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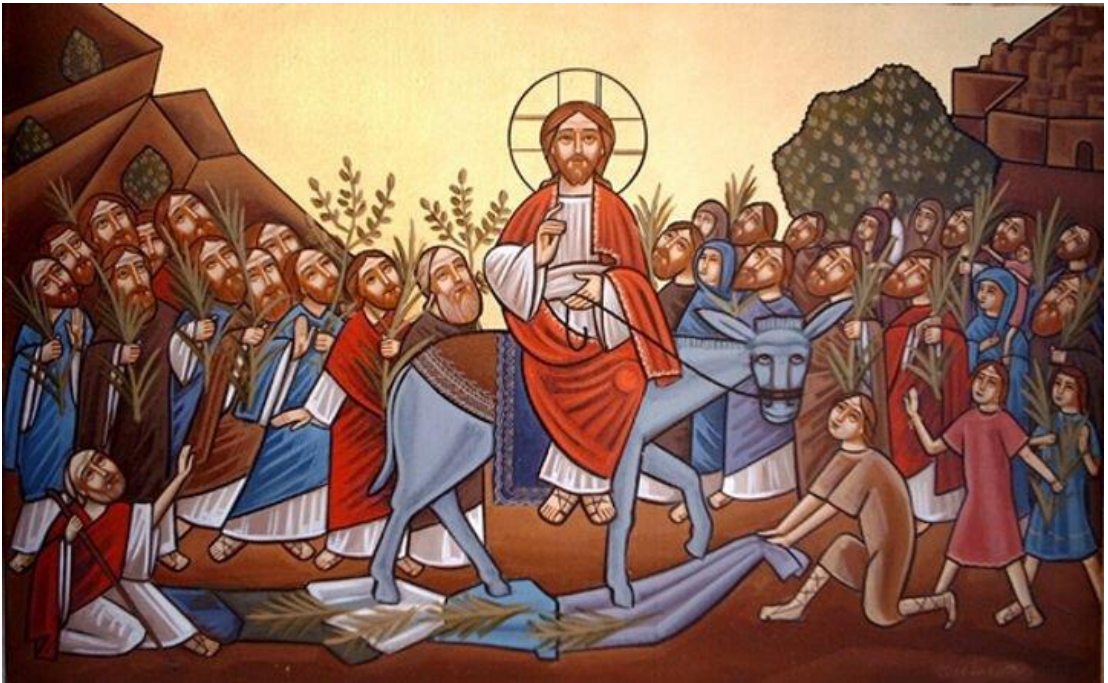
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Sunday, April 13, 2025

Palm Sunday • The Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem

Saturday Vespers, 7pm • Sunday Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 8:30am



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The Second Antiphon: O Son of God, who didst sit upon the foal of an ass, save us who sing unto Thee: Alleluia!

Entrance Hymn: Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord! God is the Lord and hath revealed Himself to us. O Son of God, who didst sit upon the foal of an ass, save us who sing unto Thee: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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!

EPISTLE READING FOR PALM SUNDAY

Prokeimenon – Psalm 117:25, 1

Blessed be He who comes in the name of the Lord!

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; His mercy endureth forever.

The reading is 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 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.

Alleluia – Psalm 97:1, 3

O sing to the Lord a new song.

All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

GOSPEL READING 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!" 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.

Hymn to the Theotokos (Tone 4): God is the Lord and has 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.'

Koinonikon (Tone 8): Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Alleluia.

:: HOLY WEEK AND US ::

His Eminence Metropolitan Saba

[This week,] we will walk alongside our Lord Jesus Christ step by step in His final days on earth. We will witness his ascent to Golgotha and His resurrection from the dead. But before that, we will immerse ourselves in every detail of the events leading up to his trial.

Through meditation on gospel events that instill humility in our souls, we will prepare ourselves to accompany Christ through the steps of His suffering, leading to His resurrection. We seek to participate fully in these events, growing in piety and spiritual struggle. We will reflect on the fig tree that withered at His command, the repentance of the adulteress juxtaposed with Judas' betrayal, and the parable of the ten virgins that warns us against negligence and sloth. We will heed the Lord's stern rebukes of the Pharisees and those like them who outwardly observe the commandments and teachings of the divine law but do not let them touch their hearts and change their souls. We will contemplate Peter's denial, contrasting it with Judas' despair and subsequent suicide.

We will also contemplate the Mystical Supper and the profound mystery of the Eucharist, as well as the humbling act of foot washing, the Lord's teachings on servanthood and His words about the first among us, and the manner of how we become first in our servanthood.

Following this, we will recount the journey of Christ's Passion, culminating in His crucifixion, burial, and the sealing of his tomb. And on Holy Saturday, we will await in reverent silence his glorious resurrection. More specifically, in this blessed Archdiocese, we will rejoice in welcoming many new brothers and sisters into our holy apostolic Church. ...

Believers participate in this week according to their spiritual ability and life circumstances. Yet, the most crucial question remains: How do I allow these salvific events to shape my life as a believer? The prayers, hymns and Scriptures of this week call us to reflect deeply on our own lives and actions. And so, we see in ourselves the fig tree that must always bear fruit, the sinner who repents fervently, Judas who falls into betrayal and despair of God's mercy, Peter who denies out of fear but repents with bitter tears, the woman who washes the Lord's feet, and the disciple who is presented the body and blood of his Lord as food and drink to be united with him spiritually, in order to become the beloved for whom Christ dies to give him the power of life that triumphs over death.

Great Lent is a season of repentance and inner renewal par excellence. In the past six weeks, the hymns and prayers have called us to combine contemplation with application and action

in our lives. Now, in Holy Week, we are called to participate in the death and resurrection of Christ. We die with Christ and rise with Him when we put to death all evil and vice within us. We rise with Him when we cultivate all goodness and virtue.

As we enter today into this splendid season, let us contemplate with deep devotion some of its beautiful hymns, and let us demand of ourselves to live them.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

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

Today: Palm Sunday

- Orthros, outdoor procession, & Divine Liturgy, beginning 8:30am.
- Coffee hour provided by last names G-K
- *No church school today or next week*
- First Bridegroom Orthros, 7pm

Monday, April 14 & Tuesday, April 15: Second and Third Bridegroom Orthros, 7pm

Wednesday, April 16: Sacrament of Holy Unction, 7pm

Thursday, April 17:

- Vesperal Divine Liturgy of the Mystical Supper, 10am
- Orthros of the Twelve Passion Gospels, 7pm

Friday, April 18: Good Friday

- Royal Hours with Passion Gospel readings, 9am
- Vespers and the removal of the body from the cross, 3pm
- Lamentations at the Tomb, 7pm
- *See detailed Good Friday schedule for other events in between services!*

Saturday, April 19: The Sabbath of Light

- Baptismal Divine Liturgy, 10am

- Paschal Vigil (Midnight Office, procession, Orthros, & Divine Liturgy), 10pm
- Blessing of the Pascha baskets & potluck meal, following Liturgy

Next Sunday, April 20: Great and Holy Pascha

- Paschal Vigil (beginning the night before)
- Agape Vespers, 1pm. *It is customary at this service to read the Gospel in many different languages. If you would like to do a reading, please prepare John 20:19-25 in a language of your choice.*

Please see separate Holy Week schedule for all services and events, April 11-22.

PASCHAL BREAKFAST. We will once again celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord with a Paschal breakfast meal at the church after the 10pm vigil services.

- You may put your Pascha baskets downstairs before the service begins; Fr. Andrew will come down to bless them at the end of the service. (If you don't know what a Pascha basket is or what to put in it, ask Fr. Andrew or someone who has been around for a while!)
- Let us keep this meal simple. We don't need people downstairs missing any of our beautiful Paschal service to prepare food. We will eat out of our baskets; any food you'd like to share may be placed in the baskets to be blessed.
- Please, as we used to do in the past, let us limit alcohol to wine only: no beer or hard liquor. The last thing we want to do is create a scandal for each other, or to be responsible for anyone driving home impaired.

CHURCH ETIQUETTE. Here are a few reminders from your priest as we seek to give the Lord the best of our time and efforts when we gather for worship, fellowship, and study.

- **During Divine services**, everyone present should be in the church participating in worship, unless there is a good reason to be downstairs or elsewhere (noisy children, trips to the restroom, illness, etc.). Food prep should be kept to a minimum, and under no circumstances should anyone (adults or kids) be socializing during services.
- **During Church school**, I'd like to see adults making more of an effort to attend Church school upstairs, to honor and learn from our teachers. Church school for children, teens, and adults is a vital part of our Christian formation, and our teachers put much time and effort into their presentations. Feel free to carefully bring your food and drink to class if you need more time for coffee hour. Thank you!

"For the lowly shall not always be forgotten; the patient abiding of the poor shall not perish forever." (Psalm 9:19)

Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
<u>Sat, April 12</u> <i>St Lazarus</i>	Michelle C	Dn Walid	JoAnne T	n/a	n/a
Sun, April 13 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	Sdn Joseph	Cristina P	John O	Alina S	G-K
<u>Thurs., April 17</u> <i>Holy Thursday</i>	Christy K	Domitille	Domitille	Volunteer	<i>Potluck</i>
<u>Sat., April 19</u> <i>Holy Saturday</i>	Jim K	Sandy A	Azizeh C	Zach C	<i>Catered</i>
Sun, April 20 <i>Holy Pascha</i>	Joseph L	Debbie K	Nancy L	n/a	<i>Baskets</i>
Sun April 27 <i>St. Thomas</i>	Paul K	Pat K	Richard B	Domitille	L-P

For Sunday coffee hour, the last names of our church members have 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, monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and make sure they don't take more than they can eat. Please also help your children clean up after themselves.

Weekly clean-up will be the responsibility of those providing coffee hour, but of course, things go faster when we all pitch in and help!



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

APRIL 13-19, 2025

Sunday, April 13: 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 14: 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 15: 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 16: 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 17: 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 18: 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 19: 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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