

St. Nicholas Orthodox Christian Church

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Sunday, April 14, 2019 – St. Mary of Egypt

- Sunday, April 14** -10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy - Parish Council Meeting
-6:00 PM - Lenten Vespers – St. Nicholas, Auburn
- Wednesday, April 17** -8:15 AM – Confessions
-9:00 AM – Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
- Friday, April 19** -4:15 PM - Confessions
-5:00 PM – Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
- Lazarus Saturday, April 20** -9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy with the Chrismations of Michael Jasniewski, Dr. Anthony Tabone, and David Urciuoli
-4:15 PM – Confessions
-5:00 PM – Vespers and Litya – Palm Sunday
- Palm Sunday, April 21** -9:00 AM – No Adult Education
-9:20 AM – 3rd and 6th Hours
-9:40 AM – Blessing of Pussy Willows and Palms
-10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy – Palm Sunday
- Holy Monday, April 22** -6:00 PM – Bridegroom Matins
- Holy Tuesday, April 23** -6:00 PM – Bridegroom Matins
- Holy Wednesday, April 24** -9:00 AM – Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
-6:00 PM – Sacrament of Holy Unction
- Holy Thursday, April 25** -9:00 AM – Vespereal Divine Liturgy
-6:00 PM – Matins of Holy Friday with the reading of the Twelve Passion Gospels
- Holy Friday, April 26** -9:00 AM – Royal Hours
-3:00 PM - Vespers with Procession
-7:00 PM – Matins of Holy Saturday with Procession
- Holy Saturday, April 27** -1:30 PM – Vespereal Divine Liturgy
-11:30 PM – Nocturnes with Paschal Procession
- Holy Pascha, April 28** -Midnight – Paschal Matins and Divine Liturgy followed by the Blessing of Paschal Foods in the Church Hall.
-11:00 AM – Paschal Vespers with Procession
- Bright Monday, April 29** -9:00 AM – Paschal Divine Liturgy with Procession and the Blessing of the Four Corners of the Church
- Bright Tuesday, April 30** -9:00 AM – Paschal Divine Liturgy
- Bright Wednesday, May 1** -9:00 AM - Paschal Divine Liturgy
- Bright Saturday, May 4** -9:00 AM – Paschal Divine Liturgy at St. Andrew's Camp

There will be a brief parish council meeting following Liturgy today.

Please remember that the Sacrament of Penance (Confession) must be completed at least once annually with your parish priest. Time is growing short. Please remember that confessions during Holy Week are difficult to schedule. Thank you.

Our Lenten Vespers Mission Service is this evening at 6:00 PM. Please take time to attend the final service for this Lenten season and be filled with the joy of Our Lord.

We are blessed to be receiving three new members into the Orthodox Faith this week at the Divine Liturgy for Lazarus Saturday. Michael Jasniewski, Dr. Anthony Tabone, and David Urciuoli will receive the Sacrament of Holy Chrismation and Holy Eucharist at this time. May God Grant Them Many Blessed and Happy Years!

Thanks to all who helped making Pascha breads. May God bless you for your hard work and dedication.

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+Watchfulness+

Watchfulness has been described by Elder Ephraim of Philotheou as “the axe which shatters the large trees, hitting their roots. When the root is struck, it doesn’t spring up again.” A conscientious attention to our thoughts is an important tactic in spiritual warfare, and is necessary if we are to have effective weapons that are stronger than those of the enemy. Saint Paisios of the Holy Mountain tells us about some of the consequences of not being watchful. “When our soul lives carelessly without watching over its thoughts, it will consequently fill up with dirty and sly thoughts. As a result, people start developing psychological problems which gradually pile up.... The only solution is to become aware of the problem and confess it to a spiritual father and then humbly follow his advice.” Watchfulness and the Jesus Prayer are weapons that mutually reinforce each other, as constant prayer goes with watchfulness and attentiveness of the intellect. A Christian life without watchfulness, is doomed to failure. --
Abbot Tryphon

Donations

\$40 – by Eric Montemoreno – For palms for Palm Sunday

\$100 – by Eric Montemoreno - For Incense to be used throughout the year.

\$20 – By Ann Bandas – For candles

\$20 – by Lynn Slobodiak – For the Renovation Fund in memory of John Baumes