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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Sunday, April 9, 2017

ENTRANCE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST INTO JERUSALEM



WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

We are glad you are with us this morning.

If you are not Orthodox, we invite you to partake of the blessed bread during communion.

Please join us at Coffee Hour~ we'd love to meet you!

Calendar for this Week		Sunday, April 16-GREAT & HOLY PASCHA		
Culent	iur ivr iius ween	4:30 a.m.	Choir warm-up	
		5:00 a.m.	Procession, Paschal Matins	
Sunday, April 9—PALM SUNDAY		6:15 a.m.	Paschal Liturgy	
9:00 a.m.	Religious Education ages 6-18	7:45 a.m.	Break-fast	
9:00 a.m.	Matins	9:30 a.m.	Agape Vespers	
10:00 a.m.	Divine Liturgy	3:00 p.m.	Pascha Picnic at Tucker's Grove	
11:45 a.m.	All-parish POTLUCK	3.00 p.m.	rascha fichic at Tucker s Grove	
5:15 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal	~ 1		
6:00 p.m.	Bridegroom Matins	Sunday	Morning Ministries Schedule	
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	HOLY WEEK	April 9	Tinyayeva	
Monday Anni		April 15	Meyer (Holy Saturday)	
	Outrooch Mool at St. Michaele?	April 16	Kern (Pascha)	
5:00 p.m.	Outreach Meal at St. Michaels'	April 23	Hedges	
	University Church in Isla Vista	April 30	Washburn	
6:00 p.m.	Bridegroom Matins	~ ~ ~		
		Coffee Hour	DALLA GUNDAN DOTUNGK	
Tuesday, Apri	<u>il 11</u>	April 9	PALM SUNDAY POTLUCK	
7:00 a.m.	Presanctified Liturgy	April 16	PASCHA BREAKFAST	
2:30 p.m.	Catechesis Level I	April 23	C. & J. Speier	
6:00 p.m.	Bridegroom Matins	April 30	McCalmont/Sasala	
-	_	Creators		
Wednesday, April 12		Greeters April 9	K. Fox/H. Lange	
7:00 a.m.	Presanctified Liturgy	April 16	C. Berari/P. King (PASCHA)	
11:00 a.m.	Showers of Blessing Ministry	April 23	D. Washburn/D. Lewis	
6:00 p.m.	Sacrament of Holy Unction	April 30	K. & L. Jacobs	
0.00 p.m.	Sacrament of Hory Chedon	при 30	K. & L. Jacobs	
Thursday, Apr	il 13	<u>Ushers</u>		
7:00 a.m.	Institution Liturgy	April 9	R. Barre, D. Lewis, C. Speier	
6:00 p.m.	Matins with 12 Passion Gospels	April 16	J. King, D. Washburn, C. Berari	
0.00 p.m.	Watins with 12 Lassion Gospels	April 23	G. Shannon, S. Speier, P. Brunner	
Friday April 1	1.4	April 30	P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre	
Friday, April 14 9:00 a.m. Royal Hours (complete) Pendors				
	Royal Hours (complete)	Readers		
3:00 p.m.	Burial Vespers of Great & Holy	April 9	D. Meyer	
7 00	Friday	April 10	D. Washburn (Presanctified 7:00 a.m.)	
7:00 p.m.	Matins with Procession and	April 11	G. Wiley (Presanctified 7:00 a.m.)	
	Lamentations at the Tomb of Christ	April 13	D. Alexander (Vesp-Liturgy 7:00 a.m.)	
9 p.m6 a.m.	All-night Vigil	April 14	M. Kern (Hours)	
		April 14	R. Barre (Vespers 3:00 p,m.)	
Saturday, Apr	<u>il 15</u>	April 14	J. Butler OT/ H. Lange Epistle	
8:30 a.m.	Vesperal Liturgy commemorating	A	Lamentations 7:00 p.m.	
	Christ's descent into Hades	April 15	Barre, Kern, Lange—OT, V. Gish-Epistle	
10:30 a.m.	Lenten Refreshments	April 16	(Vesperal Liturgy 8:30 am)	
		April 16	T. Harris (PASCHA)	

April 23

D. Meyer

AT THE END OF THE MATINS SERVICE, WE SING THE GREAT DOXOLOGY.

("Glory to You, Who have shown us the light..." - Complete text is in the front of the Liturgy Book.)

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

Troparion for Palm Sunday

O Christ God, when we with Thee in baptism were buried, we became deserving of Thy Resurrection to immortal life. Wherefore, we praise Thee crying, Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST ANTIPHON verses with refrain: (Psalm 114/115)

Vs. I am well content: for the Lord will hear the voice of my supplication.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

- Vs. Tribulations and sorrow have I found; and I called on the name of the Lord. [Refrain]
- Vs. Glory...now & ever... [Refrain]

[The children will line up in the back of the church for the procession.] SECOND ANTIPHON verses & refrain (Psalm 115/116)

- Vs. I believed, therefore have I spoken: But I have been humbled exceedingly.
 - Refrain: O Son of God, Who sat on a colt, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia.
- Vs. What shall I render to the Lord for all He has rendered to me? [Refrain]
- Vs. My vows will I pay unto the Lord, in the presence of His people. [Refrain]
 - Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Only begotten Son and immortal Word of God, who for our salvation didst will to be incarnate of the Holy Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, who without change didst become man and was crucified, O Christ our God, trampling down death by death, who art one of the Holy Trinity, glorified with the Father and the Holy Spirit: save us.

THIRD ANTIPHON with Troparion Refrain – Psalm 117/118

Verse:

O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever. Let the house of Israel now say that He is good: for His mercy endureth forever.

Refrain: (Music for the troparion is in the center of this bulletin.)

By raising <u>Lazarus</u> from the dead before Thy <u>passion</u>,
Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O <u>Christ God</u>.
Like the <u>children</u> with the palms of <u>victory</u>,
we cry out to Thee, O <u>Vanquisher</u> of death:
Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Verse:

Let the house of Aaron now say that He is good: for His mercy endureth forever. Let all that fear the Lord now say that He is good: for His mercy endureth forever.

Refrain: By raising Lazarus...

As the clergy process with the children, we sing the following festal hymns:

Troparion of Lazarus

By raising <u>Lazarus</u> from the dead before Thy <u>passion</u>, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O <u>Christ God</u>. Like the <u>children</u> with the palms of <u>victory</u>,

we cry out to Thee, O <u>Vanquisher</u> of death:

Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the <u>name</u> of the Lord.

Kontakion of Palm Sunday

Sitting on Thy throne in heaven; carried on a colt on earth, O Christ God, accept the praise of angels and the songs of children, who sing: Blessed is He Who comes to recall Adam.

As the children line up in two rows in the center aisle, we sing:

Troparion for Palm Sunday

O Christ God, when we with Thee in baptism were buried, we became deserving of Thy Resurrection to immortal life. Wherefore, we praise Thee crying, Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.

The children place their palms on the floor.

Priest: For holy art Thou...

Deacon: and unto ages of ages.

People: Amen.

The clergy enter the altar.

TRISAGION HYMN

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, Have mercy on us. (3 times)

+Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Holy Immortal have mercy on us.

Deacon: With strength!

People: Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us.

Prokeimenon before the Epistle

Tone 4

Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us. Vs. O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

THE EPISTLE READING

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.

Alleluia before the Gospel

Tone 1

Chanter: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! People: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Verse: O sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things!

Verse: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

THE GOSPEL READING 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 comes in the name of the Lord, 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 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.

LITURGY OF THE FAITHFUL

Hymn to the Mother of God (Meglynarion)

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 Who comes in the name of the Lord.

Communion Hymn

Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord. God is the Lord and hath revealed Himself to us.

Instead of "We have seen the true light...

Troparion for Lazarus

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 who comes in the name of the Lord.

HOLY COMMUNION

In the Orthodox Church, the sacrament of Communion is offered only to Christians who are baptized in the name of the Trinity and chrismated into the Orthodox Faith. Non-Orthodox believers are invited to approach the chalice for a blessing and the blessed bread instead of the Eucharist.

So that the priest is aware of this, please just say, "Father, bless" when you get to the chalice.

Thanksgiving Prayers after Communion

At the end of the Divine Liturgy, we offer the prayers of thanksgiving for having received the Body and Blood of Christ. These beautiful prayers help us to reflect on the mystery in which we have just partaken, and prepare us for our transition back into the "world." We invite you to listen to these beautiful prayers during and after the veneration of the cross at the end of the service, and ask that you show courtesy to those who are remaining to hear the prayers in their entirety by waiting until Coffee Hour to socialize.

CELEBRATIONS for THIS WEEK

Wedding Anniversaries:

4/15 Robert & Leslee Kinman

Birthdays:

4/9	Mick Kronman
4/10	Fr. John Finley
4/12	Gabriel Speier
4/14	Olga Marie Gabrie
4/15	Corie Sieck, Ysabella Madrigal

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

You can access a complete calendar of services and other parish activities on our website: www.stathanasius.org.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO UPDATE THE CHURCH OFFICE WHEN YOU MOVE OR CHANGE E-MAIL, CELL PHONE NUMBER OR LAND LINE NUMBER.

WE OFFER OUR SINCERE CONDOLENCES TO:

...Tyson Shackelford and family on the passing of his father, Donald.

...Richard and Susan Barre on the passing of Susan's sister, Molly.

CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY YEARS to Adrienne and Andrew Macdonald on the birth of their daughter, Amelia Rose, born on March 30th.

AN EXPANDED BOOKSTORE will be available today so that you can purchase items for Pascha: candles, icons, jewelry, children's and adult books.

HOLY FRIDAY VIGIL AT THE TOMB—SIGN-UP

We will stand vigil at the tomb of Christ from Good Friday evening at 9:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m. on Holy Saturday morning. Please consider bringing your family to read at the tomb during the night. The sign-up list is on the clip board in the foyer.

PARKING DURING HOLY WEEK AND PASCHA

On Pascha morning, the turn-around will be blocked off from both directions for the breakfast. To park on the back side of the property, you will need to go around the side of the church (closest to the Mentor Office Park) to get to the back parking lot. Parking will be available in the front area closest to Hollister Ave.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES—SUNDAY, APRIL 23

We will bless the graves of our loved ones at Goleta Cemetery, singing the joyous hymn of "Christ is Risen," on Thomas Sunday, April 23rd after Coffee Hour.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

On Saturday, April 22nd at 10:00 a.m., Fr. Bob Fox will bless any pets you would like to take to the parking lot of St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church. Obviously, pets should be on leashes, in travel carriers or in your arms.

SERVICES OF HOLY WEEK 2017 (Please note that the Tues-Friday morning services are at 7:00 a.m.)

Palm Sunday, 4/9 Bridegroom Matins (Full Choir) 6:00—7:15 p.m. (Finish times

are approximate.)

Monday, 4/10 Bridegroom Matins 6:00 -7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, 4/11 Presanctified Liturgy 7:00—8:15 a.m.

Bridegroom Matins (Full Choir) 6:00-7:20 p.m.

At the conclusion of Bridegroom Matins, the choir will present in a brief musical meditation the beautiful Hymn of Kassiane that

was commissioned from composer Nazo Zakkak in 2014.

Wednesday, 4/12 Presanctified Liturgy 7:00—8:15 a.m.

Holy Unction 6:00-7:40 p.m.

Thursday, 4/13 Institution Liturgy 7:00-8:20 a.m.

Matins with 12 Passion Gospels 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Friday, 4/14 Royal Hours (Complete) 9:00 a.m.

Burial Vespers (Full choir) 3:00-4:00 p.m. Lamentation Matins (Full choir) 7:00-8:50 p.m.

All-night Vigil 10:00 p.m.-6:00 a.m.

Saturday, 4/15 Vesperal Liturgy celebrating 8:30 a.m.-10:15 a.m.

Christ's Victory over Hades (Full Choir)

Sunday, 4/16 Paschal Procession, Matins 5:00—8:00 a.m.

Liturgy, Blessing of baskets (Full Choir)

Break-fast 8:00 a.m.

Agape Vespers 9:30-10:15 a.m.

Picnic at Tucker's Grove 3:00 p.m.

(When the "Full Choir" is not indicated, services will be led by smaller ensembles of chanters.)

PASCHA CELEBRATION 2017 It's that time of year again!

PASCHA BREAKFAST—A BIT DIFFERENT THIS YEAR

This year we will begin a new BREAK-FAST tradition immediately following the Divine Liturgy. We will each bring, share and enjoy our own Pascha/Easter Baskets together. The church will provide a beautiful array of yeast sweet breads and Pascha cheese, and a lovely beverage bar of coffee, juice and hot and cold chocolate.

There will be several extra baskets of sliced meats and cheeses placed on the table to help serve our visitors/guests. NOW is the time for your family or group of friends to start thinking about what to put in your special basket!

Suggestions are sliced meats, cheeses, fruits, eggs, fruit, etc.

Our famous barbeque will happen in the afternoon!

*Please note we are dropping the price of the day
to reflect the change of menu in the morning!

PASCHA PICNIC

The main focus of our celebration this year will be the afternoon PICNIC at Kiwanis Meadows/Tuckers Grove at 3 p.m. The deacons will barbeque tri-tip and lamb for all. This year there will be the addition of special chili too! Bread will be provided. Please bring a large salad (green, potato, pasta, fruit) to share and your own place settings and beverages. As always, there will be games, activities for our children, plus music and lots of wonderful fellowship. Plan to attend this special day for our church family. It is a great opportunity to bring your non-Orthodox friends and family members, as well!

The day's festivities cost the church over \$4,000. Please help us to cover our costs again this year. We are asking for a donation for each adult and child participating. You can pay in advance online through the parish website (www.stathanasius.org) or you can pay in the food line on Pascha.

Pricing is as follows:

Adults: \$10 for breakfast only/ \$10 for picnic only

\$20 for breakfast and picnic

Children: \$ 8 flat fee

(Maximum charge per family: \$80



For some helpful information and recipes for your Pascha basket:

http://saintspeterandpaulnh.org/cgi-bin/EasterBasket.cgi

http://orthodoxeducation.blogspot.com/2014/04/pascha-basket.html

http://www.theologic.com/oflweb/lentpask/basket.htm

http://whatimcookingnow.blogspot.com/2010/04/all-about-pascha-baskets.html

WE NEED SOME HELP!

Even though we are simplifying the breakfast on Pascha morning, we do need a few people who would be wiling to make homemade cinnamon rolls or Easter sweet yeast breads to share. Please sign up on the big bulletin board if you are able to help, or call June Easbey (705-3668)

As usual, we also need a few people to help set up tables and chairs on Saturday afternoon (April 15th) at 2 p.m. and to help with cleanup following the breakfast.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION SCHEDULE

- There will be NO Religious Education classes on PASCHA. (Sunday, April 16)
- There will be NO LI atrium on Tuesday of Bright Week. (April 18)
- On Sunday, April 23rd at 9:00 a.m ALL of our 3-12 year olds will gather in the L-III Atrium (chapel) for our annual Celebration of Light with Fr. Nicholas.

PASCHA EGG HUNT

Time to prepare for the fun!

If you have kids who will be participating in the egg hunt at the Pascha picnic, it's time to start thinking about getting your plastic eggs and candy/toys/coins! Don't wait until the last minute when it might be hard to find them. Please bring 12-18 filled eggs per child with you to the picnic (along with a basket or bag for your child to collect eggs). Please make sure you consider any non-church family and friends you will be inviting and bring enough for them as well. If you can do more than a dozen, that really helps for people who would like to participate but don't have the means to bring eggs. Contact Katie AbuGhazaleh at 453-5324 with any questions. Thank you!

Please support our Project Mexico Mission Team 2017

by going to the team fundraising page and making a donation for one or more team members. Each participant must raise \$690 to cover homebuilding materials, food, transportation and other trip costs. To make an online donation, go to:

https://www.stathanasius.org/project-mexico



SHOWERS OF BLESSING are blessing our own parishioners!

Since July of 2016, our parish has been partnering with another non-profit ministry called Showers of Blessing by hosting a shower trailer every Wednesday from 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Showers (including toiletries and towels) and clean clothing are offered to our brothers and sisters who live on the streets or in their vehicles and who do not have regular access to showers. We provide water hook-up, refreshments, and fellowship. Many thanks to Asia, Noelle and Lisa Ballew, and Duane Franzen for getting this ministry off the ground last summer and autumn. Our team of volunteers from the parish has grown to include Julianna Ballew, Bob Gundersen, Jerry Jones and Howard Lange. We would love to widen the circle to include more of our parishioners who are available during the day and can help with set-up, food prep, clean-up and/or visiting with our guests. If you can give a few hours a month, please let either Fr. Nicholas or Lisa Ballew know. Your help would be welcomed, and you will be blessed by it!

TEEN SOENE

April, 2017

Unless noted otherwise, the Junior Highers meet from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Thursdays, and the High Schoolers meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Teen Room at the church.

- 4/13 Passion Gospels Service (6pm)
- 4/14 Holy Friday all-night vigil (more details to follow)
- 4/20 Fire on Father/Pascha Party at Fr. Nicholas and Jan's Home Jr. High from 6pm 7:30pm, High School 6:30pm 8:30pm)
- 4/27 Youth Group

SAVE THE DATES!
SAOC Summer School 2017
for children in grades K-6

Monday, June 19-Thursday, July 6

This year's teaching staff:
Fr. Nicholas
Chris Dillon, Mary Gish, Elleney King

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer requests received through the parish office will be printed in the bulletin and will be prayed for during the litanies at the daily services. Prayer requests received in the box at the church will be prayed for quietly at the altar at all services. Prayer requests remain for 40 days unless requested otherwise.

Send prayer requests for the bulletin to: office@stathanasius.org. Please pray for the health of:

Metropolitan JOSEPHBaby EmmaJamesMother VictoriaMaryAlma G.Met. Paul & Abp. JohnRich and Susan B.Dawn L.

Fr. Jon Braun Christian F. Michael L., Penny C. and Family Dn. Richard E. Johnny Z.

Duane F.
Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya
Olga Marie G.
Emily F.
Joan T.
Johnny Z.
Carmen G.
Temmo K.
Nancy R.
Ethan K.

Hoppe Family

Gail S.

Jared E.

All those suffering and in danger in the Ukraine,
Africa, and the Middle East

Angelina, Jase & Alina S.

Fr. Patrick and Vanessa K.

Kh. Diane C.

Kh. Mary Sue W.

Greg & Margaret Y.

For repose of the souls of: Molly, Donald S., Kevin S.

All who have died in the conflicts in the Ukraine Africa & the Middle East

ABOUT OUR PRAYER LISTS:

Prayer requests in the bulletin are prayed out loud during the deacons' litanies and should be submitted to the church office—office@stathanasius.org.

Prayer requests put into the **wooden box in the narthex** will be said silently at the altar at most services. During the **Great Entrance of the Divine Liturgy**, only Orthodox Christians are commemorated, and that list is comprised of the sick, those celebrating special occasions listed in the bulletin, and those who prepared the Eucharist bread. Others are prayed for during the Proskomedia (Preparation of the Bread and Wine for Communion).

