

GREAT & HOLY WEEK CALENDAR

Sunday 4/5: FISH ALLOWED

Palm Sunday

8:45a Orthros & Blessing of Palms

9:00a Church School

10:00a Divine Liturgy

6:30p Bridegroom Service

Monday 4/6: STRICT FAST

Great & Holy Monday

9:00a Presanctified Liturgy

6:30p Bridegroom Service

Tuesday 4/7: STRICT FAST

Great & Holy Tuesday

7:15a Presanctified Liturgy

6:30p Bridegroom Service

Wednesday 4/8: STRICT FAST

Great & Holy Wednesday

9:00a Presanctified Liturgy

4:00p Mystery of Holy Unction

6:30p Mystical Supper Service

Thursday 4/9: WINE/OIL ALLOWED

Great & Holy Thursday

9:00a Vespers Divine Liturgy

6:30p Passion Service of 12 Gospels

Friday 4/10: STRICT FAST

Great & Holy Friday

9:00a Royal Hours

3:00p Apokathelosis Service

6:30p Lamentations/Epitaphios Service

Saturday 4/11: WINE/OIL ALLOWED

Great & Holy Saturday

9:00a Vespers Divine Liturgy

11:15p Anastasis Pannychis

Sunday 4/12: NO FASTING

Great & Holy Pascha

12:00a Anastasis Orthros

& Divine Liturgy

1:00p Agape Vespers

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ We are taking donations for flowers that will be used on Holy Friday. Please join the ladies of our parish who decorate the *kouvouklion* (bier) on Holy Friday morning.
- ◆ The **Mystery of Holy Unction** (sanctification of Holy Oil) is **Wednesday at 4:00 pm**. If your work/school schedule doesn't allow your attendance at that time, anointing with Holy Oil will also follow the Mystical Supper Service that evening.
- ◆ Please note that the **Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts on Holy Tuesday** morning will begin at **7:15 am**. This will allow many of our working parishioners and students to receive Holy Communion during Holy Week.
- ◆ All girls of the parish are invited to be Myrrh-bearers on Holy Friday evening, spreading flower petals and accompanying the body of Christ. Please contact Fr. Andreas if your daughter would like to participate.

April 5, 2015



HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



METROPOLIS OF
SAN FRANCISCO

PALM SUNDAY:

**ON WHICH WE CELEBRATE THE BRIGHT & GLORIOUS
FEAST OF OUR LORD, GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST'S
ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM**

**Holy Martyrs Klaudios, Diodoros, Victor, Victorinos, Pappias,
Nikephoros & Serapion; Holy Theodora of Thessaloniki.**

April 5, 2015

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are pleased that you have joined us today. **In order to receive Holy Communion in the Greek Orthodox Church, one must be Baptized and/or Chrismated in the Christian Orthodox Faith.** The Orthodox Church understands Holy Communion as a sign of unity. If you are interested in learning more about Christian Orthodoxy, please contact our priest, Father Andreas. Communicants should prepare themselves through fasting, prayer and confession. All Christians are invited to come forward at the dismissal of the Divine Liturgy to receive the holy bread, called *Antidoron*, which is offered to everyone as a blessing when they leave.

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Archdiocese of America, an eparchy of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople.*

Our hierarch is His Eminence the Most Reverend GERASIMOS, Metropolitan of San Francisco.

TROPARIA AND READINGS

Apolytikion of Palm Sunday 1st Mode

To confirm the general resurrection before Your Passion, You resurrected Lazarus from the dead, O Christ our God. Therefore imitating the children, carrying the symbols of victory, we cry out to You the Victor over death: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One, who comes in the name of the Lord."

Ἀπολυτίκιον τῆς Ἑορτῆς Ἰησοῦ α'

Τὴν κοινὴν Ἀνάστασιν πρὸ τοῦ σοῦ Πάθους πιστούμενος, ἐκ νεκρῶν ἡγειρας τὸν Λάζαρον, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός· ὄθεν καὶ ἡμεῖς ὡς οἱ Παῖδες, τὰ τῆς νίκης σύμβολα φέροντες, σοὶ τῷ Νικητῇ τοῦ θανάτου βοᾶμεν· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

Entrance Hymn 2nd Mode

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Save us, O Son of God, who sat on a donkey's colt.

Another Apolytikion of Palm Sunday 4th Mode

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 of Palm Sunday Plagal 2nd Mode

In heaven upon the throne, on earth upon the colt, * You were carried, O Christ our God; * and the praise of the Angels, and the hymns of the children, You received as they cried to You, * "Blessed are You, the One, who is coming to call Adam back again."

Orthros Reading: Gospel according to St. Matthew 21:1-11; 15-17

At that time, when Jesus drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, he sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If any one says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their garments on them, and he sat thereon. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. And the crowds that went before him and that followed him shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" And when he entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee." But when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant; and they said to him, "Do you hear what they are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have you never read, 'Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings, you have brought perfect praise?'" And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.

TROPARIA AND READINGS

Prokeimenon: 4th Mode. Psalm 117

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Στίχ: *Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.*

Apostolic Reading: St. Paul's Letter to 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.

Alleluarion: 1st Mode. Psalm 97

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Στίχ 1: *Sing a new song to the Lord, for He did wondrous things; His right hand and His holy arm saved peoples for Him.*

Στίχ 2: *All the ends of the earth saw the salvation of our God.*

Holy Gospel Reading: Gospel according to St. 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.