MARCH

The Great Fast Calendar of Lenten Services

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | 25 | 26 | | 28 | 1 |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 | -11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17 | Pre-Sanctified 7pm | 19 | 20 | 2 Pre-Sanctified w/ All Souls | 22 Vestment Repair eat - pray - love |
| Family Catechesis Commo | | 25 Divine Liturgy Annunciation 7pm | Pre-Sanctified 7pm Pre-Sanctified 7pm | 27 Chotki Knotting 7pm Andrew of Crete 7pm | 7pm 28 Pre-Sanctified w/ All Souls 7pm Pre-Sanctified 7pm | 29 Basket Weaving 10am - 5pm Pysanky Class eat - pray - love |



Learn the venerable art of Easter egg decorating

No experience required. You are welcome to come any time but do plan to stay for a couple of hours. Please also bring a lunch.

Sat, Apr 5th

10am to 5pm

(Rectory lower level)

Chotki Knotting

Learn the basic knot used to make your own chotki (prayer rope). Classes are limited to 3 people due to the complexity of the knot. Please see sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Wed, Mar 26th Mon, Mar 31st 7pm - 9pm

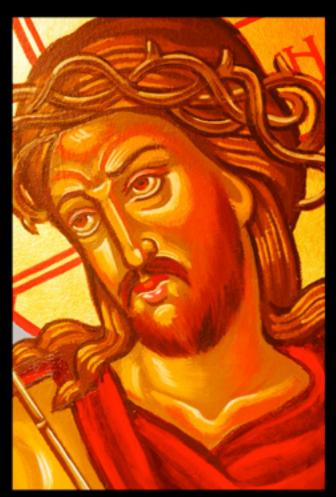
The Annual Cleaning of the Pew

Join us as we prepare the church for Pascha

Saturday April 12th

starting at 10:00AM





A Lenten journey into

Bright Sadness

The Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Thur. April 3, 2025 Begins at 7:00PM

Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Parish 14610 S Will Cook Rd Homer Glen, IL 60491

In the profoundly moving Byzantine Catholic service of St. Andrew of Crete, Biblical accounts of sin and redemption are chanted in hauntingly beautiful melodies as we immerse ourselves into the *bright sadness* of repentance through the gesture of full body prostrations.

The service will continue until about 11:00PM but we invite you to experience any part of its duration. The Sacrament of Confession will be available throughout the service. If 'giving up candy' for Lent just does not seem like enough then make your Lent a real conversion.

For more information visit: www.byzantinecatholic.com Visit us on Facebook: Annunciation Byzantine Catholic Parish or Call: 708-645-0241

Sew...a needle pulling thread

Join us on Saturday, March 22nd at 10AM, as we begin some much needed repair to the altar boy's vestments. This repair work will consist mostly of needle hand work. So, if you can sew a button, we would love to have you. See Laura Kizior for more information.

Prosphora Class



Learn the art of making Prosphora (Communion Bread). This will be a hands on experience where you will help to make the bread that will eventually become the **Body of Christ!**

Sun. Mar 23rd - This will be a part of our Family Catechesis program

Basket Weaving

Learn the art of basket weaving while using materials harvested from Annunciation's Prairie to make your own small basket for Pascha. Plan to spend 2 hrs at the drop in class on **Sat. March 29th** and then finish your project at home. Ages 12 & up

Prayer of Saint Ephrem

(the official Byzantine Lenten Prayer)

O Lord and Master of my life, spare me from the spirit of indifference, despair, lust for power, and idle chatter.

Instead, bestow on me, your servant, the spirit of integrity, humility, patience, and love.

Yes, O Lord and King, let me see my own sins and not judge my brother and sisters; for you are blessed forever and ever. **Amen**