



Welcome to our Visitors: We are honored to have you come to worship with us. You may find the worship of the Ancient Church rather different. If you are unfamiliar with the worship of the Byzantine Church, simply listen to the Liturgy and allow the rest of the congregation to carry you in worship. We understand Communion to be an act of the unity of our Faith; however, while we work towards it, this unity regrettably does not now exist. Therefore, only baptized Catholics in the State of Grace are permitted to participate in the Holy Communion.



LAZARUS SATURDAY

First Confession 9:30 AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

PALM SUNDAY

Blessing of Palms & Willows 10:00 AM
& Procession around Church

HOLY MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

Confessions 6:30 PM
Pre-Sanctified 7:30 PM
 Anointing for Healing on Wednesday

HOLY THURSDAY 7:30 PM

Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

HOLY FRIDAY

Matins with the Passion Gospels Noon
Solemn Vespers 7:30 PM
Commemoration of the Burial of our Lord
Procession with the Holy Shroud
Lenten folders symbolizing your Lenten Sacrifice are to be brought and placed at the Tomb.

HOLY SATURDAY 4:00 PM

Vespers with Divine Liturgy of St. Basil

PASCHA - FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION

Resurrection Matins and Divine Liturgy 9:30 AM
Festal Anointing
Blessings of Paschal Foods following the Liturgy

BRIGHT MONDAY

Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM

BRIGHT TUESDAY

Divine Liturgy 9:00 AM

Weeklong Candle Intentions

ETERNAL LIGHT: Special Intentions of Sanctuary Group

CHRIST: Special Intention (Betty Bohner)

CHRIST: Jennifer Washicko (Washicko Family)

THEOTOKOS: Special Intentions (Helen Bruce)

THEOTOKOS: John & Linda Crans

CHRIST ENTHRONED: Gilbert Pasmant &

Sally Pasmant (Ron Pasmant)

Candle Intentions can be requested by filling out an envelope found in the Narthex. Donation is \$4.00

OUR ALTAR SERVERS

Erik Cline, Anthony Gath, Greg Gath, Chance Michael Hamaker, Ian Ward, Liam Ward, Nigel Ward, Jonny Weil

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Jean Anderson, Margie Aquilar, Marjory Bates, Betty Belanger, Mary Ann Bennett, Jennie Bergeron, Margaret Bivens, William Brown, Marc Brown, Ann Caldryn, Martha Cline, Dolores Demko, Launey Dovin, Fr. Harold Drexler, John Ewing, Danny Felix, Monica Flores, Ramon Flores, Estela Garcia, Michael Hamaker, Patricia Harrison, Dorothy Hazard, Alex Justic, Patricia Kanenbley, Deanna Keefe, Don & Irene Knapp, Ray & Felicia Kuna, Anthony Kuwae, Fr. James Lane, Don Jose Gallegos Marin, Jean Mayo, Nick Moyta, Elaine Nale, Karen Nale, Stella Navarrette, Veronica Navarrette, Peter Nesbella, Evdokiya Obushko, Helen Onder, Carol Pasmant, Katherine Peavey, Betty Perebzak, Rosemarie Persek, Fr. John Petro, Fr. Christopher Petruska, Fr. Gregory Petruska, John Pipta, Mary Jane Pipta, Deacon Paul & Irene Pipta, Rita Pipta, Laura Schaufel, Richard Sesma, Diana Shea, Irene Shiring, Robert Skopec Sr., Gail Strachan, Dr. Stephen Torday, John Valdez, Maria Valdez, Robert Valdez, Robert Vida, Susie Vida, Pilar Vree, Robert Morris Weil, Don Wilson, Brian Wollwebber, Fr. Chris Zuggar.

he Holy Father's Prayer intentions for April: Ecology and Justice. That governments may foster the protection of creation and the just distribution of natural resources. **Hope for the Sick.** That the Risen Lord may fill with hope the hearts of those who are being tested by pain and sickness.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR MILITARY:

Jerelle Hamaker, Allen Latimer, Dennis Lloyd, Scott Nale, Michael Perko, Matt Reynolds, Robert Skopec Jr.

Epistle/Cantor Schedule

4/13	Marc Brown	Philipians 4:4-9
4/20	Kester Bailey	Acts 1:1-8
4/27	Jonathan Weil	Acts 5:12-20
5/04	George Petyo	Acts 6:1-7
5/11	Steve Kopko	Acts 9:32-42
5/18	Ron Pasmont	Acts 11:19-26 & 29-30
5/25	Mike Petyo	Acts 16:16-34
6/01	Marc Brown	Acts 20:16-18 & 28-38

THE VOCATION TRAVELING ICON is at the home of the Gath Family April 6th- 20th. Please join your prayers

with theirs that the Lord Blesses His Holy Church with more priests, monks and religious.

**PASCHA BAKE SALE is today!!!!
Run, do not walk to the parish hall!**

Tithes, Gifts & Finances: 6 April, 2014

Adult Tithes	\$4,441.75
Youth Offerings	10.07
Annunciation	25.00
Bishop's Appeal	685.00
Votives	17.00
Flowers	270.00
Cinco de Mayo	132.00
St. Boniface Food Bank	106.00
Alano Club	255.00
T Mobile	2300.00
Sanctuary	60.00
Loan Principal Reduction	3,653.00
<u>Mortgage Reduction</u>	<u>260.00</u>
Total	\$12,214.82

BISHOP'S APPEAL: Each year the faithful of our Eparchy contribute to the Bishop's Appeal to assist in the vital ministry of Church under the leadership of His Grace, Bishop Gerald Dino. The funds go to support our seminarians, the Tribunal, the work of missions, etc. This year our goal is **\$16,000**. To date we have contributions of **\$5,655**, with outstanding pledges of **\$2,100**. Please prayerfully consider what you might be able to give. Blessings.

HOROLOGION: PALM (FLOWERY) SUNDAY - FEAST OF THE ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM According to Byzantine Catholic Tradition, the Great Forty Days Fast ends on the Friday before Palm Sunday. The following day, Saturday, celebrates the Raising of Lazarus as a prelude to the triumphal entry of Christ into Jerusalem. For many, the miracle of Lazarus was convincing proof of Christ's Divinity. The public celebration in Jerusalem was not only for Jesus, but also to see Lazarus, whom He had raised. From ancient times, palm branches were symbols of victory and triumph, and were used by Romans in celebration of military as well as civic and sporting events. Thus, when Jesus arrived the people took branches of palms and went out to greet him. In the New Testament, palm branches became a symbol of martyrdom, meaning victory over death.

The Feast of Palm Sunday dates back to at least the third century, having been celebrated first in Jerusalem and quickly spreading to all of the churches in the East, reaching Constantinople by the fifth century. It was also known as Flowery Sunday, since in and near Constantinople spring flowers (lilac, olive, or elder) were distributed to the faithful. Between the sixth and seventh centuries the feast spread to the western church. In the West, the palms are kept for an entire year, then burned, with the ashes spread on the foreheads of the faithful on Ash Wednesday as a sign of penance.

In many countries of Europe the Feast is known as Willow Sunday or Pussy Willow Sunday. Since palms do not grow in northern climates and may not be available, pussy willows, being the first flower to blossom in spring, were often distributed. Depending on local customs, churches today may distribute palms, pussy willows, spring flowers, or a combination.

FLOWERS FOR PASCHA: We are in need of your help and generosity to beautify our Lord's Tomb and this Holy Temple this Pascha. Please use the envelopes in your offering boxes or the envelopes in the Narthex.



PASCHA (EASTER)

BASKETS: A very common and cherished custom among our people is the blessing of the food and pastry on the day of the Resurrection. After the long fast, Holy Church permits the faithful to eat any kind of food so that during

the Easter season they may experience, together with the spiritual joy, the joy derived from the gifts of the earth.

This Sunday after Church Sue Petyo will have a "demonstration" basket in the parish hall and handouts to illustrate what traditionally goes into the basket.

In order to help people find some of the items, the Gift store will have icons, basket covers and candles on sale **today, April 13.**

LIGHT OF THE WEST newsletters are available in the Narthex and in the parish Hall. This edition contains Bishop Dino's Pascha letter, an article of our Lenten Day of Reflection and some wonderful photos of Deacon Artur Bubnevych's ordination. AXIOS!!!!

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY UNCTION: Holy Wednesday Evening On the evening of Great and Holy Wednesday, the Sacrament or Mystery of Holy Unction is conducted in Orthodox & Byzantine parishes. The Sacrament of Holy Unction is offered for the healing of soul and body and for forgiveness of sins. At the conclusion of

the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy, the body is anointed with oil, and the grace of God, which heals infirmities of soul and body, is called down upon each person. Traditionally, the Mystery was performed by a gathering of priests, ideally seven in number, with seven Epistles and seven Gospels being read; however, it can be performed by a lesser number and even by a single priest.

When one is ill and in pain, this can very often be a time of life when one feels alone and isolated. The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, or Holy Unction as it is also known, reminds us that when we are in pain, either physical, emotional, or spiritual, Christ is present with us through the ministry of His Church. He is among us to offer strength to meet the challenges of life, and even the approach of death.



As with Chrismation, oil is also used in this Sacrament as a sign of God's presence, strength, and forgiveness. Eastern theology never viewed this Mystery as available only to those who are near death. It is offered to all who are sick in body, mind, or spirit.

Christ came to the world to "bear our infirmities." One of the signs of His divine Messiahship was to heal the sick. The power of healing remains in the Church since Christ himself remains in the Church through the Holy Spirit.

The Sacrament of the Unction of the sick is the Church's specific prayer for healing. If the faith of the believers is strong enough, **and if it is the will of God**, there is every reason to believe that the Lord can heal those who are diseased. The biblical basis for the Sacrament is found in James 5:14-16:

Is any among you sick, let him call for the presbyters of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed.

The express purpose of the Sacrament of Holy Unction is healing and forgiveness. Since it is not always the will of God that there should be physical healing, the prayer of Christ that God's will be done always remains as the proper context of the Sacrament. In addition, it is the clear intention of the Sacrament that through the anointing of the sick body the sufferings of the person should be sanctified and united to the sufferings of Christ. In this way, the wounds of the flesh are consecrated, and strength is given that the suffering of the diseased person may not be unto the death of his soul, but for eternal salvation in the resurrection and life of the Kingdom of God. It is indeed the case that death inevitably comes. All must die, even those who in this life are given a reprieve

through healing in order to have more time on the earth. Thus, the healing of the sick is not itself a final goal, but is merely "instrumental" in that it is given by God as a sign of his mercy and as a grace for the further opportunity of man to live for him and for others in the life of this world.



MAY 4th CINCO DE MAYO Stella Navarrette and the Family will sponsor a fantastic Mexican diner in memory of Carlos Navarrette. Dinner is \$12 per adult and \$5 per child. Take out will be available.

JUNE 27-29 MYRRH -BEARERS Retreat in San Luis Obispo at Rancho El Chorro . This is an Eparchial retreat for girls, teens and women.

JULY 10-13 Byzantine Youth Rally will be held at Mount St. Mary's University, Emmitsburg, MD

JULY 24-27 ALIVE IN CHRIST for men and boys will be held at Camp Y.M.C.A. Snow Mountain Ranch in Colorado. More details after Pascha.

POPE BENEDICT XVI ON PALM SUNDAY: *Dear Brothers and Sisters, Palm Sunday is the great doorway leading into Holy Week, the week when the Lord Jesus makes his way towards the culmination of his earthly existence. He goes up to Jerusalem in order to fulfill the Scriptures and to be nailed to the wood of the Cross, the throne from which he will reign for ever, drawing to himself humanity of every age and offering to all the gift of redemption. We know from the Gospels that Jesus had set out towards Jerusalem in company with the Twelve, and that little by little a growing crowd of pilgrims had joined them. Saint Mark tells us that as they were leaving Jericho, there was a "great multitude" following Jesus.*

HOLY WATER FONT One of our families has stepped forward to purchase the new Holy Water Font. Many Blessings to you and all those you hold dear! Because it is being shipped from Greece, it will not arrive until about July.

