

### *Palm Sunday*

The hymns and prayers celebrating Christ's glorious journey into the Holy City reflect both the joy and the concern about what shall in short time occur in this City.

The introductory Vespers' hymn expresses these sentiments in these words: "Today the grace of the Holy Spirit has gathered us together, and we all take up Your Cross and say; Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest!" The Palm Sunday exclamation, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord ..." is repeated over and over and we know that it was also taken into the Liturgy's solemn hymn, "Holy, holy, holy ..."

A Palm Sunday liturgical text beautifully expresses the full dimensions of this greeting when it says, "Blessed are You, You have come and are

coming again in the name of the Lord God our Savior!" The serene sunshine of the Palm Sunday could not last long. Evening is approaching of the first day of the Holy Week. Jesus' enemies were not idle; they gather and debate how to stop any similar demonstration. He should be arrested.

The Church reminds us of this change: "As we pass from one Divine Feast to another, O faithful, let us go with haste to the reverent and saving celebration of Christ's sufferings. Let us behold Him undergo voluntary suffering for our sake, and let us sing to Him with thankfulness a fitting hymn: O Fountain of tender mercy and Haven of salvation. Lord, glory be to You!" The Great, Holy Week of Christ's Passion began.

*Father Vladimir Vancik*

### PALM SUNDAY -- FLOWERY SUNDAY



*Icon of the Entrance into Jerusalem*

## **ST. GEORGE ROMANIAN CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL**

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**Schedule for Holy Days of Obligation:** Vigil Vespers: 6:30 p.m.

**Day of Feast:** 10:00am and 6:30 p.m.

**Confessions: See calendar or at any time by request.**

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### **March 28, 2021**

## **Palm Sunday – *Florile***

**This Sunday: Epistle Phil 4:4-9**

**Gospel John 12:1-18**

Next Sunday: Epistle Acts 1:1-8

Gospel John 1:1-17

### **Weekly Liturgy Schedule**

Monday 3/29	6:30pm Presanctified Liturgy
Tuesday 3/30	6:30pm Presanctified Liturgy
Wednesday 3/31	12:00pm Presanctified Liturgy
Wednesday 3.31	6:00pm Holy Anointing Service
Thursday 4/1	10:00am Vespers with Divine Liturgy and blessing of Pasti
Thursday 4/1	6:00pm Reading of the Twelve Gospels – Crucifixion
Friday 4/2	9:00am Royal Hours – Holy Friday
Friday 4/2	3:00pm Vespers of the Descent from the Cross
Friday 4/2	6:00pm Lamentation service – <i>Prohodul Domnului</i>
Saturday 4/3	4:30pm Vespers with blessing of the new light and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great
<b>Sunday 4/4</b>	<b>7:00am Resurrection, Matins Service and Divine Liturgy – Holy Pascha</b>

***Church Bulletin donated in March 2021 by Dave and Debbie Murari.***

See the calendar for confession schedule.

All scheduled services will be held and can be viewed and prayed with at <https://stgeorge.click2stream.com/>. Make sure to click on the volume to unmute at the bottom right hand corner. Also, we are every Sunday on St. George Cathedral Facebook.

Coffee hour will take place in the large hall offered by Ana Heim. Thank you!

### Sunday Collection: March 21, 2021

Loose	\$6.00
Sunday envelopes	\$1,359.00
+Stella Lazar by Dan and Cyndi Ardelean	\$25.00
+Stella Lazar by Erik Ardelean	\$25.00
+Stella Lazar by Mircea Cristea	\$250.00
Candles	<u>\$73.00</u>
Total	\$1,738.00

Someone lit a candle and prayed for you last Sunday:

In memory of all Zagan Family Members	The Zagan Family
+Husband Dan Cseak and Family	Natalie Cseak
+All family members and angel +Trisha	Del and Sandy
H/S All family members	Del and Sandy
Special Intention: For Family	Doru Jacobs
+Ioan Igna	Doru Jacobs
H/S Johnny and Adrian Lazar and Family	Mircea Cristea
Health and Salvation	Mihai and Elena Florea
Special Intention for Family	Mihai and Elena Florea
Health and salvation	Amparo Adkins
+John Dragos, husband	Suzie Dragos
+Stella Lazar	Suzie Dragos
+Deceased in Dragos and Eberhart Family	Suzie Dragos
H/S All Family	Suzie Dragos

Health of friends and members of St. George who are ill	Suzie Dragos
+Parents and Family	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
H/S Maria Poplacean	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
Madison's Golf Season	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
+Stella Lazar, Mircea's sister	Danny and Cyndi Ardelean
H/S Don, father of Debbie	Bob and Nancy Maciag
In Thanksgiving for continued healing of Cathy Beck	Bob and Nancy Maciag
Happy Birthday 14 <sup>th</sup> Ana Maria Marginean!	Ann Fosnaught and Doru Jacobs
+Stella Lazar	Ann Fosnaught and Doru Jacobs
+Grandparents and Godparents	Erik Ardelean
H/S Ardelean Family	Erik Ardelean
+Stella Lazar	Erik Ardelean

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**Special Announcement:**

**Please pray for:** Scarlett Putt, Sonya Paul, Bryan Pryce, John Contini, Donna Pandullo, Missy Lawver, Carol Hoge, Veronica Maier, Sr. Agnes Scalero, Earl Adkins, End to Corona Virus attack, Clore Family, Liviu and Georgeta Barcutian, Grace Mary Fein, Barbara Greavu, Connie McAdams, Suzie Dragos, Doris Rotar, Virginia Rogers, Stella Lazar and all who need our prayers.

**Sick and homebound:** Amelia Botean (Home), Alex and Theresa Gonyias (Home), Ann Stimer (Home), Maria Poplacean (Canton Regency Rm.#256), Aurelia Lupsor (Canton Christian Home) Natalie Cseak (St. Joseph, Louisville), Eugene Popa (St. Joseph, Louisville) and Irene Pontones (Chapel Hill Retirement Community)

**For holy Baptism** contact the parish office at least one month prior to the date requested.

**For First Reconciliation** contact the parish office when your child turns 7.

**For Weddings** contact the parish office at least six months prior to the date requested.

**To guarantee announcements for the bulletin**, they need to be given to the office by Wednesday prior to the Sunday bulletin. Thank you!

To facilitate **accurate counting**, please use separate checks/cash for the special collection, candle and Sunday collection envelopes. Thank you for your attention to this detail!

Please let the office know if you have an upcoming surgery, illness, etc., so we can put you on our prayer list. Thank you!

**Altar Candelabrum** for March 2021 is donated by **Dave and Debbie Murari**.

**Left Iconostasis Candelabrum** for March 2021 is donated by **the Walsh Family** in memory of **Gerald and Jean**.

**Right Iconostasis Candelabrum** for March 2021 is donated by **Ana Heim and Grete Heatherly** in loving memory of our mother/grandmother/great-grandmother, +Ana Raruk.

**Blessed Virgin Mary Candelabrum** for March 2021 is donated by **Carol and Denny Popa and Family** in memory of **+Ann Popa** for birthday.

If you would like to sponsor candelabra for any month of the year in honor of a living member or in memory of any loved ones that have passed away, please get in touch with the Church office and Ann will be able to schedule it for you. Thank you for your continuous support of the Church!!!

**Prescura for 2021:** Amparo Adkins, Annie Collins, Suzie Dragos, Elena Florea, Ann Fosnaught, Mariana Greavu, Nancy Maciag, Maria Marcu, Debbie Murari, Virginia Rogers, Kathy Walsh, P-sa. Patricia Wendt, and P-sa. Gabriela Marginean.

## **Announcements**

**Thank you to all who helped with the Fish Fry!** On March 19, we served 302 dinners and brought in \$5,033 in total sales (food, beverages, donations and raffle tickets).

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Through the **Pontifical Good Friday Collection**, you stand in solidarity with the Church in



the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics there in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. Put donation in an envelope with your name on it. Thank you for your generous donation!

**St. George Church** on 30<sup>th</sup> Street is hosting a **drive-thru dinner** on **Saturday, April 3**. Place orders and pay prior to Tuesday, March 30 at 330-492-4592 or [streorgeroc@gmail.com](mailto:streorgeroc@gmail.com). Menu: Dinner (2 cabbage rolls, mamaliga, chicken stew) \$16; Sausage, cabbage, mamaliga \$12; 6 Cabbage rolls \$18; 6 Mititei \$12; 1 quart Chicken noodle soup \$6; 1 quart Ham and bean \$6; 1 pound Colac \$10; 1 loaf Coffee Cake \$6.

**Operation Rice Bowl** – Please count your money and write a check made out to St. George Cathedral. Put the check in an envelope labeled “Rice Bowl” on Palm Sunday or other.

**SERVING THE SUFFERING CHRIST** - As we enter Holy Week and celebrate Palm Sunday, let’s reflect on how our Lord suffered from our indifference: those who proclaimed him king of Jerusalem were the same who called to crucify him. We recognize we are all one human family. Are we contributing to the suffering of our sisters and brothers with our indifference to their realities? How does our faith inspire us to care for them and share the gifts that God has bestowed on us? Visit [csrricebowl.org](http://csrricebowl.org) to learn more.

**Use Amazon Smile and choose St. George Cathedral.** Amazon donates a percentage of your purchases to the charity of your choice when you go to <https://smile.amazon.com/>. As you are shopping online, you can go to choose the St. George Cathedral. Thank you!

Purchases at **GFS (Gordan Food Service)**. St. George will get points when you purchase at GFS. Share the business name “St. George Cathedral on 44<sup>th</sup> Street” when they ask or remind them that you are purchasing for a business. Thank you for your help!

### **Parish events:**

See enclosed the flier about how to make an **Easter basket** that you can bring to be blessed on Easter. Have fun!

**Special Sarmale sale (Cabbage Rolls)** for Easter. Baker's dozen – 13 *sarmale* for \$18.00. They can be purchased online at <https://www.stgeorgeoh.org/> or call the office at 330-492-8413 to place your order with Ann. Parishioners please call the office to avoid the online purchase fees. **Order by Mar 31. Pick up on April 3 between 1pm and 3pm.**

### **Ladies Auxiliary News:**

The Ladies Auxiliary will be selling **Lilies** to decorate the church for Easter. The cost is \$10 and envelopes are available on the narthex table. Return your flower envelope to Debbie Murari or put in the offering basket. Thank you for your support to help us beautify the church for Easter.

### **To Tickle Your Funny Bone ☺**

A family is greeting their pastor after the service. Junior looks up and declares, “ My dad says my mom is a pagan because she serves burnt offerings for dinner.”

### **Word of Life**

“There is an everyday heroism, made up of gestures of sharing, big or small, which build up an authentic culture of life... Part of this daily heroism is also the silent but effective and eloquent witness of all those ‘brave mothers who devote themselves to their own family without reserve, who suffer in giving birth to their children and who are ready to make any effort, to face any sacrifice, in order to pass on to them the best of themselves’... We thank you, heroic mothers, for your invincible love! We thank you for your intrepid trust in God and in his love. We thank you for the sacrifice of your life” (*The Gospel of Life* 86).

May all mothers facing difficult pregnancies  
be lovingly accompanied as they prepare  
to encounter Christ anew  
through the gift of their children;

Let us pray to the Lord, Lord have mercy.

### **Happy Birthday! *La mulți ani!***

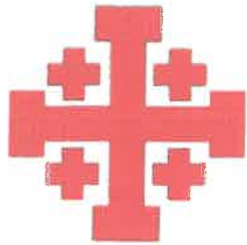
Fr. Iuliu Muntean – March 29<sup>th</sup>

Melinda Crown – March 29<sup>th</sup>

Doru Jacobs – April 1<sup>st</sup>

	Mon 3/29	Tue 3/30	Wed 3/31	Thu 4/1	Fri 4/2	Sat 4/3	Sun 4/4
	Holy and Great Week: strict abstinence (no meat, dairy, fish)						Alexandru Nicholas
	Fr. Iuliu Muntean's	Ven. John Climacus	Ven. Hypatius, Bishop	Doru Jacobs' birthday	GOOD FRIDAY: strict	GREAT AND HOLY	RESURRECTION OF
	Melinda Crown's			HOLY THURSDAY	Ven. Father Titus	Ven. Nicetas.	Theodulus &
	Ven. Mark, Bishop of			St. Mary of Egypt			Easter Sunday
7am							Resurrection & Matins Service followed immediately by Divine Liturgy - Holy Pascha, Pastile 7am - 11am
8am							
9am					Royal Hours - Holy Friday 9am - 11am		Shared meal in large hall 11am - 12pm
10am				Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil and blessing of Pasti 10am - 12:30pm		Confessions 10am - 11am	
11am							Small hall rental 1pm - 6pm
12pm			Presanctified Liturgy 12pm - 1:30pm		Confessions 11:30am - 12:30pm		
1pm							Small hall rental 1pm - 6pm
2pm					Confessions 1:30pm - 2:30pm		
3pm							Small hall rental 1pm - 6pm
4pm					Vespers of the Descent from the Cross 3pm - 4:30pm		
5pm			Confessions 4:30pm - 5:30pm	Confessions 4:30pm - 5:30pm	Confessions 5pm - 5:45pm	Vespers with blessing of the new light and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great 4:30pm - 7pm	Small hall rental 1pm - 6pm
6pm			Healing Service 6pm - 8pm	Reading of the Twelve Gospels - Crucifixion 6pm - 8:30pm	Lamentation Service - Prohodul Domnului 6pm - 8:30pm		
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**ROMANIAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE**  
*Eparchy of St. George in Canton*



*Office of the Bishop*

# HOLY LAND COLLECTION

**March 2, 2021**

**Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

**Peace be with you. I write to you with deep gratitude for your support of last year's Pontifical Good Friday Collection. Due to the pandemic, the Holy See postponed the Collection until September 2020. Your generosity allowed the Franciscan Friars in the Holy Land to continue their work of maintaining the sacred shrines and providing hope to Christians.**

**Each year, the Holy Father asks each Catholic parish around the world to take up a Good Friday Collection to keep Christians in the Holy Land. The Collection supports the work of the Franciscans in the sacred shrines and allows them to receive pilgrims, minister to the parishes, provide formation and education in the communities and schools, and care for the basic needs of the people in the Holy Land. During such a difficult season, your support is essential to their ministry.**

**Once again, we ask for your prayers, generosity, and encouragement for the Holy Father's Good Friday Collection on April 2, 2021. We hope that, soon, travel to the Holy Land may resume safely and pilgrims once again will be able to experience walking in the footsteps of Christ and Our Blessed Mother. In the meantime, our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land are counting on us for help.**

**With your help, the Franciscans can continue to be a light of hope to those living in darkness in the Holy Land. May Christ continue to bless you abundantly in all the holy work that you do.**

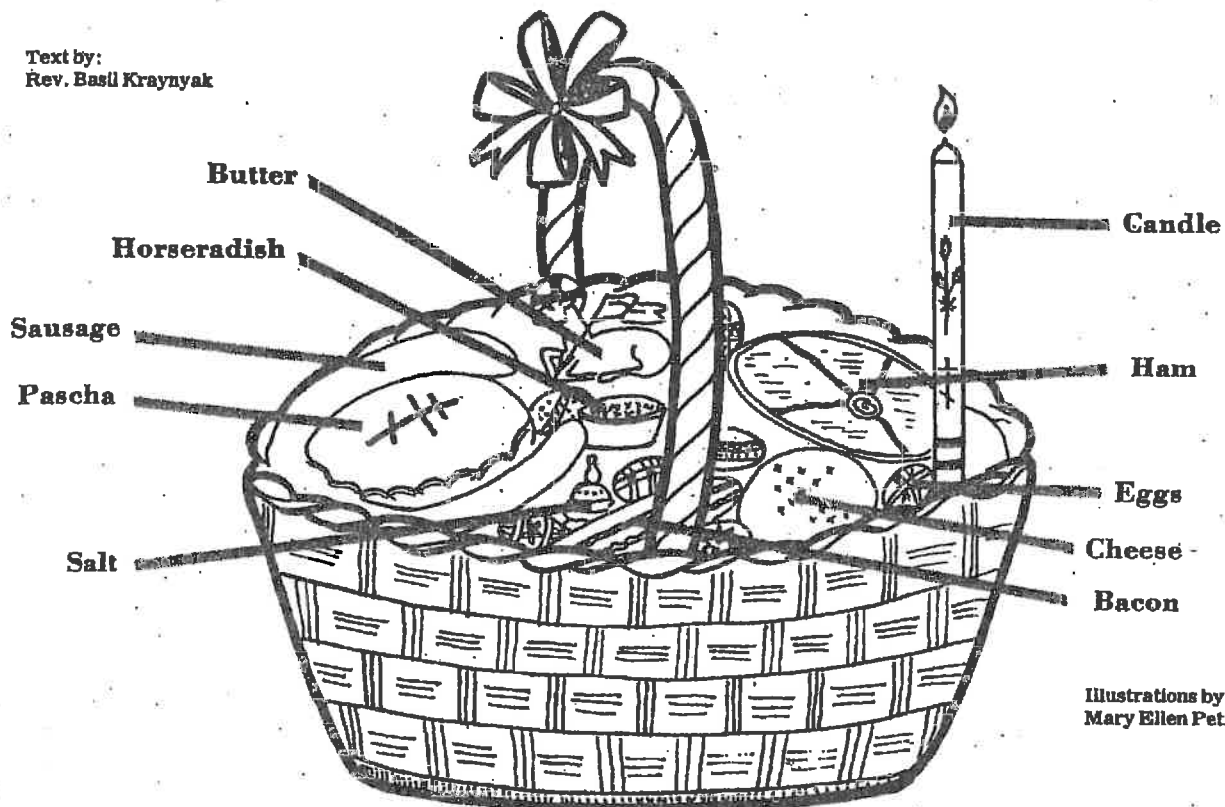
**Sincerely in Christ-God,**

**(Most Reverend) John Michael Botean, DD**  
**Bishop**  
**Eparchy of St. George**

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# How to Put Together a Traditional Easter Basket

Text by:  
Rev. Basil Kraynyak



Illustrations by:  
Mary Ellen Petro

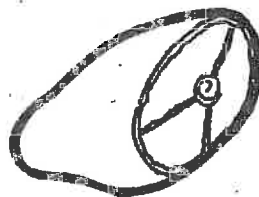


**PASCHA - The Easter Bread (pasca)**  
A sweet, yeast bread rich in eggs, butter, etc. Symbolic of Christ Himself who is our True Bread. Usually a round loaf baked with a golden crust decorated with a symbol indicative of Christ. Sometimes a cross (+) of dough is placed on top encircled by a plait giving it a crowned effect or Greek abbreviations for the name of Christ. The letters XB indicate the Slavonic for Christ is risen.

**CHEESE (branza)**  
A custard-type cheese shaped into a ball having a rather bland but sweet taste indicative of the moderation that Christians should have in all things. Also, creamed cheese is placed in a small dish and both are decorated with symbols (see Pascha) out of cloves or pepper balls.



**HAM (sunca)**  
The flesh meat popular with the Slavs as the main dish because of its richness and symbolic of the great joy and abundance of Easter. Some may prefer Lamb or Veal. This is usually well roasted or cooked as well as other meats so that the festivity of the day will not be burdened with preparation and all may enjoy the Feast.



**BUTTER (unt)**  
This favorite dairy product is shaped into a figure of a Lamb or small cross and decorated as the cheese. This reminds us of the goodness of Christ that we should have toward all things.



**SAUSAGE (carnati)**  
A spicy, garlicky sausage of pork products, indicative of God's favor and generosity.

**BACON (slanina)**  
A piece of uncooked bacon cured with spices. Symbolic of the overabundance of God's mercy to us.



**EGGS (oua rosii)**  
Hard-boiled eggs brightly decorated with symbols and markings made with beeswax. Indicative of new life and resurrection.



**SALT (sare)**  
A condiment necessary for flavor reminding the Christian of his duty to others.



**HORSERADISH (hreas)**  
Horseradish mixed with grated red beets. Symbolic of the Passion of Christ still in our minds but sweetened with some sugar because of the Resurrection. A bitter-sweet red colored mixture reminds us of the sufferings of Christ.

These articles are placed in a wicker basket and a ribbon or bow is tied to the handle. A decorated candle is placed in the basket and is lit at the time of blessing. A linen cover usually embroidered with a picture of the Risen Christ or symbol with the words "Christ is Risen" is placed over the food when brought to the Church.

In some places a large Easter Bread (Pascha) is made and brought separately in a large linen cloth. If the origin of the people was from a wine growing area, a sweet wine may be brought.

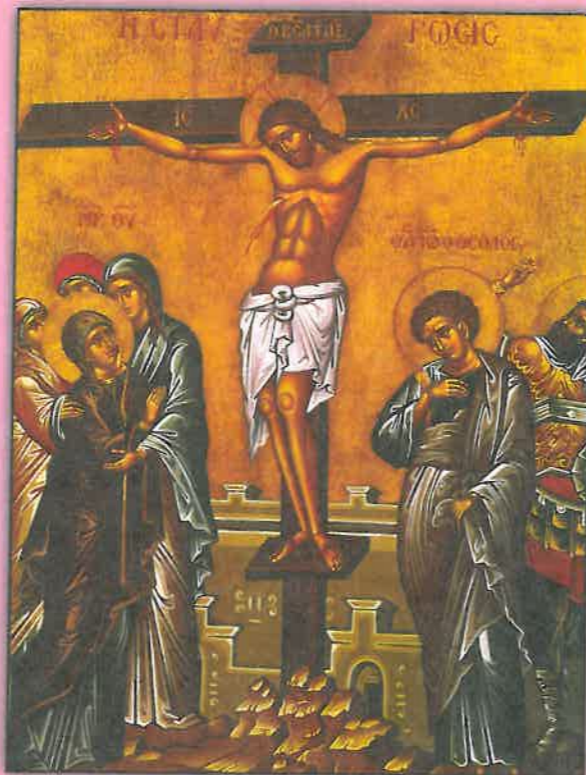




*Great and Holy Friday  
The Crucifixion, Death and Burial of Our Lord*

O God, when You stood before Caiaphas and let yourself, O Judge, be delivered to Pilate, the heavenly powers trembled in fear. O sinless Lord, You were crucified between two thieves and numbered among the lawless ones. You did all this just to save humankind. O most kind Lord, glory to You.

You have redeemed us from the curse of the Law with your precious blood; nailed to the Cross and pierced with the lance, You have gushed forth immortality to all. O our Savior, glory to You.

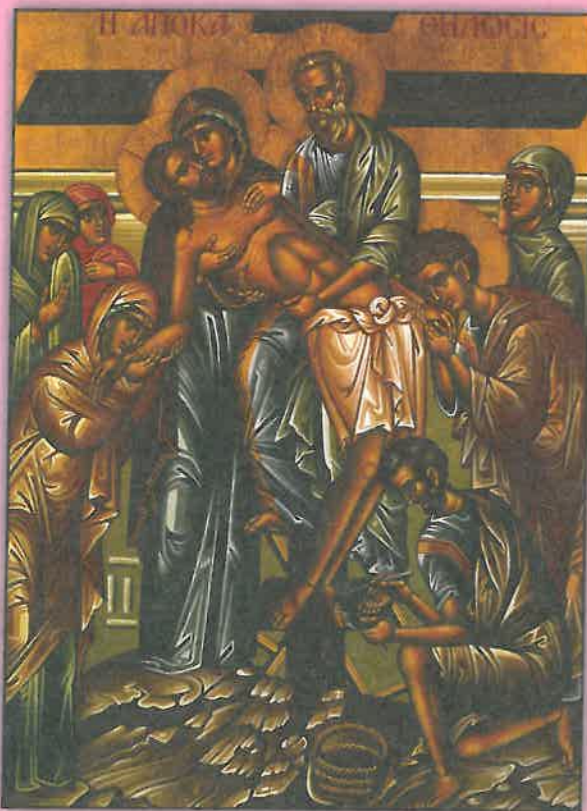


*Great and Holy Saturday  
The Great and Holy Sabbath rest in the tomb  
and the conquering of Hades*

Joseph went to Pilate and begged for your body; he wrapped it in a pure linen cloth, anointed it with precious spices and placed it in a new tomb. Early in the morning, the holy myrrh-bearers cried out: O Christ, as You foretold, show us your Resurrection.

The soldiers guarding your tomb, O Savior, became as dead men at the lightening flash of the angel who appeared to announce your Resurrection to the women. We glorify You, for You have cleansed us from corruption. We fall down before You, for You rose from the tomb, our only God.

*All text from Vesper Stichera of Holy Week, The Lenten Triodion, Sisters of Saint Basil, Uniontown, PA*

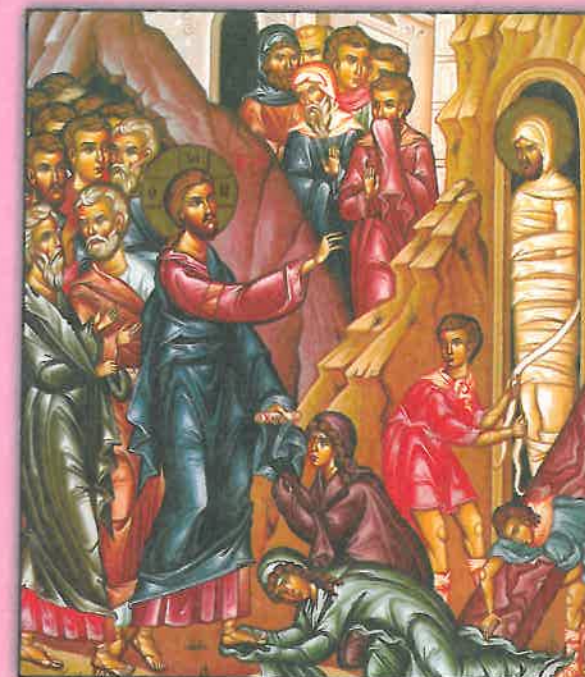


**THE GREAT WEEK  
THE HOLY DAYS OF OUR LORD'S PASSION**

*Lazarus Saturday*

Taking pity on the tears of Martha and Mary, O Christ our God, you ordered the stone to be rolled away from the tomb; by your call, You raised the dead man and broke the bolts of Hades to establish our faith in the life-giving resurrection of all. Glory to your power, O Savior; glory to your sovereign majesty; glory to You, for by your word, You uphold the whole world.

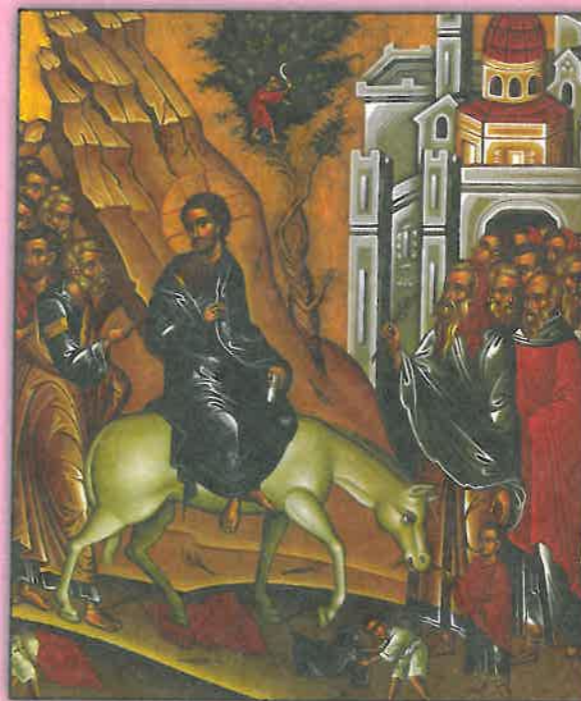
O Fountain of wisdom and eternal knowledge, arriving at Bethany, You asked those who were with Martha: Where have you placed Lazarus, my friend? You wept tears of compassion over the one who had been dead four days; and, by your voice, You raised him, O Giver of life and compassionate Lord.



*Palm Sunday  
The Entrance of Our Lord into Jerusalem*

Carrying palms in spirit and with our souls purified, as the children of old, let us praise Christ in faith; and let us sing to Him with a full voice: Blessed are You, O Savior, who comes into this world to save Adam from the ancient curse, and who have willed to become the new spiritual Adam. O Word, You have fulfilled all things for our salvation, glory to You.

O peoples and nations, sing with one voice: The King of the angels comes, seated upon the colt of a donkey, to conquer the Enemy by the power of the Cross. The children carry palms and cry out to Him: Glory, victory and welcome; glory to You, O Christ our Savior; glory and praise to our only God!

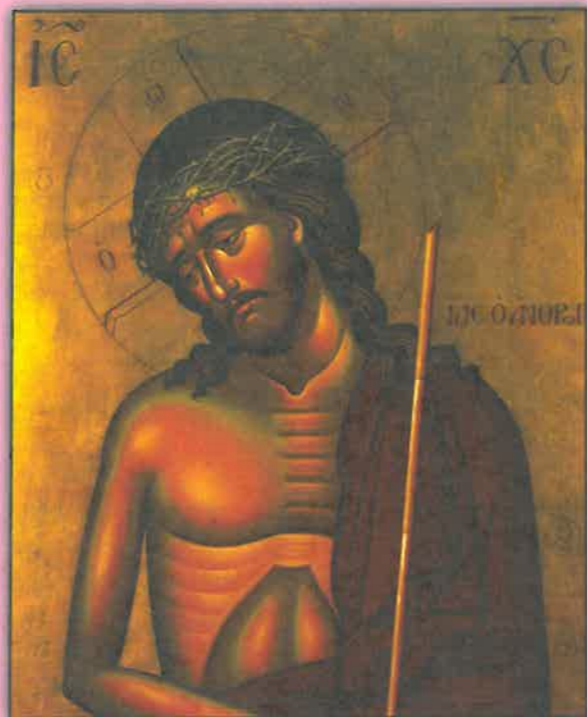




*Great and Holy Monday*

*Commemoration of the unproductive fig tree the Lord Jesus curses as He walks outside Jerusalem (Mt 21:18)*

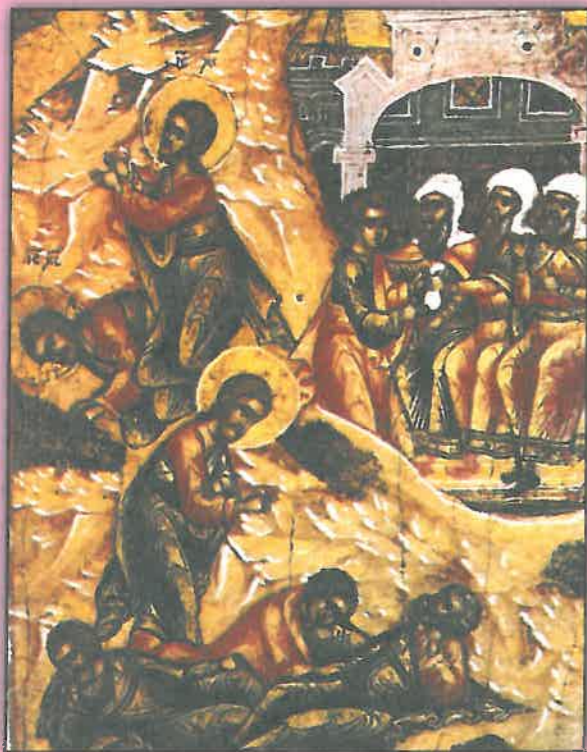
The coming day shines with the beginning of the Passion of the Lord. Come, let us celebrate this mystery; let us go meet Him with our hymns. For the Creator draws near to endure the Cross; led before Pilate, He submits to the questions, the whipping and the judgment; struck by a servant, He endures all to save the human race. Therefore, we cry out to Him: O Christ our God, the Lover of Humankind, grant the forgiveness of their sins to those who venerate your holy Passion with faith.



*Great and Holy Tuesday*  
*Commemoration of the Lord's parable of the Ten Wise Virgins (Mt 25:14)*

The priests, scribes and the council of the impious have gathered against You, O God our Savior; through jealousy they persuaded Judas to betray You: he was not ashamed to go out and speak against You, saying to the lawless ones: What will you give me if I hand Him over to you? O Lord, spare our souls from such a condemnation.

Impelled by his burning love of money, the impious Judas ponders and plots the betrayal of his Master. He falls from light into darkness; he sells the One who is beyond all price; and for the price of his betrayal, the miserable one meets death through hanging. Spare us this same destiny, O Christ our God, and grant the forgiveness of sins to those who with love praise your holy Passion.

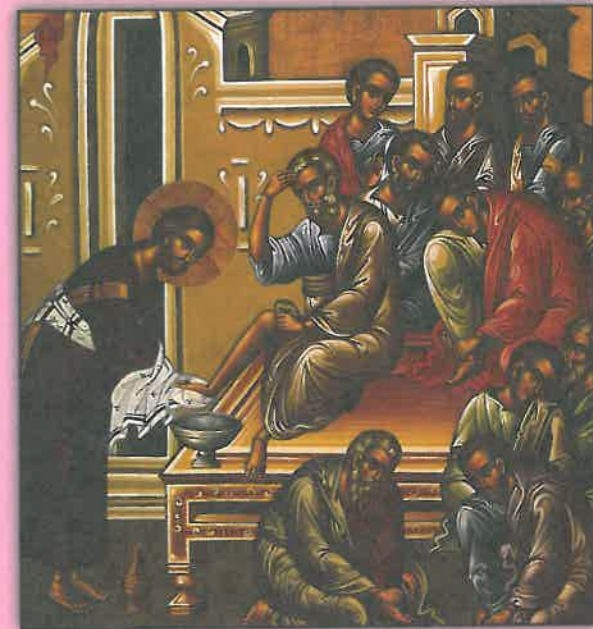


*Great and Holy Wednesday*

*Commemoration of the betrayal of our Lord by Judas, and the anointing of our Lord by Mary at Bethany*

The harlot drew near to You, O God of goodness, to pour upon your feet the precious ointment along with her tears; at your command, she was delivered from the scourge of evil; but the ungrateful disciple who was filled with your grace, turned away from You and sunk into the mire by betraying You through his greed. Glory to your infinite mercy, O Christ.

With her sighs, the sinful woman cried out to You, O God of goodness, and as she fervently dried your most pure feet with her hair, she said from the depths of her heart: Do not scorn me, my God, nor cast me far from You; but accept my repentance, and in your goodness, save me.



*Great and Holy Thursday*  
*Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper, and the washing of the feet of the disciples by Jesus*

He who made the lakes, the springs and the seas, shows us the greatest humility: He girds himself with a linen cloth and washes the feet of his disciples; in his infinite mercy, He lowers himself, and He draws us up from the abyss of evil, for He alone is the Lover of Humankind.

In your mercy, You humbled yourself and washed the feet of your disciples, thus preparing them to walk in the divine footsteps. Peter at first refused to be washed, but then obeyed your divine command; and while you were washing him, O Lord, he earnestly begged You to grant us your great mercy.

