

Saturday of Lazarus

Saturday, April 11, 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: Antipas, Bishop of Pergamum; Pharmuthios the Anchorite; Guthlac the Hermit of Crowland

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.

Kontakion: Christ, the joy of all, the Truth, the Light, the Life, the Resurrection of the world, in His goodness appeared to those on earth; and He became the pattern of the Resurrection, by granting divine remission to all.

Trisagion Hymn: All those who have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Alleluia.

Megalinarion: The pure Theotokos who in her womb conceived the divine fire without being burned, let us honor gloriously, O people, magnifying her with never-silent hymns.

Communion Hymn: From the mouths of babes and nursing infants You have perfected praise. Alleluia.

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.

Readings for Saturday of Lazarus

Epistle Reading is from Hebrews 12:28-29; 13:1-8

BRETHREN, let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe; for our God is a consuming fire. Let brotherly love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them; and those who are ill-treated, since you also are in the body. Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled; for God will judge the immoral and adulterous. Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never fail you nor forsake you." Hence we can confidently say, "The Lord is my helper, I will not be afraid; what can man do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God; consider the outcome of their life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and for ever.

Gospel Reading is from John 11:1-45

At that time, a certain man was ill, Lazaros of Bethany, from the village of Mary and her sister Martha. It was Mary who anointed the Lord with ointment and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazaros was ill. So the sisters sent to him, saying, "Lord, he whom you love is ill." But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness is not unto death; it is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified by means of it." Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazaros. So when he heard that he was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was. Then after this he said to the disciples, "Let us go into Judea again." The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were but now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?" Jesus answered, "Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any one walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. But if any one walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him." Thus he spoke, and then he said to them, "Our friend Lazaros has fallen asleep, but I go to awake him out of sleep." The disciples said to him, "Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will recover." Now Jesus had spoken of his death, but they thought that he meant taking rest in sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, "Lazaros is dead; and for your sake I am glad that I was not there, so that you may believe. But let us go to him." Thomas, called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, "Let us also go, that we may die with him." Now when Jesus came, he found that Lazaros had already been in the tomb four days. Bethany was near Jerusalem, about two miles off, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary sat in the house. Martha said to Jesus, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. And even now I know that whatever you ask from God, God will give you." Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?" She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, he who is coming into the world." When she had said this, she went and called her sister Mary, saying quietly, "The Teacher is here and is calling for you." And when she heard it, she rose quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still in the place where Martha had met him. When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there. Then Mary, when she came where Jesus was and saw him, fell at his feet, saying to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled; and he said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus wept. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?" Then Jesus, deeply moved again, came to the tomb; it was a cave, and a stone lay upon it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, by this time there will be an odor, for he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me. I knew that you have heard me always, but I have said this on account of the people standing by, that they may believe that you did send me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazaros, come out." The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with bandages, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go." Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him.

Holy Week Schedule

April 11-19, 2020

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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.