

CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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SUNDAY MARCH 28, 2010

ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM (Palm Sunday). Ven. Hilarion the New. Ven. Stephen the Wonderworker, Abbot of Tryglia. Monk Martyr Eustratius. Ven. Hilarion. Martyrs Jonah and Barachisius, and those with them: Zanitas, Lazarus, Maruthas, Narses, Elias, Marinus, Abibus, Sembeeth, and Sabbas. Martyr Boyan, Prince of Bulgaria.

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9 **Gospel:** John 12:1-18 **UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:**

Mar 28, Sun: Palm Sunday. Adult Ed -8:30am; Divine Liturgy -9:30am; Church School -11am;

Fellowship 11:15am; Bridegroom Matins -7pm

Hour Readers, (3rd) Bill Kuchta (6th) Chris Dupkanick • Altar Servers – All welcome

Mar 29, Mon: Holy Monday: *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy -*7:30am; *Bridegroom Matins -*7pm Mar 30, Tue: Holy Tuesday: *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy -*7:30am; *Bridegroom Matins -*7pm

Mar 31, Wed: Holy Wednesday: *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy -*7:30am; *Pan-Orthodox Holy Unction -*7pm **Apr 1, Thu:** Holy Thursday: *Vesperal Divine Liturgy -*9:30am; *Matins with Passion Gospels -*7pm **Apr 2, Fri:** Holy Friday: *Royal Hours -*9am; *Burial Vespers -*3:30pm; Grave watching begins;

Matins & Lamentations -7:30pm;

Apr 3, Sat: Holy Saturday: Vesperal Liturgy -10:30am; Reading from Acts -10:30pm;

Nocturns -11:30pm

Apr 4, Sun: PASCHA: Procession, Paschal Matins, Hours, Festal Divine Liturgy -12 am; (Blessing of

Baskets & Agape Meal immediately following);

Agape Vespers and Procession -1pm

Apr 5, Mon: Bright Monday: Paschal Divine Liturgy -9:30am
Apr 7, Wed: Bright Wednesday: Paschal Vespers – 6pm
Apr 10, Sat: Bright Saturday: Resurrectional Vespers - 6pm

Apr 11, Sun: St. Thomas Sunday (our parish feast day!): Divine Liturgy -9:30am; Festive

Brunch & Fellowship 11:15 am; Grave Blessings (contact Fr. Stephen with requests)

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!!! Please join us for fellowship in the church hall and sign our guest book in the vestibule. **Please note:** Only those faithful who are Orthodox Christians and have properly prepared themselves through fasting (from midnight), prayer, and recent confession; and who were present for the reading of the Epistle and Gospel, may approach to receive the Eucharist.

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

<u>Ailing</u>: Eva Paraschak (Dotty Fedetz's sister); Marlene Kalenak (Anna Doray's neice); Phyllis Mumford (Larry Smith aunt); Glen Clouser, Bud Gunter, Gill Clouse, and Brian Staley (friends of the Cain's); Mattie Martin; Lou DiNafo (Moe's son-in-law); Thomas Reese (Jennifer Firestine's father); Van Milbrand (friend & co-worker of Larry Smith); Nicholas Essis; Pauline Lapinsky (J. Kuzupas' sister); Christine Demchak (Suzanne's sister); Susan Strenski (J. Kuzupas' sister); John Fatich (J. Kuzupas' brother); M. Olga Kovach

Health and well-being of: Theodora Polamalu; Paul Miller; Dennis Bricker; Michael Norato; Sonia Godwin (friend of Sue Mioff); Dave, Ruth, and Sophia Schoffner; Gladys Barns (mother of John R. Barns); William Homisak (Nick Somple's uncle); Geoffrey Gyrisco (John Barns friend); Archpriest Alexander Atty; Diane Broskey (Libby Hancher's niece); Martha Rapso (cousin of M. Theodora); Paul Drebot; Derek Alexei Schmidt ('adopted' Seminarian); Christina Semon (OCMC Missionary in Romania); [Catechumen] Jonathan Dunnavent [Expectant Mothers] M. Anastasia Hojnicki; Tatiana Graham; Jennifer Firestine; and the children to be born of them.

Newly Departed from This Life: Charlie Nesbit (friend of the Cain's) – Mar 17; John Paraschak (Dotty Fedetz's brother-in-law) - Mar 16; Daniel Bromley –Mar 11; Julia Brelinsky (Sonya Miele's mother) - March 6; Diane Tahansky (Mariah Schware's mother) - March 5; Dr. Alexander Pianovich – Mar 4; Nicholas Holowatch (Fr. Timothy Hojnicki's grandfather) – Mar 1; Michael Bushko, (brother in-law of Dotty Fedetz) –Feb 25;

Anniversaries of Those Departed from This Life: Helen Slavich, wife of Henry Slavich and mother of Maryanne English, Mar 28 -9th; Robert Stadulis, Paul Pellegrini's nephew, Mar 28 -2nd; Maria Paluch, mother of John and Martin, Mar 29 -5th; Jeanne Bruder, sister of Gloria Maliniak, Mar 30 -9th; John Pusey, M. Tatiana Kreta's brother-in-law, Mar 30 -1st; V. Rev. Andrew Shuga, father of Larissa Shuga, Mar 31 – 9th; Richard Kalenak, brother of Ann Doray, Mar 31 –5th; Mary Hubiak Sysak, mother of Harry Sysak, Apr 1 -36th; Paraskevia Latanishen, grandmother of Bill Kuchta, Apr 1 -67th; M. Helen Fedorchak, Apr 2 -8th; Richard Kalenak, nephew of Anna Doray, Apr 2 -5th; Michael Fatich, Janet Kuzupas' brother, Apr 2 -8th; Peter Krempasky, George's father, Apr 3 – 49th; Thomas White, Gerald White's brother, Apr 3 – 2nd;

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

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

<u>Newly Baptized and Illumined</u>: Jamie (Seraphim) Schware; Andrea Hollander; Jennifer (Elizabeth) Krider

<u>Newly Chrismated:</u> Sean, Jennifer (Euphemia), Grace (Mary), Evelyn (Catherine) Firestine; Suzanne Mioff; Mariah Schware

Birthdays; Sue Brown - Mar 29; Katharine Macut - Apr 1 (90th); Jacob Vernak - Apr 2 (1st)

LAST WEEK'S LITURGY ATTENDANCE: 166

TODAY'S NEWS

Three Hierarchs Adult Class: TODAY Sunday, March 28th at 8:30 AM, Fr. Michael Kovach will be addressing the Three Hierarchs Adult Class in the all-purpose room downstairs from the church sanctuary on the topic: "East and West: A Look At Some of the Differences Between the Orthodox and Roman Catholic Perspectives on Christian Doctrine". All are welcome to attend.

<u>Annual Ham Raffle:</u> TODAY Sunday, March 28th during fellowship we will hold the raffle drawing. 1st prize is \$100.00 and prizes 2nd thru 11th are a family size ham. More tickets are available in the church office for you to purchase.

GRAVE WATCH: Please sign the list on the candle desk to be vigilant at the grave of our Lord. The ideal would be to have each time slot accounted for. We must remember the words of our Lord when He was in the garden with His Apostles:

• "What, could ye not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. (Matthew 26:40-41)

<u>Pascha Decorated Candles</u>: A sign-up sheet is in the vestibule. Please place donation in the basket and mark "paid" next to your name.

<u>Pascha Red Eggs - Volunteers Needed</u>: Once again, we are asking for volunteers to dye red eggs for our celebration of Holy Pascha on April 4th. We need 9 families to volunteer to dye 2 doz. BROWN eggs each. Please contact Fr. Stephen if you are able.

Also, we need egg "wrappers" to complete the process on Great and Holy Saturday (April 3) following the Vesperal Divine Liturgy. If you are able to stay and help wrap the eggs in mesh and finish with a bow, it is appreciated. More hands lighten the load!

Great Lent Notes: It is never too late to re-dedicate ourselves to the Season of Repentance, as we hear on Holy Pascha - our Lord receives us even at the 11th hour.

<u>NOTE:</u> As part of your Lenten discipline I ask those who have not already done so, and wish to receive Holy Confession, to please do so by **Holy Wednesday (March 31st)**. Call me if you any questions or concerns (652-1825). God bless... *Fr. Stephen*

<u>Calendar Update:</u> Please note that there was a misprint on the calendar in your CTS Herald. There <u>will not</u> be a Bright Saturday Liturgy at St. Nicholas Church in Oberlin on Sat. April 10th. However, they will be having a Vespers service with His Grace, Bishop Mitrophan at 5pm, followed by the blessing of their newly renovated hall. Please make note.

<u>Festive Breakfast:</u> Sunday, April 11th the Men's Club will provide a Festive Breakfast during fellowship in the parish hall. Cost is \$6 per adult and children under 12 free.

<u>Grave Blessings:</u> Sunday, April 11th following Divine Liturgy & fellowship Father Stephen will be blessing graves. Please contact him for arrangements, <u>ctsocahbq@aol.com</u> or 652-1825

<u>CTS Quarterly Book Club</u>: Our next book is the well-known classic entitled: *For the Life of the World* by the late Protopresbyter Alexander Schmemann (d. 1983). Please go to the church office to purchase your copy for \$14. Make checks payable to Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church, and write "Book Club" in the memo line. The discussion will be held at **the Vernak Residence** on **Sunday May 16th at 3pm.** All parishioners and their friends are welcome to participate!!!

OTHER NEWS

Fellowship Hour Schedule: Parishioners are asked to help by bringing at least 60 servings of baked goods and to serve them during their assigned fellowship hour. Please check the dates below and mark your calendar accordingly. The complete list through next May 2010 is available at the parish hall. If you are unable to be at church on your scheduled date contact Nadzia Schilling at 652-2759.

April 4: PASCHA

April 11: **PARISH FEAST DAY BRUNCH**April 18: Evelyn Krempasky Mary White

Support-a-Seminarian Program: Once again our parish is collecting \$donations to help support a seminarian at St. Tikhon's. Our students name is **Alexei (Derek) Schmidt**, a third year M. Div. student (OCA) from Holy Assumption Orthodox Church in Philadelphia. Please make checks payable to Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church and designate them for the program by marking the check memo line and envelope – "Support-a-Seminarian".

Our goal is \$6,000.00. Donations will be accepted through the end of April. Thank you for your support.

THE ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ACADEMY: Is presently accepting applications for the fall enrollment in September. Classes are currently being held at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Camp Hill. The two classes, all-day kindergarten and first grade, will be expanded to second grade. Call Father Dan Ressetar at 545-5054 for more information and an application. An Open House is scheduled for after Pascha/Easter. Visit the updated website at www.orthodoxchristinacademy.org

Save the Dates

"What's Faith got to do with it?": Sunday, April 25th at 5pm CTS will be welcoming guest speaker Fr. Victor Gorodenchuk (Dean of our Diocesan Cathedral and Soviet educated physicist) who will be offering an Orthodox response to Atheistic and Religious world-views. He will speak about evolution, the big-bang theory, as well as Biblical criticism. The talk is open to the public and FREE of charge. This is an excellent opportunity for us to invite family members and friends who may be struggling with issues of religion and science, as well as faith and atheism.

Hospitality *a la Russe*: **Sunday, April 25**th **at 3:30pm** the St. Tikhon's Century Association will present "Hospitality *a la Russe"* featuring Traditional Russian Cuisine and The Kauriga Balalaika Orchestra at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church in Bethlehem. All proceeds will benefit St. Tikhon's Seminary. For more information please see the flyer in the candle stand.

Online Resources to check out:

- www.christthesaviourhbg.org
- 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?)