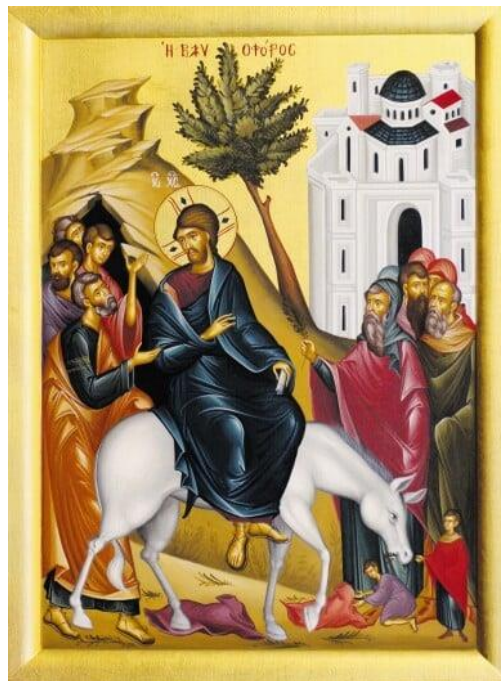




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Palm Sunday *Κυριακή των Βαίων*



PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON

Martin the Confessor, Pope of Rome 4/13/2025

Theodosios the Martyr 4/13/2025

Zoilos the Martyr 4/13/2025

Morning Matins 9:00 am

Morning Great Doxology starts at 9:45 am

Morning Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

The Sunday Epistle Reading

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Verse: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His mercy endures forever.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the 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.

Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

Στίχ. Ἐξομολογεῖσθε τῷ Κυρίῳ ὅτι ἀγαθός, ὅτι εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα τὸ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ.

Πρὸς Φιλιππησίους 4:4-9 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἀδελφοί, χαίρετε ἐν κυρίῳ πάντοτε· πάλιν ἐρῶ, χαίρετε. Τὸ ἐπιεικὲς ὑμῶν γνωσθήτω πᾶσιν ἀνθρώποις. Ὁ κύριος ἐγγύς. Μηδὲν μεριμνᾶτε, ἀλλ' ἐν παντὶ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ δεήσει μετὰ εὐχαριστίας τὰ αἰτήματα ὑμῶν γνωρίζεσθω πρὸς τὸν θεόν. Καὶ ἡ εἰρήνη τοῦ θεοῦ ἡ ὑπερέχουσα πάντα νοῦν, φρουρήσει τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν καὶ τὰ νοήματα ὑμῶν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. Τὸ λοιπὸν, ἀδελφοί, ὅσα ἐστὶν ἀληθῆ, ὅσα σεμνά, ὅσα δίκαια, ὅσα ἀγνά, ὅσα προσφιλῆ, ὅσα εὐφημα, εἴ τις ἀρετὴ καὶ εἴ τις ἔπαινος, ταῦτα λογίζεσθε. Ἄ καὶ ἐμάθετε καὶ παρελάβετε καὶ ἠκούσατε καὶ εἶδετε ἐν ἐμοί, ταῦτα πράσσετε· καὶ ὁ θεὸς τῆς εἰρήνης ἔσται μεθ' ὑμῶν.

The Sunday Gospel Reading
The Gospel According to 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,

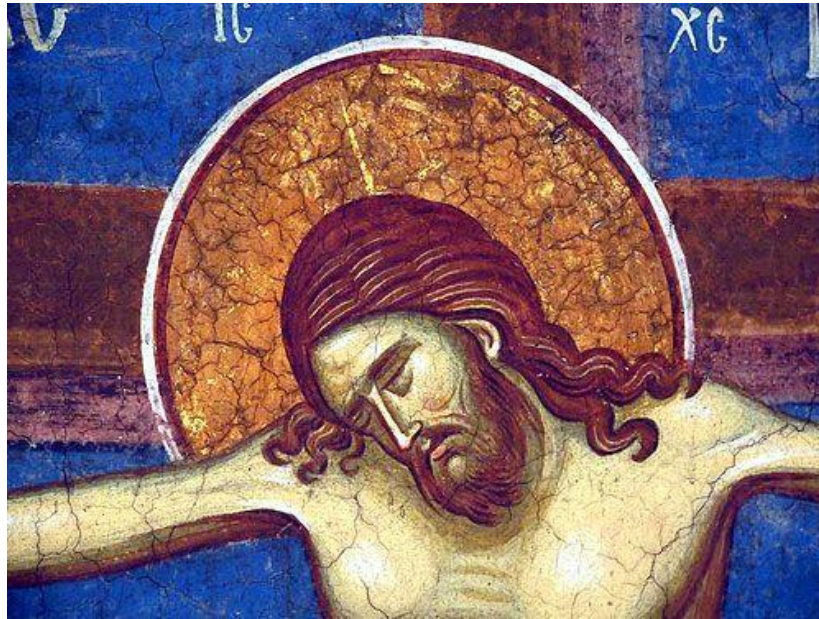
**'Out of the mouths of babes and sucklings,
you have brought perfect praise'?"**

And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Ματθαῖον 21:1-11, 15-17
Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ὅτε ἤγγισαν εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα καὶ ἦλθον εἰς Βηθσφαγῇ πρὸς τὸ ὄρος τῶν ἐλαιῶν, τότε ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἀπέστειλε δύο μαθητὰς λέγων αὐτοῖς· πορεύθητε εἰς τὴν κώμην τὴν ἀπέναντι ὑμῶν, καὶ εὐθέως εὐρήσετε ὄνον δεδεμένην καὶ πῶλον μετ' αὐτῆς· λύσαντες ἀγάγετέ μοι. καὶ ἐάν τις ὑμῖν εἴπῃ τι, ἐρεῖτε ὅτι ὁ Κύριος αὐτῶν χρειὰν ἔχει· εὐθέως δὲ ἀποστέλλει αὐτούς. τοῦτο δὲ ὅλον γέγονεν ἵνα πληρωθῇ τὸ ῥηθὲν διὰ τοῦ προφήτου λέγοντος· εἶπατε τῇ θυγατρὶ Σιών, ἰδοὺ ὁ βασιλεὺς σου ἔρχεται· σοιπραῦς καὶ ἐπιβεβηκὼς ἐπὶ ὄνον καὶ πῶλον υἱὸν ὑποζυγίου. πορευθέντες δὲ οἱ μαθηταὶ καὶ ποιήσαντες καθὼς προσέταξεν αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς, ἤγαγον τὴν ὄνον καὶ τὸν πῶλον, καὶ ἐπέθηκαν ἐπάνω αὐτῶν τὰ ἱμάτια αὐτῶν, καὶ ἐπεκάθισεν ἐπάνω αὐτῶν. ὁ δὲ πλεῖστος ὄχλος ἔστρωσαν ἑαυτῶν τὰ ἱμάτια ἐν τῇ ὁδῷ, ἄλλοι δὲ ἔκοπτον κλάδους ἀπὸ τῶν δένδρων καὶ ἐστρώννουν ἐν τῇ ὁδῷ. οἱ δὲ ὄχλοι οἱ προάγοντες καὶ οἱ ἀκολουθοῦντες ἔκραζον λέγοντες· ὡσαννὰ τῷ υἱῷ Δαυὶδ· εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου· ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις. καὶ εἰσελθόντος αὐτοῦ εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα ἐσείσθη πᾶσα ἡ πόλις λέγουσα· τίς ἐστὶν οὗτος; οἱ δὲ ὄχλοι ἔλεγον· οὗτός ἐστιν Ἰησοῦς ὁ προφήτης ὁ ἀπὸ Ναζαρέτ τῆς Γαλιλαίας. ἰδόντες δὲ οἱ ἀρχιερεῖς καὶ οἱ γραμματεῖς τὰ θαυμάσια ἃ ἐποίησε καὶ τοὺς παῖδας κρίζοντας ἐν τῷ ἱερῷ καὶ λέγοντας, ὡσαννὰ τῷ υἱῷ Δαυὶδ, ἠγανάκτησαν καὶ εἶπον αὐτῷ· ἀκούεις τί οὗτοι λέγουσιν; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς λέγει αὐτοῖς· ναί· οὐδέποτε ἀνέγνωτε ὅτι ἐκ στόματος νηπίων καὶ θηλαζόντων κατηρτίσω αἶνον; καὶ καταλιπὼν αὐτοὺς ἐξῆλθεν ἔξω τῆς πόλεως εἰς Βηθανίαν καὶ ἡϋλίσθη ἐκεῖ.

We want you with us for Holy Week !



Holy Week at Saint Barbara 2025

Saturday, April 12 – Children’s Choir – Divine Liturgy Only – 10 am

Sunday, April 13 Morning - Palm Sunday - 9:00 am

Sunday, April 13 Evening - 1st Bridegroom Service - 6:00 pm

Monday, April 14 Evening - 2nd Bridegroom Service - 6:00 pm

Tuesday, April 15 Evening - 3rd Bridegroom Service - 6:00 pm

Wednesday, April 16 Afternoon - Service of Holy Unction - 2:00 pm

Wednesday, April 16 Evening - Service of the Bridegroom With Holy Unction - 6:00 pm

Thursday, April 17 Morning - Vespers & Liturgy of St. Basil- 9:00 am

Thursday, April 17 Evening - The Holy Passion Service - 6:00 pm

Friday, April 18 Morning - Royal Hours - 9:00 am

Friday, April 18 Afternoon - Descent from the Cross - 3:00 pm

Friday, April 18 Evening - Lamentation Service - 6:00 pm

Saturday Morning, April 19 Vespers with Liturgy of St. Basil 9:00 am

Saturday Evening, April 19 - Matins and Resurrection Service 11:00 pm

Sunday Morning, April 20 – Vespers of Agape 11:00 am

Σας θελωμε μαζι μας.



Μεγάλη Εβδομάδα στην Αγία Βαρβαρα 2025

12 Απριλίου – Του Λαζαρου – Θεία Λειτουργία – Παιδική Χορωδία– 10 πμ

13 Απριλίου – Κυριακή Βαιων Πρωι – 9:00 πμ

13 Απριλίου – Κυριακή Βραδυ Του Νυμφιου – 6:00 μμ

14 Απριλίου – Δευτέρα Βραδυ Του Νυμφιου – 6:00 μμ

15 Απριλίου –Τρίτη Βραδυ Τροπαριο της Κασσιανης – 6:00 μμ

16 Απριλίου – Απογευμα – Μυστηριον του Ευχελαιου – 2:00 μμ

16 Απριλίου – Βραδυ – Του Νυμφιου και Μυρομα – 6:00 μμ

17 Απριλίου – Πέμπτη Πρωι – Θεία Λειτουργία Μ. Βασιλειου – 9:00

17 Απριλίου – Πέμπτη Βραδυ – Τα 12 Ευαγγελια – 6:00 μμ

18 Απριλίου – Παρασκευή Πρωι – Μεγ. Βασιλικες Ωρες – 9:00 πμ

18 Απριλίου – Παρασκευή Απογευμα – Αποκαθηλωση – 3:00 μμ

18 Απριλίου – Παρασκευή Βραδυ – Επιταφιος Θρηνος – 6:00 μμ

19 Απριλίου –Σάββατο Πρωι – Θ. Λειτουργία Μ. Βασιλειου – 9:00 πμ

19 Απριλίου – Σάββατο Βραδυ – Η Ανασταση του Κυριου – 11:00 μμ

20 Απριλίου – Κυριακή Πρωι – Εσπερινος της Αγαπης – 11:00 πμ

An Overview of Greek Orthodox Holy Week

In the Orthodox Christian Church, Great Lent and Holy Week are two separate things. Officially, Great Lent ends on the Friday before Palm Sunday, and Holy Week begins the day after that. Each day during Holy Week has a special meaning, and understanding what each day represents can help making attending all those church services a lot more meaningful!

It's also customary to fast throughout Holy Week. For many, they adhere the same general fasting plan they had during Great Lent. Others make their Holy Week fast a little bit more strict. Talk with your priest so that you can come up with a fasting schedule that best meets your own spiritual needs.

Here is an overview of the meaning behind each of the days of Holy Week and the types of church services you'll be able to attend:

[Lazarus Saturday](#)

Lazarus Saturday is celebrated in remembrance of the day Lazarus, a friend of Jesus, was brought back from the dead. As you may recall, Lazarus was dead for four days before Jesus brought him back. The entire story is covered in the Book of John in Chapter 11. Specifically, the story of him being brought back from the dead can be found in John 11:38-43.

On Lazarus Saturday, churches usually have a Matins Service, which is what the "morning church service" is referred to as, followed by the Divine Liturgy, which is the standard service that we follow on Sundays..

[Palm Sunday](#)

Palm Sunday is also referred to as the Services of Our Lord's Entry into Jerusalem. This is when Jesus arrived in Jerusalem and the people declared him as their King. This event was so important, it is covered in each of the Four Gospels. Please visit Matthew 21, Mark 16, Luke 19, and John 12 for more information about this. Shortly after his Triumphant Entry, Jesus predicted His death. This can also be found in John 12.

Palm Sunday takes place on a Sunday, which means that the regularly Divine Liturgy is celebrated at the regular time for your church. However, the service does include a few extra elements, which emulate His Entry into Jerusalem. Churches also have an evening services referred to as the Bridegroom Services.

[Holy Monday](#)

Holy Monday is considered the third day of Holy Week. For each of the first three days, there is a general theme. These are the days that set the stage for Christ's death and resurrection, which takes place later on in the week. On this day, we commemorate Joseph the Patriarch, the son of Jacob (from the Old Testament). This is also the day that the church remembers the moment that Jesus cursed the fig tree on his way into Jerusalem during His triumphant entry.

There is typically an Orthos Service on Holy Monday. However, some people have the Bridegroom Services on the evening of Palm Sunday, instead. Some churches actually have both services.

[Holy Tuesday](#)

Most churches do have a Matins service on Holy Tuesday, which is designed to prepare us for the events of Holy Wednesday. Special hymns are sung on Holy Tuesday and many churches enlist their choir for help singing these hymns. One of the special hymns is called "Hymn of Cassiane" and it has a beautiful, haunting melody. This service usually takes place in the evening.

[Holy Wednesday](#)

People prepare to receive Holy Unction in the afternoon and evening service of that day.

The focus during the services of Holy Wednesday are of repentance and confession, and the oil is said to be very healing. This day commemorates the day that Christ's feet were anointed with myrrh. You can read about this in Gospel of Luke, Chapter 7.



Holy Thursday

Holy Thursday begins the final events that leads to the Lord's Passion. On this day, the Mystical Supper, also called the Last Supper, is celebrated. You can read about the Last Supper in several places throughout the Bible including in Mark 14, Luke 22, and John 15.

There are typically two services that take place during Holy Thursday – one in the morning and one in the evening. Much of the evening service is spent preparing for Good Friday. This is the day where He was sentenced to death and nailed on the cross.

Good Friday

On Good Friday, Orthodox Christians commemorate the moment Jesus died on the cross. During the afternoon service, Jesus is taken off the cross and laid in the tomb (Epitafio). During evening service, we mourn his death, read Bible passages, and sing hymns. In the evening, the priest and those who serve in the altar make a procession around the church. Many churches actually take the Epitafio outside of the church and make a procession around the church neighborhood. In many parishes, flower girls throw rose petals on Jesus's body. This procession represents Jesus entering Hades.

Holy Saturday

During Holy Saturday, we essentially mourn Christ's death. There are several church services throughout the day, but the most important one takes place in the evening. For several hours before midnight, we sing hymns and spend time in church, anticipating His resurrection. A few minutes before midnight, the church gets quiet and goes dark. Finally, the church erupts in candlelight and the traditional hymn, *Christos Anesti*, or *Christ is Risen*, is sung.

Pascha

This is the day we celebrate Christ's Resurrection. The Holy Saturday evening service overlaps with Easter Sunday. There is also a regular Divine Liturgy service on the morning called the Agaph service. However, this differs depending on the church. Most families spend the day together, celebrating into the late hours of the day. For most Greek people, this is the biggest holiday of the year and the celebrations are usually quite festive!

Dear Parents,

We trust the Lenten season has been a time of deep reflection and significance for you and your loved ones. With Holy Week swiftly approaching, we are sharing a calendar of events below, offering opportunities for your children to engage in the profound services (and more) ahead.

A few honorable mentions:

- The Philoptochos is currently collecting baby supplies for Welcome Baby of Durham. If you are able to donate, we kindly request any donations by Sunday, April 13th. A designated table has been set up outside the nave for drop-offs. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! More information about the good work of Welcome Baby [here](#).
- The Greek Festival is just around the corner, and we need your help to ensure its success! Please consider volunteering for this important event. You can sign up for available time slots using this [link](#) or reach out to Amy Glekas for more details. Your support is greatly appreciated!
- The bookstore has stocked up on new items just in time for Pascha! Be sure to stop by after church services to explore our fresh selection of books.
- We need a few food items for the Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, April 12th: Berries and assorted fruit, chocolate chips, and orange juice. If you can bring any of these items, please let me know.
- For additional Holy Week services and times, please see the attachment.

In Christ,
Maria Easton

Dear Parents,

Event	Date	Time	Who to Contact
Youth Choir, Saturday of Lazarus	Saturday, April 12 th	Arrive by 9:30am	Costa Constantinou Catherine Wilson Maria Easton Catherine Constantinou
Pancake breakfast and palm cross making	Saturday, April 12 th	Upon conclusion of Saturday of Lazarus services	N/A
Palm Sunday Procession	Sunday, April 13 th	10:30am	Catherine Wilson Maria Easton Catherine Constantinou
Holy Wednesday Holy Unction	Friday, April 16 th	2:00pm and 6:00pm	N/A

Holy Friday Afternoon Services Descent from the Cross	Friday, April 18 th	3:00 pm	N/A
Holy Friday Evening Vespers – Myrrh Bearers	Friday, April 18 th	Arrive by 6:00pm Front pews will be designated for the girls participating	Amy Glekas Nikie Sarris
Easter Egg Hunt	TBD		
Greek Festival – need volunteers	May 3rd – 4th	All times!	Amy Glekas

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National Baby Shower Sponsored by Philoptochos Chapters for Mothers in Need



The Philoptochos of St Barbara is joining chapters from across the country to hold "baby showers" to support mothers in need. We kindly ask the St Barbara community to help make this event a successful one by dropping off diapers and other baby supplies at church. A table designated for the supplies has been set up for easy drop off. All items will be donated to Welcome Baby in Durham.

Welcome Baby is a highly respected resource program that was established in October of 1987 in Durham, North Carolina. Our organization is a proud member of the Durham County Cooperative Extension and provides unwavering support to local families with children. We offer a comprehensive range of resources and programs that are designed to strengthen families and promote healthy child development. Our services include [positive parenting workshops](#), breastfeeding support, [car seat safety](#), literacy-based workshops and a free clothing program that provides clothing up to size 5/6. We are committed to serving our community and we offer our services in both English and Spanish.

Please bring your donated items to church by Sunday, April 13th. If you have any questions, please contact Maria Easton at 919-824-2966

Τι γιορτάζουμε κάθε ημέρα της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας

Η Μεγάλη Εβδομάδα είναι η εβδομάδα πριν το Πάσχα (από την Κυριακή των Βαΐων το βράδυ μέχρι το Μ. Σάββατο) και ονομάζεται «Μεγάλη», όχι γιατί έχει περισσότερες μέρες ή ώρες από τις άλλες εβδομάδες, αλλά γιατί τα γεγονότα όπου τελούνται και βιώνονται στους Ιερούς Ναούς είναι κοσμοσωτήρια για τον άνθρωπο!

Πώς βιώνεται ο λειτουργικός χρόνος τη Μεγάλη εβδομάδα;

Η Εκκλησία από την μεγάλη της φιλανθρωπία, για να μπορέσουν όσο είναι δυνατόν περισσότεροι πιστοί να συμμετέχουν στις Ακολουθίες, επέτρεψε από την αρχή της Μ. Εβδομάδας, να ψάλλεται ο Όρθρος της επόμενης ημέρας. (π.χ. την Κυριακή των Βαΐων το βράδυ ψάλλεται ο Όρθρος της Μεγάλης Δευτέρας).

Τι τελείται τις ημέρες της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας;

Οι τέσσερις πρώτες ημέρες μας προετοιμάζουν πνευματικά για το θείο δράμα και οι Ακολουθίες ονομάζονται «Ακολουθίες του Νυμφίου».

Μεγάλη Δευτέρα (Κυριακή Βαΐων βράδυ):

Την Μεγάλη Δευτέρα κυριαρχούν δύο γεγονότα:

α) Η ζωή του Ιωσήφ του 11ου γιού του Πατριάρχη Ιακώβ, του ονομαζόμενου Παγκάλου, δηλαδή του ωραίου στο σώμα και τη ψυχή. Ο Ιωσήφ προεικονίζει με την περιπέτειά του (που πουλήθηκε σκλάβος στην Αίγυπτο) τον ίδιο τον Χριστό και το πάθος Του.

β) Το περιστατικό της άκαρπης συκιάς που ξέρανε ο Χριστός (Ματθ. 21, 18-22):

Συμβολίζει την Συναγωγή των Εβραίων και γενικά την ζωή του Ισραηλιτικού λαού που ήταν άκαρποι από καλά έργα.

Μεγάλη Τρίτη (Μεγάλη Δευτέρα βράδυ):

Την Μεγάλη Τρίτη θυμόμαστε και ζούμε δύο παραβολές:

α) Των δέκα παρθένων (Ματθ. 25,1-13) που μας διδάσκει να είμαστε έτοιμοι και γεμάτοι από πίστη και φιλανθρωπία.

β) Των Ταλάντων (Ματθ. 25,14-30), που μας διδάσκει να είμαστε εργατικοί και πρέπει να καλλιεργούμε και να αυξήσουμε τα πνευματικά μας χαρίσματα.

Μεγάλη Τετάρτη (Μεγάλη Τρίτη βράδυ):

Η Μεγάλη Τετάρτη είναι αφιερωμένη στην αμαρτωλή γυναίκα (Λουκ. 7,47), που μετανιωμένη άλειψε τα πόδια του Κυρίου με μύρο και συγχωρήθηκε για τα αμαρτήματά της, γιατί έδειξε μεγάλη αγάπη και πίστη στον Κύριο. Ψάλλεται το περίφημο τροπάριο (δοξαστικό) της Υμνογράφου Μοναχής Κασσιανής.

Μεγάλη Πέμπτη (Μεγάλη Τετάρτη βράδυ):

Την Μεγάλη Πέμπτη γιορτάζουμε 4 γεγονότα :

α) Τον Ιερό Νιπτήρα, το πλύσιμο δηλαδή των ποδιών των μαθητών από τον Κύριο, δείχνοντας για το ποια πρέπει να είναι η διακονία των πιστών στην Εκκλησία.

β) Τον Μυστικό Δείπνο, δηλαδή την παράδοση του Μυστηρίου της Θείας Ευχαριστίας.

γ) Την Προσευχή του Κυρίου, στο Όρος των Ελαιών και

δ) την Προδοσία του Ιούδα, δηλαδή την αρχή του Πάθους του Κυρίου.

Μεγάλη Παρασκευή (Μεγάλη Πέμπτη βράδυ):

Την Μεγάλη Παρασκευή έχουμε την Κορύφωση του θείου δράματος, τελείται η «Ακολουθία των Παθών» και θυμόμαστε και βιώνουμε τα Σωτήρια και φρικτά Πάθη του Κυρίου και Θεού μας. Δηλαδή:

- α) Τα πτυσίματα
- β) τα μαστιγώματα
- γ) τις κοροϊδίες
- δ) τους εξευτιλισμούς
- ε) τα κτυπήματα
- στ) το αγκάθινο στεφάνι και κυρίως την
- ζ) Σταύρωση και
- η) τον θάνατο του Χριστού μας.

Μεγάλο Σάββατο (Μεγάλη Παρασκευή πρωί και βράδυ):

Το Μεγάλο Σάββατο το πρωί γιορτάζουμε:

- α) την Ταφή Του Κυρίου και
- β) την Κάθοδο Του στον Άδη, όπου κήρυξε σε όλους τους νεκρούς. Έτσι Μεγάλη Παρασκευή το πρωί (ημερολογιακά), τελούνται οι εξής ακολουθίες: Ακολουθία των Μεγάλων Ωρών και στις 12.00 το μεσημέρι της Αποκαθλώσεως, δηλαδή την Ταφή Του Κυρίου από τον Ιωσήφ τον Αριμαθαίας και το Νικόδημο τον Φαρισαίο, μέλος του Μ. Συμβουλίου και κρυφό μαθητή του Κυρίου.

Την Μεγάλη Παρασκευή το βράδυ (ημερολογιακά) ψάλλονται τα Εγκώμια και έχουμε την περιφορά του Επιταφίου!

Κυριακή του Πάσχα (Μ. Σάββατο πρωί και νύχτα από τις 12.00 π.μ):

Το Μεγάλο Σάββατο (ημερολογιακά) το πρωί, έχουμε την λεγόμενη «1η Ανάσταση», δηλαδή το προανάκρουσμα της Αναστάσεως που μεταδίδουν οι ύμνοι και της προσμονής της λυτρώσεως όλης της κτίσεως από την φθορά και τον θάνατο!

Το Μεγάλο Σάββατο στις 12.00 (δηλαδή ουσιαστικά την Κυριακή), έχουμε την ζωηφόρο Ανάσταση του Κυρίου μας, την ήττα του θανάτου και της φθοράς και την αφή του Αγίου Φωτός στον κόσμο από το Πανάγιο Τάφο.

Κυριακή του Πάσχα στις 11.00 π.μ. ή το απόγευμα, τελείται ο «Εσπερινός της Αγάπης», όπου σε πολλές γλώσσες διαβάζεται το Ιερό Ευαγγέλιο και διατρανώνεται παγκοσμίως η νίκη του θανάτου και η εποχή της Καινούριας Διαθήκης, της χαράς και της Αναστάσιμης ελπίδας.

Ποιο είναι το βαθύτερο νόημα των Παθών και της Αναστάσεως για όλους εμάς τους Πίστευς;

Οι πιστοί βιώνουμε τα πάθη και την ανάσταση του Χριστού συμμετέχοντας ενεργά σε αυτά με «συμπόρευση», «συσταύρωση» και «συνανάσταση»! Ο Χριστός με την θέληση του (εκουσίως), έπαθε και ανέστη για να σωθούμε όλοι εμείς! Αυτό σημαίνει ότι δεν λυπούμαστε «μοιρολατρικά» για το Πάθος του, αλλά για τις δικές μας αμαρτίες και αφού μετανοιώνουμε ειλικρινώς μπορούμε την αντικειμενική σωτηρία που χάραξε ο Χριστός να την κάνουμε και υποκειμενική – προσωπική σωτηρία!

πηγή: μητρόπολη Βεροίας



OUR BOOKSTORE HAS ITEMS FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER JUST FOR YOU



Exciting news! Our bookstore has just received a fresh selection of items for you to explore. We now have new prayer books and Easter children's books available. We warmly invite you to stop by and visit us after church – we'd love to see you!

If you have any questions, please let me know!

Thank you
Maria Eastman

**Luminaries for Loved Ones
To be Lit on the Easter Midnight Service**



Deadline for Orders: **Sunday, April 13, 2025**

\$10.00

Name:_____

Phone #:_____

Please return forms to: Lia Christakos or place in Philoptochos mailbox in conference room

Make payment to: Saint Barbara Philoptochos Society

Please Print Name of loved one below



Today's Scheduled Palm Sunday Luncheon
Parish Council

Today's Scheduled Narthex Greeters for 4/13
Wes Platt
James Branson

Our Volunteer Chantors
Nicholas Georgiou
Pete Marinos

Our Volunteer Choir Director
Costa Constantinou

Our Volunteer Organist
Eleni Christakos

HOLY WEEK ACTIVITIES



FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY:

Saturday of Lazarus Youth and Parents Divine Liturgy

Contact: Costa Constantinou

Saturday of Lazarus Palm Cross Making and Pancake Breakfast

***Catherine Constantinou, Costa Constantinou,
Maria Easton***

A Holy Week Reader

Contact: Pete Marinos

An Epitaphio Decorator

***After the Royal Hours on Good Friday
Contact: Cindy Paliouras***

A Parent with Child who Receives the Body of Christ from the Cross.

In the middle of the 3:00 service of Good Friday

Contact: Catherine Constantinou, Wes Platt

Participating in the Choir

Contact: Costa Constantinou

**Participating in the Reading of the Gospel in a Foreign Language at
the Agape Service**

Contact: Larry Odzak

Narthex Scheduling

Use George Glekas Sign Up Sheet for PC Members

Being a Pall-bearer that carries the Epitaphio

Contact: Theky Pappas

Being a Myrrh-bearer at our Lord's Tomb

Contact: Nikki Sarris

Being an Altar Boy

Contact: James Dasher

Dyeing and Wrapping Red Easter Eggs

A Philoptochos Member

**Contributing a food item for the International Easter Pot Luck After
the Midnight Service**

All Covered Dishes Should be taken directly to the Church Hall.

Everyone is invited

to bring a covered dish.