

The Ladder of Divine Ascent

Saint John Climacus (which means, of the ladder) was a sixth-century saint who entered the Monastery of Saint Catherine at Mount Sinai at age sixteen and dedicated his life to God. Over the course of his years at the monastery he developed a reputation for wisdom, selfdiscipline and an intense desire to grow in holiness.

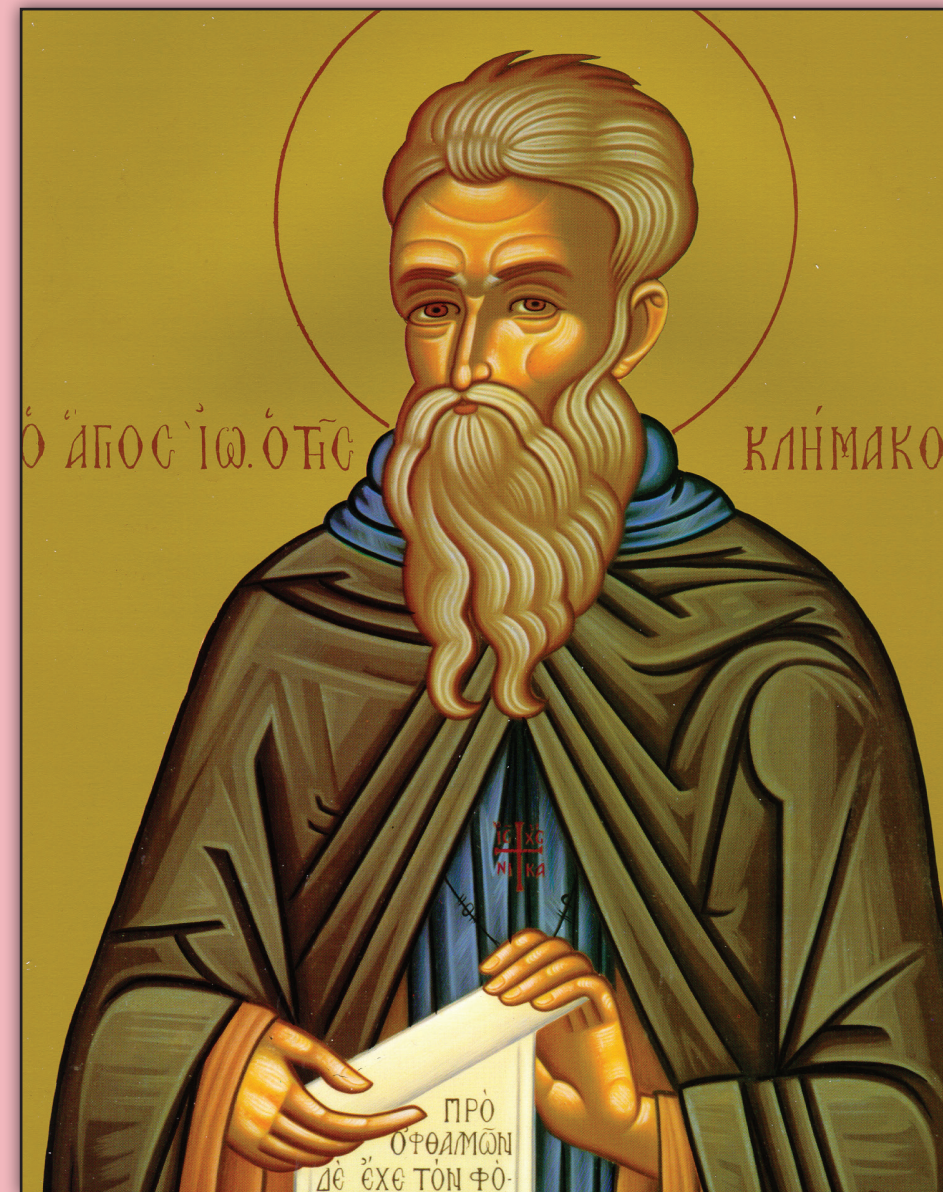
He lived for seventy years at the monastery and eventually became hegumen (abbot). Although Saint John loved his monastery, he preferred solitude and spent many years in the wilderness living the life of a hermit. Even so, he was sought out by many pilgrims who traveled to Mount Sinai in search of this hermit saint and his wisdom.

Saint John is perhaps best known for his

authorship of a book entitled The Ladder of Divine Ascent. Even today, this thirty-chapter book is considered to be one of the most significant spiritual writings of Christian literature. Each of the thirty chapters represents one rung on a symbolic spiritual ladder of perfection leading from earth up to heaven. Thus, each chapter presents the reader with another spiritual exercise through which the highest point of earthly perfection may be reached before being consummated in heaven.

When he died, it was said of him that “his body ascended the heights of Mount Sinai, but his soul ascended the heights of heaven.” By his example and through his prayers, may our sights remain high and heavenward as we continue on our Lenten journey.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST SUNDAY OF JOHN CLIMACUS



Icon of Saint John Climacus

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Schedule for Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil Vespers: 6:30 p.m.

Day of Feast: 10:00am and 6:30 p.m.

Confessions: See calendar or at any time by request.

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March 27, 2022

4th Sunday in Lent –

Sunday of Venerable John the Ladder

This Sunday: Epistle Hebrews 6:13-20

Gospel Mark 9:17-31

Next Sunday: Epistle Hebrews 9:11-14

Gospel Mark 10:32-45

Weekly Liturgy Schedule

Monday 3/28

No Liturgy

Tuesday 3/29

No Liturgy

Wednesday 3/30

12:00pm Presanctified Liturgy

Wednesday 3/30

6:30pm Great Canon of St. Andrew the Crete

Thursday 3/31

6:30pm Presanctified Liturgy

Friday 4/1

12:00pm Akathist to the Mother of God

Saturday 4/2

9:00am Divine Liturgy – Saturday of the Dead

Sunday 4/3

10:00am Divine Liturgy – Sunday of Mother Mary of Egypt

Church Bulletin donated in March 2022 by Amparo Adkins.

All scheduled services will be held and can be viewed and prayed with at <https://stgeorge.click2stream.com/>. Make sure to click on the volume to unmute at the bottom right hand corner.

Coffee hour is provided by the Harry and Kathy Walsh in memory of deceased loved ones. Thank you!

Sunday Collection: March 20, 2022

Loose	\$123.00
Sunday envelopes	\$1,328.00
Ukraine Relief Special Collection	\$446.00
Candles	<u>\$128.00</u>
Total	\$2,025.00

Online Donations: <https://www.stgeorgeoh.org/donate>

Susan and Frank DeMarco Ukraine Support \$100.00

Someone lit a candle and prayed for you last Sunday:

In memory of all Zagan Family Members	The Zagan Family
+All family members and angel +Trisha	Del and Sandy
H/S All family members	Del and Sandy
+Eugenia Greavu, mother and all family members	Liviu and Mariana Greavu
+John, husband	Suzie Dragos
+Deceased Family	Suzie Dragos
H/S All Family	Suzie Dragos
H/S Kristin Roska/Glyder and Baby Gage	Suzie Dragos
H/S Melanie Gallagher	Suzie Dragos
+Parents, All Family Members and Virginia Fuciu	Chuck Roska Family
H/S Jerry Donahue, Aunt Alice Loop, Sheila Diotale, Scott Fuciu Family, Kristin and Baby Gage	Chuck Roska Family
For my health and salvation	Amparo Adkins

Special Intention
H/S Baby Gage
Special Intention: Scott Fuciu Family
Pentru nepoata Annabelle
For all deceased loved ones
Health and salvation
H/S Walter Heatherly
Health and salvation
Special Intention
H/S Sue Sampson
H/S Kristin and Gage Roska
+John Bikis, Jr.
+Emil Neagu
+Terry Orlando
+Madeline Onak
+Amelia Botean
Anniversary of Eparchy

Amparo Adkins
Scott and Jaime Parker Family
John Puia
Mihai and Elena Florea
Mihai and Elena Florea
Mihai and Elena Florea
Ana and William Galida
Ana Heim
Ana Heim
Dave and Debbie Murari
Dave and Debbie Murari
Greg and Cheti Bikis
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Mark Botean
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Special Announcement:

Please pray for: Melanie Gallagher, Lanette Fliger, Kristin Roska and Baby Gage, Friedrich Neading, Clore Family, Rodriguez Family, Patron Family, Seesan Family, Suzie Dragos, Maria Marcu, Amparo Adkins, Lance Downey, Barbara Greavu, Virginia Rogers and all who need our prayers.

Sick and/or homebound: Mary Cornea (Home), Alex and Theresa Gonyias (Home), Ann Stimer (Home), Aurelia Lupsor (Canton Christian Home), Doris Rotar (home in Florida) and Irene Pontones (Chapel Hill Retirement Community)

For holy Baptism contact the parish office at least one month prior to the date requested.

For First Reconciliation contact the parish office when your child turns 7.

For Weddings contact the parish office at least six months prior to the date requested.

To guarantee announcements for the bulletin, they need to be given to the office by Wednesday prior to the Sunday bulletin. Thank you!

To facilitate **accurate counting**, please use separate checks/cash for the special collection, candle and Sunday collection envelopes. Thank you for your attention to this detail!

Please let the office know if you have an upcoming surgery, illness, etc., so we can put you on our prayer list. Thank you!

Altar Candelabrum for March 2022 is donated **by Most Rev. John Michael Botean and Mark Botean in loving memory of mother, +Amelia.**

Left Iconostasis Candelabrum for March 2022 is donated by **Mircea Cristea in loving memory of +John and +Stella Lazar.**

Right Iconostasis Candelabrum for March 2022 is donated by **the Sons and Daughters of +Mary Marku in memory of her birthday.**

Blessed Virgin Mary Candelabrum for March 2022 is donated by **Carol and Denny Popa and Family in loving memory of +Ana Popa, mother and grandmother.**

Prescura for 2022: Amparo Adkins, Annie Collins, Esther Dershaw, Suzie Dragos, Elena Florea, Ann Fosnaught, Mariana Greavu, Ileana Hotiu, Nancy Maciag, Maria Marcu, Debbie Murari, Virginia Rogers, Kathy Walsh, P-sa. Patricia Wendt, Dodi Zbuka and P-sa. Gabriela Marginean

Announcements

“For a synodal Church (journeying together)”. Please pray the prayer to the Holy Spirit for us to understand what He wants for us as individuals and a member of the Body of Christ, the Church. Prayer cards are on the table in the narthex. Talk with someone in the Chancery if you would like to be part of this important celebration in the Church. Look on the inside cover of the back of the calendar for more information.

Keep the **Roska Family** in your support and prayers. Baby Gage was born on Saturday, March 19. He is in the NICU. Kristin Roska is at home.

DRIVEN BY A DREAM - Malnutrition is widespread in Rwanda, but Gloriose and her husband are doing everything they can to keep their children healthy and set them up for success. From learning to grow a kitchen garden to participating in a micro-savings group, Gloriose and Karekezi know it takes many resources to help their children thrive. How have you helped others access what they need this Lent? Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

Several members of our parish have indicated they would be interested in getting together for an annual **Eastern European Congress of Ohio dinner on April 30th**. There are eight people to a table. Individual tickets are \$65 plus \$5.59 cent handling fee. If you would like to attend as a group of at least 8 people, we could support the Cathedral with an ad in their booklet for our Festival. Please make a donation of \$100 per person to St. George Cathedral and designate it for the Eastern Congress of Ohio. Currently, we have four people signed up for this event. (IS this accurate?)

Thank you to **Harry and Kathy Walsh for donating two cases of paper and paper rolls for adding machine** to the office!

The last **Saturday of the Deceased Liturgy** will be on April 2 at 9am. You are welcome to come pray for your deceased loved ones.

Parish events:

Fr. Ovi will do an **educational time about the Church**. The next one will be on Tuesday, March 29 from 6:30pm to 7:15pm with the topic: Sacraments and Divine Liturgy. Plan to attend!

Pastoral Council is cancelled for March. Members will meet shortly after Fish Fry to discuss a couple of items that need immediate attention. Thank you!

Dine-in or Take-out Fish Fry will be hosted at St. George Cathedral on Friday, April 1, 8 from 4:30pm to 7:00pm. Last week, we served 467 orders and made \$8,876 gross. Call the office at 330-492-8413 for take-out. Share with everyone!

Ladies Auxiliary News

The Ladies Auxiliary will be selling **Lilies** to decorate the church. The cost is \$10. Envelopes are available on the narthex table. Return your envelope to Kathy Walsh. Thank you!

To Tickle Your Funny Bone 😊

Please say a prayer for our little league team. We need God's help or a new pitcher. Thank you. *Alexander, age 10*

Do Something Beautiful for God by Mother Theresa

The most important part is that we keep the work as his work and that we do not spoil with any claims.

Happy Birthday! *La mulți ani!!*

Fr. Iuliu Muntean – March 29th

Melinda Crown – March 29th

Doru Jacobs – April 1st

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	Mon 3/28	Tue 3/29	Wed 3/30	Thu 3/31	Fri 4/1	Sat 4/2	Sun 4/3
	Common Abstinence						
	Carigan Talie Elsie's Commemoration of	Fr. Iuliu Muntean's Melinda Crown's Ven. Mark, Bishop of	Ven. John Climacus	Ven. Hypatius, Bishop	Doru Jacobs' birthday St. Mary of Egypt	Ven. Father Titus	5th Sunday in Lent - Ven. Nicetas,
9am						Saturday of the dead 9am - 10am	
10am							Divine Liturgy 10am - 11:30am
11am							
12pm			Presanctified Liturgy 12pm - 1:30pm		Akathist of the Mother of God 12pm - 1pm		Coffee: Bosca Family 11:30am - 12:30pm
1pm							
2pm							
3pm							
4pm							
5pm					Fish Fry Large hall 4:30pm - 7pm		
6pm							
7pm		Church Education led by Fr. Ovi 6:30pm - 7:15pm	Great Canon of St. Andrew the Crete - Reading the life of St. Mary of Egypt 6:30pm - 8:30pm	Presanctified Liturgy 6:30pm - 8pm			
8pm							