

THE CATHOLIC PARISH OF THE

## **DORMITION**

OF THE MOST HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
Парафіга Успінніа Пресв. Богороднці
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Sunday Divine Liturgy (Ukr & Eng) at 10 am

& Melkite (Arabic) D.L. at 2 pm

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March 28, 2021

Palm Sunday: The Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem



## At Dormition everyone is always welcome...

... unless you are feeing sick...

If you are feeling sick, please stay home.

Get well first, then come and join us again.

**Thank you** to Wissam, Fadi, Greg, Iryna, Rita, Ranim and Helen for all their help this week getting things ready for the current and upcoming services. May God bless you all abundantly.

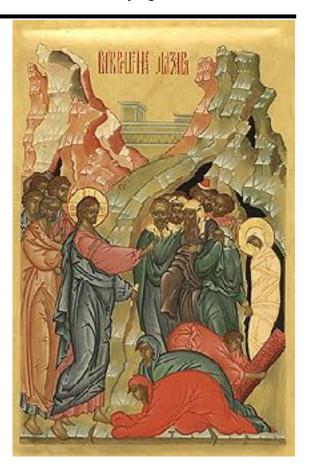
Trying to remember what does in your Easter Basket? It is all explained in last week's bulletin. You can find it on our website: dormition.eeparchy.com

Full Liturgical Schedule for this week is on the last page.

## Lazarus Saturday and Palm Sunday

The week following the Sunday of Saint Mary of Egypt is called Palm or Branch Week. At the Tuesday services of this week the Church recalls that Jesus' friend Lazarus has died and that the Lord is going to raise him from the dead (Jn 11). As the days continue toward Saturday, the Church, in its hymns and verses, continues to follow Christ towards Bethany to the tomb of Lazarus. On Friday evening, the eve of the celebration of the Resurrection of Lazarus, the "great and saving forty days" of Great Lent are formally brought to an end:

Having accomplished the forty days for the benefit of our souls, we pray to Thee, O Lover of Man, that we may see the holy week of Thy passion, that in it we



may glorify Thy greatness and Thine unspeakable plan of salvation for our sake ... (Vespers Hymn).

Lazarus Saturday is a paschal celebration. It is the only time in the entire Church Year that the resurrectional service of Sunday is celebrated on another day. At the liturgy of Lazarus Saturday, the Church glorifies Christ as "the Resurrection and the Life" who, by raising Lazarus, has confirmed the universal resurrection of mankind even before His own suffering and death.

By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God! Like the children with the branches of victory, we cry out to Thee, O Vanquisher of Death: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord! (Troparion).

Christ —the Joy, the Truth and the Light of All, the Life of the world and its Resurrection—has appeared in his goodness to those on earth. He has become the Image of our Resurrection, granting divine forgiveness to all (Kontakion).

At the Divine Liturgy of Lazarus Saturday the baptismal verse from Galatians: As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ (Gal 3.27) replaces the Thrice-holy Hymn thus indicating the resurrectional character of the celebration, and the fact that Lazarus Saturday was once among the few great baptismal days in the Orthodox Church Year.

Because of the resurrection of Lazarus from the dead, Christ was hailed by the masses as the long-expected Messiah-King of Israel. Thus, in fulfillment of the prophecies of the Old Testament, He entered Jerusalem, the City of the King, riding on the colt of an ass (Zech 9.9; Jn 12.12). The crowds greeted Him with branches in their hands and called out to Him with shouts of praise: Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! The Son of David! The King of Israel! Because of this glorification by the people, the priests and scribes were finally driven "to destroy Him, to put Him to death" (Lk 19.47; Jn11.53, 12.10).

The feast of Christ's triumphal Entry into Jerusalem, Palm Sunday, is one of the twelve major feasts of the Church. The services of this Sunday follow directly from those of Lazarus Saturday. The church building continues to be vested in resurrectional splendor, filled with hymns which continually repeat the Hosanna offered to Christ as the Messiah-King who comes in the name of God the Father for the salvation of the world.

The main troparion of Palm Sunday is the same one sung on Lazarus Saturday. It is sung at all of the services, and is used at the Divine Liturgy as the third antiphon which follows the other special psalm verses which are sung as the liturgical antiphons in the place of those normally used. The second troparion of the feast, as well as the kontakion and the other verses and hymns, all continue to glorify Christ's triumphal manifestation "six days before the Passover" when he will give himself at the Supper and on the Cross for the life of the world.

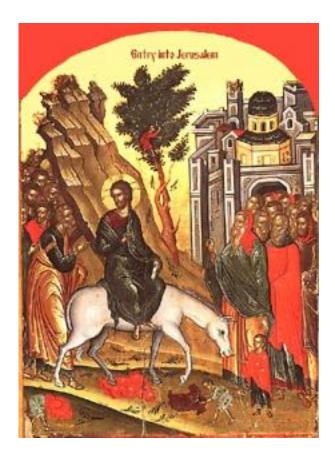
Today the grace of the Holy Spirit has gathered us together. Let us all take up Thy cross and say: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! (First Verse of Vespers).

When we were buried with Thee in baptism, O Christ God, we were made worthy of eternal life by Thy resurrection. Now we praise Thee and sing: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord! (Second Troparion).

Sitting on Thy throne in heaven, and carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God, accept the praise of angels and the songs of children who sing: Blessed is he who comes to recall Adam! (Kontakion).

At the vigil of the feast of Palm Sunday the prophecies of the Old Testament about the Messiah-King are read together with the Gospel accounts of the entry of Christ into Jerusalem. At Matins branches are blessed which the people carry throughout the celebration as the sign of their own glorification of Jesus as Saviour and King. These branches are usually palms, or, in the Slavic churches, pussy willows which came to be customary because of their availability and their early blossoming in the springtime.

As the people carry their branches and sing their songs to the Lord on Palm Sunday, they are judged together with the Jerusalem crowd. For it was the very same voices which cried Hosanna to Christ, which, a few days later, cried Crucify Him! Thus in the liturgy of the Church the lives of men continue to be judged as they hail Christ with the "branches of victory" and enter together with Him into the days of His "voluntary passion."



## Holy and Bright Weeks at Dormition "assuming current AHS guidelines."

Sunday Monday **Tuesday** Wednesday **Thursday** Friday Saturday 28 29 30 31 April I 3 Palm Sunday: Great Monday;
• Matthew 21:18-43; **Great and Holy Great Great Thursday**; Great Tuesday; The Lord's Wednesday; 1 Corinthians Saturday; **Entrance into** • Ezekiel 1:1-20: 22:15-23:39: • John 12:17-50: 11:23-32: (see liturgical Jerusalem; calendar for all the • Ezekiel 1:21-2:1; • Ezekiel 2:3-3:3; • Matthew 26:2-20; Probably no public • Exodus 1:1-20; Philippians 4:4-9; readings) • Job 1:1-12; • Exodus 2:5-10; • Exodus 2:11-22; church services this • John 12:1-18 • Matthew 24:3-35 • Job 1:13-22; • Job 2:1-10; • John 13:31-18:1: dav. 1 pm overflow Matthew • Matthew 26:6-16 • John 18:1-28; 10 am D.L. service if needed. 24:36-26:2 Liturgical • Matthew 26:57-75; Church will be Bilinaval • John 18:28-19:16; sanitized (yet again) **Recordings** Liturgical **Ukrainian** / • Matthew 27:3-32 and set up for during the day Liturgical Recordings 3 pm **English**  Mark 15:16-32; Sunday. Time... yet Recordings during the day **Plaschanytsia** • Matthew 27:33-54: unknown. I pm D.L. during the day Service in **Bilingual Arabic** • Luke 23:32-49; Set up of Shroud **Ukrainian &** / English 4-10 pm open & other • John 19:25-37; English. church with • Mark 15:43-47; **Liturgical Items** • Register: Limit 40 3 pm D.L. John 19:38-42; **Confessions Bilingual Arabic** people Only if demand Matthew 27:62-66; available (Limit / English of 20 people at exists: more **5 pm** any given time.) confessions **Burial / Shroud** 6 pm Virginia Sharek's Service in Reading of the Kiartan Lonsberry's Birthday Arabic & Gospels in Birthday English. **English for BOTH** • Register: Limit 40 PARISHES. people • Register: Limit 40 people **7 pm** • may be split into 5pm and 8pm only **Burial / Shroud** if another Arabic Service in speaking priest Arabic & comes. English. • Register: Limit 40 Gospels will be people visible on screen in Ukrainian & Arabic.

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## Glorious Pascha! (Easter Sunday) Resurrection of our Lord and God.

#### 8:30 am Resurrectional Matins

• Register: Limit 40 people

## 9 am Resurrectional D.L. Bilingual Ukrainian / English with basket Blessing

• Register: Limit 40 people

#### II am

### Resurrectional D.L. English with basket Blessing

• Register: Limit 40 people

#### I pm

### Resurrectional D.L. English with egg Blessing

• Register with Rita: Limit 40 people

## 3 pm

### Resurrectional D.L. English with egg Blessing

• Register with Rita: Limit 40 people

Christopher Bawol's Birthday

## Bright Week No services other than Sunday.

Wednesday 5:30 pm: Unity Meeting

## Please Note:

- All AHS Rules will be strictly followed.
- To open up more seating we will have closed circuit TV and Audio in the hall.
- You should register for all services. First Come first served. (so if you want an "in the church" seat, register asap.)
- Church will be cleaned after each service.
   (Volunteers greatly appreciated)

Bright Week

Ronny Kennedy's Birthday

Chris Lirette's Birthday



**Pope Francis**, to mark the fifth anniversary of the Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris Laetitia* has inaugurated a **special year** dedicated to the family entitled, **Year "Amoris Laetitia Family."** 

This special year opens on March 19, 2021, and concludes on June 26, 2022 at the celebration of the 10<sup>th</sup> World Meeting of Families in Rome.

The special year highlights the importance of the family within the domestic Church and encourage community ties between families through several spiritual, pastoral and cultural proposals.

In preparation for the *Year "Amoris Laetitia Family,"* the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life has provided the attached resource brochure with pertinent information and suggestions for the special year,

Throughout the year, the Dicastery will be providing supplementary information and resources. You are also invited to consult the Dicastery's website dedicated to the Year "Amoris Laetitia Family":

http://www.laityfamilylife.va/content/laityfamilylife/en/amoris-laetitia.html

## During Great Lent, the Eparchy of Edmonton conducts its annual collection for "Aid to the Missionary Church in Canada." see previous bulletins for details.

- Please pray for several of our parishioners and family members including (but not limited to): Ross, Ron, Peter, Katie, Jean, Edward, Verna, Miranda, Sarah, Marge, Ann, Louis & Rosa Maria.
- Happy birthday to Virginia Sharek, Kiartan Lonsberry, Chris Lirette and Ronny Kennedy who all celebrate their birthdays this week. May God grant you many happy years. Mnohaya Lita.
- Please continue to pray for our First Solemn Communicants.

# Edmonton's 41st Annual Good Friday Outdoor Way of the Cross

From Fear and Fatigue to Hope and Action: Take Up the Cross and Follow Me

## Good Friday, April 2, 2021 Video Presentation



Watch the video here:

https://outdoorwayofthecross.wordpress.com/

The Outdoor Way of the Cross is an ecumenical prayer event marking the suffering and death of Jesus. It is a time to notice how the gospel values of Jesus apply to individual and public life today. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this year's walk will be presented virtually, in video format. The video will be available to the public at 10:00 a.m. on Good Friday through the Way of the Cross website. Search "Good Friday Outdoor Way of the Cross Edmonton" or use this <u>link</u>. For more information, contact Marguerite Watson at 780.433.6570 or marguerite.watson@telus.net.

## **Propars for Mar 28**

## Triumphal Entrance of Our Lord into Jerusalem

## First Antiphon

I am filled with love\* for the Lord will hear the voice of my plea.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

For He has inclined His ear to me,\* and I will call to Him all the days of my life.

Through the prayers...

The pangs of death encircled me,\* the trials of Hades befell me.

Through the prayers...

I met with anguish and pain,\* and called upon the name of the Lord.

Through the prayers...

Glory... Now... Only-begotten...

## **Third Antiphon**

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good,\* for His mercy endures forever.

**Troparion:** Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection,\* You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God:\* and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory\* and cry to You, the conqueror of death:\* Hosanna in the highest!\* Blessed is He who comes\* in the name of the Lord.

Therefore, let the house of Israel say that He is good,\* for His mercy endures forever.

**Troparion:** Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection,\* You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God:\* and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory\* and cry to You, the conqueror of death:\* Hosanna in the highest!\* Blessed is He who comes\* in the name of the Lord.

Therefore, let the house of Aaron say that He is good,\* for His mercy endures forever.

**Troparion:** Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection,\* You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God:\* and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory\* and cry to You, the conqueror of death:\* Hosanna in the highest!\* Blessed is He who comes\* in the name of the Lord.

Let all who fear the Lord say that He is good,\* for His mercy endures forever.

**Troparion:** Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection,\* You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God:\* and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory\* and cry to You, the conqueror of death:\* Hosanna in the highest!\* Blessed is He who comes\* in the name of the Lord.

### **Entrance**

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, we bless You from the house of the Lord,\* the Lord is God and has appeared to us

**Troparion:** Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection,\* You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God:\* and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory\* and cry to You, the conqueror of death:\* Hosanna in the highest!\* Blessed is He who comes\* in the name of the Lord.

Glory...

**Troparion:** Buried with You through Baptism, O Christ our God,\* we have been granted immortal life by Your resurrection,\* and we sing Your praises, crying out:\* Hosanna in the highest!\* Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Now...

**Kontakion:** Mounted on the throne in heaven, O Christ God,\* and on a colt here on earth,\* You accepted the praise of the angels,\* and the hymn of the children who cried to You:\* Blessed are You who have come to call Adam back.

#### Prokeimenon:

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord;\* God the Lord has appeared to us.

**Verse:** Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His mercy endures forever.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord;\* God the Lord has appeared to us.

## Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9 (NRSV)

Brothers and Sisters, Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there

is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

### Alleluia verses:

Sing to the Lord a new song, foe He has worked wonders.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

## Gospel: John 12:1-18 (NRSV)

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on

account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus. The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!" Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written: "Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion. Look, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify. It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him.

## Hymn to the Mother of God

O my soul, magnify Christ who was seated on a foal.

**And the irmos:** The Lord is God and has appeared to us:\* together let us celebrate.\* Come with great rejoicing; let us magnify Christ\* with palms and olive branches, and with songs let us cry aloud to Him:\* Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

## **Communion Hymn**

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord;\* God the Lord has appeared to us.\* Alleluia, alleluia,\* alleluia.

## PALM SUNDAY: (Sunday, March 28)

## 10 AM Divine Liturgy with Willow blessing (Eng & Ukr)

1 PM Divine Liturgy with blessing of Palms (Eng & Arabic)

3 PM Divine Liturgy with blessing of Palms (Eng & Arabic)

## **GREAT AND HOLY TUESDAY:** (Tuesday, March 30)

4 PM till done, Confessions

5 PM and hourly, Reflections lead by the Melkite Community

## GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY: (Thursday, April 1)

6 PM Matins of the Passion (English, with Ukr & Arabic on screen)

## GOOD FRIDAY - THE CRUCIFIXION: (Friday, April 2)

3 PM Vespers with the laying out of the Burial Shroud.

5 PM Vespers with the Entombment of Christ. (Eng & Arabic)

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## PASCHA - THE RESURRECTION - EASTER SUNDAY (Sunday, April 4)

8:30 Resurrectional Matins, followed by Resurrectional Divine Liturgy and the blessing of Easter Baskets. (Eng & Ukr)

11 AM Resurrectional Divine Liturgy and the blessing of Easter Baskets.(Eng & Ukr)

1 PM Resurrectional Divine Liturgy and the blessing of Easter Eggs.(Eng & Arabic)

3 PM Resurrectional Divine Liturgy and the blessing of Easter Eggs.(Eng & Arabic)

You should reserve your place if you want to attend any service at dormition.eeparchy.com, or for the Melkite services call Rita or Ranim (Except Confessions: those will be obviously one at a time. However we will be cautious not to admit more than 20 people in the building at any time.)