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Palm Sunday: The Entry of our Lord into Jerusalem



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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

Prokeimenon – Psalm 117:25, 1

Blessed be He who enters 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 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.

GOSPEL READING

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.

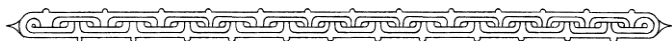
The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, “Hosanna! Blessed is He who cometh in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel!”

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 (Psalm 117, Tone 8): Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. Alleluia.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services, visit www.allsaintsorthodox.org

Today: Palm Sunday

- Orthros, Outdoor Procession, & Divine Liturgy, beginning at 8:30am
- Coffee hour provided by last names L-P
- First Bridegroom Orthros, 7pm

Monday & Tuesday, April 6 & 7: Second and Third Bridegroom Orthros, 7pm

Wednesday, April 8: Sacrament of Holy Unction, 7pm

Thursday, April 9:

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

Friday, April 10: 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 handout for our full Good Friday schedule!

Saturday, April 11: 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 12: 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.*

BLESSED HOLY WEEK TO ALL OF YOU! See the flyer or online calendar for a full schedule of Holy Week services and events. Each of the services tells an important part of the story of the Lord's passion and our salvation; please make every effort to attend as much as you can!

- **Good Friday is April 10.** Services will take place at 9am, 3pm, and 7pm. Our annual Church School confession retreat and the decorating of Christ's tomb will be after the morning service.
- During the retreat: for those outside of church-school age, the parish house will be open as a quiet conversation space for adults and young children, and a psalm vigil will also take place in the church.
- Teen SOYO will gather in the parish house after Vespers at 4:30pm.
- Common simple meals will be coordinated, or you may bring your own or fast. All are encouraged to spend the day at church for prayer and fellowship! (More info to follow.)
- **Holy Saturday Liturgy is April 11 at 10am.** With God's blessing, this will include the baptisms/chrisinations of the Morgen family and a catered meal afterwards.

THE VIGIL OF HOLY PASCHA begins Saturday, April 11 at 10pm. We will celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord with a Paschal breakfast at the church, after the service.

- Bring your Pascha baskets to be blessed 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.

FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE: Once again, let us be generous with the Antiochian Archdiocese's annual Lenten charity to help the poor and hungry around the world. Please take a coin box (at the greeters' table), and use it throughout Lent. Turn them in at Pascha to be blessed, and replace any coins with a **check made out to All Saints Church marked "For the Poor" in the memo line**, or submit paper money and designate it for the poor. If you have any questions, contact Pat K.

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Divine Liturgy for the Feast of St. George – Wednesday, April 22, 7pm at St. George Church in Cicero.
- Baptism of Eleni Glassburn (daughter of Nicholas and Dimitra) – Sunday, April 26
- Inaugural Orthros & Liturgy at the new St. Katherine Antiochian Mission (meeting at St. Michael's Church in Niles), Saturday, May 16 at 9am.
- All Saints feast-day weekend with Fr. Jeremy Davis – June 6-7
- Parish Life Conference – June 17-20 (Cleveland)
- Deanery picnic – Saturday, July 11 in La Grange. All of the churches in the Chicago deanery are sponsoring together this day of food, fellowship, and fun. We are seeking volunteers from All Saints; please see Eric and Cristina Pope.



Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sat Apr 4 <i>Lazarus</i>	Steve K	Sarah C	Tobey L	N/A	N/A
Sun Apr 5 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	Joseph L	Sephora I	John O	Domitille	L-P
Thurs Apr 9 <i>Holy Thurs</i>	Jim K	Debbie K	Domitille	<i>volunteer</i>	Potluck
Sat Apr 11 <i>Holy Sat</i>	Rich C	Pat K	JoAnne T	<i>volunteer</i>	Potluck
Sun Apr 12 <i>Pascha</i>	Sd Joseph	Domitille	Nancy L	N/A	Baskets

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.

Shaded dates indicate fasting. No meat, eggs, or dairy should be served.

**“DO NOT ADD TO THE TROUBLES OF AN ANGRY MIND,
NOR DELAY YOUR GIFT TO A BEGGAR.”**

(WISDOM OF SIRACH 4:3)



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

HOLY WEEK, 2026

Sunday, April 5: 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 6: 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 7: 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 8: 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 9: Great & Holy Thursday

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

Friday, April 10: 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 11: 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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