

## Announcements (Cont.)

### Pascha Baskets for Shut-Ins

Mat. Rose will be making Pascha baskets for the parish shut-ins after Vespers on Holy Friday. She will be collecting donations of cheese, meat, snacks, and candy until May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### Personal Finances & Budgeting Class

Nina Harvey is offering to host a set of Personal Finances & Budgeting class for those of us interested. There's a sign-up sheet on the candlestand. If you want to know more, please see Nina.

## **Palm Sunday**

The liturgy of the Church is more than meditation or praise concerning past events. It communicates to us the eternal presence and power of the events being celebrated and makes us participants in those events. Thus the services of Lazarus Saturday and Palm Sunday bring us to our own moment of life and death and entrance into the Kingdom of God: a Kingdom not of this world, a Kingdom accessible in the Church through repentance and baptism.

On Palm Sunday palm and willow branches are blessed in the Church. We take them in order to raise them up and greet the King and Ruler of our life: Jesus Christ. We take them in order to reaffirm our baptismal pledges. As the One who raised Lazarus and entered Jerusalem to go to His voluntary Passion stands in our midst, we are faced with the same question addressed to us at baptism: "Do you accept Christ?" We give our answer by daring to take the branch and raise it up: "I accept Him as King and God!"

Thus, on the eve of Christ's Passion, in the celebration of the joyful cycle of the triumphant days of Lazarus Saturday and Palm Sunday, we reunite ourselves to Christ, affirm His Lordship over the totality of our life, and express our readiness to follow Him to His Kingdom:

... that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that if possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead (Philippians 3:10-11).

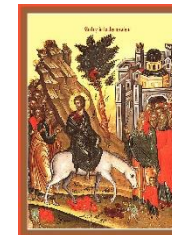
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*Friend of the Bridegroom: "He must increase, but I must decrease." (John 3:30)*



**Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**Palm Sunday**

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Dn. John Tutoki, Hall Coordinator ..... 330-720-3541

- Sunday, Apr 28<sup>st</sup>** *6<sup>th</sup> Sun of Lent / Tone 6 / Palm Sunday*  
9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour  
5:00 pm Bridegroom Matins
- Monday, Apr 29<sup>th</sup>** *Great & Holy Monday / Nine Martyrs at Cyzicus*  
6:00 pm Bridegroom Matins
- Tuesday, Apr 30<sup>th</sup>** *Great & Holy Tuesday / Holy Apostle James*  
6:00 pm Bridegroom Matins
- Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>** *Great & Holy Wednesday / Prophet Jeremiah*  
5:00 pm AA Meeting  
6:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy followed by Potluck
- Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** *Great & Holy Thursday/ St. Matrona of Moscow*  
9:30 am Vespertal Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great  
6:00 pm Matins with 12 Gospel Readings
- Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** *Great and Holy Friday/ Ven. Theodosius*  
4:00 pm Great Vespers of Holy Friday  
6:00 pm Matins of Holy Saturday w/ Lamentations
- Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** *Great and Holy Saturday/ Virgin Martyr Pelagía of Tarsus*  
1:00 pm Vespertal Liturgy of Saint Basil  
11:30 pm Nocturns followed by Paschal Divine Liturgy
- Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** *Great and Holy Pascha*  
12:00pm Paschal Vespers & Gospel Procession followed by Easter Egg Hunt for children

## Attendance/Stewardship April 21<sup>st</sup>

Attendance: 70 Adults and 24 children	94
Weekly offering:	\$5,604.22
Candle Offering:	\$152.00
Charity of the Month: Children Services	\$125.00
Coffee Hour:	\$39.00
YTD Budgeted Offering Amount	\$43,870.00
YTD Actual Amount Given:	\$45,270.91
YTD Budget Surplus/Deficit	\$1,400.91

## Prayer Corner

Fr. Ted Bobosh	Fr. Emil (Fr. Brian's friend)
Sbdcn Joseph (Clyde)	John Kornmaker
Renee, Anna & Michael	Michelle Thompson
Tracey Fedak (Daria's Cousin)	Sarah Crivella
Shawn Ferry (Fr. Bri & Cheryl's Friend)	Ann (David Wood's Friend)
Desane Malsch	Patty DiGiacobbe
Alyssa & William	James Scott & Bradley Dean
Greg Pappas	David (Laura Miklos' relative)
Lynn Luich (Betty-Ann's Niece)	James Livermore
Randy Stan	Rinehart Family
Sawyer Family	Ventura Family
Zoë Stan	David Campbell
Azouria	Kira (Child w/ Bone Disease)
Donna (Cheryl's Friend)	Delmas Higgins (Denise's Bro In-Law)
Sharon McGee (David's friend)	Luke Smith
Kim Butcher (Sonya's Friend)	Bob & Rachel (Randy's Friends)
Tim (Paula's friend)	George Horodnic (Jane Z's brother-in-law)
James and Tommy	Joseph Petrarca (Fickes Family Friend)
Alan Bergeron (Malacky's inlaw)	Joanna (Adrienne's Friend)
Julie Marinkovich (Mary Gearhart's friend)	Barb Datish
George Kaschak Jr.	Jeffrey Tsipis (John Miklos Friend)
Claudine & Joe (Laura Miklos' Sis & Husband)	
The Faculty, Teachers, and Students of Holy Trinity Orthodox Academy	
The Suffering Christians in Ukraine, Russia, & the Middle East	

**Expecting:** Elana & Nicholas Giannakos, Andrew & Kati Sawyer

**Newly Illumined:** Carina and Cora (Jeff & Jenna Garica), & Vera (Chase & Natalie York)

**Catechumens:** Tom & Abigail Kirk, Lucian & Lilliana Vasil, Kelly, Carter, Emma, & Bennett Worley, Kayla, Alexander, & Cesar Ventura, Kayla, Donald, Elizabeth, Rebecca, Robert, Timothy, Melissa, Ian, Christopher, & William Cunningham & Tom Sacca

**Newly Departed:** Elizabeth Pershka, Linda Bailey, & Jim Marx & Also Charlotte Raybon (Chris Wallace's Grandma)

**Birthdays:** Alexandra Krafft (28<sup>th</sup>), Paula Kapp (30<sup>th</sup>), Cherie Davison (1<sup>st</sup>), Alex Eckstein (1<sup>st</sup>), Julia DeBattiste (5<sup>th</sup>), Michelle Ellis (5<sup>th</sup>)

**Anniversaries:** Dave and Darla Loychick (Apr 28<sup>th</sup>), Mark and Tammy Roscoe (May 4<sup>th</sup>)

## Candle Commemorations

Theotokos	For the Birthday of Ali Krafft
Altar	In Memory of Helen Ledney
Christ	In Memory of Minnie Toda

## Announcements

### Kids' Pascha Basket Class

Hello Sunday School parents and friends! On Holy Tuesday at 3:00pm, we will be having a "Pascha Prep" workshop for the children of the parish in our hall. The children can help bake Pascha bread, decorate baskets, dye eggs and make Palm crosses! Please join!

### Bright Friday Pig Roast

We will celebrate Bright Friday with a Roast and Potluck! A sign up sheet to bring sides is at the candlestand, and a special collection will be taken during the festivities to help defray the cost of the meat. Looking forward to celebrating with you all at 6:00pm on Bright Friday (May 10<sup>th</sup>).