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Celebrating 48 years of Proclaiming the Truth of Orthodox Christianity

SUNDAY APRIL 17, 2011

ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM (Palm Sunday). Hieromartyr Simeon, Bishop in Persia, and those with him: Martyrs Abdechalas and Ananias—Presbyters, Usthazanes, Fusicus (Pusicius), Ascitrea, Azades the Eunuch, and many others. St. Acacius, Bishop of Melitene. Ven. Zosima, Abbot of Solovétsky Monastery. Uncovering of the Relics of Ven. Alexander, Abbot of Svir. Martyr Adrian of Corinth. St. Agapitus, Pope of Rome. Repose of Ven. Macarios of Corinth.

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9

Gospel: John 12:1-18

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

April 17, Sun: Palm Sunday Entrance into Jerusalem. Adult Ed -8:30am; *Divine Liturgy* - 9:30am; Church School -11am; Fellowship -11:15am; *Bridegroom Matins* -7pm; **Fasting Note:** Fish Allowed

Hour Readers: (3rd) **Chet Lubecki** (6th) **Chris Dupkanick** • Altar Servers – **All welcome**

April 18, Holy Monday: *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy* -8am; *Bridegroom Matins* – 7pm

April 19, Holy Tuesday: *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy* -8am; *Bridegroom Matins* – 7pm

April 20, Holy Wednesday: *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy* -8am; *Holy Unction* -7pm

April 21, Holy Thursday: *Vesperal Divine Liturgy* -9:30am; *Matins (12 Passion Gospels)* -7pm

April 22, Holy Friday: *Royal Hours* -9am; *Vespers* -3pm; Grave watching begins;

Lamentations & Matins – 7:30pm

April 23, Holy Saturday: *Vesperal Divine Liturgy* -10:30am; *Reading of the Acts of the Apostles* - 10:30pm; *Nocturns* -11:30am

April 24, PASCHA - The Resurrection of our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ. *Procession, Paschal Matins, Hours & Divine Liturgy* -12am; Blessing of baskets to follow; *Resurrection & Agape Vespers (with Procession)* -1pm

● **ANCIENTFAITHRADIO.COM** - 24 hour Orthodox Internet Radio

● **ORTHODOX RADIO** on 720 AM Radio every Sunday at 8 am

● **OrthodoxyinAmerica.org** (Traveling or Going on Vacation?) **check it out!**

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!!! Please join us for fellowship in the church hall and sign our guest book in the vestibule. **If you are interested in becoming a part of our community please ask to speak to Fr. Stephen. Please note:** Only those faithful who are Orthodox Christians and have properly prepared themselves by fasting (from midnight), prayer, and recent confession; and who were present for the reading of the Epistle and Gospel, should approach to receive the Eucharist.

PARISH PRAYER LIST:

Please remember the following persons during your daily morning and evening prayers. **Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless requested.** Submit names to the office by Wednesday for inclusion.

Ailing: V. Rev. Michael Slovesko; Thomas Branoff; John Brandt (friend of John R. Barns); M. Lisa Weremedic; Addison Holl (friend of Larry Smith); Dr. Joseph Norato; Diane Chambers and Marlene Kalenak (Anna Doray's daughter and niece); Ronald Webb; Peter Bridge, Lydia & George Boras (friends of Bill & Joan Dupkanick); John & Dave Garber (friends of the Cain's); Frank Priggins (Christine's father); Diane Broskey (Libby Hancher's niece); Mattie Martin; Keturah Faust (J. Barns and L. Shuga's friend); Naomi Hershey and Carrie Faust (friends of the Cole's); Matthew Kocsis; Van Milbrand (friend & co-worker of Larry Smith); Nicholas Essis; Pauline Lapinsky, Susan Strenski, & John Fatich (Janet Kuzupas' siblings); Christine Demchak (Sue's sister).

Health & well-being: The suffering people of Japan; Misty Lenker (Bethann's stepdaughter); Margaret Elmer (Larry Smith's mother-in-law); Paul Pellegrini; Gregory Luda & Pyotr Sysak; Linda Kalenevich; Willard Brown; Matthew, Viviana & Natalia Sysak; Thomas Ridenour & Christian Ridenour (son & grandson of Suzanne Mioff); Nikki Sprucebank and son, Dianne Williams, and Eileen Holey (Debbie Hisiro's friends); Joe Demchak; Tom and Bernadine Antolick (Mary Ellen Osuch's sister and brother-in-law); Deb Reigle (friend of Ann Cole); Irene Priggins & Addison Wechter, her parents Judy & Greg (Christine Priggins family); Archpriest Alexander Atty; **Parishioners Homebound & in Care Facilities:** Betty Danko; Agnes Risser; Millicent Russell; Shirley Sass; **Military:** Steven Heberle (Jean Dotsey's nephew); Thomas Shingara (neighbor); **Sponsored Seminarian:** Dr. Ian & M. Priscilla Shipley and family; **OCMC Missionary:** Christina Semon; **Catechumens:** Jonathan Dunnavent; Manny Lopez; **Expectant Mothers:** Elise Mosser; Christina Yerke and the children to be born of them;

Newly Departed from This Life: Bernice Lewis (aunt of Jerry Cole) –Mar 31; Sue Buddwalk – Apr 1; His Eminence, Metropolitan NICHOLAS – March 13; Marie Dura (cousin of Bill Kuchta) – Mar 10;

Anniversaries of Those Departed: Archpriest John Platko, Apr 17 -6th; Alex Kuzupas, Janet's husband, Apr 18 -4th; Stephen Fatich, father of Janet Kuzupas, Apr 19 -42nd; Mildred D. Ettinger, Apr 19 -18th; Donsheff Miculita, Apr 20 -11th; Mabel Hummel, mother of Shirley Sass, Apr 22 -10th; Michael Revock, Apr 23 -43rd; George Spaseff, Apr 25 -30th; Mary Demchak, mother of Suzanne, Apr 26 -42nd; Sebastian Bishop, great grandson of Father Claude, Apr 26 -6th; Helen Neff, Pat Drebot's sister, Apr 26 -5th; Dr. John S. Thomsen, uncle of Larry Smith, Apr 27 -1st; Marko Prodanovic Jr., Apr 28 -31st; Bishop DANIEL, April 26 -1st; Theodore Yewisiak, brother of Wilma Sutovich, Apr 28 -6th; Robert Snyder Sr, brother of Evelyn Krempasky, Apr 28 -5th;

Candle Offerings: For information on how to purchase commemoration candles, please go to the candle desk or speak with one of the vestrymen.

❖ **Seven Day Votive** is offered in *Heath & Salvation* of Adam Mallick on his birthday from Mike & Alice Mallick

Many Years: Names will be accepted for each week. Please submit to ctsocahbg@aol.com by the preceding Wednesday for inclusion in the Sunday bulletin.

Anniversary: Fr. Dan & Mat Theodora Ressetar – Apr 20

Birthdays: Adam Mallick – Apr 18; George Charlock -Apr 18; Anna Kuchta – Apr 18; George Krempasky – Apr 21; Teodora Sandu – Apr 22; Evan Mosser – Apr 22; Johnna McGreevy – Apr 23; Mark Yerke – Apr 24; Fr. Stephen Vernak – Apr 29

Newly Baptized and Chrismated: Sarah Sauls

Ordination to Priesthood: Fr. Stephen Vernak – Apr 28

EVENTS AROUND OUR ORTHODOX COMMUNITY

Bright Friday Pan-Orthodox Divine Liturgy: Holy Trinity Cathedral (1000 Yverdon Drive, Camp Hill) will host a Pan-Orthodox Divine Liturgy on **Friday, April 29th**. Orthros/Matins at 8:30am and Divine Liturgy at 10am.

Camp Nazareth and Orthodox Christian Fellowship [OCF]: OCF will host the **First Annual Spring College Conference 2011**, titled *"Overcoming the World,"* **May 20-22, 2011** at Camp Nazareth, Mercer, PA. For more information and to/or to register visit <http://www.campnazareth.org/springcc2011.htm>.

OCCGH Inaugural Golf Tournament and and Sports Auction: The Orthodox Christian Charities of Greater Harrisburg (OCCGH), the organizers of the Agia Sophia Coffee House and Bookstore, are holding a charity golf tournament and sports auction on **Saturday, May 21st**. Please check out their website at www.occgh.org for more details, or see Fr. Stephen, Carl Hisiro, or Gerry & Mary White.

St. Tikhon's Summer Camp 2011: St. Tikhon's summer camp is now accepting applications from campers and counselors for the week of **July 3 -9, 2011**. This year all registration forms are on their website @ INFO@STTIKHONSCAMP.ORG. Registration forms must be postmarked by **May 31, 2011**. If you do not have access to a computer please contact the church office & we will be more than happy to print out the forms for you.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR SUNDAY APRIL 17, 2011

Philippians 4:4-9 (Epistle)

Brethren, ⁴ rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. ⁶ Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; ⁷ and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy - meditate on these things. ⁹ The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

John 12:1-18 (Gospel)

At that time, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead.² There they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him.³ Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.⁴ But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, who would betray Him, said,⁵ Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?⁶ This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it.⁷ But Jesus said, "Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial."⁸ For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always.⁹ Now a great many of the Jews knew that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus' sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead.¹⁰ But the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also,¹¹ because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus.¹² The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,¹³ took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' The King of Israel!"¹⁴ Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; as it is written:¹⁵ Fear not, daughter of Zion; Behold, your King is coming, Sitting on a donkey's colt." ¹⁶ His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him.¹⁷ Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from the dead, bore witness.¹⁸ For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had done this sign.

GLORY TO THEE O LORD, GLORY TO THEE!

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Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday)

Palm Sunday is the celebration of the triumphant entrance of Christ into the royal city of Jerusalem. He rode on a colt for which He Himself had sent, and He permitted the people to hail Him publicly as a king. A large crowd met Him in a manner befitting royalty, waving palm branches and placing their garments in His path. They greeted Him with these words: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel! (John 12:13).

This day together with the raising of Lazarus are signs pointing beyond themselves to the mighty deeds and events which consummate Christ's earthly ministry. The time of fulfillment was at hand. Christ's raising of Lazarus points to the destruction of death and the joy of resurrection which will be accessible to all through His own death and resurrection. His entrance into Jerusalem is a fulfillment of the messianic prophecies about the king who will enter his holy city to establish a final kingdom. "Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of an ass" (Zech 9:9).

Finally, the events of these triumphant two days are but the passage to Holy Week: the "hour" of suffering and death for which Christ came. Thus the triumph in an earthly sense is extremely short-lived. Jesus enters openly into the midst of His enemies, publicly saying and doing those things which most enrage them. The people themselves will soon reject Him. They misread His brief earthly triumph as a sign of something else: His emergence as a political Messiah who will lead them to the glories of an earthly kingdom.

A Reminder from Father Stephen on Confession

Please remember, that participation in the **Sacrament of Confession** is a normal preparation for reception of the Eucharist (Holy Communion). Our general guideline is that regular communicants should participate every 6-8 weeks, or more often as their conscience dictates. The imagery that the Church most often uses to describe this Sacrament, is that of us as a "patient", and Christ as the "Physician" of our souls and bodies. Confession brings us in humility to Christ, as we seek to be cured from our passions, desires, and our falls into sin. It is a Sacrament of health, not guilt... we must remember the words of our Lord to the man at the pool of Bethesda, "Do you want to be made well?" (John 5:6)

Great Lent is a time of intensified prayer and fasting, as well as participation in Confession. Please make every attempt to come to the Sacrament of Confession **before** our celebration of **Holy Unction on Holy Wednesday, April 20th**. *After Wednesday evening, we should all be prepared to focus exclusively on our Lord's Passion.*