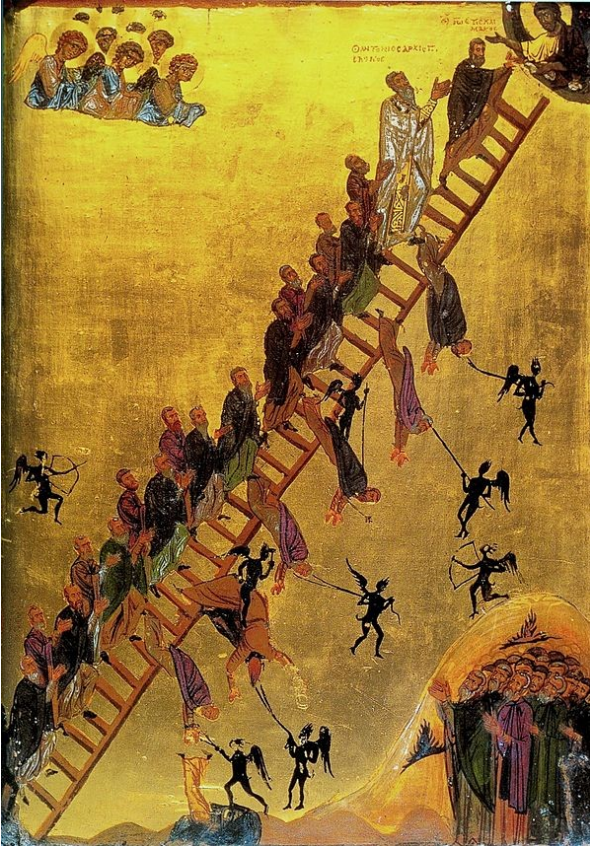


# THE ST. ELIZABETH'S PARISH NEWS

## St. Elizabeth's Orthodox Mission

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Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople

### Sunday of St. John of the Ladder



**Tropar Tone 4:** Blue Book page 90, Red Book page 105.

**Tropar and Kondak of St. John of the Ladder-** Blue book pg. 183, Red Book pg. 206.



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Sunday April 10th 2016

4th Sunday of Lent

Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20

Gospel: Mark 9:16-30



**Welcome to all of our visitors!** If you have never been to an Orthodox Church before you are about to partake in the Divine Liturgy. The Liturgy is the *work of the people* and that means that all of your prayers are necessary! We hope you will stay and join us for coffee hour in the atrium. Please feel free to ask Fr. Matthew any questions you might have! May God's blessings be upon all of you!

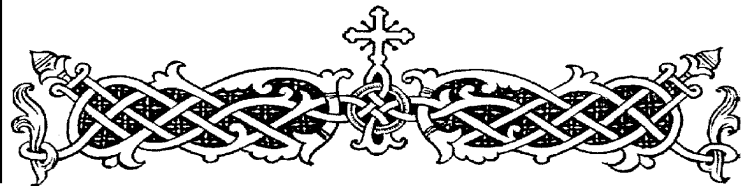
### Weekly Schedule for the fifth week of Lent:

**Wednesday 4/13 7:20 PM-** Moleben (Prayer Service) To The Holy Cross

**Friday 4/15 7:20 PM-** Presanctified Liturgy followed by Potluck Dinner

**Saturday 4/16 4:30 PM-** Great Vespers

**Sunday 4/17 10AM-** Divine Liturgy- 5th Sunday of Great Lent



*“Remembrance of wrongs is the consummation of anger, the keeper of sins, hatred of righteousness, ruin of virtues, poison of the soul, worm of the mind, shame of prayer, stopping of supplication, estrangement of love, a nail stuck in the soul, pleasureless feeling beloved in the sweetness of bitterness, continuous sin, unsleeping transgression, hourly malice.*

*This dark and hateful passion, I mean remembrance of wrongs, is one of those that are produced but have no offspring. That is why we do not intend to say much about it.*

*He who has put a stop to anger has also destroyed remembrance of wrongs; because childbirth continues only while the father is alive.”*

**+ St. John Climacus, Ladder of Divine Ascent, Step 9.2-4**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Have you been to a Lenten service during the week yet?**- If not, this is the time to start!
- **Confessions**– *Don't wait until Holy Week! Come for Confession a half an hour before any service except Sunday Divine Liturgy. If you need to receive Confession on a Sunday please see Fr. Matthew to make arrangements!*
- **Coffee Hour**– Thank you to Cora James for providing this weeks Coffee Hour! The next two weeks will be provided by Pani Kathryn followed by Cathy Sparks, and then we will be celebrating the Feast of Feasts together!
- **Palms, Willows, and Paschal Flowers**– If you would like to make a special donation for palms, pussy-willows, or paschal flowers please make a donation and note it on check. If you would like to make the donation in memory of a departed loved one or for the health of living please write down the names and give them to Fr. Matthew so that it can be noted in the Easter Bulletin.
- **ACRY Bowling Tournament**– The ACRY which is the Diocesan philanthropic and social organization will be visiting all of us soon! The group has members of all ages, and anyone who is interested in participating in the weekends activities is sure to have a wonderful and memorable time. You will make new friends and probably want to travel to the next event! The event will take place from May 27th through the 30th. All of the specific information can be found online at ACROd.org or specifically at <http://www.acrod.org/organizations/senioracry/acryn-e/acrycomingevents/2016-bt>. If you have any questions please feel free to ask FR. Matthew!



*"Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it."* - Mark 10:15

Yesterday we celebrated Cross Adoring Sunday. After liturgy, when most everyone left, David and Paulette Novak's young granddaughter, Charlotte, came up to me holding three dandelions. She said, "Father, the Cross with the flowers is so beautiful, can I add these flowers to it?" I smiled and said "of course!"

She placed the three hand picked dandelions at the foot of the Cross. In a field full of dandelions (or what we call weeds) she saw beauty. In a field full of dandelions she chose to pick three to adorn the Cross. Father, Son, and Holy Spirit!

In the middle of lent what a beautiful and powerful reminder for all of us to see the world and worship our Lord through the eyes of a child.

My prayer for myself and for all of us is that we can see the beauty and love of Christ and the Cross and adorn it just like Charlotte!

Prayers and blessings with all of you!

**This image of the Cross along with Charlotte's story** was shared with everyone this week via email. Many people asked for it to be posted on our facebook site. As of last night it has been viewed by over **4,500 people!** As far as I can tell this is the most viewed post in the history of our facebook page. What a blessing! God Grant many happy years to Charlotte and her family!

Evelyn Melnikoff, Fr. John and Pani Betty Jean Baranek, Fr. James Gleason, The Paccio Family, Johanna, James, Herbert and Mary Schleining, Patricia James, Anna, Basil, David, Dianna, Denise, Alex, Jason, Athanasia, Ethel, Kathy, Lester, Sally, Jack, Angela, Tyler, Maria, Bezerra Family, Jeff, Lesley, Page Family, Stephen (Blessed Repose), The Blonar Family, Anna (Blessed Repose), Louise, Emma Rae, The Floyd Family, Phillip (Blessed Repose), Zachary, George, Fred and Helen Mileszko, Robin, Michael, Dean, Margaret, Jenny (Blessed Repose) and Keith Through the prayers of the Birthgiver of God and Ever-Virgin Mary, St. Elizabeth, The Holy Fathers, and all the Saints, may our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ have mercy on us and save us!

