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Sunday April 21, 2019 ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM. Palm Sunday . Hieromartyr Januarius, Bishop of Benevento, and his companions: Festus, Proculus, and Sosius – Deacons, Desiderius – Reader, and Eutychius and Acutius – laymen, at Pozzuoli (ca. 305).

Holy Week Schedule

Tonight 4/21 Bridegroom Matins 6:30 p.m.

Holy Monday 4/22 Bridegroom Matins 6:30 p.m.

Holy Tuesday 4/23 Presanctified Liturgy 9:00 a.m. *Archbishop MARK*
Bridegroom Matins 6:30 p.m.

Holy Wednesday 4/24 Holy Unction 6:30 p.m.

Holy Thursday 4/25 Vesperal Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Matins w/Reading of the 12 Passion Gospels 6:30 p.m.

Holy Friday 4/26 Royal Hours 9:00 a.m. Holy Friday Vespers 3:00 p.m.

Holy Friday Matins w/procession 6:30 p.m.

Holy Saturday 4/27 Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil the Great 9:00 a.m.

HOLY PASCHA

Nocturnes, Paschal Matins & Paschal Divine Liturgy 11:30 p.m.

4/28 Paschal Vespers 1:00 p.m.

Reader Schedule

DATE	3RD HOUR	6TH HOUR	EPISTLE
Apr-21	RILEY	RILEY	RILEY
Apr-28	PASCHA		WALES
May-5	SOUDER	PECK	PECK
May-12	BUNITSKY	BUNITSKY	FINCK

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.

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

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

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

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.

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

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)

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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!"

(Hirmos of the 9th Ode of the Kanon)

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 is Here!!! Tonight, we begin the Holy Week schedule with Bridegroom Matins at 6:30 p.m. 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 the Holy Week and Pascha.

Archbishop MARK to Visit His Eminence Archbishop MARK will be joining us for Presanctified Liturgy on Holy Tuesday April 23rd at 9 a.m. We hope you can be with us the Archbishop's annual Holy Week visit.

Baptism Holy Saturday morning at 8:00 a.m. we will welcome into the church Rob Jaquette through the sacraments of Holy Baptism and Chrismation. Please come to welcome the newly illumined.

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.

Pascha Flowers We will be accepting Paschal flower donations with or without memorials for Holy Pascha. The slips are in the narthex. Those who give donations may choose a plant to take home after Pascha. Plants will also be delivered to shut-ins and any left will be available for planting in the church flower beds.

Blessing of Baskets The ancient Christian practice of blessing food before it is eaten took on a new dimension in Slavic Orthodox lands at the celebration of the great Feast of Pascha. Customarily, foods from which one was fasting would be brought to the Church for blessing by the priest after Paschal Liturgy. We continue this tradition and encourage everyone to prepare a basket of Paschal foods for blessing. Traditionally, this includes bread with a candle, eggs, butter, cheese, kielbasa and other meats. Cultural variations (such as chocolates or other foods and breads) are also most suitable for Pascha baskets. Food baskets should be brought to the parish hall before services begin on Pascha night to be blessed immediately following Paschal Liturgy.

Books for Prisoners Thank you to all who gave to the Books for Prisoners. Many years!

Study Group Pascha Break Our study group will break for Holy week and Bright week. We will return to meet on Thursday May 9th at 10:00 a.m.

Wisdom from the Holy Fathers

“Do not let pass any opportunity to pray for anyone, either at his request or at the request of his relatives, friends, of those who esteem him, or of his acquaintances. The Lord looks favorably upon the prayer of our love, and upon our boldness before him. Besides this, prayer for others is very beneficial to the one himself who prays for others; it purifies the heart, strengthens faith and hope in God, and enkindles our love for God and our neighbor. When praying, say thus: ‘Lord, it is possible for Thee to do this or that to this servant of Thine; do this for him, for Thy name is the Merciful Love of Men and the Almighty.’”

+ *St. John of Kronstadt*

When your faith in the Lord, either during your life and prosperity, or in the time of sickness and at the moment of quitting this life, grows weak, grows dim from worldly vanity or through illness, and from the terrors and darkness of death, then look with the mental eyes of your heart upon the companies of our forefathers, the patriarchs, prophets, and righteous ones:

St. Simeon, who took the Lord up in his arms, Job, Anna the Prophetess, and others; the Apostles, prelates, venerable Fathers, martyrs, the disinterested, the righteous, and all the saints.

See how, both during their earthly life and at the time of their departure from this life, they unceasingly looked to God and died in the hope of the resurrection and of the life eternal, and strive to imitate them.

These living examples, which are so numerous, are capable to strengthen the wavering faith of every Christian in the Lord and in the future life.

Those Christian communions who do not venerate the saints and do not call upon them in prayer lose much in piety and in Christian hope. They deprive themselves of the great strengthening of their faith by the examples of men like unto themselves

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Prayers for the Departed: Mat Julia Petranin Michael Sinovich, Marie Karawulan, Virginia Sekerak Marie Holowatch, Maria Proch, Mark Gundersen, John Berket, George Sarmousakis, Alfred Mokhiber

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. Ellen Chupeck, Lemlem Resat, Peter Melnik, Olga Riley, Barbara Hicks, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Mary Anne Farrell, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, Lubov Baldychev, Stephanie Hojnicky, Laura Cristina Najemy, Harry Kutch, Dimitrios Jim Petrides, Albert Shock, David Rex

Prayers for Catechumen: Robert Jaquette, Sue D'Orazio

Prayers for Women and the Child to be born: Ruth Kendall

Date	<u>Coffee Hour</u>	<u>Service Duty</u>	<u>Church Cleaner</u>	<u>Library</u>
21-Apr	Hamwi/Morjana	Riley/Riley	Suplizi	Maloney
28-Apr	Pascha	Sulpizi/Finck	Riley	No Library
5-May	Najemy/Kendall	Hojnicky/Souder	Bunitsky/Finck	Gundersen
12-May	MOTHER'S DAY	Telep/Baldychev	Farrell	Farrell
19-May	Riley/Souder	Bunitsky/Morjana	Clause/Whalen	Skomorucha

Upcoming Dates to Keep in Mind

Archbishop MARK to visit Holy Tuesday April 23rd

HOLY PASCHA April 28th

Pascha Vespers April 28th 1:00 p.m.

Bright Monday Paschal Liturgy April 29th 9:00 a.m.