

CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you. *Mark 5:19*

SUNDAY APRIL 24, 2016

ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM. PALM SUNDAY. Martyr Sabbas Stratelates ("the General") of Rome, and 70 soldiers with him. Ven. Savva and Aleksy the Recluse, of the Kiev Caves. Martyrs Pasicrates and Valentine in Moesia. Martyrs Eusebius, Neon, Leontius, Longinus, and others, at Nicomedia. Ven. Thomas the Fool, of Syria. St. Elizabeth the Wonderworker of Constantinople. Ss. Iorest and Sava Brancovici, Metropolitans of Ardeal and Confessors (Romania). Hieromartyr and Confessor Elijah (Ilie) the Wallachian.

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9

Gospel: John 12:1-18

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

April 24, Sun: PALM SUNDAY. Hours – 8:40am; Chrismations – 9:15am; Divine Liturgy - 9:30am; w/blessing of Palms & Outdoor Procession, Church School & Fellowship – following; Bridegroom Matins -6:30pm

Readers: 3rd Hour: **John Shingara** · 6th Hour: **Leavitt Keener**

Epistle: **Rdr. Leo Leer** · *Post-Communion:* **Vladimer Kellachow**

April 25, Mon: HOLY MONDAY. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy -8am; Bridegroom Matins -6:30pm

April 26, Tue: HOLY TUESDAY. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy -8am with Archbishop MARK; Bridegroom Matins -6:30pm

April 27, Wed: HOLY WEDNESDAY. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy -8am with Archbishop MARK; Holy Unction -6:30pm with Archbishop MARK & the faithful of Holy Apostles

April 28, Thu: HOLY THURSDAY. Vespereal Divine Liturgy (Institution of the Eucharist) - 8am; Matins (12 Passion Gospels) -6:30pm; Grave set-up –following

April 29, Fri: HOLY FRIDAY. Royal Hours -9am; Burial Vespers -4pm; Lenten Meal to follow at the Parish Hall; Matins (Lamentations) & Procession -7pm

April 30, Sat: HOLY SATURDAY. Chrismation, Vespereal Divine Liturgy -9am; Church Cleaning & Egg Project –following; Reading Acts of the Apostles -10:30pm; Nocturns - 11:30pm

May 1, Sun: PASCHA, RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. Procession, Matins, Hours & Divine Liturgy -12am; Blessing of the Baskets -following; Agape Vespers (Gospel in many Languages) – noon

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS! Please join us for fellowship in the **church hall** following the service. If you are interested in becoming a part of our community please ask to speak to Fr. Stephen Vernak. Please note: Only those faithful who are Orthodox Christians and have properly prepared themselves by fasting (*from all food and drink*), prayer, and recent confession; and who were present for the reading of the Epistle and Gospel, should approach to receive the Holy 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: PARISHIONERS: Mike Mallick FAMILY & FRIENDS: Dennis Madeira (friend of the Dupkanick's); **Robert Rosso** (nephew of Bill Kuchta); **Sloan Nesbit** (cousin of Jason Zeppuhar); **M. Janet Koczak; Olga Zuzulock, William Harter & Ron Hassinger** (family & friend of Kathy Pankiw); **Sally Sauserman** (aunt of Jean Dotsey); **Milt Lambertson; Fred & Joan Rice, Rick & Tanya Rice** (friends of Samantha Lopez); **Jim Walters & David Roberts** (friends of John R. Barns); **Katie McGarrity** (friend of the Lenker's & Zart's); **Paul Semanco** (cousin of M. Mallick); **Harry & Rita Demopoulos** (family of Sam Lopez); **Elaine Callihan** (friend of Bob Drozd); **Karen Osuch** (John's sister-in-law); **Taras Bodnarczuk** (friend of V. Bucharew); **Irene** (Tom Drebot's mother-in-law); **Kathy Fedetz** (Craig's wife); **Ed Cales** (friend of the Lopez's); **Raymond & Evelyn Anderson, Paul Anderson, Amanda Somerville, Kerry Snell & Family** (Debbie Hisiro's family & friends); **Gladys Barns** (John's mother); **Jim Tessier** (family of Gloria Maliniak); **Luke Spaseff; Emily Campbell & Natalie Coles** (Jerry's cousins); **Diane Chambers** (Anna Doray's family); **Keturah Faust** (J. Barns & L. Shuga's friend); **John Fatich** (Janet Kuzupas brother); **Joseph & Steven Demchak**, (Suzanne's brothers);

HEALTH & WELL-BEING: Victims of Terror, War, and Strife throughout the world. Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo held hostage by Syrian Terrorists; PARISHIONERS: June Taleff; George (Leavitt) Keener; Joseph (Moe) Mazurek; Kathryn Kellachow; Andy Fedetz; Gloria Maliniak; Sue Wolfe; Ghebremichael Habtegeorghis; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas. HOME-BOUND & IN-CARE FACILITIES: Betty Danko; Nicholas Demopoulos (Sam's cousin); Nicholas Essis; Katharine Macut; Adam Mallick; Ann Pusey; Millicent Russell; EXPECTANT MOTHERS: M. Anastasia Hojnicky; Kyra Lentz; Elizabeth (Alison) Latimer; Danielle Zuro and the children to be born of them; COLLEGE STUDENTS: Yerusalem Arefe, Thomas Asfaha, Masha Cameron, Jessica Drebot, Matthew Hadginske, Shreya Jacob, Bahliby Kidane, Cathi Kemp; Madeleine Kushlan; Christina Martin, Evan McGreevy, Timothy Monko; Alex Pankiw, DJ Pawlush, Molly Pylypciw, Sophia Resselar, Jessica Shingara, Stephanie Stine MILITARY: Evangelos; Stephanie; Matthew; David; Thomas; Michael; PJ & Peter FAMILY & FRIENDS: Tsehay Gingrich, Nema Garza, Paulos Tcuc (friends of Yorusalem Tesfazion); Paul & Kay Maliniak (family of Gloria); Fr. Michael Hatrak; Mat. Joanne Bohush (Natalia Seewalds aunt); Fr. John Nightingale; Vera Zbicki, Olga Angelo, & Pauline Fecho (family of the Hancher's); Michael Bell (Michele Gopinath's father); Walter & Gloria Onufrak; Nese Family (friends of the Zeppuhars); Willard Brown; Cindy Stewart (friend of Debbie Hisiro); Christine Eshelman (sister of Patty Taleff); David Roberts, William Schaeffer, Shirley Glade & Nancy Sheaffer (family & friends of John R Barns); Linda Shue (Sharon Shingara's mother); Nancy Coles (John & Chris' mother); Ben Morgan (Sally Marasco's son); Marie Cini; Cecilia Hunt (Larry Smith's cousin); SEMINARY FAMILY: Joseph & Rachel Frangipani - ANTHONY CATECHUMENS: Matthew & Rachel Brubaker - Anastasia; Bette Keener; Ronald Miller; Katherine Sager;

NEWLY DEPARTED [40TH DAY]: Agnes Risser –Apr 2 [5/11]; **Joseph Reid** (neighbor of Pat & Tom Drebot – Apr 1 [5/10]; **Anna Antonio** (Jim's mother) –Apr 1 [5/10]; **Tori Brackbill** – Mar 27 [5/7]; **Gebrekrastos (Gabe) Gebre** - Mar 23 [5/1]; **John Greenwood** (friends of the Kushlan's) –Mar 16 [4/25]; **Ann Hribovski** – Mar 16 [4/25];

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED: Tewolde Asfaha, Selemawi Gebre's father, Apr 25 – 1st; **George Spaseff**, Apr 25 – 35th; **Mary Demchak**, mother of Suzanne, Apr 26 –47th; **child Sebastian Bishop**, great grandson of Father Claude, Apr 26 –11th; **Helen Neff**, Pat Drebot's sister, Apr 26 –10th; **Bishop DANIEL**, April 26 –6th; **Tewedros Ghebresselasie**, Yordanos Gebre's father, Apr 27 – 2nd; **Dr. John S. Thomsen**, uncle of Larry Smith, Apr 27 –6th; **Nancy Bucharew**, mother of Victor, Apr 28 –22nd; **Frank Skirpan**, Apr 28 – 2nd; **Frank Rodak**, uncle of Barbara Norato, Apr 30 –2nd;

CANDLE OFFERINGS: To purchase commemoration candles, please go to the candle desk or speak with one of the vestrymen. *Please note: offerings must be in the office by Wednesday for inclusion.*

❖ **Seven Day Votive** is offered in Memory of **Mary Demchak**, mother of Suzanne

MANY YEARS: Please submit to <mailto:office@ctshbg.org> by the preceding Wednesday.

BIRTHDAYS: Ygraine Adams – Apr 24; **Mark Yerke** – Apr 24; **Kidane Ghebremichael** – Apr 24; **Molly Pylypciw** – Apr 28; **Fr. Stephen** – Apr 29 (ordination – April 28)

NEWLY CHRISMATED: James & Heidi (Maria) Kushlan; Timothy Monko; Stephanie (Matrona) Stine

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Opportunities to Serve for PASCHA(May 1st):

- Any offers to help vacuum carpets, and do other "odds and ends" (i.e. cleaning up wax, polishing brass, etc) in the church would be greatly appreciated.
 - **TODAY:** After Fellowship on **Palm Sunday**, we will need some volunteers to help clean up and iron the white Altar linens.
- **Agape Vespers Readers: Sunday, May 1st at 12pm** we will read the Gospel in many languages during our Procession. Please see me if you are able/willing to read.

New Pascha Items in the Church Book Store: Items include: large & small decorated wooden eggs, egg shrink wraps and stands, lamb molds for butter, Pascha basket covers and cards. Questions? Please see **Christine Tartamella**.

Pascha Bread for Sale: There are additional loaves for sale, plain or with raisins. If you are interested in purchasing, please see **Josh DiFlorio** or **John Dotsey**.

Gift Card Program: The latest gift card order forms are in the vestibule.

St. Tikhon's Monastery 112th Pilgrimage: Will be held Memorial Day Weekend, **May 27th -30th** the full schedule is located in the vestibule, hall and at www.oca.org

Softball Season is HERE! The 2016 Schedule is posted in the church hall; the first games are on **Tuesday, May 3rd** @ 8pm @ Veterans Park, off Elmerton Ave. All games are double-headers. Come out and root for our 5-time defending league CHAMPS!

FOCA Scholarship: 2016 FOCA Educational Financial Aid Program forms are NOW available on their website (www.OrthodoxFellowship.org). The application must be postmarked by **April 30, 2016**.

Attention High School & College Graduates: On **Sunday, June 12th** we will hold our annual *Graduate Recognition*, please submit a jpeg photo, a brief bio on the school you graduated from, and future plans to office@ctshbg.org before **Sunday, June 5th**.

Vestry Youth Mentoring Program: Teens will be pairing up with Vestry Members to enrich their church experience (as well as train them for adult roles). If a youth is unable for their assigned Sunday or if you wish to be added to the schedule please see or email **Joanne Wevodau** at jwevodau@verizon.net

April 24:	Brandon Hancher		Johanna McGreevy
May 1:		PASCHA	
May 8:	Salina Kidane		Sammy Kidane

St. Mary's Altar Guild Fellowship Hour Schedule: Parishioners are asked to help by bringing at least 48 servings of items, such as: soup, fresh fruit, vegetables, cheese, bagels or bread, baked goods and to serve them during their assigned fellowship hour. ***Please observe a "strict fast" (no meat or dairy products) during the fasting seasons.** If you are unable to be at church on your scheduled date contact **Nadzia Schilling** at 652-2759

April 24:	Men's Club Smile Train
May 1:	<i>Pascha</i>
May 8:	Parish Feast Day Luncheon

LAST SATURDAY VESPERS: 48 • LAST SUNDAY LITURGY: 182

EVENTS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

St. Tikhon's Summer Camp: Registration is now open for "campers"; Camp will be held **July 3rd - 9th**. Registration forms can be downloaded at www.sttikhonscamp.org - deadline is **May 28th**.

St. Tikhon's Seminary Century Association - Hospitality A La Russe VII: Will be held on **Sunday, May 15th** at St. John's Orthodox Cathedral in Mayfield, PA. Tickets \$40.00, children under 12 is \$10.00. RSVP by **Sunday, May 8th**. For more information please see the flyer in the church hall.

Panera Bread Pick-Up Volunteers: Saturday evenings between 10:15-10:30 at the **Hummelstown Panera** (1178 Mae St., Hershey Square). Please contact **Sophia Kellachow** at (jmkellachow@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining a rotation or have any questions.

Agia Sophia Coffeehouse & Bookstore

- **Fourth Annual Lenten Book Drive:** Collection bin is in the vestibule. We especially are looking for Bibles and books on Orthodox Theology and Spirituality.
- **Volunteers needed** to cook (flexible hours) on Wednesday and Friday. Also needed are counter volunteers Wednesday mornings 8am to 1 pm. In house Training! Contact Joanne Wevodau at 717-580-4833 or jwevodau@verizon.net