

Rejoice at His Coming!

Let us say to Christ: *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the king of Israel.* Let us hold before Him like palm branches those final words inscribed above the cross. Let us show Him honor, not with olive branches but with the splendor of merciful deeds to one another. Let us spread the thoughts and desires of our hearts under His feet like garments, so that entering us with the whole of his being, He may draw the whole of our being into Himself and place the whole of His in us. Let us say to Zion in the words of the prophet: *Have courage, daughter of Zion, do not be afraid. Behold, your king comes to you, humble and mounted on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.* He is coming who is everywhere present and pervades all things; He is coming to achieve in you His work of universal salvation. He is coming who came to call to repentance not the righteous but sinners, coming to recall those who have strayed into sin. Do not be afraid, then: *God is in the midst of you, and you shall not be shaken.*

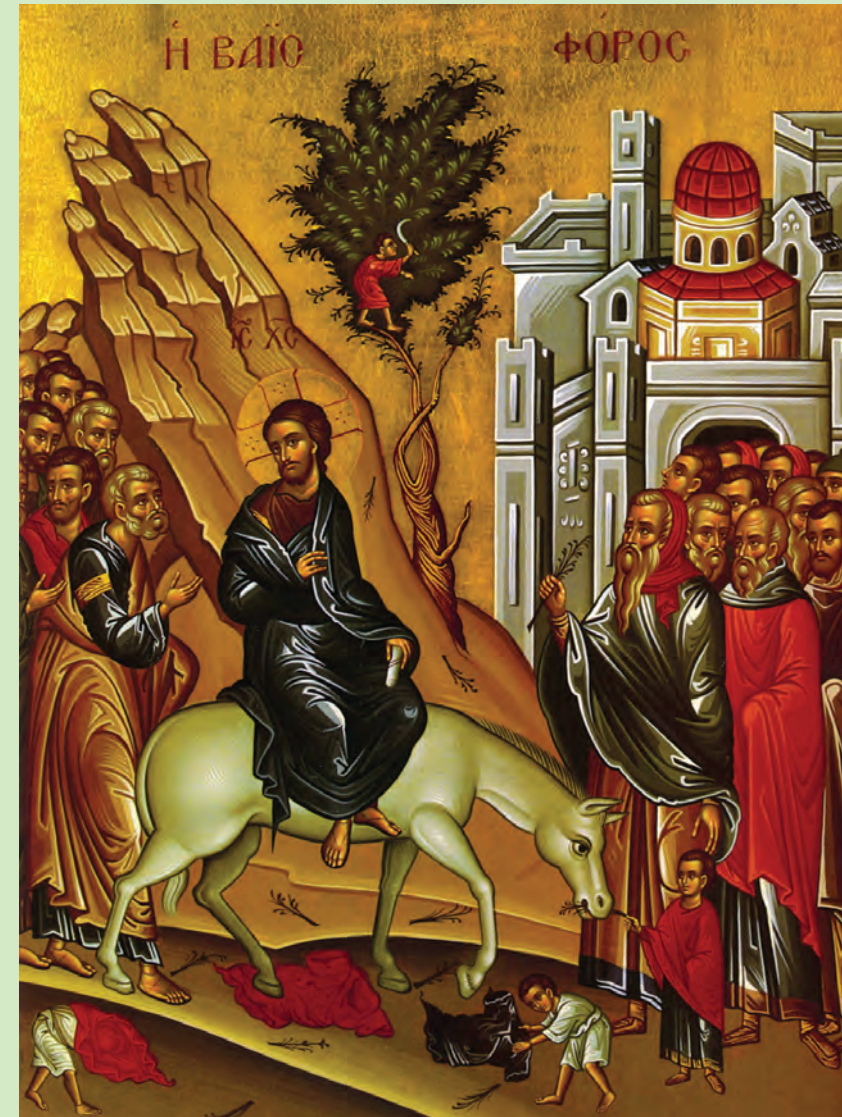
Receive Him with open, outstretched hands, for it was on His own hands that He sketched you. Receive

Him who laid your foundations on the palms of His hands. Receive Him, for He took upon Himself all that belongs to us except sin, to consume what is ours in what is His. Be glad, city of Zion, our mother, and fear not. *Celebrate your feasts.* Glorify Him for His mercy, who has come to us in you. Rejoice exceedingly, daughter of Jerusalem, sing and leap for joy. *Be enlightened, be enlightened,* we cry to you, as holy Isaiah trumpeted, for the light has come to you and the glory of the Lord has risen over you.

And what is this *glory of the Lord*? Clearly it is the cross on which Christ was glorified, He, the radiance of the Father's glory, even as He said when He faced His passion: *Now is the Son of Man glorified, and God is glorified in him, and will glorify him at once.* The glory of which He speaks here is His lifting up on the cross, for Christ's glory is His cross and His exultation upon it, as He plainly says: *When I have been lifted up, I will draw all men to myself.*

St. Andrew of Crete

PALM (FLOWERY) SUNDAY



Icon of the Entrance into Jerusalem

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Sunday – April 13, 2025

Glory to Jesus Christ – Glory to Him Forever + Слава Ісусу Христу – Слава на віки

Confessions are available before the Divine Liturgies

All Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM

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Saturday April 12 10:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Lazarus Saturday Divine Liturgy and First Confession (Souls Enrolled in Sorokousty) Great Vespers Spiritual Concert by Quartet Fratelli
Sunday April 13 9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Our Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem – Palm Sunday Confessions-Сповідь (For the Parish) (+Stefan Chalupa from Family)
Monday April 14 7:00 p.m.	Great and Holy Monday - Presanctified Liturgy (Peace in the Holy Land)
Tuesday April 15 7:00 p.m.	Great and Holy Tuesday - Presanctified Liturgy (Peace in Ukraine)
Wednesday April 16 7:00 p.m.	Great and Holy Wednesday - Presanctified Liturgy with Anointing of the Sick (Blessings for the Aged and Sick)
Thursday April 17 7:00 p.m.	Great and Holy Thursday - Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great Commemorating the Lord's Supper (Vocations)
Friday April 18 11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Great and Holy Friday Matins of Our Lord's Passion and Death - (Strasti - 12 Gospels) Vespers with the placing of the Shroud (Plaschanitsya)
Saturday April 19 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:00 noon 8:30 p.m.	Great and Holy Saturday Church opens for Visitation of the Tomb All Day Jerusalem Matins at the Tomb Confessions Blessing of Easter Food Baskets Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great (For the Parish) First Liturgy of Pascha-Easter Vigil [Satisfies Easter Obligation] Followed by Blessing of Easter Food Baskets
Sunday April 20 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m.	PASCHA – THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST Resurrection Matins Divine Liturgy Followed By Blessing of Easter Food Baskets (Deceased Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Religious)

FIRST CONFESSION 2025

God Bless our First Confession Children who all received the Mystery of Penance on Lazarus Saturday April 12 at the Divine Liturgy. We congratulate Myriam Dezelski, Emilia Mulvey, Ivanka Murtagh, Marko Pidlusky, and Mariana Savage. God Grant Them Many Happy Years – Mnohaya Lita!

SPIRITUAL REGULATIONS FOR GREAT AND HOLY WEEK 2025

Although our Church traditionally prescribed abstinence from meat and dairy products in days gone by for the entire duration of the Great Fast and Holy Week, the following are the minimal Lenten regulations today: Abstinence from meat and all dairy products on Good Friday and abstinence from meat only on Holy Saturday. It is also traditional to abstain from meat on Holy Wednesday and Holy Thursday. Everyone should receive the Holy Mysteries of Reconciliation and Holy Eucharist during the period from the onset of Great Fast to the Wednesday before Ascension Thursday. The Fasting and Abstinence regulations are not binding on persons 60 or older, the very poor, sick, nursing or pregnant women, children below the age of 14, and those who engage in physically very hard labor. However, all are urged, if able to do so, to observe the fasting and abstinence regulations.

CATECHISM CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-5

Catechism classes will be held from 10:15-11:15 am on Sunday. Please mark these dates for the first semester: April, 27, May 4, 18.

Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: **Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Valarie Balthis, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Terry Boyle, Taisia Bullard, Mary Connors, Veronica Cosio, Darlene Dossick, Robert Dulaine, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Ferne Fisanich, Myroslava Futey, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, Vanessa Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Ellen Hitchens, Janet Hitchens, Daniel Horeczko, Boris Hlynsky, Nila Iwaskiw, Sarah Kelt, LTJG Lydia Kowalskyj USN, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Mr. Marko, Melissa Martin, Paul Marynowych, Michele Pretka Litvak, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Patricia Pylypec, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell,, Teresa Sherwood, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta, Andrew, Larry Sosnowich, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Stefania Szahaj, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Anne Woroniak, Rose Wilson, Fr. George Worschak, and Paul Yarrish.** If you know of someone who should be on this list, please email or call with the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and the aged is truly helpful and comforting. In your Christian Charity, kindly remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and perhaps a card or note.

Sunday April 27 – Sviachene and Easter Egg Hunt

ONE DIVINE LITURGY at 10:00 a.m.

\$20 adults, \$15 Seniors (65+), \$5 college students, \$1 youth (0-18)