

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Sunday Night Lenten Vespers:**

In addition to the Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers tonight, the future schedule for the Sunday Night Lenten Vespers is the following:

March 25 - St. Mary of Egypt - St. George (Antiochian) in Albany

April 1 – Palm Sunday – New Skete Monastery (OCA)

- **The Weekend of the Sixth Week of Lent and Holy Week:**

March 30th, at 6:00pm – **Small Compline with the Canon to the Raising of Lazarus the Righteous**

March 31st, at 9:00am – **Orthros**, at 10:00am – **Divine Liturgy for Lazarus Saturday**, at 5:00pm – **Great Vespers**

April 1st, at 9:00am – **Orthros**, at 10:00am – **Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy**, at 6:00pm – **Bridegroom Orthros**

April 2nd, at 8:00am – **Presanctified Liturgy**, at 6:00pm – **Bridegroom Orthros**

April 3rd, at 8:00am – **Presanctified Liturgy**, at 6:00pm – **Bridegroom Orthros**

April 4th, at 8:00am – **Presanctified Liturgy**, at 6:00pm – **Holy Unction**

April 5th, at 8:00am – **Bridegroom Orthros**, at 9:00am – **Liturgy for the Commemoration of the Mystical Supper**, 6:00pm – **Orthros with the Reading of the Twelve Passion Gospels**

April 6th, at 9:00am – **1st, 3rd, and 6th Royal Hours**, at 3:00pm – **9th Royal Hour, Typika, and Great Vespers with the Taking Down of Christ from the Cross**, at 6:00pm – **Orthros with Lamentations**

April 7th, 10:00am – **Vespertine Liturgy of St. Basil the First Liturgy of Pascha**, at 10:00pm – **Paschal Vigil**

- **Annual St. George Greek Festival:**

Everyone, mark your calendars! This year the festival will be held July 12th – 14th. This event is all-hands on deck, so please set aside this time to help in this important fundraiser.

OUR SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

- 1) FOR A COMPLETE LIST OF UPCOMING SERVICES, PLEASE SEE THE HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE POSTED ABOVE.
- 2) Sunday, April 1ST, at 9:00 a.m. – ORTHROS, at 10:00 a.m. – DIVINE LITURGY for Palm Sunday (With the Procession).

Welcome to St. George Orthodox Church in South Glens Falls, New York

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+ The Most Reverend Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York and All North America.

+ The Right Reverend ALEXANDER, Bishop of Ottawa, Eastern Canada and Upstate New York.

Our Clergy:

The Reverend Fr. Andrew Honore, Interim Pastor.

- **Holy Communion:** Communion is **only** for Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through prayer and fasting. However, all are welcome to the blessed bread after the Liturgy.
- **Confession:** Confessions can be heard by appointment or before and after Great Vespers.
- **In Case of Emergency:** Fr. Andrew can be contacted on his cell phone: 714-913-8051.

DIVINE LITURGY VARIABLES FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 25TH, 2018:

1) **The Troparion for the Resurrection in Tone One:**

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

2) **The Troparion of the Annunciation in Tone Four:**

Today is the beginning of our salvation, and the manifestation of the mystery from the ages; for the Son of God becometh the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel proclaimeth grace. Wherefore, do we shout with him to the Theotokos: Hail, O full of grace! The Lord is with thee.

3) **The Troparion for St. George in Tone Four:**

As deliverer of captives, and defender of the poor, healer of the infirm, champion of kings, Victorious great martyr George, intercede with Christ our God, for our souls salvation.

4) **The Kontakion of the Annunciation in Tone Eight:**

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.

The Epistle:

(For the Feast of the Annunciation)

Tell forth from day to day the glad tidings of the salvation of our God.

Sing unto the Lord a new song; sing unto the Lord, all the earth.

The Reading is from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews (2:11-18)

Brethren, He Who sanctifies and those who are sanctified have all one origin. That is why He is not ashamed to call them brethren, saying, "I will proclaim Thy Name to my brethren, in the midst of the congregation I will praise Thee." And again, "I will put my trust in Him." And again, "Here am I, and the children God has given me." Since, therefore, the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise partook of the same nature, that through death He might destroy him who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong bondage. For surely it is not with angels that He is concerned but with the descendants of Abraham. Therefore, He had to be made like His brethren in every respect, so that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make expiation for the sins of the people. For, because He Himself has suffered and been tempted, He is able to help those who are tempted.

The Gospel:

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (1:24-38).

At that time, Elizabeth, the wife of Zachariah, conceived, and for five months she hid herself, saying, "Thus the Lord has done to me in the days when He looked on me, to take away my reproach among men." In the sixth month the archangel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary. And the archangel came to her and said, "Rejoice, O favored one, the Lord is with thee! Blessed art thou among women!" But she was greatly troubled at the saying, and considered in her mind what sort of greeting this might be. And the archangel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary, for thou hast found favor with God. And behold, thou wilt conceive in thy womb and bear a son, and you shall call His Name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to Him the throne of His father David, and He will reign over the house of Jacob forever; and of His kingdom there will be no end." And Mary said to the archangel, "How shall this be, since I have known no man?" And the archangel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon thee, and the power of the Most High will overshadow thee; therefore, the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God. And behold, your kinswoman Elizabeth in her old age has also conceived a son; and this is the sixth month with her who was called barren. For with God nothing will be impossible." And Mary said, "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it be to me according to your word." And the archangel departed from her.

The Synaxarion:

On March 25th in the Holy Orthodox Church, we celebrate the Annunciation to our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever-virgin Mary. When the All-Holy Virgin was entering her fifteenth year, after having spent eleven years of living and serving in the Temple of Jerusalem, the priests informed her that, according to the Law, she could not remain in the Temple but must be betrothed and enter into marriage. The All-Holy Virgin surprised the priests when she told them that she had dedicated her life to God and that she desired to remain a virgin until death. Then, Zacharias, the high priest and father of the Forerunner, under the inspiration of God, betrothed the Virgin Mary to Joseph of Nazareth to preserve her virginity and to care for her. When the fullness of time had come, as prophesied by Daniel the Prophet, and when God was pleased to fulfill His promise to the banished Adam and to the Prophets, the Archangel Gabriel appeared in the chamber of the All-Holy Virgin. As some priestly writers wrote, precisely at that same moment when she held open the book of the Prophet Isaiah and was contemplating his great prophecy: "Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a son! (7:13)" Gabriel appeared in all of his angelic brightness and saluted her: "Rejoice, highly favored one! The Lord is with thee," and the rest in order as it is written in the Gospel of Luke. This annunciation and the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Virgin, leading to the incarnation of our Lord, began the salvation of mankind and restoration of all creation.

PRAYER LIST, BIRTHDAYS AND MEMORIALS

† **Please Pray for:** Van Stathis, Barbara Crotty, William Delaware, Michael Fitzgerald, Diane Alkes, Theresa Rozakis, Trenna Berry, Heather Palmer, Sally Chardie, Protospesbyter Nicholas and for the abducted bishops: Metropolitan Boulos and Archbishop Youhanna.

Please Note: *If you or a member of your family is ill and in need of a pastoral visit, please inform Fr. Andrew by calling and leaving a message on his cell phone. If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, please inform Fr. Andrew. Thank you.*

† **Remember those who have passed away during the month of March:**

If you would like names included for the months of March and April, please email Fr. Andrew at ahonore@svots.edu

† **March Birthdays:**

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