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St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church

April 2, 2023

Fr. Stavros Akrotirianakis (Proistamenos)
Fr. Stratton Dorozenski (Retired Priest In Residence)
Fr. John Stefero (Retired Priest In Residence)

(Icon - Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt)

VISION:

Love God, Love your neighbor and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ as an Orthodox Christian community.

MISSION:

The mission of St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church is to welcome and serve people with love, truth, joy and peace, and to create an environment that encourages all to seek salvation through Orthodox Christianity.

CORE VALUES:

Love, Worship, Community, Learning, Service

SYNAXARION:

Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt ; Titus the Wonderworker ; Theodora the Virgin-martyr of Palestine

Resurrectional Apolytikion (Mode 1)

The stone that had been sealed before Your tomb by the Judeans and the soldiers guarding did watch over Your pure and sacred Body. O Savior, the third day You arose, and unto all the world did You give life. Whereby all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the Giver of Life: Glory unto our Resurrected Christ; Glory unto Your Kingdom; Glory to Your dispensation, O You Who alone loves all.

Apolytikion for St. Mary of Egypt

In you, O Mother, was preserved, intact what was in God's image for after taking up the Cross, Christ the Lord you did follow, and by your actions you taught, to overlook the flesh, for it perishes on but to care for the soul, which is a thing immortal. Wherefore, O holy Mary, your spirit rejoices, along with the Angels.

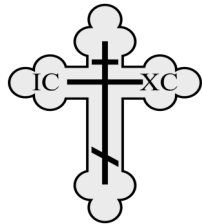
Apolytikion for St. John:

The memory of the just is observed with hymns of praise; for you O Forerunner the witness of the Lord is sufficient. You have proved to be truly more venerable than the prophets. Since you were granted to baptize in the river, the One Whom they proclaimed. Therefore, you strove for truth, proclaiming with joy the Good News, even to those in Hades: that God was manifested in the flesh, and takes away the sins of the world, and grants to us His great mercy.

Kontakion:

A protection of Christians unshamable, intercessor to our Holy Maker unwavering, reject not, the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us for you are good, your loving help bring unto us, who are crying in faith to you. Hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate, as a protection for all time, Theotokos for those who honor you.

Pro-sta-si-a ton Chris-ti-a-non a-ka-te-schin-te, me-si-ti-a pros ton Pi-i-tin a-me-ta-the-te, mi pa-ri-this a-mar-to-lon the-i-se-on fo-nas, al-la pro-fta-son, os a-ga-thi, is tin vo-i-thi-an i- mon, ton pi-stos krav-ga-zon-ton Si. Ta-chi-non is pres-vi-an ke spev-son is i-ke-si-an, i pro-sta-te-vou-sa a-i, The-o-to-ke, ton ti-mon-ton Se.



Welcome to all of our Visitors

“Welcome one another just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.” Romans 15:7 We pray that your worship experience with us today will be inspirational and uplifting. Please introduce yourself to an usher or a member of the Welcoming Ministry and pick-up a “welcome packet” as you exit the church. We are happy that you are with us today!

Holy Communion is offered only to Orthodox Christians who are in good canonical standing with the church and who have prepared through prayer and fasting. Everyone is invited to receive the Antidoron (Blessed Bread) at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

Order for Holy Communion—With Sunday School back in session the order for Holy Communion will be as follows:

1. Choir
2. Altar boys
3. Sunday school teachers (who will line up in middle aisle before Communion)
4. Sunday school students (who will line up in the middle aisle before Communion behind the teachers)
5. Then the rest of the congregation

Memorial:

Aris Hampers (40days); Christina Greenbaum- Drisko (5 years)

Upcoming Services & Events

Sunday, April 2

5th Sunday of Great Lent—St. Mary of Egypt

Orthros 8:30 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:45 a.m

Monday, April 3

Great Compline 5:30 p.m

Young Adult - Dinner Discussion

Tuesday April 4

Women’s Bible Study 10:00 a.m.

Choir Practice

Wednesday April 5

9th Hour 5:30 p.m.

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6:00 p.m.

Dinner Discussion (Sponsored by Young Adults/ Bible Studies)

Thursday April 6

Adult Greek School

Friday April 7

9th Hour 9:30 a.m.

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Saturday April 8

Lazarus Saturday

Orthros 8:30 a.m.

Proskomide 9:30 a.m.

Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Sunday April 9

Palm Sunday-The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

Orthros 8:30 a.m.

Liturgy 9:45 a.m

Vespers 5:00 p.m.

Bridegroom 6:30 p.m

Procession of the Icon of the Nymphios

Theme: Christ as the Bridegroom of the Church; watchfulness

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you are new to the Tampa Bay area or just visiting, we would love to get to know you better.

PLEASE TEXT THE WORD

"WELCOME" TO 813-790-5950

FOLLOW THE PROMPTS TO GIVE US
YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION AND FROM THERE
YOU WILL BE DIRECTED TO OUR ONLINE CONNECTION CARD

DO NOT NEGLECT TO SHOW *hospitality* TO STRANGERS.
FOR THEREBY SOME HAVE ENTERTAINED *angels unaware.*
HEBREWS 13:2

Religious Education at St. John

**Monday Night
Bible Study**

Leader:
Fr. John

Resumes April 17:
Monday at 6:30
p.m.

**Women’s
Bible Study**

Leader:
Fr. Stavros

April 4:
Tuesday at 10:00
a.m.

MINISTRY NEWS & UPDATES

St. John's Bookstore - Paschal Items Available Today!

Beginning today and throughout the remainder of Great Lent and Holy Week, our bookstore will feature a table with items for Pascha. Icons of the special events of Holy Week and the Resurrection will be available along with greeting cards in Greek or English, decorative eggs and boxes, red egg dye imported from Greece, and Holy Week service books and children's books. Shop early for the best selection.



GOYA

The GOYA will meet **TODAY**, April 5. During this meeting, Fr. Stavros will hold a special seminar for mothers and daughters. We will meet from 5:00-7:30 p.m in the Kourmolis Center. Dinner is provided.

Young Adults

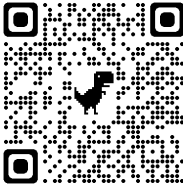
Our Young Adult Group will meet for dinner/discussion on Monday, April 3 (note different day this month) from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Kourmolis Center. Young Adults are encouraged to come earlier and participate in the Great Compline service beginning at 5:30 p.m. The group also meets informally for social events. If you are interested in getting notices via What's App, contact Aris Rogers at 813-309-5525. The Young Adult group (along with our Bible Study groups) will be co -hosting the Wednesday evening Lenten dinner on Wednesday, April 5.

Community Outreach

With Greek Easter falling on the third weekend of April this year, our Outreach will not serve on April 15, allowing our volunteers to worship and enjoy Easter services. We will instead serve on the fifth Saturday of April: April 29, 2023 from 8:00AM - 10:00AM @ Tampa Hope. Located at 3704 E. 3rd Avenue Tampa 33605

Please sign up via the Sign Up Genius barcode!

St John is responsible for 6 volunteers to serve every third Saturday of every month.



March is Θαλασσαιμία/Cooley's Anemia Month

Fourth Annual ST JOHN GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH and AHEPA Tampa Chapter #12 Project

Cooley's Anemia or "Θαλασσαιμία"/Thalassemia, is a rare but fatal genetic blood disorder. It mostly affects people of Mediterranean descent. In its most severe form, it requires bone marrow transplants but usually those who are diagnosed experience symptoms of fatigue, weakness, paleness, and slow growth. Many are unaware they are carriers of the genetic disease until either their child suffers from it or a DNA test result is acquired.

How can you help?

- ☐ Get tested since it affects people of Mediterranean descent
- ☐ Educate others to be tested and provide support
- ☐ Register to be a prospective bone marrow donor with a swab test or by the St John Nursing Ministry on March 26th .

AHEPA has partnered with Team Be The Match for children in need of bone marrow matches. Since April 2006, AHEPA has added 3,000 donors to the Registry. More than 4,000 patients around the world have searched our database and donors have been asked to & quot; be at the ready & quot; for a donation.

1. There will be a table in the Kourmoulis Church Hall with information.

- a. March 5th
- b. March 12th
- c. March 19th
- d. March 26th as a prospective donor swab testing

2. Website: <https://ahepa.org/programs/publichealth>

3. For more Information contact:

- a. Mike Trimis (813) 784-4872 or MTrimis.AHEPA@gmail.com
- b. Tom Georgas (813) 985-0236 or Georgas@verizon.net



Readings for Sunday, April 2

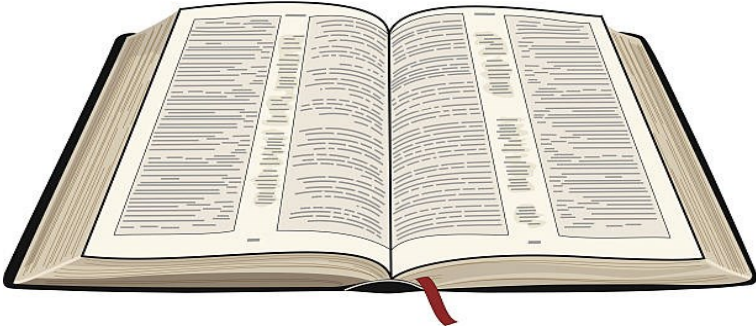
Prokeimenon: Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Psalm 32.22,1

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-14

BRETHREN, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 10:32-45

At that time, Jesus took his twelve disciples, and he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."



Liturgical Notes

Sunday, April 2– Fifth Sunday of Lent - St. Mary of Egypt

St. Mary of Egypt was anything but a Saint throughout the first part of her life. From a very young age, she was a prostitute. Being from Egypt, she decided that she wanted to see the Holy Land and the Tomb of Christ (also known as the Church of the Holy Sepulchre). As she went to enter the Church, a force kept her from entering. She was unable to enter, while so many others did. She realized that God had done this to have her stop her sinning. She promised to God that day she would stop. She repented with a pure heart, and she was allowed to enter. She went for Confession, received Holy Communion, and then went to the desert to live for years in repentance. Years later, she was visited by a Priest-monk, Zosimos (later a Saint in our Church). He gave her Holy Communion, and they discussed her trials and tribulations. Although she suffered much, she was so happy to be with Christ. Later that same day, she fell asleep in the Lord. Her example of repentance is SO great, we commemorate her life many centuries later.

Divine Liturgy to begin at 9:45 a.m. on the Sundays of Great Lent

Since the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great is offered on each Sunday of Lent, and this Divine Liturgy is slightly longer than the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, the Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:45 a.m. from March 5-April 9. The Choir will begin the Doxology at 9:35 a.m.

Mondays of Lent - Great Compline

The service of the Great Compline will be read for the last time this Monday. This service lasts about an hour and consists of Psalms and hymns of repentance. Service Books for this service will be available.

Wednesdays of Lent – 9th Hour and Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

The Divine Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts (also called Pre-Sanctified Liturgy) will be held on the Wednesdays during Great Lent. This service consists of Vespers with Holy Communion that was “Pre-Sanctified” the previous Sunday. It is an opportunity to receive Holy Communion frequently during the season of fasting. The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy is preceded by the reading of the 9th Hour, a short service with penitential prayers as well as the recitation of the Creed, a pre-requisite for the reception of Holy Communion. Service books for this service will be available. The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy will be celebrated on the following Wednesdays of Great Lent: Wednesday, March 1; Wednesday, March 8; Wednesday, March 15; Wednesday, March 22; Wednesday, March 29; and Wednesday, April 5. Each ministry is encouraged to attend one Pre-Sanctified Liturgy as follows:

Fridays of Lent - 9th Hour and Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy has Traditionally been celebrated on Wednesdays AND Fridays of Great Lent. The 9th Hour will begin at 9:30 a.m., with the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy from 10:00-11:15 a.m. The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy will be held on the Fridays of Lent as follows: Friday, March 3; Friday, March 10; Friday, March 17; Friday, March 24; Friday, March 31; and Friday, April 7.

Saturday of Lazarus - April 8

Father Stavros will do the Proskomide (service of preparation of the Holy Gifts) on the solea at 9:30 a.m. This is an excellent opportunity for those who have never seen this service, especially our children, to learn how the Holy Gifts are prepared before each Liturgy. Father Stavros will offer the service and narrate while he is doing it.

We are still in NEED of Easter lilies (\$30 each) please donate



Prayer List: Lord Jesus Christ, Physician of our Souls and Bodies, visit and heal your servants: Calliope Herman; Delaney & Alexis Johnson; Ron & Linda Ledet; Helen & Mike Mitchell; Marcelle T., Joanna R., Carlos R., Elena, Ricky& Michael Gordenina, Tina Chakonas, Felix R., Ivco; ; George Joseph; Anna, Stavroula, George, Pam, and Liz; Christopher Labatos; Sylvia Michos; Eva Coppalla; Christopher; Christopher; Peter Nenos; Tony Ekonomou; Patrick Carroll; Ourania Tziotis, Irina, Marina, Yuri, and Christophoros; Ashley Snyder; Evangelos & Caroline Critkas; Christine Alex, June, Lillian Thomas; Scotty; Desi Serriera; Ashley Kladakis; Dora Kallas, Kathy & Andrew Bouzinekis; Anastasia; Virginia Georgiou, Toulas Tsaros, Nellie Pringle, Yolanda Webb, Angela Bougas, Ron, Jason Vickers, Rex Garrison, Ann Demas, Christina Noel Kouzes Houck, Evangeline Xeroteris, Ashley Henderson, Natalie Henderson, Chris, Debbie, James, Avery, Lily, Jacob, Jesse, Ann, Rosario, Alissa, John, Angela, Joey, Christine Scourtes, Steven, Phyllis, John Zelatis, Reagan, Peter Zaharis, Alexandra Ferrarolis, Leon & Despina Botham, Cindy Xenick, Mary Ellen Evdemon, Marie Sofia Panagopoulos, Maria Hursey, Chris Vamvakias, John Myer, Mike Trimis, Alice Stoccardo, Michael Romero, George Hambos, Dean Kondilis and Family, Bill and Nancy Manikas, Patricia Costello, Ekaterina & Anna S. Dora K., Debbie P., Mary V., David V., Don Payne, Vasili, Moriah, Andoni, and all victims of war, terrorism, crime, natural disaster, and all of whom we are unaware.

Altar Boy Schedule

April 2 Michael Snyder Zachary Carter Dorian Setzer-Torres Leo Lendaros Niko Kyrus Josh Roby	Captains John Pailios Genaro Scarfogliero Nicholas Akrotirianakis Nicholas Carter James Magos Demetri Passalaris George Xenick Nicholas Magos PJ Zelatis	April 9 John Pailios, Nicholas Akrotirianakis, James Magos, Demetri Passalaris, George Xenick, Nicholas Magos, Nicholas Carter, PJ Zelatis, Andrew Thatcher, Alex Findlay, Leo Lendaros, Zachary Carter
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SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS & UPDATE

April 2 Topic: Holy Week 5th Sunday of Great Lent	April 9 TOPIC: Holy Week – Palm Sunday ALL STUDENTS will participate in the Palm Sunday Procession.
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If you do not receive our weekly Sunday School Constant Contact every Friday afternoon, please e-mail Vickie Peckham to let her know. Her e-mail address is vickiepeckham@gmail.com

We invite your Pre-K - 6th graders to our Great and Holy Friday Youth Retreat Friday, April 14, 2023 10:15a - 4p

The retreat will begin with prayer at the Foot of the Cross during the Service of Royal Hours. *Please arrive to church by 10:15a.*

Join your Sunday School friends to journey through Holy Week and prepare for the Triumphant Resurrection with faith building mini lessons and special Resurrection Garden craft..

Lunch and Snacks will be served.

The retreat will end with participation in the Apokathelosis Service - The Unnailing of Christ at 3:00 p.m. All parents are encouraged to attend!

Kindly RSVP here by April 10th

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040B45AAA82BA57-holy>

Excused absence forms are available. For questions please contact: Zackie Ameres at 813.245.3813 or zackiec@yahoo.com

Parishioners!

For the last 10 years it has been the tradition to have a vigil at the Cross of Christ starting at 10:00 p.m. Holy Thursday night, until 7:00 p.m. Good Friday evening. By God's grace, we will be continuing this blessed tradition this year. As it has been in years past, there is a sign up process for the vigil



(scan this barcode to bring you to the sign up).

Each time slot is 15-minutes long, and you may sign up for as many time slots as you would like.

I have been blessed and privileged with the opportunity to put together this year's vigil, so should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

With love in Christ, Vasili

Email: vasili@stjohntpa.org | Phone: (414) 254-5134

St. John Philoptochos

**Palm Sunday Luncheon
And Bake Sale**

**Sunday, April 9
after Church services**

LUNCH MENU
Fish
Rice
Beets
Skordalia
Macaroni and cheese
Salad
Desserts

BAKE SALE
Tsoureki
Spanakopita
Tiropita

South Tampa Sugar Mama Pascha Cookies

First Things First:

MAKING TIME FOR WHAT MATTERS MOST A SIX-WEEK LENTEN STUDY

Join us Wednesday evenings during Great Lent

March 1 First Things First: *Worship*
Dinner Sponsored by the Sunday School

March 8 First Things First: *Community*
Dinner Sponsored by the Choir

March 15 First Things First: *Love*
Dinner Sponsored by the AHEPA/Daughters

March 22 First Things First: *Learning*
Dinner Sponsored by the Young at Heart and Welcome Ministry

March 29 First Things First: *Service*
Dinner Sponsored by the Philoptochos

April 5 First Things First: *Priorities*
Dinner Sponsored by the Young Adults and Bible Studies

EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE:

6:00 pm Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
7:15 pm Lenten Dinner provided by one of our ministries
7:45 pm Presentation by Father Stavros
8:05 pm Small group discussion
8:30 pm Concluding remarks and closing prayer

GREAT LENT 2023
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
TAMPA, FL



HOLY WEEK AND PASCHA EASTER
SCHEDULE FOR 2023

April 8 Saturday of Lazarus—Commemoration of the raising of Lazarus from the dead
Orthros 8:30 a.m. Proskomide 9:30a.m.
Divine Liturgy 10:00-11:15 a.m.
**Fr. Stavros will celebrate the service of the Proskomide, the Preparation of the Holy Communion on the solea at 9:30 a.m. GOYA and Sunday School students are requested to attend to help in preparing the crosses for Palm Sunday, after Liturgy.*

April 9 Palm Sunday-The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem
Orthros 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:45 a.m.-noon
Vespers 5:00-6:00 p.m.
Service of the Bridgroom 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Procession of the Icon of the Nymphios
Theme: Christ as the Bridegroom of the Church; watchfulness

April 10 Holy Monday
9th Hour 9:00 a.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Service of the Bridgroom 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Theme: The Parable of the Talents

April 11 Holy Tuesday
9th Hour 9:00 a.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Service of the Bridgroom 6:30-8:30 p.m.
The Choir will sing the Hymn of Kassiane
Theme: Repentance of the harlot vs. the Betrayal by Judas

April 12 Holy Wednesday
9th Hour 9:00 a.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Sacrament of Holy Unction for Children 3:00-4:00 p.m.
Matins of Holy Thursday-5:15-7:00 p.m.
Sacrament of Holy Unction for Adults 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Theme: washing away of sin; healing of soul and body

April 13 Holy Thursday
Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 9:15-11:00 a.m.
Service of the Holy Passion 6:30-10:00 p.m.
Reading of the 12 Gospels, Procession of the Crucified Christ
Themes: The Betrayal, Trial and Death of Christ, the Passion
All-Night Vigil will follow the service

April 14 Good Friday
Reading of the Royal Hours 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Standing vigil at the Cross of Christ
Decorating the Epitaphios 11:00 a.m. (all are invited to help)
Apokathelosis 3:00-4:15 p.m. *The Unnailing/Burial of Christ*
Lamentations 7:00-10:30 p.m. *Singing of the Funeral Lamentations and Procession with the Epitaphios*

April 15 Holy Saturday
Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 8:30-11:00 a.m.
Reading of Prophecies foretelling the Resurrection of Christ
Great Canon 11:00 p.m.

April 16 PASCHA
The Service of the Resurrection of Christ-Midnight
Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom 12:30-2:00 a.m.
Following Liturgy, all are invited to a reception in the Kourmolis Center

AGAPE Vespers 11:00 a.m.-noon
Easter Vespers of Love-The Gospel is read in numerous languages to indicate the universal character of the Christian message
Easter Egg Hunt for Children NOON

ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΩΝ ΤΗΣ ΜΕΓΑΛΗΣ
ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΟΣ–2023

Σαββατο, 8 Απριλίου Σαββατο του Λαζαρου
Ορθρος 8:30–9:30 π.μ.
Ακολουθια τη Θεια Προσκομιδή 9:30–10:00 π.μ.
Θεια Λειτουργια 10:00–11:15 π.μ.

Κυριακη, 9 Απριλίου Κυριακη των Βαιων
Ορθρος 8:30 π.μ. Θεια Λειτουργια 9:45 π.μ.
Κατανυκτικο Εσπερινο 5:00–6:00 μ.μ.
Ακολουθια Νυμφιου 6:30–8:00 μ.μ.

Δευτερα, 10 Απριλίου Μεγαλη Δευτερα
Ενατη Ωρα 9:00–9:30 π.μ.
Θεια Λειτουργια των Προηγιασμενων Δωρων 9:30–11:00 π.μ.
Ακολουθια Νυμφιου 6:30–8:00 μ.μ.

Τριτη, 11 Απριλίου Μεγαλη Τριτη
Ενατη Ωρα 9:00–9:30 π.μ.
Θεια Λειτουργια των Προηγιασμενων Δωρων 9:30–11:00 π.μ.
Ακολουθια Νυμφιου 6:30–8:30 μ.μ.

Τεταρτη, 12 Απριλίου Μεγαλη Τεταρτη
Ενατη Ωρα 9:00–9:30 π.μ.
Θεια Λειτουργια των Προηγιασμενων Δωρων 9:30–11:00 π.μ.
Ακολουθια Ευχελαιωνγια τα παιδια 3:00–4:00 μ.μ.
Ακολουθια Νυμφιου 5:15–7:00 μ.μ.
Ακολουθια Ευχελαιον 7:00–8:30 μ.μ.

Πεμπτη, 13 Απριλίου Μεγαλη Πεμπτη
Θεια Λειτουργια του Αγιου Βασιλειου 9:15–11:00 π.μ.
Ακολουθια Σταυρωσεως 6:30–10:00 μ.μ.

Παρασκευη, 14 Απριλίου Μεγαλη Παρασκευη
Οι Βασιλικες Ωρες 9:00–11:00 π.μ.
Αποκαθλωσις 3:00–4:15 μ.μ.
Επιταφιος Θρηνος 7:00–10:30 μ.μ.

Σαββατο, 15 Απριλίου Μεγαλο Σαββατο
Θεια Λειτουργια του Αγιου Βασιλειου 8:30–11:00 π.μ.
Ο Κανων 11:00 μ.μ.
Ακολουθια της Αναστασεως Μεσανυχτα
Θεια Λειτουργια της Αναστασεως 12:30–2:15 π.μ.

Κυριακη, 16 Απριλίου Αγιον Πασχα
Μεγας Εσπερινος της Αγαπης 11:00 π.μ.



Family Calendar for Great Lent 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
February 26 Matthew 6:21 Sunday of Forgiveness Divine Liturgy Forgiveness Vespers Ask forgiveness of your family members	Psaln 95:6 Clean Monday Great Lent begins Canon of St. Andrew Holy Unction Service No screens today WORSHIP	1 Chronicles 16:29 Call your Godparents to wish them a Blessed Lent	March 1 Romans 12:1 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy	2 Hebrews 12:28 Silently pray about how much God loves you	3 Psalm 63:3-4 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Salutations to the Virgin Mary Make a prosforo bread to offer at church	4 Psalm 150:6 Saturday of the Souls St. Theodore Divine Liturgy Pray for a loved one who has passed away
5 John 1:44-45 Sunday of Orthodoxy Divine Liturgy Bring an icon from home to have it blessed	Psaln 133:1 Great Compline	Romans 12:4-5 Donote clothing to a charity COMMUNITY	Proverbs 27:17 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Pray for sick children	9 Galatians 6:2 Send a card to a friend who lives in another state	10 Matthew 18:20 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Salutations to the Virgin Mary Make a list of free things you are thankful for	11 Hebrews 10:24-25 Forgive someone who hurt you
12 Mark 2:3-5 St. Gregory Palamas Divine Liturgy Give your Sunday School teacher a handmade card	John 13:34 Great Compline Make mid send a get-well card to someone who is sick	John 3:16 Secretly put a plant on a neighbor's porch	Luke 10:27 Paraklesis Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Pray for world leaders	16 1 Peter 4:8 Do an intentional act of kindness for someone at school	17 1 John 4:18-19 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Salutations to the Virgin Mary Smile at everyone you walk by today	18 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 Make a donation to a charity you love
19 Mark 8:34 Veneration of Holy Cross Divine Liturgy Bring a flower home from the cross	Philippians 4:9 Great Compline Learn the words to a new prayer LEARNING	Isaiah 1:17 Draw a picture of the Cross with the word "love" on it	Psaln 119:73 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Pray your teachers	23 Titus 3:14 Choose a Bible verse and put it on your refrigerator	24 2 Peter 3:18 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Salutations to the Virgin Mary Read a favorite Bible story with your family	25 Luke 1:35 Annunciation to the Virgin Mary Divine Liturgy Thank God for something in nature He created
26 Mark 9:23-24 St. John of the Ladder Divine Liturgy Draw a ladder and put a Lenten goal on each step	Ephesians 2:10 Great Compline Clean your room without being asked SERVICE	2 Corinthians 9:11-12 Read about the life of your patron saint	3 John 1:16 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Pray for first responders	Matthew 5:16 Find a charity where your family can volunteer	Psaln 100:2 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Akathist Hymn Visit someone who lives alone	1 Peter 4:10 Make and serve someone a Lenten meal today
2 Mark 10:45 St. Mary of Egypt Divine Liturgy Sing "Agios o Theos" in Church today	Matthew 6:33 Great Compline Make a plan for the Holy Week services you will attend PRIORITY	Colossians 3:17 Write the names of your family members to give the priest to pray over during Holy Week	Proverbs 3:5-6 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Pray for people who feel alone	Philippians 2:4 Memorize a short bible verse	Proverbs 3:9-10 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Tell your family members what you love about them	John 11:27 Saturday of Lazarus Service of Proskomide Divine Liturgy Watch a faith based movie or show with your family
9 John 12:15 Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy Vespers Service of the Bridgroom Replace your old palm cross	Matthew 25:14-15 Holy Monday Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Service of the Bridgroom Read the story about Joseph from the Old Testament	Luke 17:3-4 Holy Tuesday Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Service of the Bridgroom Read the story of Kassiane the hymnographer	Psaln 147:3-4 Holy Wednesday Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Holy Unction Service of the Bridgroom Holy Unction Receive Holy Unction	John 15:12-13 Holy Thursday Liturgy of St. Basil 12 Gospels service Color eggs red for Pascha	Joshua 24:15 Holy Friday Royal Hours Unnailing from the Cross Lamentations Pray about Jesus on the cross	Acts 2:22-24 Holy Saturday Liturgy of St. Basil Resurrection Service Come see the leaves scattered at the morning liturgy
16 Psalm 51:10 PASCHA Agape Vespers Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!	2 Corinthians 4:16 Joyfully sing Christ is risen!	Ephesians 4:23 Crack your red eggs while saying "Christ is risen! Truly He is risen!"	Romans 12:2 Find a picture with the verse John 3:16 and print it out	20 Romans 12:2 Play with someone who feels left out	21 Colossians 3:10 Life-Giving Fountain Divine Liturgy Say a prayer for the gift of clean water	Isaiah 40:31 Make resurrection rolls