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Entrance into Jerusalem/Palm Sunday

METROPOLITAN HERMAN,
ARCHBISHOP OF WASHINGTON & NEW YORK
V. Rev. Constantine White, Dean
Rev. Valery Shemchuk, Associate Pastor
Subdeacon Ken Kasovac, Music Director

Sunday Lessons

This Week – Palm Sunday Phil.4:4-9; John 12:1-18

Next Week – Pascha Acts 1: 1 – 8; John 1: 1 - 17

Schedule of Services

Passion Fast March 31 – April 07


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| Monday | April | 2 | 7:00 pm | Bridegroom Matins (E) | |
| Tuesday | April | 3 | 7:00 pm | Bridegroom Matins (S) | |
| Wednesday | April | 4 | 7:00 pm | Bridegroom Matins (E,S,G) | |
| Thursday | April | 5 | 10:00 am | Vesperal Liturgy (E,S,G) | |
| | | | 7:00 pm | Matins of Holy Friday (E,S,G) | Reading of the 12 Gospels |
| Friday | April | 6 | 2:00 pm | Vespers of Holy Friday (E,S,G) | Service of the Holy Shroud |
| | | | 7:00 pm | Matins of Holy Saturday (E,S,G) | Service of the Life Giving Tomb |
| Saturday | April | 7 | 10:00 am | Vesperal Liturgy (E,S,G) | Holy Saturday |
| | | | 11:30 pm | Nocturn, Matins & Hierarchical Liturgy(E,S,G) | |
| Sunday | April | 8 | 9:30 am | Divine Liturgy (E,S,G) | Pascha |
| | | | 12 noon | Paschal Vespers (E,S,G) | |

E=English, S=Slavonic, G=Georgian

General confession will not be held from Pascha to Pentecost.



*The month of April's bulletins are donated
in loving memory of Matushka Galina Grigorieff. May her Memory be Eternal!*

Today's bulletin is sponsored in Memory of Walter Krisa who departed this life nine years ago. 
May his Memory be eternal.

This month's bulletins are sponsored in memory of Alexandra S. Jesina. Memory Eternal.

*** VISITORS ***

A warm welcome to St. Nicholas Cathedral! We are glad to have you worship with us today. Please join us downstairs following liturgy for our annual Palm Sunday luncheon sponsored by our Dormition Guild.

Festal Antiphons:

First Antiphon (Tone 2):

I love the Lord because He has heard the voice of my supplication.

*Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long as I live.*

The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of hell laid hold on me. *

I suffered distress and anguish; then I called upon the name of the Lord. *

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. *

Second Antiphon (Tone 2):

I kept my faith even when I said: "I am greatly afflicted!"

*O Son of God who sat upon the foal, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

What shall I render to the Lord for all the things He has given me? *

I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. *

I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people. *

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. *

Only begotten Son....

Third Antiphon (Tone 1):

O give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His mercy endures forever!

*By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God! Like the children with the palms of victory, we cry out to Thee: O Vanquisher of Death: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!

Let the house of Israel say: For He is good, for His mercy endures forever! *

Let the house of Aaron say: For He is good, for His mercy endures forever! *

Let all those who fear the Lord say: For He is good, for His mercy endures forever! *

Entrance Verse: Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! We bless you from the house of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!

Troparion (Tone 1): By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God! Like the children with the palms of victory, we cry out to Thee: O Vanquisher of Death: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!

Troparion (Tone 4): When we were buried with Thee in Baptism, O Christ God, we were made worthy of eternal life by Thy Resurrection! Now we praise Thee and sing: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!

Glory to the Father & to the Son & to the Holy Spirit,
Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Kontakion (Tone 6): Sitting on Thy throne in heaven, carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God! Accept the praise of angels and the songs of children, who sing: Blessed is He that comes to recall Adam!

Prokeimenon (Tone 4): Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord and hath revealed Himself to us. Verse: O give praise to the Lord for he is good, for His mercy endures forever.

Epistle: Philippians 4:4 - 4:9: Brethren: Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. 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. The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

Alleluia (Tone 1): O sing to the Lord a new song; for the Lord hath done marvelous things. Verse: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Gospel: John 12:1 - 12:18: Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those at the 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 Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus 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 be he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young ass and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold thy king is coming, sitting on an ass'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 Lazarus 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.

Hymn to the Theotokos: God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Celebrate the feast and come to us with gladness! Let us magnify Christ with palms and branches, singing: Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!

Communion Hymn: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Bulletin Messages

We wish to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks to all for their prayers and kind expressions of sympathy on the loss of our sister, Mary. May her memory be Eternal.
Elizabeth and Apollo Manchuk

All Night Vigil: On Holy Friday, April 6, 2007 we will have an all night vigil with reading of psalms. Please contact Martin McGuigan if you are interested in helping with this.

Parishioners: Do you know of a *graduating senior* from the Cathedral Parish? High School and College *graduates* will be honored by the Cathedral Memorial Day weekend. Please contact the church office 202-333-5060 or Michael Shandor 301-421-9467 with the following information: name of graduate; school of matriculation, major (if college) and date of graduation if known. If your high school senior has decided on a college or university to attend in the fall please include this also!

Agape Canister: \$20.47 was donated to the Agape Canister. Thank you Saint Nicholas for your continued support!

Blessing of Paschal Baskets: Blessing of Paschal Baskets will take place on Holy Saturday. Watch for the schedule of times posted on the bulletin board and on the Edmunds Street Door. No baskets will be blessed after 11:15 p.m. on April 7th. This year we will again have a Blessing of Baskets on Sunday after the Paschal Vespers in the church annex.

This year during Great Lent, the St. Nicholas Cathedral Outreach Committee is sponsoring a special charitable drive for a needy family in our own parish. Donations can be made in the form of cash or checks (made payable to St. Nicholas Cathedral, with "Special Paschal Collection" on the check's information line). Points of contact for this project are Claire Nobles, Svetlana Moser, and Marty McGuigan, as well as Fathers Constantine and Valery.

The **Ladies Auxiliary of SS Peter and Paul Orthodox Church** announces the **5th Annual Ladies Fashion Show Luncheon!** Saturday May 12, 2007, \$40.00 per person. There will be raffles, door prizes, favors and more! RSVP: Rida Boulos (703-319-3415) Nadia El-Hage (301-229-0153) or Lydia Jackson (301-765-1821).

Thank you to all who helped make today's Bake Sale and Luncheon a huge success!

The Nation's Capital "R" Club will be hosting a Paschal Celebration dinner/social (no business) meeting on Thursday evening, on April 12th from 7-10 pm in the church hall. Won't you join us for an evening of celebration during BRIGHT WEEK with other parishioners? All are welcome to attend. Members: Please contact Lisa Morris with what dish you will be bringing to the Social!

- ◆ Dyed eggs are needed for His Beatitude to pass out at the Paschal Liturgies and Vespers. If you are able, please bring one dozen hardboiled and dyed eggs to the church **during Holy Week** and place them in the refrigerator in the church hall. Please mark your container clearly!
- ◆ All are invited to the Paschal Pot Luck Breakfast following the Midnight services April 7/8! The sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the church hall. Please take a moment to let us know what you will be bringing. For more information, please contact Daria Virvan at 301-262-5984.
- ◆ Mark your children's calendars for the Cathedral's Annual Easter Egg Hunt to be held following the Paschal Vespers on April 8th (weather permitting). All children are welcome to attend.

Attention Parishioners: To place a message in the church bulletin, please call the church office between 10:00-2:00 Monday – Friday (202)-333-5060, or to leave a message press 10 at menu, or e-mail the church at office@stnicholasdc.org. Notices must be submitted no later than **Wednesday** for the following Sunday.

If you are interested in sponsoring the Sunday Bulletin, please contact the church office (202)-333-5060, ext.10) for the dates you want. Immediate payment is not required, but advance reservations are needed. The donation is \$20 a week; \$80 a month (English); \$15 a week; \$60 a month (Russian). *Sponsors for the Russian bulletin are greatly needed!*

Children's Paschal Liturgy 9:45 on April 21st! Following Liturgy there will be a Pot Luck lunch and activities in the church hall. All are welcome to attend.

Don't forget to stop off at the Palm Sunday Bake Sale to pick up the items you ordered!

The palms for Palm Sunday were donated by the Yurchak family.

Coffee Hour hosts by week:

| Date | Restrictions | Name |
|---------------|---------------------|---|
| 25 March 2007 | FAST | Bill and Lydia Kosar |
| 1 April 2007 | FAST | Dormition Guild Luncheon |
| 8 April 2007 | NO FAST | Sharon Osmolovsky |
| 15 April 2007 | NO FAST | St. Tikhon's Choir Visit – Help Needed! |

Candle Counter

Greeters

| <u>April</u> | | |
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| 1 | Paul Patton (E) Ludmila Falsafi (S) | Helen and Peter Evans |
| 2 - 8 | Pascha: Special Holy Week & Bright Week Schedule - see insert! | |
| 15 | Gillian Butler (E) Olga Liefert (S) | Elizabeth Manchuk & Sharon Osmolovsky |
| 17* | Daria Virvan | |
| 22 | Daria Virvan (E) Mila Medina (S) | Tekla Virvan & Chris Lyerly |
| 29 | John Rusinko (E) Svetlana Moser (S) | Nina Shafran & Robert Tyszchenko |
| | <i>*Weekday Liturgy **Single Liturgy</i> | |

UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

- ❖ R Club Paschal Celebration Social, April 12th, 7:30 in Church Hall -- Please join us!
- ❖ St. Tikhon's Choir – April 14th @ Vigil & April 15th @ Liturgy
- ❖ R Club Post-Lenten Retreat, Saturday, April 28th with Fr. Peter Gillquist
- ❖ R Club Meeting, May 22 – Church Hall
- ❖ Pentecost, May 27th: Recognition of Parish Graduates

"The Bible in the Life of an Orthodox Christian" with Fr. Peter Gillquist, Director, Department of Missions and Evangelism, Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese and President, Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF), will give a post-lenten retreat on Saturday, April 28, 2007, from 10:30 am to 4:00 pm, at St. Nicholas Cathedral, 3500 Massachusetts Avenue NW Washington, DC 20007. Retreat donation \$15.00, students FREE. Please reserve a seat by contacting either Lisa Morris at stnicholasdc.org or Betty Slanta at slanta@erols.com.

Reminder: The St. Tikhon's Choir will be joining us for Vigil on the 14th of April and Liturgy on the 15th! Please plan to attend.

...those who have given their lives for their homeland...” Memory Eternal.

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