .....	\$ 1,722.00
<b>FEB 19, 2023</b>	Received on Feb 26 in 56 Regular Envelopes .....	\$ 1,167.00
<b>FEB 26, 2023</b>	Received in Loose Collection .....	\$ 318.75
	Received in 7 Other Envelopes .....	\$ 285.00

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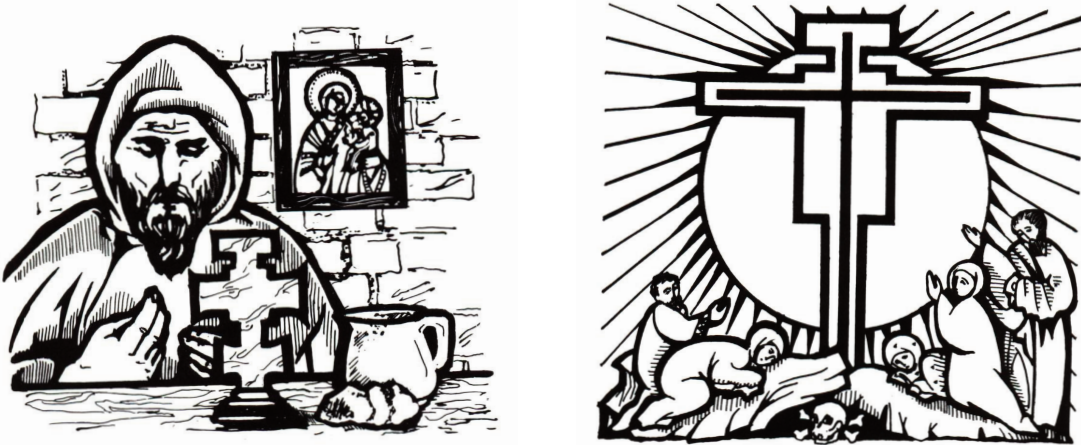
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**ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
 Церква Матері Божої Неустанної Помочі  
 Our Mother of Perpetual Help  
 155 Catherine Street, Yorkton, SK S3N 0B9

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**Christ is Among Us !**      **Христос Посеред нас !**  
**He is and will be !**      **Є і буде !**



The parish community of St. Mary's extends a warm  
***Welcome - Вітаємо***  
 to everyone who is with us today, especially all visitors.  
 We are pleased that you have come to pray with us this Sunday. May the Lord bless You.

**PASTORAL CARE OF THE  
UKRAINIAN REDEMPTORISTS**

Fr. Leonid Malkov, CSsR - Pastor  
 Fr. Yevhen Zadorozhnyi, CSsR - Assistant Pastor  
 Most Rev. Peter Stasiuk, CSsR

**\*\*OFFICE HOURS\*\***  
 Tuesday - Thursday \*\*9:00 am - 12:00 pm\*\*  
***Office is in the Church Basement-  
use Golden Agers Entrance on North side***

**Office 306-783-4594**  
**Sick Calls - 306-229-1755**

**BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES\*** by Appointment  
***\*Please contact the pastor at least six months  
before the wedding date.***

**DIVINE LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**SUNDAY**

Saturday 5:00 pm English  
 Sunday 9:00 am Ukrainian  
 11:00 am English

**HOLY DAYS**  
 9:00 am

**WEEKDAYS**

8:00 am Monday - Friday  
 9:00 am Saturday

**CONFESSIONS** are available 30 minutes  
 prior to each Divine Liturgy



## ST. MARY'S PARISH AND CULTURAL CENTRE ANNUAL MEETING

SUNDAY, MARCH 26<sup>TH</sup> TIME: 2:00 PM ST. MARY'S CULTURAL CENTRE

The Nominating Committee has the responsibility to propose a slate of officers and chairpersons for the various committees of the Parish Council. The following is a proposed slate of officers and chairpersons for the various committees.

### Parish Council Executive

<b>President:</b>	Doreen Rathgeber	<b>Past President:</b>	Fred Schrader
<b>Vice-President:</b>	Larry German	<b>Treasurer:</b>	Dolores Harris, Gwen Bilyk
<b>Secretary:</b>	Darlene Shymanski		

### Parish Council Committees

<b>Children &amp; Youth:</b>	Lana Klemetski, Rhonda Falconer
<b>Communications:</b>	Amy Prybylski
<b>Education:</b>	<i>Vacant</i>
<b>Finance:</b>	Kathy Rusnak
<b>Liturgical/Spiritual:</b>	Larry German, Laurie Fedorowich, Lorne Stechyshyn
<b>Building/Property:</b>	Peter Moroz, Bob Rusnak
<b>Outreach:</b>	Verlee Zulyniak
<b>Parish Activities:</b>	Kathy Woychesko, Kathy Rusnak
<b>Stewardship:</b>	Virginia Serele

## GREAT LENT - SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts** (English) Wednesdays & Fridays - **6:00 pm**

**Divine Liturgy & Sorokousty** (English & Ukrainian) on **All Souls Saturdays** - 9:00 am

**Way of the Cross** (English & Ukrainian) Mondays - 6:00 pm



## 2022 Nation Builders & Community Recognition Awards

### Congratulations to the 2022 Community Recognition Honourees:

Ernie Cherepuschak, Regina	Nettie Cherniatenski, Saskatoon
James Chorney, Regina	Steve Halabura, Martensville a
Wayne Halabura, Saskatoon	George Hupka, Saskatoon
Rostyk & Olesya Hursky, Saskatoon	Sonya Jahn, Prince Albert
Anna Kaminski, Regina	Vitaliy & Myroslava Kushnir, Saskatoon
Terry Kuzyk, Regina	Dana Lesiuk, Regina
Lana Niland, Saskatoon-Kyiv	Olena Shyian, White City
Sister Sophia, SSJ, Saskatoon	Carolyn Warnyca Griffin, Osage
Landon Lavoy, Regina	Lesia Lazurko, Regina

## UPCOMING EVENTS

March 16	Divine Liturgy at Queen Elizabeth Court	2:00 pm
March 17	Divine Liturgy at the Bentley	10:30 am
March 18	Knights of Columbus Bingo	7:00 pm
March 19	First Solemn Holy Communion Classes	9:00 am
March 21	Parish Council Meeting	
March 25	<i>Feast of the Annunciation</i>	
March 26	First Solemn Holy Communion Classes begin	9:00 am
March 26	St. Mary's Parish Annual General Meeting	2:00 pm
April 2	First Solemn Holy Communion Classes	9:00 am
April 3	Knights of Columbus Meeting	7:00 pm
April 3	UCWLC Meeting	7:00 pm
April 5	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton Crossing	10:30 am
April 6	Divine Liturgy at Yorkton & District Nursing Home	10:00 am
April 9	<i>Resurrection - Easter Sunday</i>	
May 7	First Solemn Holy Communion Class - First Reconciliation	
May 14	First Solemn Holy Communion	11:00 am



## ALTAR BOYS & CHILDREN OF MARY

Any children or youth with their First Communion Sacrament are invited to serve as an Altar boy or Children of Mary. Text Rhonda Falconer at 306-641-5333 for more information and training.



**EMAIL BULLETIN** - If you would like to have the Bulletin emailed to you please send your request to: **[st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net](mailto:st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net)**

**SOROKOUSTY** - If you wish to have your deceased family members remembered during Sorokousty on the All Souls Saturdays at Divine Liturgy, please use your yellow Sorokousty envelope and place it in the collection basket or drop it off at the Parish Office. Sorokousty is celebrated with the 9:00 am Divine Liturgy on "All Souls Saturday".

**The dates for this year are: March 4, 11 & 18 and May 27.**



**The Ukrainian Catholic Eparchy of Saskatoon Eparchial Safeguarding Policy: Covenant of Care, Electronic Communication and Technology & Abuse and Misconduct Policy** is a code of conduct which is designed to create safe and respectful church communities and healthy ministerial relationships, and to protect people from abuse and the harm that results.

To speak to someone about a concern please contact your Pastor, Parish Coordinator of Care (PCC) **Deborah Larmour**, Eparchial Coordinator of Care at **(306)-653-0138 ext. 228**; Cell: 306-222-1475 or email: **[safeguarding@skeparchy.org](mailto:safeguarding@skeparchy.org)** More information is available on the Eparchial Website, **[www.skeparchy.org](http://www.skeparchy.org)**.

# ST. MARY'S UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH YORKTON SCHEDULE OF EASTER SERVICES 2023

## Lazarus Saturday, April 1

9:00 am (English) – Divine Liturgy  
5:00 am (English) – Divine Liturgy & blessing of Pussy Willows

## Palm Sunday, April 2

9:00 am (Ukrainian) – Divine Liturgy & blessing of Pussy Willows  
11:00 am (English) – Divine Liturgy & blessing of Pussy Willows

## Monday, April 3

6:00 pm – (English) Presanctified Liturgy & Confessions

## Tuesday, April 4

6:00 pm – (English) Presanctified Liturgy & Confessions

## Wednesday, April 5

6:00 pm –(English) Presanctified Liturgy & Confessions

## Holy Thursday, April 6

9:00 am – (English) Divine Liturgy with Vespers  
6:00 pm – (English/Ukrainian) Passion of Our Lord – 12 Gospels

## Good Friday, April 7

9:00 am – (English) Vespers – Enthronement of the Holy Shroud  
6:00 pm – (English) Jerusalem Matins

## Holy Saturday, April 8

9:00 am –(English) Divine Liturgy with Vespers  
1:00 pm, 2:00 pm & 3:00pm – (English/Ukrainian) Blessing of Easter Foods  
6:00 pm – (English) Resurrection Matins, Divine Liturgy & blessing of Easter Foods

## Easter Sunday, April 9

10:00 am – (English/Ukrainian) Resurrection Matins, Divine Liturgy  
& blessing of Easter Foods

## Bright Week - Monday, April 10 – Friday, April 15

9:00 am – (English) Divine Liturgy



## JEDBURGH SNOWMOBILE DERBY

**SATURDAY, MARCH 11<sup>TH</sup>**

Jedburgh Curling Rink

Registration 10:00am – 11:30 am

Pancake breakfast 9:00 am – 11:00 am - \$10

Driver and Silent Hands - \$20/hand

Marked trail with halfway point (gas and hot dogs for sale)

All sleds back between 4:30- 5pm

Canteen Open in the Rink Bar open 3-11 pm

50/50 tickets Door Prizes and Raffle Prizes

Riders & Non-Riders... Everyone Welcome !

**All Proceeds to Beaverdale Church Restoration**

For more information contact Jason @ 306-621-8352



## SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

## VENERATION OF THE CROSS / THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

**MARCH 5, 2023**

**MARCH 12, 2023**

*The theme of Sunday is always Resurrection.  
We invite you to refrain from kneeling during the Divine Liturgy.*

*Today's special liturgical parts & readings are found on the  
Tropars, Kondaks, Epistle & Gospel Readings handout available at the entrances.*

## THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT ST. MARY'S

**SUN MAR 5**

## Second Sunday of Lent

9:00 am ..... Divine Liturgy **Ukrainian**  
9:00 am ..... First Solemn Holy Communion Class  
11:00 am..... Divine Liturgy **English**

**MON MAR 6**

6:00 pm..... Way of the Cross  
7:00 pm..... Knights of Columbus Meeting  
7:00 pm..... UCWLC Meeting

**WED MAR 8**

**FRI MAR 10**

**SAT MAR 11**

## All Souls Saturday

9:00 am ..... Divine Liturgy & Sorokousty  
5:00 pm..... Divine Liturgy

**SUN MAR 12**

## Veneration of the Cross / Third Sunday of Lent

9:00 am ..... Divine Liturgy **Ukrainian**  
9:00 am ..... First Solemn Holy Communion Class  
11:00 am..... Divine Liturgy **English**

**MON MAR 13**

**WED MAR 15**

**THU MAR 16**

**FRI MAR 17**

6:00 pm..... Way of the Cross  
6:00 pm..... Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts  
2:00 pm..... Divine Liturgy at Queen Elizabeth Court  
10:30 am..... Divine Liturgy at the Bentley  
6:00 pm..... Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts

**SAT MAR 18**

## All Souls Saturday

9:00 am ..... Divine Liturgy & Sorokousty  
5:00 pm ..... Divine Liturgy  
7:00 pm..... Knights of Columbus Bingo

**DEADLINE** for submissions to the bulletin **Wednesdays at 12:00 Noon**. The next bulletin will be printed for Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Please call the Parish Office in the mornings on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday or email your information to [st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net](mailto:st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net).

## DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We express our sympathy & prayers to the family & friends of  
**+Betty Senchuk and +Olga Butz** who passed away recently.

**Вічна Память    God Grant Them Eternal Rest    Вічна Память**



## DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, MARCH 5

**2nd Sunday of Lent**

**Hebrews 1:10-2:3 ~ Mark 2:1-12**

**MON MAR 6 42 Martyrs of Amorus**

**Ephesians 4:25-32 ~ Matthew 5:42-48**

8:00 am +Nancy Novak.....Matt Novak

**TUE MAR 7 Martyrs Ephrem, Basil & Eugene Philippians 2:12-26 ~ Matthew 10:32-38; 19:27-30**

8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Dan Bilick.....Sonia Bilick

**WED MAR 8 Confessor Theophylactus Ephesians 4:1-6 ~ Matthew 7:1-8**

**6:00 pm** Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts

**THU MAR 9 40 Martyrs of Sebastia Hebrews 12:1-10 ~ Matthew 20:1-16**

8:00 am Reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.....Fatima Prayer Apostolate

**FRI MAR 10 Martyr Codratus of Corinth Ephesians 5:1-8 ~ Matthew 6:22-34**



**6:00 pm** Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts

**SAT MAR 11 All Souls Saturday Hebrews 10:32-38 ~ Mark 2:14-17**

9:00 am Divine Liturgy & Sorokousty

5:00 pm Health & God's Blessings for Family.....John & Pauline Balaniuk & family

## DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, MARCH 12

**3rd Sunday of Lent - Veneration of the Cross**

**Hebrews 4:14-5:6 ~ Mark 8:34-9:1**

**MON MAR 13 Translation of Nicephorus' relics Philippians 2:5-11 ~ Matthew 13:10-23**

8:00 am +Fr. Peter Pidskalny.....Sr. Anne Pidskalny

**TUE MAR 14 Venerable Benedict 1 Corinthians 1:18-25 ~ Matthew 13:36-43**

8:00 am Birthday Blessings for Sister Theresa Slota.....SSMI

**WED MAR 15 Martyr Agapius & companions Galatians 2:16-20 ~ Matthew 9:18-26**

**6:00 pm** Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts

**THU MAR 16 Martyr Sabinus Galatians 5:22-6:2 ~ Matthew 25:14-30**

8:00 am Health & God's Blessings for Members & Families.....UCWLC

**FRI MAR 17 Venerable Alexis 2 Timothy 3:10-15 ~ Matthew 25:1-13**



**6:00 pm** Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts

**SAT MAR 18 All Souls Saturday Hebrews 6:9-12 ~ Mark 7:31-37**

9:00 am Divine Liturgy & Sorokousty

5:00 pm Health & God's Blessings for Ray & Elsie Malinowski.....MM

## Saint Mary's Building Fund Donations



### In Memory of Betty Senchuk

Doreen Rathgeber	\$ 100.00	Ella Fiegal	\$ 50.00
Orest & Elizabeth Zahayko & Family	\$ 50.00	Richard & Verlee Zulyniak	\$ 25.00

### ST. MARY'S RENOVATION PROJECT

<b>Opening Balance 2023</b>		<b>\$ 497,771.96</b>
<b>Revenue:</b>	Donations	\$ 1,985.89
	Investment Income	\$ 1,692.16
	Fundraising	\$ 1,044.00
<b>Total Income</b>		\$ 4,722.05
<b>Expenses:</b>		-( \$ 1,281.60)
<b>February 28, 2023 Balance</b>		<b>\$ 501,212.41</b>

### Thank you very much

Donations may be given anytime.

All funds collected will be used for the future renovations of our church.  
Building Fund Envelopes are available at the entrances of the Church

**CHURCH DONATIONS-** To ensure that your donation is properly recorded and acknowledged, please mark your envelope and the memo line on your cheque **"In memory of..."** or **"On the occasion of..."**



### ATTENTION PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Parish Council Reports for the Annual Meeting Report Book must be submitted by Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at the latest.  
Please email your report to [st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net](mailto:st.mary.yorkton@sasktel.net)



### Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood Members

**Your 2023 Membership is Now Due**

Please pay your \$20.00 membership before March 15<sup>th</sup>

You can drop your money in the collection plate

in an envelope clearly marked Brotherhood Membership with your name.

You can also pass it on with Executive members Glen Tymiak, Peter Moroz or Dave Spelay.



**CONFESSIONS ARE AVAILABLE-** There will be a priest available in the confessional 30 minutes prior to every Divine Liturgy.

**WEDDING PLANS ??-** If you are planning to be married at St. Mary's or any of the Yorkton District parishes, **please contact Fr. Leonid (306-783-4594) at least six months before the wedding date.**

**DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS -** If you are making an offering for this service by cheque, please make your cheque payable to: Ukrainian Catholic Mission. The suggested **stipend (offering)** for a Divine Liturgy Intention is **\$20.00. You can find Liturgy Request Forms with envelopes at the Church Entrances.** Once you have completed the form, place it in the envelope with your stipend, seal the envelope and drop into the collection plate.

**TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR  
SUNDAY, MARCH 5 ~ 2ND SUNDAY OF LENT**



**Sunday Tropar, tone 6 :** Angelic powers were upon Your tomb\* and the guards became like dead men;\* Mary stood before Your tomb seeking Your most pure body.\* You captured Hades without being overcome by it.\* You met the Virgin and granted life.\* O Lord, risen from the dead, glory be to You.

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and for ever and ever. Amen!***

**Kondak of the 2nd Sunday of Lent, tone 4:** Now is the proper time for cultivating virtue;\* judgment is at the door.\* And so let us fast;\* let us show tears of remorse and bring alms;\* let us cry out:\* “Our sins are more numerous than the sands of the seas.\* Forgive us, Creator of all,\* that we may obtain crowns of incorruption.”

**Prokimen, tone 5:**

You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us from this generation, and for ever.

**Verse:** *Save us, Lord, there are no devout men left.*

**Epistle:** A reading from the Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews 1: 10 - 2: 3

Brothers and Sisters! Lord of old you established the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you remain; all of them will grow old like a garment. You will roll them up like a cloak, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end. To which of the angels has God even said, “Sit at my right hand till I make your enemies your footstool?” Are they not all ministering spirits, sent to serve those who are to inherit salvation? In view of this, we must attend all the more to what we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels stood unchanged, and all transgression and disobedience received its due punishment, how shall we escape if we ignore a salvation as great as ours? Announced first by the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who had heard him.

**Alleluia Verses:** *He who lives in the aid of the Most High, shall dwell under the protection of the God of heaven.*

*He says to the Lord: You are my protector and my refuge, my God, in Whom I hope.*

**Mark 2: 1 - 12**

At that time when Jesus came to Capernaum after a lapse of several days and word got around that he was at home. At that they began to gather in great numbers. There was no longer any room for them, even around the door. While he was delivering God’s word to them, some people arrived bringing a paralyzed man to him. The four who carried him were unable to bring him to Jesus because of the crowd, so they began to open up the roof over the spot where Jesus was. When they had made a hole, they let down the mat on which the paralytic was lying. When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralyzed man, “My son, your sins are forgiven.” Now some of the scribes were sitting there asking themselves: “Why does the man talk in that way? He commits blasphemy! Who can forgive sins except God alone?” Jesus was immediately aware of their reasoning, though they kept it to themselves, and he said to them: “Why do you harbor these thoughts? Which is easier to say to the paralytic, ‘Your sins are forgiven, or to say, ‘Stand up, pick up your mat, and walk again.’? That you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins” (he said to the paralyzed man), “I command you: Stand up! Pick up your mat and go home.” The man stood and picked up his mat and went outside in the sight of everyone. They were awestruck; all gave praise to God saying, “We have never seen anything like this!”

**Instead of 'It is truly right':** In you,\* Lady full of grace,\* all creation rejoices,\* the world of angels\* and the human race.\* Sanctified temple, spiritual paradise,\* boast of virgins,\* God\* took flesh from you\* and became a child;\* He was God\* before\* the ages.\* He made your womb\* a throne\* and made it\* more encompassing\* than the heavens.\* In you,\* Lady full of grace,\* all creation rejoices,\* glory be to you.

**Communion Hymn:** Praise the Lord from the heavens,\* praise Him in the highest Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**TROPARS, KONDAKS, EPISTLE & GOSPEL FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 12**  
**3RD SUNDAY OF LENT - VENERATION OF THE CROSS**



**Sunday Tropar, tone 7 :** By Your cross You destroyed death;\* You opened Paradise to the thief;\* You changed the lamentation of the myrrh-bearers to joy,\* and charged the apostles to proclaim\* that You are risen, O Christ, our God,\* offering great mercy to the world.

**Tropar of the Cross, tone 1:** Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance.\* Grant victory to Your faithful people against enemies,\* and protect Your community by Your cross.

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; now and for ever and ever. Amen!**

**Kondak of the 3rd Sunday of Lent, tone 7:** The gates of Eden are no more guarded by a blazing sword,\* for the tree of the cross has gloriously extinguished it,\* destroying the sting of death and the victory of hell.\* O my Saviour, You went to those in Limbo crying aloud, "Return to paradise!"

**Instead of: Holy God, Holy Mighty. . . :** To Your cross, O Master, we bow in veneration, and we glorify Your holy Resurrection.

**Prokimen, tone 6:** Save Your people, O Lord, and bless Your inheritance.  
**Verse:** *Unto You I will cry, O Lord my God, lest You turn from me in silence.*

**Epistle:** A reading from the Epistle to the Hebrews 4: 14 - 5: 6

Brothers and Sisters! Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our profession of faith. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness, but one who was tempted in every way that we are, yet never sinned. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and favor and to find help in time of need. Every high priest is taken

from among men and made their representative before God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal patiently with erring sinners, for he himself is beset by weakness and so must make sin offerings for himself as well as for the people. One does not take this honor on his own initiative, but only when called by God as Aaron was. Even Christ did not glorify himself with the office of high priest; he received it from the One who said to him: "You are my son; today I have begotten you"; just as he says in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

**Alleluia Verses:** *Remember the people you long since made your own.  
Yet, God, my king from the first, author of saving acts throughout the earth.*

**Gospel:** Mark 8: 34 - 9:1

The Lord said: "If a man wishes to come after me, he must deny his very self, take up his cross, and follow in my steps. Whoever would preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will preserve it. What profit does a man show who gains the whole world and destroys himself in the process? What can a man offer in exchange for his life? If anyone in this faithless and corrupt age is ashamed of me and my doctrine, the Son of Man will be ashamed of him when he comes with the holy angels in his Father's glory." He also said to them: "I assure you, among those standing here there are some who will not taste death until they see the reign of God established in power."

**Instead of 'It is truly right':** In you,\* Lady full of grace,\* all creation rejoices,\* the world of angels\* and the human race.\* Sanctified temple, spiritual paradise,\* boast of virgins,\* God\* took flesh from you\* and became a child;\* He was God\* before\* the ages.\* He made your womb\* a throne\* and made it\* more encompassing\* than the heavens.\* In you,\* Lady full of grace,\* all creation rejoices,\* glory be to you.

**Communion Hymn:** The Light of Your face, O Lord, is raised over us.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!