

THE ST. ELIZABETH'S PARISH NEWS

St. Elizabeth's Orthodox Church

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Palm Sunday

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9

Gospel: John 12:1-18

The Entrance into Jerusalem



Palm Sunday

Special Antiphons: Blue Book pg. 188—Red, pg. 210

Special Entrance Hymn: Blue pg. 189—Red pg. 212

Tropar's and Kondak: Blue Book pg. 189— Red pg. 212

Prokimenon: Blue Book pg. 190— Red pg. 212

Glorification: “Magnify, Magnify, O my soul, O my soul, the Lord who sat upon a colt, The Lord who sat upon a colt. “

Following Liturgy— The Blessing of Palms and Willows.

Holy Week Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
6 7:20 PM Presanctified Liturgy	7 7:20 PM Presanctified Liturgy	8 7:20 PM Sacrament of Holy Unction	9 9:00 AM Vespereal Liturgy of St. Basil for Holy Thursday 7:20 PM Service of the 12 Gospels	10 7:20 PM Vespers of Good Friday and the Placing of the Holy Shroud in the Tomb	11 9:00 AM Vespereal Liturgy of St. Basil the Great for Holy Saturday 7:00PM Resurrection Matins	12 10:00 AM The Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ

Yesterday, our Lord raised Lazarus from the dead after four days in the tomb. Today He enters into Jerusalem; greeted by the crowds who proclaim: “ Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest!”.

The same crowd who greets him with such great joy on Palm Sunday, condemns Him to death on Good Friday.

This week let us not be like the crowd who condemns our Lord to death through our sins, but rather let us come to the Cross of our Lord through *prayer and repentance*.

Let us be like Simon of Cyrene and carry our Lord's Cross to Golgotha. Let us be like Mary the Mother of God, and John the Beloved—and be with our Lord throughout His Passion, traveling with him to His Cross by attending the Holy Week Services.

Finally, let us be like the Myrrh Bearing Women, who saw the empty tomb of the Risen Christ on the Great Day of His Resurrection!

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- **The Week Ahead** - Dear Parish Family, do your best this week to focus fully on our Lord and on His Passion. We have 52 weeks in the year to keep up to date with news, check our facebook, watch TV, and do all the things which seem so important in this world. This week we should all focus fully on our Lord and on our souls. To do this we must all pray more, fast more, read the Holy Scriptures more, and attend the Holy Week services. We must all prepare ourselves so that each of us, with joy, may say to each other— Christ is Risen!
- **Nut Roll Baking Project**– Thank you is not enough to say to all who came out to support St. Elizabeth's Yesterday. A spiritually uplifting and good time was had by all. I believe everyone who worked yesterday saw that the project was about much more than a financial gain, but more a way for our parish family to bond by growing closer to each other and to our Lord. The work we do for our Church is the work of Salvation. I pray that we may all enter into Holy Week with the same zeal; as we walk with our Lord to the Cross and await his Great and Holy Resurrection.
- **Camp Nazareth Support Family Day Raffle Tickets Available**- Tickets cost 20\$, but don't look at it as a gambling, look at it as supporting the youth of our Diocese and providing them with the best Orthodox camping experience available anywhere! Buy a ticket and support the future of our Church!
- **Silent Auction For Traditional Hand-Stitched Easter Basket Cover**– Today is the final day to bid!
- **Easter Flowers**– Please make a donation today if you are interested in donating Flowers for the Tomb and the Paschal Season.
- **Confessions** - Fr. Matthew will be available one hour before each service this week, or by special request anytime.
- **Sunday School**– Starting at 12:20 in the Library!



Prayer List

Evelyn Melnikoff, Pani Betty Jean Baranik, Fr. James Gleason, The Paccio Family, Johanna, James, Herbert and Mary Schleining, Patricia James, Anna, Basil, David, Dianna, Denise, Alex, Jason, Athanasia, Ethel, Kathy, Lester, Sally, Jack, Angela, Bezerra Family, Phillip, Page Family, Stephen (Blessed Repose), The Blanar Family, Anna (Blessed Repose)

Through the prayers of St. Elizabeth, the Birth-giver of God and Ever-Virgin Mary, and all the Saints, may our Lord God and Saviour Jesus Christ have mercy on us and save us!

