## **THINGS TO KNOW**



The service will last about 1.5 hours. Many people stand, but feel free to take a seat if needed. See † on page 2 for times when one should stand, if able.



Only those united to the Orthodox Church through Baptism, Chrismation, regular Confession, prayer, and fasting may partake of Holy Communion.



Restrooms are located down the stairs & past the kitchen. There is also an ADA restroom on the 1st floor of Trinity House. See a greeter for assistance.



Help us keep in touch with you! Sign the guest register in the Narthex (vestibule) and provide your email (for weekly update) and/or snail mail (for monthly newsletter).

#### **YOUR GUIDE TO HOLY WEEK 2021**

#### **PALM SUNDAY, April 25**

The first three days of Holy Week remind us of Christ's last instructions with his disciples. These days includes readings from Exodus, Job, and Matthew. These Bridegroom Services are derived from the Parable of the Ten Virgins, which calls for preparedness at the Second Coming, for the "thief comes in the middle of the night" (Matt. 26:1-13)

**Bridegroom Matins** of Holy Monday, 6 p.m.

#### **GREAT AND HOLY MONDAY, April 26**

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**, 9 a.m. **Bridegroom Matins** of Holy Tuesday, 6 p.m.

## **GREAT AND HOLY TUESDAY, April 27**

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**, 9 a.m. **Bridegroom Matins** of Holy Wednesday, 6 p.m.

## **GREAT AND HOLY WEDNESDAY, April 28**

**Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts**, 9 a.m. Confessions, 4 p.m. **Matins** with Holy Unction, 6 p.m.

## **GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY, April 29**

On this day we commemorate the Mystical Supper, sometimes called the Last Supper. In the evening, anticipating the Matins of Friday morning, the Holy Passion service of the reading of the Twelve Gospels is conducted. In these readings Christ's last instructions to his disciples are presented, as well as the prophecy of the drama of the Cross, Christ's prayer, and his new commandment.

**Vesperal Divine Liturgy**, 9 a.m. **Matins** of Holy Friday (Passion Gospels), 6 p.m.

#### **GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY, April 30**

On this day we commemorate the judgment and crucifixion of our Lord Jesus Christ. A tomb is created in the center of the Church symbolizing Christ's burial. In the evening there is a procession, with the faithful carrying lighted candles, representing Christ's descent in Hades.

#### Royal Hours, 9 a.m.

Decorating & Myrrophores Flower Prep., 12 p.m. (Unnailing) **Vespers** of Holy Friday, 4 p.m. **Matins** of Holy Saturday (Lamentations), 7 p.m.

### **GREAT AND HOLY SATURDAY, May 1**

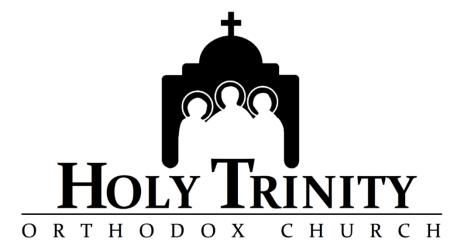
The feast of Holy Saturday falls on the day before Pascha. It is also called The Great Sabbath since it is said that on this day Christ "rested" in the tomb, in death. But it is also believed that on this day he performed in spirit the Harrowing of Hell and raised up to Paradise those held captive there.

**Vesperal Divine Liturgy**, 9 a.m. **Nocturns**, 11:30 p.m.

## **GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA, May 2**

The resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead is the center of the Orthodox Christian faith. Twelve weeks of preparation precede it, involving repentance, forgiveness, reconciliation, prayer, fasting, almsgiving, and study. When the feast finally arrives, it is celebrated with a collection of services combined as one.

**Paschal Matins** and **Divine Liturgy**, 12 a.m. Blessing of Baskets and Festal Meal, 2:30 a.m. Agape Vespers, 4 p.m. Agape Meal, 5 p.m.



# **Building Up the Church Beyond Our Parish**

~ Holy Trinity Church is a community of Orthodox Christians seeking to glorify God by proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ in its entirety to all people in the Centre Region and beyond ~

April 25, 2021

# THE ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM: Palm Sunday

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# THE DIVINE LITURGY

## **GATHERING the Church**

- Great Litany (p.29) †
- The Antiphons (p.32)

### **PROCLAIMING the Word**

- Little Entrance (p.39) and Palm Procession
- Today's Hymns (see next column)
- Epistle Reading: *Philippians 4:4-9*
- Gospel Reading: John 12:1-18 ‡
- Sermon

# **THANKSGIVING for Redemption**

- The Offering
- Great Entrance (p.57) ‡
- The Creed (p.63) **†**
- The Anaphora (p.64) †
- The Lord's Prayer (p.75) ‡
- Communion Hymn (see opposite page)
- Communion of the Faithful ‡
- Litany of Thanksgiving (p.87)

## **SENDING to Serve**

- ◆ Dismissal & Veneration of the Cross\*
- This Week's Events (see opposite page)
- † All stand.
- \* All are welcome to greet the priest and kiss the cross, if they choose, at the end of the service.

Note: page numbers correspond to black Divine Liturgy book, available in the Narthex.

#### **TODAY'S HYMNS**

#### **GATHERING HYMNS**

## The First Antiphon

*Refrain*: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

# The Second Antiphon

*Refrain*: O Son of God who sat upon the foal, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

# The Third Antiphon

*Verse*: O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever!

Refrain: By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God. Like the children with the palms 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!

#### The Introit of the Little Entrance

Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! We have blessed you from the house of the Lord! God is Lord and hath revealed Himself to us!

#### **TROPARIA**

# Festal Troparion (Tone 1)

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His Eminence +Melchisedek, Archbishop of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania
Father Ignatius Hunter, Rector
Father David Smith, Associ

Deacon Mark Oleynik, Director of Christian Ed.

**Father David Smith,** Associate Rector and Priest-in-Charge, Chapel of the Holy Spirit

# WELCOME TO HOLY TRINITY!

We are delighted to have visitors worship with us, and we pray that you will be blessed through your participation in our services today. If you have any questions, please ask one of our greeters!

## **TODAY'S HYMNS (continued)**

#### TROPARIA (continued)

## **Entry of our Lord** (Tone 4)

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! *Now and ever...* 

#### **KONTAKION**

# **Entry of our Lord** (Tone 6)

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

#### **PROKEIMENON**

# **Entry of our Lord** (Tone 4)

Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us!

#### **HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS**

# Instead of "It Is Truly Meet...," we sing:

God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! Celebrate the feast and come with gladness! Let us magnify Christ with palms and branches, singing: Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord!

#### **COMMUNION HYMN**

Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us! *Alleluia*...

## FOR THE RECORD

#### **ATTENDANCE**

Holy Trinity (4/18): 54 Chapel of the Holy Spirit (4/18): 18

#### YOUR GENEROSITY

 Weekly Budget Goal:
 \$4,923

 Collection (4/18):
 \$4,176

 Average – Last 4 Weeks:
 \$4,396

 Average – Last 12 Weeks:
 \$3,925

 Average – Last 52 Weeks:
 \$4,481

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Nicholas Olson (4/26), Robert Schrauf (4/26), Brian Troyan (4/29), Heidi Wagner (4/30). **Many Years!** 

## **PASCHA LILIES**

You may sponsor a lily "in honor of" or "in memory of" a loved one for \$10 using the sign-up sheet in the Narthex or the online form which can be found at *holytrinity.org*. Your commemorations will appear in the Pascha bulletin, which will be available in print and online.

# **VIGIL SIGN-UP**

If you would like to help keep vigil at Christ's tomb, sign up for a time slot using the sheet in the Narthex.

**Sundays:** Divine Liturgy, 10am **Saturdays:** Great Vespers, 6pm **Wednesdays:** Vespers, 6pm **Appointments:** office@holytrinity-oca.org, 814-231-2855 **Inquiries into Orthodoxy:** info@holytrinity-oca-org

Additional Resources: holytrinity-oca.org