



Sunday April 1, 2018 ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM. Palm Sunday . Ven. Mary of Egypt (522). Ven. Euthymius of Suzdal' (1404). Martyr Abraham of Bulgaria (1229). Ven. Gerontius, Canonarch, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—14th c.). Ven. Macarius, Abbot of Pelecete (ca. 830). Martyrs Gerontius and Basilides (3rd c.). Righteous Achaza.

This Week's Schedule

Today 4/1 Bridegroom Matins 6:30 p.m.

Holy Monday 4/2 Bridegroom Matins 6: 30 p.m.

Holy Tuesday 4/3 Bridegroom Matins 6:30 p.m.

Holy Wednesday 4/4 Office of Holy Unction 6:30 p.m.

Holy Thursday 4/5 Divine Liturgy (Last Supper) 9:00 a.m.

Matins & 12 Passion Gospels 6:30 p.m.

Holy Friday 4/6 Royal Hours 9:00 a.m.

Vespers 3:00 p.m. Holy Saturday Matins 6:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday 4/7 Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil 9:00am

Holy Pascha *Nocturnes, Matins, & Divine Liturgy 11:30p.m.*

followed by Blessing of Baskets and Agape

Reader Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>3RD HOUR</u>	<u>6TH HOUR</u>	<u>EPISTLE</u>
Apr-15	BUNITSKY	BUNITSKY	LEWIS
Apr-22	RILEY	RILEY	RILEY

Hymns and Prayers

Antiphon 1 (Ps 114/115)

I love the Lord because He has heard the voice of my supplication.

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Because He inclined His ear to me; therefore I will call on Him as long as I live. (*Refrain is sung after each of the following verses*)

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of hell laid hold on me.

R

I suffered distress and anguish, so I called upon the Name of the Lord. *R*

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. *R*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. *R*

Antiphon 2 (Ps 115/116)

I kept my faith, even when I said, "I am greatly afflicted."

Refrain: O Son of God, seated on the colt of an ass, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

What shall I render to the Lord for all the things He has given me?

(*Refrain is sung after each of the following verses*)

I will receive the cup of salvation, and call upon the Name of the Lord.

R

I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people. *R*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. *No refrain.*

(*"Only-begotten Son and immortal Word of God ... "*)

Antiphon 3 (Ps 117/118)

O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever!

Tone 1 Troparion

By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy passion,
Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God.
Like the children with the palms of victory,
we cry out to Thee, O Vanquisher of Death:
“Hosanna in the highest!//
Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord.”

Let the house of Israel say that He is good, for His mercy endures forever!

Troparion: “By raising Lazarus from the dead ...”

Let the house of Aaron say that He is good, for His mercy endures forever!

Troparion: “By raising Lazarus from the dead ...”

Let those who fear the Lord say that He is good, for His mercy endures forever!

Troparion: “By raising Lazarus from the dead ...”

(After the Entrance)

Tone 4 Troparion

When we were buried with Thee in baptism, O Christ God,
we were made worthy of eternal life by Thy Resurrection.
Now we praise Thee and sing:
“Hosanna in the highest!//
Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!”

Tone 6 Kontakion

Sitting on Thy throne in Heaven,
carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God,
accept the praise of angels and the songs of children, who sing://
“Blessed is He Who comes to recall Adam!”

(The Trisagion is sung)

Tone 4 Prokeimenon

Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!

v: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever!

Epistle Philippians 4:4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!

Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand.

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy – meditate on these things.

The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v: O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things!

v: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Gospel John 12:1-18

Then, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where

Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead.

There they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him.

Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.

But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, who would betray Him, said, Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?

This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it.

But Jesus said, "Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial. For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always." Now a great many of the Jews knew that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead.

But the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also, because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus.

The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: "Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' The King of Israel!"

Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; as it is written:

"Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your King is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt."

His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him.

Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from the dead, bore witness.

For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had done this sign.

(Instead of "It is truly meet ...," we sing:)

God is the Lord and hath revealed Himself to us!

Celebrate the feast and come with gladness!

Let us magnify Christ with palms and branches,

singing: "Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord, our Savior!"

Communion Hymn

Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!

God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

This Week's Announcement

Holy Week and Pascha Just a reminder that our Holy Week schedule begins today following coffee hour with Bridegroom Matins. During Holy Week the Church commemorates our Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem, His Betrayal, Trial, Crucifixion, and Resurrection. Holy Week is when all Orthodox Christians should make extra effort to give their full attention to the services of Holy Week and Pascha. Please join us as we journey to the Blessed Pascha of our Lord. April calendars are available in the Narthex.

Newly Chrismated This morning Stephanie Riley was received into the Orthodox Church through the sacrament of Holy Chrismation. We want to welcome her "officially" into our St. Michael's family and wish her and her family Many Blessed Years!

Family Promise Ministry We'll be providing dinners and fellowship for Family Promise Monday, March 26th and Tuesday, 27th at St. Philips Lutheran Church (5320 Limestone Rd. 19808). However, on Thursday, March 29th, we will serve dinner here in St. Michael's social hall due to evening services at St. Philips. Please sign up to help on the board in the narthex and contact Ellen Gundersen with questions 610.388.0695.

Archbishop MARK to Visit for Pascha We are happy to announce that His Eminence Archbishop MARK will join us this year for Holy Pascha. Archbishop MARK will spend Holy Week visiting different parishes and will be with us for Pascha night (Nocturnes, Matins, Paschal Divine Liturgy). His Eminence will also be with us for our Pascha night agape & sharing of the baskets.

Study Group Paschal Break Our Study group will take a break for Holy Week and Bright Week.

Lenten Confessions It isn't too late to offer your Lenten confessions. Fr. Barnabas will try and hear confessions during Holy Week as time and availability permits.

Parking at the Church We continue to ask individuals to please park in the designated areas. The parish council realizes that parking close to the church is limited, however for safety sake please do not park in the fire/ambulance lanes. We need to keep these areas open in case of any emergency. We ask that if the parking lot is full please park on the street and be sure not to block anyone in. Thank you!

Greeters Ministry In response to the Paschal season and after discussions with the parish council we would like to, once again, start a greeter's ministry. St. Michael's has been blessed with several guests and visitors and what a better way to respond to those who are sent to us than offering a formal welcome. We are looking for at least two people willing to volunteer to lead and organize this ministry. Please consider your calling to be a greeter and see Fr. Barnabas or Jeff Kendall for more details.

Wisdom from the Holy Fathers

... In psalmody and prayer do not bind yourself, but do as much as the Lord gives you. Do not abandon reading and interior prayer either. Some of one and some of the other and so you will spend the day pleasing God. Our perfect fathers did not have a fixed rule, but during the course of the whole day they carried out their rule.

St. Barsanuphius the Great

The whole earth is a living icon of the face of God. ...I do not worship matter. I worship the Creator of matter who became matter for my sake, who willed to take His abode in matter, who worked out my salvation through matter. Never will I cease honoring the matter which wrought my salvation! I honor it, but not as God. Because of this I salute all remaining matter with reverence, because God has filled it with His grace and power. Through it my salvation has come to me.

St. John of Damascus

If you feel sweetness or compunction at some word of your prayer, dwell on it; for then our guardian angel is praying with us.

Ladder of Divine Ascent

Prayers for the Departed: *Matuska Mary Perez, Matushka Barbara Kucynda, Mark Gundersen, John Berket*

Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need: *Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Josef Petranin, Fr. John Nightingale, Fr. Deacon James Carpenter, Mat Julia Petranin, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Mat. Jennifer Franchak, Mat. Lisa Weremedic, Matushka Myra Kovalak, Lemlem Resat, Peter Melnik, Olga Riley, Marie Holowatch, Marie Karawulan, Barbara Hicks, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Zack Bajuyo, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Mona Elia, Lydia Kendall, Maria and Doug Dozier, Mary Anne Farrell, Catalina(Mary) & Jeremy (John) Finck, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, Benjamin, Charles, Patrica, Lubov, Marilyn Coyle, Alfred Mokhiber, Stephanie Hojnicky*

Prayers for Women and the Child to be born: *Maria Peck, Rachel Facaros, Leah Reed, Jacquelyn Marie Wham, Rachael Irene Shatley, Stephanie Riley*

Date	<u>Coffee Hour</u>	<u>Service Duty</u>	<u>Church Cleaner</u>	<u>Library</u>
1-Apr	POT LUCK - Finck	Sulpizi/Finck	Farrell	Farrell
8-Apr	PASCHA	Hojnicki/Souder	Clause/Whalen	No Library
15-Apr	Peck/Wales	Telep/Baldychev	Finck	Skomorucha
22-Apr	Whalen/ Clause/ Gabriel	Bunitsky/Lewis	Skomorucha/Lewis	Maloney

Church School Reminder

April 1 Class Palm Sunday
 April 8 No Class Holy Pascha
 April 15 St. Thomas Sunday Egg Hunt
 April 22 Class
 April 29 Class
 May 6 Sunday School Wrap up