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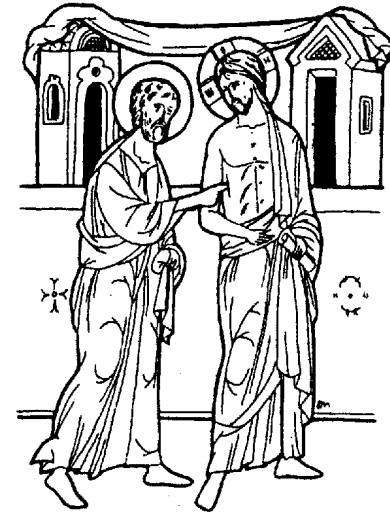
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## Неділя 11 квітня 2021. Томина Неділя

*Христос воскрес із мертвих, смертю смерть подолав, і тим що в гробах, життя дарував.*

**Тропар, глас 7:** Хоч запечатаний був гріб,\* як життя із гробу возсіяв Ти, Христе Боже,\* і хоч замкнені були двері,\* ученикам ти представ, як воскресення всіх,\* дух правий через них обновлюючи нам,\* по великій Твоїй милості.

**Слава Отцю, і Сину, і Святому Духові: і нині, і повсякчас, і на віки вічні. Амінь.**

**Кондак, глас 8:** Допитливою дисницею\* життєдайні Твої ребра Тома провірив, Христе Боже,\* бо хоч замкнені були двері, як Ти увійшов,\* він із іншими апостолами кликав до Тебе:\* "Господь мій і Бог мій!"

**Прокімен, глас 3:** Великий Господь наш і велика сила його, і розумові його немає міри.

**Стих:** *Хваліте Господь, бо добрий! Співайте Богу нашому, бо милій!*

**Апостол:** Діянь Святих Апостолів Читання. (5: 12 - 20)

Тими днями руками апостолів робилося багато знаків і чудес у народі. Всі вони перебували однодушно у притворі Соломона, і ніхто сторонній не насмілювався до них пристати; однак народ хвалив їх вельми. Віруючих дедалі більше й більше приставало до Господа, сила жінок і чоловіків; так, що й на вулиці виносили недужих і клали на постелях і на ліжках, щоб, як ітиме Петро, бодай тінь його на когонебудь з них упала. Сила людей збиралась навіть з довколишніх міст Єрусалиму, несучи хворих та тих, що мучили нечисті духи, і вони всі видужували. Устав тоді первосвященик, і всі ті, що були з ним, (то була секта садукєїв,) і повні заздрощів, наклали руки на апостолів і викинули їх до громадської в'язниці. Але вночі ангел Господень, відчинив двері в'язниці й, вивівши їх, мовив: "ідіть і, ставши в храмі, говоріть до народу всі слова життя його."

**Стихи на Аलिудя:** *Прийдіте, радісно заспіваймо*

*Господеві, воскликнім Богу, Спасителеві нашому.*

*Бо Бог великий Господь і цар великий по всій землі.*

**Євангелія:** Від Йоана 20: 19 - 31

Коли настав вечір того самого дня, першого в тижні, а двері були замкнені там, де були учні, зі страху перед юдеями, прийшов Ісус, став посередині і каже їм: "Мир вам!" Сказавши це, показав їм руки й бік. І зраділи учні, побачивши Господа. І знову Ісус їм каже: "Мир вам! Як мене послав Отець, так я посилаю вас." Сказавши це, дихнув на них і каже: "Прийміть Духа Святого. Кому відпустите гріхи, відпустяться їм; кому ж затримаєте, затримаються. Тома ж, один з дванадцятьох, на прізвище Близнюк, не був з ними, коли прийшов Ісус. Інші учні йому сказали: "Ми бачили Господа." Він відповів: "Як не побачу на його руках ран від цвяхів і не вкладу мого пальця у місце, де були цвяхи, і коли руки моєї не вкладу в його бік, не повірю!" По вісьмох днях учні його знову були в домі, і Тома був з ними. Увіходить Ісус, а двері були замкнені, і стає посередині, і каже: "Мир вам!" Потім каже до Томи: "Вклади твій палець сюди, і глянь на мої руки. І простягни твою руку, і вклади її у мій бік. І не будь невірющий, але віруючий!" Тома відповів і сказав до нього: "Господь мій і Бог мій!" Каже йому Ісус: "Тому що ти бачив мене, віруєш. Щасливі ті, які не бачили, і увірували!" Багато ще і інших чудес учинив Ісус на очах своїх учнів, що їх не записано в цій книзі. А ці записано, щоб ви увірували, що Ісус є Христос, Син Божий, та, увірувавши, щоб мали життя в його ім'я.

**Замість 'Достойно...':** Ангел звістив Благодатній: "Чиста Діво, радуйся! І знову кажу, радуйся! Твій Син воскрес на третій день із гробу, і мертвих воскресив." Люди, веселіться! Світися, світися, новий Єрусалиме, слава бо Господня на Тобі засяяла! Радій нині і веселися, Сіоне, а Ти, чиста Богородице, втішайся воскресінням Сина Твого.

**Причасний:** Похвали, Єрусалиме, Господа, хвали Бога твого, Сіоне. Алилудя! Алилудя! Алилудя!

## Sunday, April 11, 2021. Sunday of St. Thomas

*Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.*

**Tropar, tone 7:** Though the tomb had been sealed,\* from the tomb You arose, O Life and Christ our God.\* Though the door had been locked,\* You appeared among the disciples, O Resurrection of all;\* and thus You restored an upright spirit for us\* according to your great mercy.

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

**Kondak, tone 8:** Thomas placed his restless hand\* into your life-giving side, O Christ our God;\* and since You entered, although the doors were locked,\* he cried out to You with the other apostles:\* "You are my Lord and my God!"

**Prokimen, tone 3:** Great is our Lord and mighty in power; to his wisdom there is no limit.

**Verse:** *Praise the Lord, for he is good; sing praise to our God, for he is gracious.*

**Epistle:** A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. (5: 12 - 20)

In those days through the hands of the apostles, many signs and wonders occurred among the people. By mutual agreement they used to meet in Solomon's Portico. No one else dared to join them, despite the fact that the people held them in great esteem. Nevertheless more and more believers, men and women in great numbers, we continually added to the Lord. The people carried the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mattresses, so that when Peter passed by at least his shadow might fall on one or another of them. Crowds from the towns around Jerusalem would gather, too, bringing their sick and those who were troubled by unclean spirits, all of whom were cured. The high priest and all his supporters (that is, the party of the Sadducees), filled with jealousy, arrested the apostles and threw them into the public jail. During the night, however, an angel of the Lord opened the gates of the jail, led them forth and said, "Go out now and take your place in the temple precincts and preach to the people all about this new life."

**Alleluia Verses:** *Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior.*

*For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth.*

**Gospel:** John 20: 19 - 31

On the evening of the first day of the week, even though the disciples had locked the doors of the place where they were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood before them. "Peace be with you," he said. "When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. At the sight of the Lord the disciples rejoiced. "Peace be with you," he said again. "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Then he breathed on them and said: "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive men's sins, they are forgiven them; if you hold them bound, they are held bound." It happened that one of the Twelve, Thomas (the name means "Twin"), was absent when Jesus came. The other disciples kept telling him; "We have seen the Lord!" His answer was, "I will never believe it without probing the nail prints in his hands, without putting my finger in the nail marks and my hand into his side." A week later, the disciples were once more in the room, and this time Thomas was with them. Despite the locked doors, Jesus came and stood before them. "Peace be with you," he said; then to Thomas: "Take your finger and examine my hands. Put your hand into my side. Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe!" Thomas said in response, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus then said to him: "You became a believer because you saw me. Blest are they who have not seen and have believed." Jesus performed many other signs as well -- signs not recorded here -- in the presence of his disciples. But these have been recorded to help you believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, so that through this faith you may have life in his name.

**Instead of 'It is truly right...':** The angel cried out to the One full of grace:\* "O chaste Virgin, rejoice!\* And again I say, rejoice!\* Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day\* and raised the dead."\* Let all people rejoice!\* Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem,\* for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you!\* Exalt now and be glad, O Sion!\* And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight\* in the resurrection of your Son.

**Communion Hymn:** Glorify the Lord O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!



## WELCOME - ВІТАЄМО

### Schedule of Services from April 11, to April 18, 2021

**Sun, Apr 11 Sunday of St. Thomas - Томина Неділя**

**10:00 am Divine Liturgy - Служба Божа**

**For health and God's Blessings for our parishioners & their families**

**Mon, Apr 12 9:00 am** In memory of Mother + Pauline Krawchuk (27 years) from Terry Krowchuk

**Tue, Apr 13 9:00 am** For the late + Olga and George Palmer from niece and family

**Wed, Apr 14 6:00 pm** For the late + Albert and + Elsie Kosowan from Katherine and David

**Thur, Apr 15 10:00 am** За душі у чистилищі від Дмитра Сікори

**6:00 pm** For the late grandfather + Phillip from Myron Fedoruk

**Fri, Apr 16 No service**

**Sat, Apr 17 No service**

**Sun, Apr 18 Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women - Неділя Мирносиць**

**10:00 am Divine Liturgy - Служба Божа**

**For health and God's Blessings for our parishioners & their families**

**Last week's donations:** Sunday Collection: \$2,475.00; (Envelopes 66)

Direct Deposit: for the Month of March: \$1,260.00; Parishioners: 15

Church needs: \$1,730.00;

Easter Flowers: \$40.00;

Lenten Offering: \$95.00

**Expenses: \$1,836.00;**

### Guidelines for receiving Holy Communion!

The Priest and, if present, Rev. Protodeacon Stefan Tyrawski, will give Holy Communion. We ask you to remain in your pews. When a member of the clergy approaches, please stand to receive the Holy Eucharist. If there is another person beside you in the pew, please step out of the pew after receiving Holy Communion, in order to give enough space for your neighbour to receive Holy Communion.

For those faithful who, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, are uncomfortable to participate at the public Sunday Divine Liturgy, Fr. Volodymyr will have the Holy Eucharist available for parishioners to come into the church after the Liturgy. The Private Prayers and Holy Communion will take place after the Sunday Divine Liturgy, between 11:30 am - 12:15 pm.

**Please pray for the following sick & shut-in Parishioners of the Blessed Virgin Mary:**

"Oh God, Our Father we pray You restore to physical health those of our parishioners who are weakened with illness, give peace of mind to those troubled with worry and comfort to those discouraged with problems. Help them find in the days of their strength, a faith and trust in You and a love for one another to guide them through any health challenges or troubles they may face". Amen.

**Shut-ins: Holy Family Home:** Stephania Demkiw, Lorraine Putasnick, Helen Moroz

**Maples Care Home:** Anna Paslawsky, Irene Prokop, Eleanor Harik

### Vichna Lyampa (Eternal Light in Sanctuary):

For Forgiveness for Ditz Family living and deceased. Love Kelly Ditz

**Available dates: May 2, 30;**

### Icon of the Mother of God vigil Lamp:

For health and God's blessing for Fr. Volodymyr Bashutsky from Antonina and Erena Witrowych

**Available dates: April 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30;**

### Icon of our Lord vigil lamp:

Candle is for the intentions requested by Agnes Yasenka

**Available dates: April 25; May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30;**

## Church Properties Maintenance Report:

*During these times of COVID-19, our church property needs to be maintained as before.*

**In the month of February, 2021,** Honeywell replaced the radiator valve actuator, that was worn out. In order to replace the valve, the entire system had to be drained, and all piping around the faulty valve had to be replaced. The total cost for this work was \$2,039.90.

**While replacing the faulty radiator valve,** the Honeywell employee informed us that the boiler pressure relief valve had passed its expiry date. The office of the fire commissioner requires the pressure relief valve to be changed every 5 years. The cost for this work was \$1,023.06.

## CHURCH DONATIONS

| Donor(s)                          | Intention   | \$       |
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| Alan Harik                        | Church needs  | \$300.00 |
| Anonymous                         | Church needs  | \$200.00 |
| Anonymous                         | Church needs  | \$200.00 |
| Anonymous                         | Church needs  | \$100.00 |
| Paul and Cynthia Vincent & family | In memory of our father and grandfather<br>+ William Minsky | \$100.00 |
| Kelly Ditz                        | On the occasion of birthday: "Church Incense"               | \$100.00 |
| Ken and Bohdanka Stoyko           | Church needs  | \$75.00  |
| Romana Hur and Family             | Church needs  | \$50.00  |
| Євгенія Булка                     | На потреби церкви   | \$40.00  |
| Anonymous                         | Church needs  | \$40.00  |
| Evelyn Chubaty                    | Church needs  | \$25.00  |

### ***Church Properties Maintenance Report and Update on Church Hall (932 College Avenue):***

***During these times of COVID-19, our church property needs to be maintained as before.***

**On March 17th**, shortly after 9:00 pm, the window of the back door was broken (from the second attempt). Last week, the window was replaced by Glass Doctor. The cost was \$550.00. Thank you to John Kutcher for the temporary repair, and to Glen Henkewich, for arranging the replacement of the window.

**This coming week, Rakowski Cartage & Wrecking will begin the actual demolition of the Church Hall.**

I am inviting you to drive by and bid farewell to the Church Hall that has served our parish, our parishioners and our community for 70 years! Many of you have shared your beautiful memories of our Church Hall, where you came for Catechism classes, Ukrainian School, Ukrainian Dancing, Seniors Club, showers, weddings, socials, anniversary parties, concerts, bingo, and the list goes on.



## Dear Parishioners and Friends of our Parish!

A very special thank you to everyone who helped to make Holy Week and Easter such a beautiful celebration in our church, especially during this difficult time.

**This year**, our Paska Blessing on the Parish parking lot was a unique event! We would like to thank all parishioners who attended. I hope you all enjoyed this special event. **A sincere thank you** to Douglas Moughan, Vice-President of Cropo Funeral Home, for booking and providing us with an FM Transmitter, and to Madison, a student in training for delivering and for setting up the system. The system worked very well for the blessing of the Easter Baskets. Thank you to our parishioners who served as parking lot usher and greeters: Glen Henkewich, Ruslan Bobelyak, Jack Groot and Teresa Hryndzio for helping to direct the vehicles. **A special thank you** to Protodeacon Stefan Tyrawski, and cantors: Simeon Rusnak and Alexander Hryndzio, and to Jimmy Sawchuk, for assisting Father.

**A special thank you to** our parishioners who helped to prepare our parish for the Easter Celebration: Glen Henkewich, John and Adeline Natyna, Ruslan Bobelyak, Andrij and Nazar Bobelyak, Jimmy Sawchuk, Maria Gorbay, Barbara Kutcher, Janet Kuchma, Myron Fedoruk, Andrew Nelson, Lorna Nelson, and Irene Pilipowicz.

**Thank you to** all parishioners for your generous donations for Easter Flowers, and to the UCWLC for decorating the church and looking after the flowers.

**Thank you to** Simeon Rusnak and Alexander Hryndzio for singing our Holy Week and Easter Services and to Barbara Kutcher, Irene Pilipowicz, Myron Fedoruk and Jimmy Sawchuk for all their help and assistance during Lenten and weekly services.

**Thank you to** Gerald Stolar for operating our livestream system.

**Thank you to** Janet Kuchma for taking registration for all the services, and to all our parishioners who volunteered to be ushers and greeters during the busiest time of the year.

**We are so very grateful to all our parishioners and friends**, who participated in the Easter Services, either in person or united in prayer and celebration, by following the online Easter Services.

## Lenten Offering

This year, the Lenten offering will support **Catholic Missions of Canada (CMIC)**. You can find more information on the website: <https://cmic.info>. To support this year's Lenten project, you may use the blue "Lenten Offering" envelope. Please make your cheques payable to "Blessed Virgin Mary Parish" by April 11th, 2021. Thank you.