

Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 12, 2020

St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church

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: Basil the Confessor, Bishop of Parium; Anthousa the Righteous of Constantinople; Akakios of Kavsoakalyvia; Sergius II, Patriarch of Constantinople

Second Antiphon: Save us o Son of God, who sat upon the colt of a donkey, to Thee we sing: Alleluia.

Entrance Hymn: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us. Save us o Son of God, who sat upon the colt of a donkey, to Thee we sing: Alleluia.

Festal Apolytikion: Of the common Resurrection, before Your passion assuring us, from the dead, You raised Lazarus O Christ our God. Wherefore, like the children, we also carry the symbols of victory. To You, the Victor over death, we cry: Hosanna in the Highest, Blessed is He who cometh in the name of the Lord.

Apolytikion: We were buried with You through Baptism, O Christ our God, and thus by Your Resurrection we have been granted immortal life, and extolling You we cry aloud, "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One who comes in the name of the Lord."

Kontakion: In heaven upon a throne, on earth upon a colt, being carried O Christ our God, You accepted the angels' praise and the children's extolling hymns, as they cried out to You: Blessed is He that comes, fallen Adam to recall again.

Megalinarion: God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us. Prepare the feast and come with rejoicing. Let us magnify Christ; bearing palms and branches, let us sing praise to Him: Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord, our Savior, our Savior.

Communion Hymn: (Psalm 118:26) Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel. Alleluia.

Readings for Palm Sunday

Epistle Reading is from Philippians 4:4-9

BRETHREN, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Reading is from John 12:1-18

Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazaros was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazaros 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, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said "Why was this ointment 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 as he had the money box 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 Lazaros, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazaros 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 comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon 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 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 him when he called Lazaros out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

Prayer List: Lord Jesus Christ, Physician of our Souls and Bodies, visit and heal your servants: Fr. Pat Legato, Nellie Pringle, Robert Calbi, Yolanda Webb, Angela Bougas, Tony Ekonomou, Ron, Jason Vickers, Rex Garrison, Tina Chakonas, Ann Demas, Alex Martinez, Adriana Martinez, Aaron Martinez, Christina Noel Kouzes Houck, Evangeline Xeroteris, Nichole Ross, Daniel Ross, Daniella Ross, Ashley Henderson, Natalie Henderson, Chris, Debbie, James, Avery, Lily, Jacob, Jesse, Ann, Rosario, Antonia Caffentzis, Alissa, John, Angela, Joey, Christine Scourtes, Steven, Matthew & Family, Phyllis, John Zelatis, Reagan, Peter Zaharis, Alexandra Ferrarolis, Leon & Despina Botham, Cindy Xenick, Mary Ellen Evdemon, Marie Sofia Panagopoulou, Maria Hursey, Chris Vamvakias, Effie Sorolis, John Myer, Mike Trimis, Robert and Alice Stoccardo, John Alexander, Michael Romero, George Hambos, Dean Kondilis and Family, Bill and Nancy Manikas, Patricia Costello, Anastasia Smyrnakis, Ekaterina & Anna Shushaalykova, Dora Koudouna, Ana Mourer, Debbie Phelps, Mary Voykin, David Voykin, Anne Sakellaris, Denise Badrane, Sia Blankenship, Don Payne, Zhana Temelkova, Stanislava Terzieva, James, Jude and all victims of war, terrorism, crime, natural disaster, and all of whom we are unaware.

Holy Week Schedule

April 11-19, 2020

****PLEASE BEAR IN MIND THAT THIS SCHEDULE CAN CHANGE AT ANY TIME, BASED ON ANY GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS THAT CHANGE. PLEASE STAY TUNED FOR OUR WEBSITE FOR ANYTHING THAT MAY CHANGE.**

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Sunday, April 12 Palm Sunday

Orthros 8:45 a.m.
Divine Liturgy 10:00-11:30 a.m.
Vespers of Holy Monday 5:00-5:45 p.m.
Service of the Bridegroom 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Monday, April 13 Holy Monday

9th Hour 9:00 a.m.
Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Service of the Bridegroom 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, April 14 Holy Tuesday

9th Hour 9:00 a.m.
Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Service of the Bridegroom 6:30-8:15 p.m.

Wednesday, April 15 Holy Wednesday

9th Hour 9:00 a.m.
Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 9:30-11:00 a.m.
Service of the Bridegroom 4:00-5:30 p.m.
Holy Unction 6:30-8:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 16 Holy Thursday

Vesperal Divine Liturgy 9:15-11:00 a.m.
The Passion of Christ (12 Gospels)
6:30-10:00 p.m.
Virtual Vigil begins at 10:00 p.m.
through 9:00 a.m. on Good Friday

Friday, April 17 Good Friday

Royal Hours 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Virtual Vigil continues 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Apokathelosis (Vespers of un-nailing)
3:00-4:15 p.m.
4:15-4:30 p.m. Trisagion service
for the community will be offered in front of
the Cross
Virtual Vigil Continues 4:30-7:00 p.m.
Lamentations 7:00-10:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 18 Holy Saturday

Vesperal Liturgy 8:30-11:00 a.m.

Canon of the Resurrection 11:00 p.m.
The Resurrection Service 11:45 p.m.
Paschal Divine Liturgy 12:30-1:45 a.m.

Sunday, April 19 PASCHA

Agape Vespers 11:00 a.m.-noon

Wednesday, April 22

Paraklesis Service 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 23 St. George

Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Friday, April 24 Zodochos Peghe (Life-Giving Fountain of the Virgin Mary)

Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Sunday, April 26 Thomas Sunday

Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, April 29

Paraklesis Service 6:00 p.m.

Sunday, May 3 Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearers

Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, May 6

Paraklesis Service 6:00 p.m.

Friday, May 8 St. John the Theologian

Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.