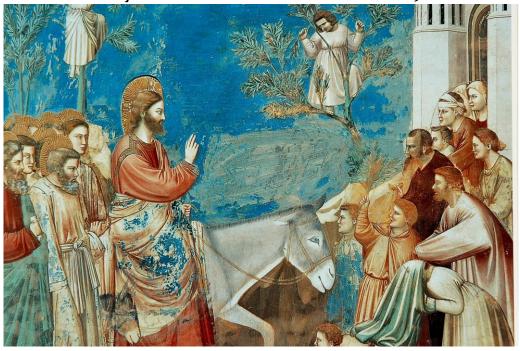


ALL SAINTS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, April 9, 2023

Saturday Vespers, 7pm • Sunday Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 8:30am Palm Sunday • The Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem



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Troparion for St. Lazarus (Tone 1): 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!

Troparion for Palm Sunday (Tone 4): 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!

Kontakion for Palm Sunday (Tone 6): 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 that comes to recall Adam!

THE EPISTLE - For Palm Sunday

Blessed is He who cometh in the Name of the Lord. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Philippians (4:4-9)

Brethren, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say: Rejoice! Let your forbearance be known to all people. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your petitions be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are honorable, 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 any praise, think about these things. The things which you both learned and received, and heard and saw in me, these things do; and the God of peace will be with you.

THE GOSPEL – For Palm Sunday

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (12:1-18)

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus who had died was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper; Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at table with Him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment

of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped His feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, one of His Disciples (he who was to betray Jesus), said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not because he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the moneybox he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone; let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

When the great crowd of the Jews learned that He was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who cometh in the Name of the Lord, the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young ass and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on an ass's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of Him and had been done to Him. The crowd that had been with Jesus when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet Jesus was that they heard He had done this sign.

"ON PALM SUNDAY, PALM AND WILLOW BRANCHES ARE BLESSED IN THE CHURCH. WE TAKE THEM IN ORDER TO RAISE THEM UP AND GREET THE KING AND RULER OF OUR LIFE: JESUS CHRIST. WE TAKE THEM IN ORDER TO REAFFIRM OUR BAPTISMAL PLEDGES. AS THE ONE WHO RAISED LAZARUS AND ENTERED JERUSALEM TO GO TO HIS VOLUNTARY PASSION STANDS IN OUR MIDST, WE ARE FACED WITH THE SAME QUESTION ADDRESSED TO US AT BAPTISM: "DO YOU ACCEPT CHRIST?" WE GIVE OUR ANSWER BY DARING TO TAKE THE BRANCH AND RAISE IT UP: "I ACCEPT HIM AS KING AND GOD!"

(VERY REV. PAUL LAZOR)

:: PALM SUNDAY LETTER FROM METROPOLITAN ANTONIOS ::

Palm Sunday, 2023

Beloved Brother Hierarchs, Reverend Clergy, and Christ-loving Faithful,

Joyous festal greetings to you in the Name of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ!

Today the Lord enters triumphantly into Jerusalem, striding forward as humanity's champion in order to do battle with our greatest enemies: sin, death, and the devil. By enduring the Cross, He will defeat them all and inaugurate a new and transcendent life of "righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit" (Rom. 14:17). Therefore, He is praised in churches throughout the world with the joyous words of this hymn: "We also, like the children, bearing the symbols of victory, cry to Thee, the Vanquisher of death: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord!"

As is the custom in our Archdiocese, we remember today our Father in Christ, Patriarch JOHN X, and all our brothers and sisters of the Patriarchate of Antioch in its historic homeland of the Middle East. As we wave our palm branches and shout, "Hosanna!" they are doing the same. As we proclaim this ancient Faith in the New World, they are keeping it alive in the apostolic and historic places of its advent. We are one with them, and they are one with us—one Body stretching across an ocean yet beating with one heart.

Sadly, however, as we worship in peace and prosperity, our brothers and sisters overseas are suffering disaster after disaster. For this reason, we again ask you to give in support of the Patriarchate and its humanitarian work. Through your donations you can provide some comfort to our brothers and sisters in need and also stand with them as they provide love and help to so many others. Please give generously.

Wishing you all a deeply meaningful Holy Week and a glorious Pascha, I remain,

Yours in Christ,

Metropolitan ANTONIOS Metropolitan of Zahle, Baalbek, and Dependencies Patriarchal Vicar of New York and All North America

Donations to our Patriarchate's Earthquake Relief Fund may be made online at Antiochian.org, or by writing a check to All Saints Church with "Earthquake" in the memo line.



Announcements and upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services at All Saints, see our website www.allsaintsorthodox.org

Today:

- The Blessing of the Palms and Palm Sunday procession will take place at the end of Matins, before the Divine Liturgy at about 9:30am.
- No church school today or next week.
- First Bridegroom Service, tonight at 7pm.

Holy Week schedule:

- Monday and Tuesday: 2nd and 3rd Bridegroom services, 7pm.
- Wednesday, April 12: Sacrament of Holy Unction, 7pm.
- Thursday, April 13: Divine Liturgy 10am; Twelve Passion Gospels, 7pm
- Friday, April 14: Royal Hours 9am; Vespers 3pm; Lamentations at the Tomb 7pm
- Sat., April 15: Chrismation of Michael Sullivan & Vesperal Divine Liturgy 10am; Paschal Vigil 10:30pm
- Sunday, April 16: Christ is risen! Agape Vespers at 1pm.

LENTEN COIN BOXES: Once again please remember to fill the **coin boxes** that are on the Greeters' table that are supplied by the Fellowship of St. John the Divine, in accordance with our archdiocese, to feed the hungry around the world. **Please use these boxes all during Lent and turn them in at Pascha to be blessed**. Please replace the coins with a check marked "For the Poor" in the memo line, or submit paper money. If you have any questions, contact Pat K.

"Find out how much God has given you and from it take what you need; The remainder is needed by others." (St. Augustine)

GOOD FRIDAY RETREAT: On Friday, April 14, in remembrance of our Lord's passion, services will be held as usual at 9am, 3pm, and 7pm. Between the first two services, Melissa W. will be hosting a confession retreat for our church school students

(2nd grade and up). All are welcome to stay at the church between services on Good Friday for confession and/or Psalm readings.

Teen SOYO: Between Friday's 3pm and 7pm services, the teens with gather for a retreat and prepare the bay leaves for Holy Saturday.

CHURCH SCHOOL PLAY PRACTICE. On Sunday, May 7, following coffee hour, our Church School students under the direction of Elizabeth Kushiner and Maggie Kishler will perform "Road to Emmaus," a play based on the pre-Lenten and Lenten Sunday Gospel readings. Practice schedule is as follows:

- Saturday, April 22: Practice for all classes except Acclimation, 4pm
- Sunday, April 23: Practice during church school for all classes involved except Acclimation
- Sunday, April 30: Practice during church school (all classes)
- Saturday, May 6: Dress rehearsal and lunch, 10am
- Sunday, May 7: Performance!

SUMMER BIBLE DAY CAMP will be at St. George in Cicero, June 12-15. This is a good alternative to children ages 6 and up who may be too young for summer camp in Iowa. More information will be forthcoming.

ALL SAINTS 30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION is slated for the weekend of June 24-25. Mark your calendars!

The summer **PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE** for our diocese will take place at the Oak Brook Marriot, June 28-July 2. Register online at antiochianevents.org.

Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prosphora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sat. April 8 St. Lazarus	Paul K	Debbie K	Domitille	Volunteer	n/a
Sun. April 9 Palm Sunday	Jason L	Pat K	JoAnne T	Domitille	L-P
Thurs. Apr 13 Holy Thurs.	Joseph L	Domitille	Sandy A	Volunteer	n/a
Sat. April 15 Holy Sat.	Richard C	Cristina P	Azizeh C	Alina S	Potluck
Sun April 16 Pascha	Sd Joseph	Dn Walid	Nancy L	Volunteer	baskets

For Sunday coffee hour, the church has been divided into four parts alphabetically (A-F, G-K, L-P, and R-Z). On your assigned week, please bring something simple to share with everyone for coffee hour.

If you have children, please monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and help them clean up after themselves. Weekly clean-up will be the responsibility of those providing coffee hour. And of course, things go faster when we all pitch in and help!





DAILY BIBLE READINGS

APRIL 9-15, 2023

ADAPTED FROM THE LECTIONARY OF THE ANTIOCHIAN ARCHDIOCESE

Sunday, April 9: Palm Sunday

Genesis 49:1-2, 8-12 / Zephaniah 3:14-19 / Zachariah 9:9-15 Matthew 21:1-17 / Philippians 4:4-9 / John 12:1-18

Monday, April 10: Great & Holy Monday

Matthew 21:18-43

Ezekiel 1:1-20 / Exodus 1:1-20 / Job 1:1-12 / Matthew 24:3-35

Tuesday, April 11: Great & Holy Tuesday

Matthew 22:15-23:39

Ezekiel 1:21-28 / Exodus 2:5-10 / Job 1:13-22 / Matthew 24:36-26:2

Wednesday, April 12: Great & Holy Wednesday

John 12:17-50

Ezekiel 2:3-3:3 / Exodus 2:11-22 / Job 2:1-10 / Matthew 26:6-16

Thursday, April 13: Maundy Thursday

Exodus 19:10-19 / Job 38:1-21, 42:1-5 / Isaiah 50:4-11 / 1 Corinthians 11:23-32 Matt. 26:2-20 / John 13:3-17 / Matt. 26:21-27:2

Friday, April 14: Good Friday

Exodus 33:11-23 / Job 42:12-17 / Isaiah 52:13-54:1 1 Corinthians 1:18-2:2 / Matthew 27:1-61

Saturday, April 15: The Sabbath of Light

Ezekiel 37:1-14 / 1 Corinthians 5:6-8 / Galatians 3:13-14 / Matthew 27:62-66 Romans 6:3-11 / Psalm 81 / Matthew 28:1-20

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