

Parish Announcements - Sunday, April 28, 2024

Announcement requests (due by Monday at noon) may be sent via email to saintnicholasar@gmail.com

| Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities | |
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| TODAY - April 28 <i>(Entrance into Jerusalem - Palm Sunday)</i> | 9:00a Festal Orthros 10:00a Festal Liturgy followed by Fellowship 1:00p Bridegroom Orthros |
| Monday, April 29 | 6:00p Bridegroom Orthros |
| Tuesday, April 30 | 6:00p Bridegroom Orthros |
| Wednesday, May 1 | 6:00p Sacrament of Holy Unction |
| Thursday, May 2 | 10:00a Vespers Liturgy (<i>Mystical Supper</i>) 6:00p 12 Passion Gospels (<i>Crucifixion</i>) |
| Friday, May 3 <i>(Holy Friday)</i> | 10:00a Royal Hours 6:00p Un-nailing Vespers 7:00p Lamentations |
| Saturday, May 4 <i>(Holy Saturday)</i> | 10:00a Vespers Liturgy (<i>Descent into Hades</i>) 10:00p Paschal Orthros & Liturgy followed by Fellowship |
| Sunday, May 5 <i>(Great & Holy Pascha)</i> | 1:00p Agape Vespers Followed by Fellowship & Children's Egg Hunt |

Weekly Offering during the Divine Liturgy

Each Sunday during the Divine Liturgy, we pass baskets as an opportunity for ALL those present to support the ministry offered by our parish community. To contribute electronically via PayPal, please access the QR Code. Many thanks!



Welcome Home & Many Years!

Wishing many years to the newly-illuminated: **Zachary, Olivia, Ruben, & Peniel; Laura Evans; & John Bailey, and their sponsors**, who were received into the Orthodox Church yesterday. Welcome home; God grant you many years!

Fellowship Meals for Palm Sunday & Pascha

Thanks to all who brought food for our Fellowship Potluck to celebrate Palm Sunday! It is the celebratory custom for households to bring their own Paschal baskets for Fellowship after the Paschal services late Saturday night. This gathering is NOT a Potluck, but we will have deli trays provided by the Church. The fellowship on Sunday, May 5 after Agape Vespers will be a Potluck of side items ONLY. The entrees are being provided by the Church.

Agape Vespers & Gospel Reading in Various Languages - Sunday, May 5

Laities participate in the Gospel Reading in various languages at Agape Vespers, which will be held at 1:00p on Sunday, May 5. If you would like to read in a native (or studied) language, please email Fr. Paul (frpaul.fuller@gmail.com) - first come, first chosen!

Paschal Donations

It is a pious practice to offer an additional donation during the Paschal season for the needs of the parish community. We ask that donations be offered for the expenses of our NEW church chairs for the nave and overflow area. This will cost approx. \$10,000 – a big expense, but a great upgrade for our worship space! THANK YOU!

NEW Donation Box & Envelopes in the Narthex

We are grateful for your continued contributions and stewardship for the functioning of our parish community. We have pre-printed envelopes and donation box in the narthex of the Church to help streamline our numerous contributions. Please utilize as you give to help our Church administration.

| 2024 | Names of Host | Commemoration |
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| Apr 28 (Fast) | Parish Potluck | Palm Sunday |
| May 5 | Parish Potluck | PASCHA |
| May 12 | Strickland Family | Mother's Day |
| May 19 | Teen SOYO | Graduation & Church School Recognition Day |
| May 26 | IN NEED OF HOST | |
| Jun 2 | IN NEED OF HOST | |
| Jun 9 | Philip & Ciera Nelson | Wedding Anniversary |
| Jun 16 | IN NEED OF HOST | |

Hosts NEEDED for Fellowship on Sundays; contact Denise King (DL0118@yahoo.com OR 501.442.8460) to sign up.

The Antiochian Men

Our next Men's Breakfast will take place on Saturday, May 11th at the parish house. This will be a potluck breakfast and it will start at 9:00 am. Our men have continued to offer their help to anyone in the parish who needs help with moving and has helped several people in recent weeks. If anyone needs help from AMEN to move, please be sure to contact AMEN President Michael Baclig with as much advanced notice as possible so that he can help to coordinate things. We also ask that all items are packed up and ready to move prior to the moving date. Also, our AMEN Chapter established voluntary dues earlier this year and any men in our parish who would like to pay their dues can do so via cash, check, or PayPal. Dues are only \$10 per person. If paying with cash or check be sure to note "AMEN Dues" on the donation envelope. You can pay dues via PayPal by scanning this QR code.



Parish Bookstore Sale

Starting on Sunday, March 31, the bookstore will be holding a sale on select icons. Discounts will be 20% off. All icons included in the sale will be available on a table outside the bookstore. Sale will continue through Palm Sunday. The following seasonal icons are available: St Ephraim the Syrian; St Mary of Egypt; Palm Sunday; Christ the Bridegroom; The Crucifixion; The Empty Tomb; The Resurrection.

Church Etiquette Reminder of the Month – No Food and/or Drink

As a reminder, please do not bring or consume food and/or drinks in the nave of the church. An exception is allowed for water bottles for adults and children, and light fare for children (but please use discretion).

Those Celebrating in May – God Grant You Many Years!

Birthday

Madeline Teague – Apr 28 Lily Tippit – May 12
Todd Keesee – May 1 Nikifor Paunov – May 16
Fr. Paul Fuller – May 2 Nancy Brown – May 19
Aidan Wilson – May 2 Eric Carender – May 20
Caleb Wicker – May 6 Laura Evans – May 27
Don Lourie – May 10 Steve Kolokithas – May 28
Nina Lawrence – May 11

Wedding Anniversary

Adnan & Paula Haydar – May 3
Erik & Nina Lawrence – May 4
Jackson & Abigail Bliss – May 19
Tom & Kate Salem – May 24

Name's Day

Isaiah Hale (Prophet Isaiah) – May 9
Gina Waters (St. Helen) – May 21