





#### SAINT NIGHOLAS UKRAINIAN GATHOLIG GHURGH



#### үкратновка католицьк церква святого микола

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#### CHURCH BULLETIN

Аргіі 06 – 2014 – 6 Квітня ЦЄРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК



Архангел Гавриїл: «Радуйся, Благодатна, Господь з Тобою» (Лк. 1, 28) <u>Богородиця: «[Я] ж Господня раба: нехай буде мені за словом твоїм» (Лк. 1, 38).</u>

Annuntiation in St. Sophia, Kyiv Благовіщення Пресвятої Богородиці «Прядильниця». (Київська)



Annuntiation from Usting (12 century) Устюжке Благовіщення (XII ст.)

#### CHURCH RULLSTIN

**April 06 – 2014 – 06 Квітня ЦЄРКОВНИЙ ВІСНИК** 



Saint Nicholas Church Церква Св. Миколая (Під Опікою П.Д.М.)

#### LITURGICAL SCHEDULE ПОР'ЯДОК СВ. ЛІТУРГІЙ

4:30 PM +Josephine & Andrij Deneka (Amy)

**April 6 Квітня: 5 S. of Lent. – 5 H. Посту** 

12:00 PM For Parishioners – За Парохіян Monday/Понеділок – April <u>7</u> Квітня

See Julian
Tuesday/Вівторок – April 8 Квітня

9:15 AM +Іван Гусейко (донька)
Wednesday/Середа – April <u>9</u> Квітня

12:00 PM Presanctified Gifts

Thursday/Четвер – April <u>10</u> Квітня 8:15 AM +Aka Pereyma & +Constantine Pereyma (Marta M. Pereyma)

Friday/П'ятниця – April <u>11</u> Квітня 8:15 AM Presanctified Gifts

Sorokousty - Сорокоусти

Saturday/Субота – April 12 Квітня

9:00 AM +Bishop Yaroslav Gabro +Кир Ярослав Ґабро

4:30 PM + Mary Jordan (Peter Maxim)

April 13 Квітня: Palm Sunday – Квітна Неділя

12:00 PM For Parishioners – За Парохіян

\* Bible Meeting: Thursday, April 10 \* Біблійні зустрічі: Четвер, 10 Квітня Please take part – Просимо до участи!

Вічне Світло в честь П.Д.М. Горить за тривалий мир в Україні.

Eternal Light burns for +John Kolotylo Requ. by Jagodzinski Family 6 Квітня – 5. Н. Посту

10:00 р. +Марія Ґрекулак (А. М. Петришин)

7 Квітня – БЛАГОВІЩЕННЯ

**9:30 р.** За Парохіян

7:00 в. В наміренні Ярослава Савка

13 Квітня – Квітна Неділя

10:00 р. +Юлія і Володимир Білоус (Роман Войчак)

Please Note: - YBAFA!!! YBAFA!!
St. Nicholas Easter Diner
Will be held on April 27, 2014
Please attend.

Свяченне церкви Св. Миколая Відбудеться 27 Квітня, 2014.

Торжественне Св. Причасття Буде у неділю, 18 Травня. У цей день Св. Літургія буде о 11 год. Пів на пів.

Solemn Holy Communion Will take place Sunday, May 18 at 11 AM. No noon Liturgy this day.

This year we plan to go to Rochester for Holy Thursday. Special St. Basil Liturgy at 11 AM. Everybody is attended. Next year we will try to have it in our Deanery.

Цього року на Великий Четвер зацікавлені можуть поїхати до Рочестеру. Св. Літургія у ц. Св. Йосафата о 11 г.

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2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt **Sunday, April 13, 2014** After 10:00 AM Liturgy In the Church Yard

BE SURE TO COME AND FIND THE SPECIAL GOLDEN EGG!

## Молитви за Україну

Ще молимося Всемогучому Господеві нашому за український народ наш, що цими днями бореться захистити свої Богом дані права та свободу слова, вибору та віроісповідання. Подай йому, а особливо лідерам української нації, мудрості, розсудливості та добру раду і волю знайти взаємне порозуміння та повагу, які дозволять дійти до мирної розв'язки в цьому протистоянню, ми молимося Тобі, вислухай і помилуй.

Милосердний Господи і Чоловіколюбче, споглянь милостиво на тих, які поклали і пожертвували своє життя задля кращого майбутнього України і на сотні поранених і мучених людей. Подай свою ласку зцілення всім, хто її потребує, щоби їхні муки зменшилися і вони повністю видужали, ми молимося Тобі, Господи, вислухай і помилуй.

Господи, Спаси і Помилуй!

### **Prayers for Ukraine**

Come all children

"We also pray to the Almighty Lord for the people of Ukraine who are struggling these days to defend their God given rights and freedom of speech, choice and religion. Grant them all and especially leaders of the Ukrainian nation wisdom, good judgment and discernment to find mutual understanding and respect that would lead to a peacefull resolution of the ongoing conflict, we pray to You, O Lord, and have mercy."

"O merciful Lord and Lover of Mankind, look down mercifully upon those who laid down in sacrifice their lives for the improved future of Ukraine in the ongoing conflict and for hundreds of people that are wounded and hurt. Bestow your healing power upon all who need it that their sufferings be lessen and receive full recovery, we pray to You, O Lord. Have mercy."

Lord, save us and have mercy!

Продаж Пасок у неділю 13 Квітня по Св. Літургії





Paska Sale
In the Church Hall
Sunday, April 13, 2014
After 10:00 Liturgy
And before Noon Liturgy
Different sizes of bread available
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#### Mark Your Calendars - Save the Date

76<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention
League of Ukrainian Catholics
October 11, 12, 13, 2014
Holiday Inn – Johnstown, PA
Sponsored by the
All Saints Chapter
Hope to see you this October!

76 Конвенція Ліги Католиків буде від 11 до 13 Жовтня ц. р. Просимо заплянувати свою участь!

As part of the new Church Directory, which will be published this year. We are adding "Memorial Pages" to the book. You can submit a picture, (pictures) of your loved ones for a cost of \$20.00 a picture. You can put the picture and check payable to St. Nicholas in an envelope and put it in the collection basket or drop it off at the rectory.

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- Coffee Hour Usually Every Sunday after Liturgy in Church Hall. Please join us!
- We need help in the kitchen. Thank you!
- Bible Meeting Every other Thursday 6:30

#### **TOP'S GIFT CARDS:**

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#### SAINT NICHOLAS

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#### WNY Community Calendar 2014 **Ukraine Crisis Response Buffalo TOGETHER IN UNITY FOR** A FREE AND INDEPENDENT UKRAINE



#### Saturday, April 5 5 – 9:00 pm **POLISH & UKRAINIAN HAPPY HOUR**

Polish and Ukrainian beer, food and fun! Free and open to the public.

**Dnipro Ukrainian Cultural Center Grand Hall** 562 Genesee St., Buffalo

#### Tuesday, April 8 6:00 pm **UKRAINE CRISIS RESPONSE BUFFALO/WNY COMMUNITY MEETING**

All are invited to attend. Free and open to the public.

**Dnipro Ukrainian Cultural Center – Library** 562 Genesee St. Buffalo

#### Sunday, April 13 4:00 pm SPECIAL LITURGY FOR UKRAINE

Celebrated by all the Priests of the Deanery. All are invited to attend. Free and open to the public. Donations collected for Ukraine through ZUDAK

St John the Baptist Church, 3275 Elmwood Avenue, Buffalo PLEASE ATTEND!!!



#### Thursday, April 24 6 - 8:30 pm PRESENTATION "FAMILY AND NATION. OR EQUALITY OF RIGHTS? WOMEN IN **GALICIAN SOCIETY, 1867-1914**"

By Dr. Tomasz Pudlocki and commentary on how this shared Galician history influences Polish perceptions of the current crisis in Ukraine. Free and open to the public.

#### Daemen College, Wick Alumni Lounge 4380 Main St, Amherst, NY

Questions? Contact: Andrew Kier Wise, Chair awise@daemen.edu

#### Saturday, April 26

3 – 5 pm, Lecture; 5 – 7 pm, Reception SCHOLAR ROUNDTABLE ON THE 'CRISIS IN UKRAINE TODAY' & **RECEPTION** 

All are invited to attend. Free and open to the public.

Daemen College, 4380 Main Street, Amh., NY Lecture: Schenck Hall - Large Auditorium, **Room 107** 

**Reception: Rosary Hall** 

Questions? Contact: Andrew Kier Wise, Chair awise@daemen.edu

#### From the desk of Fr. Ray Palko

April 6, 2014 A.D.

**Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory Forever!** (Your name right here, for your very own personal letter)

"Ha, ha, ha!" "Yuk, yuk and Tee Hee!" For sure those were some of the sounds you were making last week as you held the bulletin in your hand and read One of these days when the ground dries a bit, there recall it was in that letter I declared the end to winter. Leaving the church after the 4: 30pm Liturgy at St. Nicholas we were pelted and stung by the sleet already covering the cars, and quickly turning to wind-driven snow. I had to laugh myself as I thought about you and what you were saying. Definitely not nice to tease Mother Nature! However, I still stand by my statement and do declare, "Spring has Sprung."

That latest and last (he said hopefully) storm continued into Monday, having affected a large part of our country, and eventually up into the Canadian Maritimes, where winds of around 100 miles per hour would be recorded. For us, here in the Buffalo area, it was another of those pesky "Sunday morning storms" that have been occurring all winter. What do you think God is telling us when it snows on the weekend like that and we have a difficult time getting to the church, or because of the great hazards of the cold, walking or driving cannot get there at all? Hmmm...

but oh so beautiful white stuff. Did you see those even quit putting out birdseed as that has also been picture perfect trees?!! Thankfully the snow blower at the church worked like a charm, and the parish "snow angels" were there to make a path for those hardy ones who were able to venture out. The next day, Monday, was still a bit chilly, but beautiful and sunny. The heavy wet "heart-attack snow" is ideal for making snowmen, and that is just what we did! Even with all this, it is a joy to experience the turning Tuesday once again made us aware that it is spring of the seasons. I suppose one could get used to

and the children watched their hard work diminish as "Frosty" began to slowly melt his way to the North Pole to appear again, perhaps next November or December. "Bye, bye Frosty. We had fun!"

So it has been a good week so far and spring is definitely in the air. Be it snowy, or cold, or damp and wet, the birds definitely can be heard singing "a different tune." The people who make our delicious maple syrup are becoming happier by the day, as the sap is approaching the peak flow. Yep, it's spring! will be the ever-present yard work to confront.

West Seneca has a deer problem and it has been evidenced in our yard. Remember I told you we live on a dead end street which ends in a nice patch of woods? Well those beautiful white-tailed critters spend their days in the mini forest and their nights passing through our neighborhood. Of course, as they pass through they eat whatever appeals to them and that is, almost everything that grows. Our neighbor has (had?) about 100 feet of perfectly spaced arborvitae trees, which are about 10-12 years old and have grown to a height of 15 feet or more. For some reason they were never touched previously, but this year the deer found them. 

They have treated them as their own private salad bar and have completely devastated the trees and ruined the lovely natural fence. You see the deer eat the leaves which do not regrow. So what once was a lush, green fence now has become a line of trees with green on the bottom, green on the top and the bare, chewed out middle. It is a sad sight and has obviously made We received about eight inches of the heavy, wet, the neighbor very unhappy. So unhappy that he's an attraction. The battle for our green goes on all summer. The deer now join forces with the cute little bunnies who also are very hungry. Next it will be the Holly and Rose bushes, then the crocus, tulips and hydrangeas. Oh well, Baba always said, "They have to eat too." How do farmers ever grow anything???!!! as we watched the thermometer climb to almost 70 tropical climate very quickly, but I'm sure the cycle of the seasons, especially with snow and cold and colored leaves is something I would greatly miss.

Our focus now is, of course, on the successful journey of Great Fast to Pascha. With each passing day our services will intensify, and we will spiritually leave this world to enter into the "Today" of our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection! Do you ever have that feeling at the services? We do not "commemorate" the saving acts of our Lord, our Holy Mother and Theotokos, and the angels and saints, as for example we "commemorate" some historical event or person, but in our prayer we come to a point when we actually enter into these events as if they were happening again-TODAY.

This coming week we will enter into these intense and holy events of our salvation beginning with the message from Martha and Mary, whose brother Lazarus was sick. "Therefore the sisters sent to Him, saying, "Lord, behold, he whom you love is sick." (John 11: 3) After delaying for two days Jesus, and we begin our journey to Bethany and to Jerusalem as Thomas said, "to die with Him." We walk with Him down those hard, dusty roads and see Him raise Lazarus (and us!) from the dead. We are there with the crowds as "the King enters in." And in all these events it is the great Today. We become as it were outside of time. Our world as we know it stops. We walk with Him, watch Him and are saved by Him! If we let it, everything we celebrate and depict and proclaim in our services is happening once again Today! I am certain that there is not one person who ever walked in procession around our church with the Holy Shroud and did not have that moving and holy feeling of "being there." I am certain that not one person who ever walked around our church on Pascha and stood before the doors of the church, and once again hearing those glorious sounds of the proclamation of the Resurrection did not say, "It is as if I were at the tomb and heard the news from the angels, "He is not here! He is risen!" We indeed have some very beautiful and special days ahead. I hope you are well and will be able to enjoy them.

We are still praying for the people in Ukraine...for their safety, freedom and salvation. We still mourn for the lost ones and for the sad turn of events. I am presently reading a book, "I am with you ALWAYS" written by the now, Metropolitan Emeritus Sulyk. It is a fascinating and interesting book. Among other topics, His Grace writes of his childhood in Ukraine, the beginning of WWII, his forced labor, his escape to freedom and then even his return to his home and a meeting with his still living parents. Prior to his second visit to see his parents (1971), he asked Fr. Walter Ciszek to be his substitute. Fr. Ciszek, who is a candidate for sainthood, had been a prisoner in the Soviet Gulags for 23 horrible years. Met. Sulyk had a meeting with this soon to be saint prior to his departure and asked him what would become of Ukraine. Fr. Ciszek replied: "Looking at the conditions in the Soviet Union with human eyes, it seems that the situation is hopeless. We, however, should never forget that the atheistic chieftains in the Kremlin are not the ones who decide the fate of nations. It is God who makes the decisions. From what I have personally witnessed and experienced. everything tells me that your Ukrainian people are indestructible. In every concentration camp or gulag...over 50% of the prisoners were Ukrainians. the greatest part from Western Ukraine. These are deeply religious people. They are not ashamed of their faith. They would pray publicly, sing church songs and hymns, and unashamedly give glory to God. All other prisoners admired them for their courageous faith. No, my dear father, such a nation as yours will never die out, because God is and always will be with them." May these words of long ago, be words for us today!

May you truly be blessed to feel and experience this Great Today, and know the presence of our Saving Lord. May our Holy Lady Theotokos protect you!

In His Love, Fr. Ray

# To All Visitors, Friends And Parishioners:

Welcome to our Ukrainian Catholic parish of St Nicholas. Make yourself at home.

Every married couple or single person over 18 years old should be registered with the parish. Your donations to support our parish indicate your willingness to be a member of St. Nicholas Parish. In other words, to be considered a member of this parish attendance and support is strongly recommended. We use the system of envelops. In the case you decide not to use envelopes, you can choose other method of supporting the parish, but your support is appreciated and much needed. May good Lord bless you all!

Вітаємо до нашої і Вашої Церкви Св. Отця Нашого Миколая. Двері завжди відкриті. Господній дім є нашим домом. Хай Господь благословить усіх!

Подружжя і самітні особи понад 18 років можуть зарегіструватися. Якщо ви не бажаєте вживати систему коверт, будь ласка дайти нам ваші адреси і телефони, щоб могти з вами сконтактуватися по потребі. Ваші датки просимо вложити у коверту і написати Ваше ім'я, бо в противному Ваші пожертви будуть анонімними.

#### Cell Phones - Мобільні Телєфони:

Please turn off or <u>silence</u> your <u>cell</u> phone before entering the church.

Thank you!

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Просимо <u>вилучувати</u> ваші <u>мобільні</u> телєфони, підчас Святої Літургії. Дякуємо!

#### Молитва св. Ефрема Сирина (+373)

Господи і Владико життя мого, духа лінивства, недбалости, властолюб'я і пустослов'я віджини від мене. (поклін)

Духа чистоти, покори, терпеливости і любови дай мені слузі твоєму. *(поклін)* 

Так, Господи царю, дай мені бачити провини мої, і не осуджувати брата мого ні сестри моєї, бо ти благословен єси на віки вічні. Амінь! (поклін)



Prayer of St. Ephrem (+373)

O Lord and Master of my life, Take away from me the will to be lazy and to be sad, the desire to get ahead of other people, to boast and brag. (Profound bow)

Give me instead, a pure and humble spirit, the will to be patient with other people and to love them. (*Profound bow*)

Let me realize my own mistakes, and keep me from judging the things other people do. For you are blessed, now and forever, Amen. (Profound bow)

WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION FOR THE DEFENSE OF FOUR FREEDOMS FOR UKRAINE, INC. & Women's Choir "Mriya" presents

#### EASTER BAZAAR

**Baked Goods!! Delicious Lunch!! Ukrainian Greeting Cards!!** Pysanky!! Gerdany!!

St. Nicholas Church, 308 Fillmore Ave. Sunday, April 6th, 2014 After the Liturgy ends.

**Everyone is most cordially invited!!** 

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#### 1914 SAVE THE DATE 2014

The Ukrainian American SITCH is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Sunday, September 28, 2014 at Salvatore's Italian Gardens Restaurant, SITCH is the oldest continuously active Ukrainian cultural organization in the Buffalo - Niagara area (interrupted only by W. W. II).

#### **EVERYONE IS INVITED!**

We would love to have at least 100 guests—one for each year. Please save the date and come celebrate with us. Details will follow shortly. Thank you. Michael Liskiewicz – President Maria Malaniak, Secretary

#### УВАГА! УВАГА

Даємо до відома, що в неділю, 28-го Вересня, 2014 Товариство Українська-Американська Січ відмічує 100-ту річницю свого існування! Це найстарша активна українська культурна організація на Боффалівському терені. (Актвність перервана тіьлки 2-гою Світовою Війною). Ювілей відбувається в ресторані Salvatores Italian Gardens. Просимо усіх. Наша ціль: мати хоч 100 гостей – одного за кожний рік! Дальші інформації будуть подані незадовго.

Михайло Ліскевич, голова Марія Маланяк, Писар

## EASTER BAZAAR

St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church 3275 Elmwood Ave. Kenmore, NY 14223

- Baked Goods & Paska Sale
- Light Lunch
- Muffin Sale
- Pyrohy Sale
- Holubtsi Sale (cabbage rolls)
- **Lottery Wreath Raffle**
- Theme Basket Raffle
- Trash & Treasure Tables

Saturday - April 12, 2014 10:00 am Till 4:00 pm **Free Admission & Parking** 

#### Fruit of the Vine

#### Wine Tasting Fun Raiser

May 30th, 2014 6 pm - 9 pm

**Protection Blessed Virgin Mary Church** 2715 Ferry Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14301

#### Fruit of the Vine

Wine Tasting Fun Raiser Featuring premium Finger Lakes wines hand-crafted by Eagle Crest and O-Neh-Da Vineyards, Hemlock Lake, New York. For tickets and additional information Please call Father Ray at 716.675.0629

# Акт посвяти українців під Покров Пресвятої Богородиці



У неділю, 6 квітня, УГКЦ відновлює Акт посвяти українців під Покров Пресвятої Богородиці.

Подібні церемонії відбуваються лише у ключові моменти історії України. Востаннє посвяту відновив Блаженніший Мирослав Іван (Любачівський) майже 20 років тому, коли УГКЦ вийшла з підпілля.

Продовжуючи служіння моїх великих попередників на Києво-Галицькому престолі, знову прагну в сопричасті з усією нашою Церквою в Україні та на поселеннях відновити Акт посвяти українського народу під всемогутній Покров Пресвятої Богородиці.

Про це написав Отець і Глава Української Греко-Католицької Церкви Блаженніший Святослав (Шевчук) у своєму Пастирському посланні до вірних і духовенства з нагоди відновлення Акту посвяти України під Покров Пресвятої Богородиці.

Акт посвяти України під Покров Пресвятої Богородиці відбудеться в усіх храмах нашої Церкви в Україні і за кордоном. Блаженніший Святослав здійснить його в Києві, у Патріаршому соборі, усі єпископи – у своїх

катедральних соборах, а священики – у парафіяльних храмах після кожної Служби Божої.

Інші православні Церкви відгукнулися на пропозицію УГКЦ і теж проведуть подібні молитовні урочистості. «Ми запропонували провести такі Акти посвяти нашим братам православних Церков України, адже коли його ініціював князь Ярослав Мудрий, Київська Церква була неподіленою», — зазначив Блаженніший Святослав у коментарі для Департаменту інформації УГКЦ.



«Акти посвяти під Покров Богородиці відбувалися в переломних моментах української історії, таких, як зараз...» – Владика Богдан (Дзюрах)

Як зазначив у відеоблозі для «Живого. ТБ» владика Богдан, Адміністратор Патріаршої курії УГКЦ, ще на початку християнства в Київській Русі князь Володимир Великий плекав велику набожність до Пресвятої Богородиці, а вже його син Ярослав Мудрий посвятив українську землю 1037 року під Покров Богородиці.

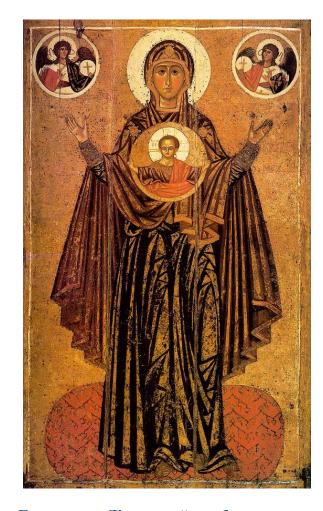
«Патріарх Йосиф (Сліпий) у своєму посланні з нагоди 40-ліття заснування УПА підкреслював, що Покров Богородиці є символом і покровом борців за незалежну Україну. Він поручав Церкві інтенсивну молитву до Богородиці, що є запорукою її неустанної помочі. Підхопивши цю ініціативу, згодом наші владики на чолі вже з Блаженнішим Мирославом Іваном (Любачівським) у Зарваниці 1995 року відновили Акт посвяти українського народу під Покров Богородиці», – розповідає єпископ.

# This Palm Sunday, April 13, there will be a Liturgy for Ukraine in St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church at 4 PM.

At that time donations will be accepted for those who were wounded recently in Ukraine, and are in need of medical help, and for the families of those who were killed at Maidan.

(Maidan is a social and political phenomenon, which began in Ukraine in November 2013. Millions of Ukrainian citizens participated in demonstrations against their government's refusal to sign a planned Association agreement with the European Union. In January, Maidan demonstrators protested against dictatorship in favour of democratic civic standards. The Government responded by using lethal sniper fire against peaceful protestors that resulted in numerous deaths and the escalation of the political situation. The president fled the country to escape his arrest. Subsequently Ukraine, with a new government, came under the threat of war from the Russian Federation. Ukraine now has become a focus in geo-political negotiations among the EU, USA and the Russian Federation.)

There is a pressing need, which is very important, and cannot be ignored. The collection will be done through "Good Samaritan Project@. It is only through demonstrating the true Christian values of compassion and generosity that we can strive to be more Christ like for one another. "Whatever you do to one of the least of my brethren, you do to me."



Богородице Діво, радуйся, обрадованая Маріє, Господь с тобою. Благословенна ти в женах, і благословен плод чрева Твоєго, яко родила єси Христа Спаса, ізбавителя душам нашим.

Rejoice, O Virgin Mother of God, Mary full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, for thou hast borne the Savior of our souls.