

**MARK ON YOUR CALENDAR:**

**Fr. David's Top 5 List of Services  
to Put Your Daily Life on Hold For This Spring**

**Tonight – Palm Sunday Evening, April 24:**  
The “Bridegroom Matins” that Begins Holy Week –  
Archbishop Michael, Presiding

**Holy Thursday Evening, April 28:**  
The Story of Jesus' Betrayal, Trial, and Death

**Holy Friday Evening, April 29:**  
The Lamentations of the Mother of God  
(beautifully sung by your Choir!)  
and Procession with the Burial Shroud of the Lord (the *Plashchanitsa*)

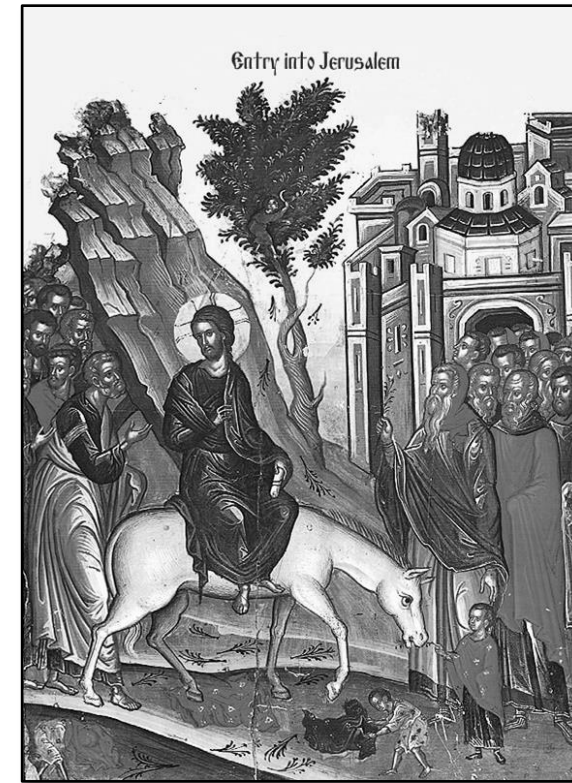
**Holy Saturday Night, April 30, through Holy Pascha Sunday, May 1:**  
The Services of Holy PASCHA (Easter)

**Monday Morning, May 2:** Bright Monday  
Paschal Liturgy—The Celebration Continues!

**QUILT RAFFLE FOR A MISSION TRIP –**

As part of the mission trip that Dasha and Beth went on to South Dakota last fall, they won a handmade Lakota quilt that they are raffling to raise money for another adult mission trip. Please ask them questions about their trip and the Lakota people they served – and consider buying raffle tickets to support the next trip.

**HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH**  
**Yonkers, New York**



**Sunday, April 24, 2016**

**The Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem ~ Palm Sunday**

**TONIGHT: “Why Believe?”**

**An evening for HTO YOUTH with Archbishop Michael**

Tonight, 8-9pm in the Teen Room  
(following the 7pm Bridegroom Matins Service)

**Chinese food included!**



## HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, April 24, 2016 ~ The Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem ~ Palm Sunday**

Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9; Gospel: John 12:1-18

### SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

**Today – Great Feast of the Lord’s Entry into Jerusalem ~ Palm Sunday**

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy* with Recognition of First Confessions of Adriana Prusak and Lucy Moreno; with *Panikhida* for Bogdan Saleh, requested by his son David; and for John Homa (+ 5 Years), by his wife Irene

At Coffee Hour: Church School Palm Sunday Skit – Please Stay and Enjoy!

7:00 PM *Bridegroom Matins* of Holy Monday, Archbishop MICHAEL Presiding

After Matins: “Why Believe?” Questions and Answers for HTO YOUth with Abp. Michael

**Private Confession is available Palm Sunday – Holy Thursday, 6:00-7:00 PM.**

**Great and Holy Monday, April 25**

9:30 AM *Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts*

7:00 PM *Bridegroom Matins* of Holy Tuesday

**Great and Holy Tuesday, April 26**

7:00 PM *Bridegroom Matins* of Holy Wednesday

**Great and Holy Wednesday, April 27**

7:00 PM *Holy Unction* and Anointing with Blessed Oil

**Great and Holy Thursday, April 28**

9:30 AM *Vespertal Divine Liturgy* – The Last Supper

7:00 PM *Matins* of Great and Holy Friday – The Passion Gospels

**Great and Holy Friday, April 29**

8:30 AM *Royal Hours*

4:00 PM *Vespers* of Holy Friday – Our Lord’s Burial, followed by Supper in the Hall

7:00 PM *Matins* of Holy Saturday: Lamentations & Procession  
with the Burial Shroud of Our Lord

**Great and Holy Saturday, April 30**

10:00 AM *Vespertal Divine Liturgy* – The Descent Into Hades

11:30 PM *Nocturns; Procession; Matins of PASCHA* and

***The Divine Liturgy of Great and Holy PASCHA***

**followed by Basket Blessing and Agape Meal**

### ***THANK YOU***

To Dasha, for once again hosting the Lazarus Saturday Pancake Breakfast –  
and to everyone who stayed to help  
beautify the church and grounds in preparation for Palm Sunday and Pascha!

### **COME HELP PREPARE FOR PASCHA!**

- **Holy Friday, April 29 at 10:30 AM, Come Help Decorate Our Lord's Tomb! See Mat. Tamara to sign up or ask questions.**
- **If you'd like to provide some Red Eggs – then Bring A Dozen Hard Boiled Red Eggs on Holy Friday to Vespers or Matins; and give them to Vicky Statkevics.**

**THE GREAT FAST OF LENT** continues  
until Holy **PASCHA (Easter)**, Sunday, May 1,  
with the **Paschal Divine Liturgy.**

During Holy Week we are called to abstain from meat and dairy products and from spiritually unproductive entertainment... so that we control our appetites, and our appetites do not control us!

**May God give you Good Strength for a Blessed Fast!**

### **PASCHA PARTY AT THE BULLOCKS'!**

The Bullock and Tkachuk families invite all to a Paschal reception on Pascha Day (Sunday, May 1st) from 2pm to 5pm at the Bullock home in Scarsdale. Please let Vera know if you are able to attend by sending her an email at vbullock@law.fordham.edu or calling her at 347-624-1409.

**NEW CHURCH CUSTODIAN NEEDED**

Our custodian, Fr. Chrispin, will be leaving the position after this week. If you are interested in assuming the custodial duties for the church building, please see Fr. David or Parish Council President Patricia Bouteneff.

**PRAY FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS – our parish sons & daughters, OCF chapter members, AND those at nearby colleges who make HTO their spiritual home away from home!**

Bassim Abbasi	Andrew Nolan	Matt Skalski
Michael Bouteneff	Kamille Perry	Alexandra Solak
Joe Ciamarra	Schuyler Perry	Justyna Skalski
Kaydee Kowalczyk	Roman Piwinski	Monika Wislocki
Dan Kozak	Amanda Rzyk	
Madeline Miroshnikov	Peter Rzyk	

*“Sending our kids to college without a connection to the Church is like sending children to play in traffic.” -- Archbishop Michael*  
Please tell Fr. David if there are any errors or omissions on this list.

**PASTORAL CARE – GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Emergency Sick Calls** can be made at any time. Please call Fr. David at (914) 965-6815, when a family member is admitted to the hospital.

**Anointing In Sickness:** The Sacrament of Unction is available in Church, the hospital, or your home, for anyone who is sick, however severe. It doesn’t mean “Last Rites!”

**Marriages and Baptisms** require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). See Father before booking dates and reception halls!

**Funerals** are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians. Please see Father for details.  
***The Church opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate funerals for cremations.***

**HOLY PASCHA (EASTER), SUNDAY, MAY 1**

11:00 AM *The Vespers of PASCHA*; Basket Blessing; and Easter Egg Hunt!

**Bright Monday, May 2**

10:00 AM *Paschal Divine Liturgy* – Archbishop Michael, Celebrant

**TODAY’S EPISTLE Philippians 4:4-9** Brethren: Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice!<sup>5</sup>Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand.<sup>6</sup>Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;<sup>7</sup>and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.<sup>8</sup>Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy – meditate on these things.<sup>9</sup>The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you. **TODAY’S GOSPEL John 12:1-18** At that time, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead.<sup>2</sup>There they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him.<sup>3</sup>Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil.<sup>4</sup>But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon’s son, who would betray Him, said,<sup>5</sup>Why was this fragrant oil not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?<sup>6</sup>This he said, not that he cared for the poor, but because he was a thief, and had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it.<sup>7</sup>But Jesus said, “Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial.<sup>8</sup>For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always.<sup>9</sup>Now a great many of the Jews knew that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus’ sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead.<sup>10</sup>But the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also,<sup>11</sup>because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus.<sup>12</sup>The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,<sup>13</sup>took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: Hosanna! ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!’ The King of Israel!”<sup>14</sup>Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; as it is written:<sup>15</sup>Fear not, daughter of Zion; Behold, your King is coming, Sitting on a donkey’s colt.”<sup>16</sup>His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him.<sup>17</sup>Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from the dead, bore witness.<sup>18</sup>For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had done this sign.

## PLEASE SUPPORT OUR A.S.P. TEEN MISSION TEAM!

You may have received a mailing from our teens who are participating in the Appalachian Service Project (ASP) this summer, inviting you to buy "ASP Stock" at \$10 per share.

ASP uses volunteer labor (our kids and chaperones!) to make repairs to homes of needy families in the central region of the Appalachian Mountains. The repairs cost families nothing, and are aimed at making their homes warmer, safer, and drier.

**Our Yonkers ASP Mission Team** – Olivia Wislocki; Adriana, Emily & Victoria Szynda; Beth Rzyzyk, and Chris Nolan – will make their 2016 Mission Trip in July. The Orthodox ASP Group's overall fundraising goal is \$18,000 for 5 teams, so the Yonkers team's share of that is \$3,600.

**Will you support ASP, by investing in this effort -- helping families build warmer, safer, and drier homes – and in the changing hearts of our parish sons and daughters who will encounter Christ in this holy work?**



## SPECIAL COLLECTION TODAY AT COFFEE HOUR – COLLEGE STUDENT PASCHA PACKAGES!

**We hope to raise \$200, to send Pascha Care Packages to our parish sons and daughters studying in college. Please contribute if you can – to the basket at Coffee Hour.**

## Please visit the LADIES' GUILD GIFT SHOP

Featuring Icons ... Decorated Eggs ...  
Orthodox Greeting Cards and Gifts for All Occasions!  
Open Today During Coffee Hour,  
Located in the Education Building,  
Second Room on the Right from the Courtyard Entrance

## PRAYER LIST

**Above all, we are a praying community. Keep this list in your prayer corner, and in your daily prayers, remember our Brothers & Sisters in Christ:**

Tanya Balasenowich; Anne Mikitish; Anna Bolinsky; Ghadfa Khoury; Boris Lyzak; Bill Bodack; Michael Speck; Jenifer Calomiris, recovering from surgery; Mat. Joanna Bohush; Elsa, Felicia, Brielis, Karelin & Beatriz; Stephanie Davis; Alexander Kravchenko; Virginia Shanahan; John O'Donnel; Nina Dimas; Richard Dosin; Elena Herman; John Paluch; Danielle Geeza; infant Maria; Courtney Lyzak; Anatole Honczarenko; Mat. Anastasia Harris; Jennifer Drake; Elias Kachur; Mat. Olga Meerson; Lorna Nelson; Eleanor Wasilko; Adriana Szynda; baby Alena King; Ludmila Branzow; Suzanne Gee; Christina and her child Giovanni; Daniel; Gail; Nicholas; Nicholas Washenko; Kathleen & Maryanne Nolan; expecting parents Victoria & Joel Statkevics, Nadia & John Constantine, Mat. Anastasia & Fr. Timothy Hojnicky, Mat. Viktoria & Fr. Adrian Budica and their unborn children; Stan & Victoria, Kenneth & Christina and all those preparing for marriage; Kevin Kuzmenko; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios, Vera Bullock; Schuyler Perry; Doris Morin; Kelly Ray; Carmen Fesh; Vitaliy Khutko; Malcolm Kirkpatrick; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; the priests Frs. Vitaly Bahanovich, John Tkachuk, Joseph Chupeck, Michael Hatrak, Jonathan Ivanoff, Leonid Kishkovsky, Joseph Kreshik; John Nightengale, Herman Schick, Ken James Stavrevsky, Stephen Mack, PDn. Peter Skoog; Klara Borzova; Helen Delandri; Helen Dempsey; Irene Homa; Olga Juck; Mary Kalakuka; Mary Kantor; Daria Krawchuk; Mary Macagnone; Olga Pavelchak; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Rzyzyk; Mat. Juliana Schmemann; Martha Slivka; Zena Weshta; all those confined to hospitals, nursing homes, and their own homes due to illness; for all soldiers, especially Jorge, Bryan, Mykola & Marin; widows, orphans, prisoners, victims of violence, and refugees, especially in Iraq, Syria, Egypt, and the Ukraine; all those suffering chronic illness, financial hardship, loneliness, addiction, abuse, abandonment and despair; all Orthodox seminarians & families, especially John & Brenda Mikitish; all Orthodox monks and nuns, and all those considering the monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families. Birthdays: Victor Miroshnikov (today), Peter Rzyzyk (4/26); Mattie Ferguson (4/28); Andrew Nolan (4/30). Anniversary: Shanny & Jessica Moreno (4/26); the children Adriana Prusak & Lucy Moreno, offering their First Confessions yesterday.

**For blessed repose for the souls of:** Newly departed Paul Murphy, Bogdan Saleh; Susan Cohen (+4/8); Daniel Paprocki (+3/31); Anne Speck (+3/30); Michael Stanford (+3/26); Claudia Brown (+3/19); Archimandrite Ephrem (Lash) (+3/15); John Homa (+4/14/11); Joseph John Nolan (Chris's uncle); Ivan, Evgeny, Nina; Antonina; and all those departed this life in hope of the Resurrection.

**Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, to Protodeacon John, or to an Altar Server. Typically, names remain on this list for 40 days, unless requested otherwise. Those confined to hospitals or homes, or suffering chronic illnesses, remain on the list.**