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LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM Sunday, April 1, 2018

FEAST OF PALM SUNDAY:

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 1—PALM SUNDAY

9:00 a.m. Religious Ed. Ages 3-18 years
9:00 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:45 a.m. POT LUCK
5:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
6:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins

HOLY WEEK

Monday, April 2—NO MORNING SERVICE

5:00 p.m. Outreach Meal at St. Michaels' University Church in Isla Vista

6:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins

Tuesday, April 3

7:00 a.m. Presanctified Liturgy 2:30 p.m. Catechesis Level I 6:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins

Wednesday, April 4

7:00 a.m. Presanctified Liturgy
11:00 a.m. Showers of Blessing Ministry
6:00 p.m. Sacrament of Holy Unction

Thursday, April 5

7:00 a.m. Institution Liturgy

6:00 p.m. Matins with 12 Passion Gospels

Friday, April 6

9:00 a.m. Royal Hours (complete)
3:00 p.m. Burial Vespers of Great & Holy

Friday

7:00 p.m. Matins with Procession and

Lamentations at the Tomb of Christ

9 p.m.-6 a.m. All-night Vigil

Saturday, April 7

8:30 a.m. Vesperal Liturgy commemorating

Christ's descent into Hades, Baptisms & Chrismations

10:30 a.m. Lenten Refreshments

Sunday, April 8—GREAT & HOLY PASCHA

4:30 a.m. Choir warm-up

5:00 a.m. Procession, Paschal Matins

6:15 a.m. Paschal Liturgy 7:45 a.m. Break-fast 9:30 a.m. Agape Vespers

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

Sunday Morning Ministries Schedule

Eucharist Bread

April 1 Sieck
April 7 Meyer (Holy Saturday Liturgy)

April 8 D. Washburn
April 15 Dillon
April 22 Dn. G. Braun

Coffee Hour

April 1 POTLUCK for Palm Sunday

April 8 PASCHA

April 15 Dn. R. & J. Easbey April 22 D. McCalmont in memory of

Natalia Nikolenko Lambert

Greeters

April 1 Lewis/Deacon
April 8 P. King/D. Lewis
April 15 Fox/Baker
April 22 K. & L. Jacobs

Ushers

April 1 J. King, D. Washburn, C. Berari April 8 G. Shannon, S. Speier, P. Brunner April 15 P. King, D. Meyer, R. Barre April 22 D. Lewis, C. Speier, J. King

Readers

April 1

April 3

April 4

April 4

Rdr. J. Butler

D. Meyer (Presanctified)

April 4

Rdr. V. Gish (Presanctified)

April 5 Rdr. M. Kern/T. Harris (Inst. Liturgy)

April 6 R. Barre (Vespers)

April 6 Rdr. H. Lange (Lamentations)
April 7 Lange/Butler/Gish (Vesp-Liturgy)
April 8 Rdr. J. Butler (Paschal Liturgy)

April 15 D. Washburn April 22 D. Alexander

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

BLESSING OF THE PALMS

Troparion for Palm Sunday

O Christ God, when we were buried with Thee in Baptism, 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.

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 wast 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</u> God.
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.

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

Music by Nazo Zakkak

O Christ God, when we were buried with Thee in Baptism, 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 comes in the Name of the Lord. God is the Lord and hath revealed Himself to us.

Instead of "We have seen the true light \dots

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.

Please pray for the following catechumens who will be chrismated into the Orthodox Faith this coming Holy Saturday morning during the Vesperal-Liturgy which begins at 8:30 a.m.:

Being baptized on Holy Saturday:

Luke Hoppe Sponsor: Mitchell Denny, Jr.

Austin Nachbur Sponsor: Subdeacon Stephen Butler

Being chrismated on Holy Saturday:

Elizabeth Hoppe Sponsor: Dorothy Alexander

Glenn Hoppe Sponsor: Thaddeus Wojcik

Jeremiah Hoppe Sponsor: Mitchell Denny, Jr.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS

You can access a complete calendar of services and other parish activities on our website: www.stathanasius.org. On the homepage, click on **VIEW CALENDAR** at the bottom left.

DO YOU HAVE EXTRA FRUIT FROM YOUR YARD TO SHARE?

If you have extra oranges or other fruit from your yard that you can't use fast enough, we'd be happy to share it with our guests at the Showers of Blessing on Thursdays. If you bring it to the church, please leave it in the small kitchen marked clearly for the SHOWERS. Thanks!

MANY YEARS to Jean Kawiecki, who was chrismated into the Orthodox Faith yesterday during the Liturgy for Lazarus. Welcome and many years to her sponsor Jennifer Hall from Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church in Seattle, Washington.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE NEVER ATTENDED OUR PASCHA PICNIC, Tucker's Grove is at 4800 Cathedral Oaks Blvd. From Highway 101 take Turnpike Road north across Cathedral Oaks Road. The park entrance is straight ahead. Turn right and Kiwanis Meadows is the last picnic area all the way down. The picnic begins at Tucker's Grove on Pascha afternoon at 3:00 p.m.

CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Birthdays:

4/2 Christina Shackelford

4/3 Donna Friesen 4/4 Duane Franzen

Corina Berari, Ethan Keller 4/5 4/6 Monica Finley, Valerie Yova

Patronal Saint Feast Days

St. Mary of Egypt Corina Berari, Kristen Roberts, Corie Sieck,

Lilyana Williams, Valerie Yova



A BRIEF SUMMARY OF ORTHODOX HOLY WEEK

Every Sunday of the Ecclesiastical Year, being a "little Pascha", commemorates the glorious Resurrection of Christ, but each day of Holy Week has its own special character.



On **HOLY MONDAY** we remember Joseph, the son of Jacob, who was betrayed by his brothers and sold into slavery. After much suffering, there came triumph for him in Egypt. He is, thus, a prototype of Christ. To commemorate this, we celebrate the Bridegroom Service on Palm Sunday evening. The Gospel for the day tells about the barren fig tree, speaking of the world's failure to bear fruit in Christ.

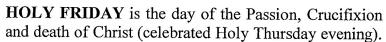
HOLY TUESDAY presents the parable of the wise and foolish virgins. Preparing for the coming of Christ requires proper preparation and wakefulness, which are the foundations of vivid faith. We also hear the condemnation of the hypocritical Scribes and Pharisees.

HOLY WEDNESDAY presents the story of the woman who poured precious ointment on Jesus. Her action of love is in contrast to that of Judas who betrayed the Master. In the evening the Holy Mystery (Sacrament) of Holy Unction is celebrated.

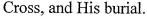


HOLY THURSDAY depicts the Mystical (Last)
Supper of Christ with His Apostles, including the
washing of the feet of the Apostles, the betrayal of Judas, and the agony

in the Garden of Gethsemane.



The morning service of the Royal Hours observes the hours of Christ on the Cross. In the afternoon, we view the removal of Christ from the





HOLY SATURDAY speaks of the entombment of Christ and His descent into Hell, the realm of the dead (celebrated Holy Friday evening). It begins in mourning and lamentation, but ends with the glory that is to burst forth on the Great Day of the Resurrection.

SERVICES OF HOLY WEEK 2018

(Please note that the Tues-Friday morning services are at 7:00 a.m.)

Palm Sunday, 4/1	Bridegroom Matins (Full Choir)	6:00—7:15 p.m. (Finish times are approximate.)
Monday, 4/2	Bridegroom Matins	6:00 –7:15 p.m.
Tuesday, 4/3	Presanctified Liturgy Bridegroom Matins	7:00—8:15 a.m. 6:00-7:20 p.m.
Wednesday, 4/4	Presanctified Liturgy Holy Unction	7:00—8:15 a.m. 6:00-7:40 p.m.
Thursday, 4/5	Institution Liturgy Matins with 12 Passion Gospels	7:00-8:20 a.m. 6:00-8:30 p.m.
Friday, 4/6	Royal Hours Burial Vespers (Full choir) Lamentation Matins (Full choir) All-night Vigil	9:00-11:00 a.m. 3:00-4:00 p.m. 7:00-8:50 p.m. 10:00 p.m6:00 a.m.
Saturday, 4/7	Vesperal Liturgy celebrating Christ's Victory over Hades, Baptisms/Chrismations (Full Choir)	8:30 a.m10:15 a.m.
Sunday, 4/8	Paschal Procession, Matins Liturgy, Blessing of baskets (Full Ch Break-fast Agape Vespers Picnic at Tucker's Grove	5:00—8:00 a.m. noir) 8:00 a.m. 9:30-10:15 a.m. 3:00 p.m.

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

PASCHA CELEBRATION 2018 It's that time of year again!

PASCHA BREAK-FAST

This year immediately following the Diving Liturgy, we will be seated on our patio to enjoy our Pascha Breakfast together. The church will provide sweet yeast breads, cheese, and a beverage bar of coffee, juice and chocolate milk.

Please bring a breakfast/brunch potluck item to share. (Egg dish, crockpot ham, quiche, fruit etc.) All items should be cut and ready to serve.

Also, please bring your Easter basket to be blessed. Now is the time for your family or group of friends to start thinking about what you will put in your special basket! Suggestions are sliced meats, cheeses, fruit, eggs, chocolates, etc. Baskets will be set on tables at the front of the church on the left side, and will be blessed at the end of the Paschal Liturgy.

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 wanis Meadows/Tuckers Grove at 3 p.m. We will barbeque tri-tip, and 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!

In order to cover the cost of the day's festivities, 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 at the barbecue.

Pricing is as follows:

Adults: \$8 for breakfast only / \$10 for picnic only

\$18 for breakfast and picnic

Children: \$ 7 flat fee

(Maximum charge per family: \$80

(Tucker's Grove is at 4800 Cathedral Oaks Blvd. From Highway 101 take Turnpike Road north across Cathedral Oaks Road. The park entrance is straight ahead. Turn right and Kiwanis Meadows is the last picnic area all the way down.)





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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

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!

TEEN SCENE Junior High teens meet from 6:00-7:30 p.m. and High School teens meet from 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Thursdays in the Teen Room at the church, unless noted otherwise.		
4/5/18	Holy Thursday Service 6:00 p.m. (Passion Gospels) NO YOUTH GROUP	
4/6/18	Holy Friday Lamentations Service at 6:00 p.m. followed by All-Night Vigil for High School Students	
4/12/18	Combined Youth Group 6-8 p.m. Pascha Celebration (Games, Food, Fun)	
4/19/18	Thursday Night Youth Group	
4/26/18	4/26/18- Special Event/Combined Youth Group: Meet for Dinner Downtown, followed by Network Medical Event. More details to follow.	

ST. EMMELIA ORTHODOX HOMESCHOOL **2018 CONFERENCES**

Spring 2018 West Conference: "Have Faith!" **April 19-22, 2018** St. Nicholas Ranch, Dunlap, CA **Speakers * Panel Discussions * Workshops *Children's Programs** *Vendor Hall *Child Care *Monastery Visit

Fall Conference: November 8-11, 2018 For more information, go to: saintemmeliaconferences.com

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 JOSEPH Mother Victoria Met. Paul & Abp. John Fr. Romanos (O.C.M.C. priest, Congo) Fr. Jon Braun Dn. Richard E. Kh. Diane C.

Fr. Patrick and Vanessa K. Greg & Margaret Y. Hoppe Family Gail S.

Dean & Penny B. Angelina, Jase & Alina S. Rich and Susan B.

Duane F.

Galina, Nikolai & Nataliya

Joan T. Bette Friesen & Family Ethan & Cole K. Tony C.

Paul F. and Family Justin B.

Fr. Anthony Y. and Family

Tony E. Alma G. Guadalupe Phyllis M. John D.

Fr. Wayne W. & Family Fr. Dimitrie V. Monsignor John Y.

Antonio

Glenn R.

Steve (Zach Brasel's father)

Gaylen C. Zac B. Carla B. Kent F. Dotte G. Fav Y.

Terri Lynn & Hannah Rose

Lauren

Victims of Santa Barbara fires and

mudslides

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

For repose of the souls of:

Merrily M., Alyson, Dawn, Valentin, Tony M. All who have died in the conflicts in Ukraine Africa & the Middle East

Those who lost their lives in the Santa Barbara fires and mudslides

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 Preparation of the Bread and Wine for Communion).

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