

**Descent of the Holy Spirit Ukrainian Catholic Church  
Українська Католицька Церква Зіслання Святого Духа  
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**Christ is Risen from the Dead, trampling death by death and to those in the tombs giving life!  
(3 times)**

**Christ is Risen! – Indeed He is Risen!**

**Розклад Богослужінь – Schedule of Divine Liturgies**

**Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup> – 6:00 pm – Sunday Liturgy is rescheduled due to Easter  
Lunch in Ludlow Parish. Pro Populo (Sunday of the Samaritan woman)**

**Epistle: Acts 11;19-26 and 29-30**

**Gospel: Jn. 4:5-42**

**Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup> – 10:30 am – For Parishioners (Sunday of the man born blind)**

**Epistle: Acts 16:16-34**

**Gospel: Jn. 9:1-38**

**Confession/Сповідь**

Confessions are available on Sundays or Feast days after the Liturgy

**Intention cards**

We should remember to pray for our family members and for relatives, as well for the deceased. There are intention cards available in the foyer of the church to be filled out if you would like to have the Liturgy for family members, relatives or friends.

**Jubilee Year of Mercy – April 2016 Discovering ways to live the Year of Mercy**

In this Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encourages us “to experience the opening of our hearts to those living on the outermost fringes of society” and to “keep alive the desire to know how to welcome the numerous signs of the tenderness which God offers to the whole world and, above all, to those who suffer, who are alone and abandoned, without hope of being pardoned or feeling the Father’s love” (Misericordiae Vultus, Pope Francis).

We know how the poor need help. We know how the sick need healing, how the oppressed need justice, how the grieving need comfort. We know how the spiritual life needs exercise, with daily prayer, meditation, study, and the companionship of kindred, seeking souls. Being people of the resurrection, graced with this knowledge, it is our calling to talk to people on the road and announce the Good News of the risen Christ to them. During this period of contemplating Christ’s mercy, we are reminded that Jesus not only preached mercy, but He put into action works of mercy as He assisted the poor, consoled the lonely and outcast, relieved suffering and affliction and taught the ignorant. No one person can give what they do not have, thus each one of us must know Christ personally. We need to know Him personally so that we can go out and proclaim Him to every person we encounter.

Today is our time of joy and renewed evangelical spirit to proclaim the Good News of the risen Christ to others. Our parish communities should become places to encounter the living Christ! This is what Christ is inviting us to do! This is the day that Lord has made, let us exalt and rejoice in it. This is the calling to each of us, so we may bring this joy of encountering, the risen Christ to others. Will we be able to share this personal encounter with the risen Christ with our families, our friends, and people we encounter in our daily lives? Let us experience this Easter season joy and let us radiate this joy in our lives. Let the Mercy of Christ shine in our lives and deeds!

in the Year of Mercy “Mercy begins with me”. Let us all incorporate the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy into our daily lives!

**Church Projects**

**There are some projects that need to be done in our parish during this year.**

- 1. Church furnace needs to be replaced – cost of this project is about \$3000**
- 2. Rectory furnace needs to be checked**
- 3. Renovation of Church doors**
- 4. Church books need repair**
- 5. Tag sale with Picnic – we need to choose a date and start working on that**

**April 17<sup>th</sup> Collection**

Thanks for your generous donations for Descent of the Holy Spirit Ukrainian Catholic Church.

**Plate collection: \$630**

**Candles: \$12**

**Renovation: \$120**

**Easter Bazar continue: \$ 195**

**Total: \$ 957**

God Bless You ALL!

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