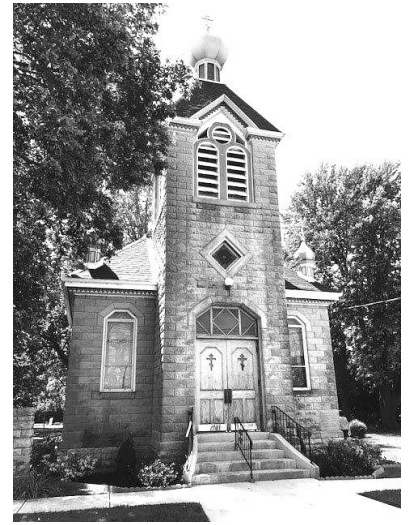


# HOLY ASSUMPTION ORTHODOX CHURCH

110 EAST MAIN STREET, MARBLEHEAD, OH 43440

APRIL 2, 2023



## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

**APRIL 2, SUNDAY ST. MARY OF EGYPT, 9:10 AM HOURS / 9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY FOLLOWED BY LENTEN COFFEE HOUR**

**APRIL 5, WEDNESDAY PRESANTIFIED LITURGY, 6 PM FOLLOWED BY SOUP SUPPER**

**APRIL 8, LAZARUS SATURDAY, 9:10 AM HOURS / 9:30 AM DIVINE LITURGY**

**APRIL 9, PALM SUNDAY, 9:10 AM HOURS / 9:30 PM DIVINE LITURGY FOLLOWED BY LENTEN COFFEE HOUR**

## **EPISTLE Hebrews 9:11-14**

But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation.

Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh,

how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

## **GOSPEL Mark 10:32-45**

Now they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was going before them; and they were amazed. And as they followed they were afraid. Then He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them the things that would happen to Him:

“Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles;

and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again.”

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, “Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask.”

And He said to them, “What do you want Me to do for you?”

They said to Him, “Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory.”

But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?”

They said to Him, “We are able.” So Jesus said to them, “You will indeed drink the cup that I drink, and with the baptism I am baptized with you will be baptized;

but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared.”

And when the ten heard it, they began to be greatly displeased with James and John.

But Jesus called them to Himself and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them.

Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant.

And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all.

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

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**APRIL BIRTHDAYS** 5-Nicholas Weisend; 10-Jean Hileman; 13-Jennifer Heffernan; 17-Natalie Twarek; 18-Nancy Bunge; 18-Diane Tryon; 22-Greg Tryon; 27-William Jerome; 27-Katie Cassell; 28-Serena Byngton; 29-Katie Twarek

**APRIL CANDLE AND BULLETIN SPONSORS** **Altar Candles:** (\$50) Available **Bulletin:** (\$50) Available **Chandelier:** (\$50) In blessed memory of the immigrants who established Holy Assumption Orthodox Church 125 years ago **Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** (\$25) Available **Candles at the Cross:** (\$15) Laura Kovach in memory of my mom Margaret and brother-in-law Russ **Candles at St. Tikhon's Icon:** (\$15) For Safety of Nicholas, Tikhon, Gleice, and baby Chloe

## VIGILS FOR MARCH 26

**Susan Guzy** (1) In memory of Carole, Barbara, Fran, & Godmother, Eva

**Laura Kovach** (2) For health of Joe H., Irene V., Tony M., Robin C., Betty K., Ben F., Earl R., Mark M., Dana M., Bodhi C., Sharon D., John D., and Karen D. Birthday blessings and good health to Greg. Memory eternal to Eric McCloskey.

**Sandy Martin** (1) Special intentions

**Natalie Twarek** (6) In loving memory of Aunt Ella and Aunt Anna, Health and recovery of Pauline, Scott, Joe; Health and recovery of Tony, Irene, Father David, Don & Judy, Mimi; For the health of Tina, Robin, Valerie, Joe, Ed, Ron, Carole, Gary, Sharon, Kurt, Leslie & Ed, Health of Amber, Zach, Dottie, Jamie, Jim, Stephanie, Ezra, David, Helen Lis and Tina's dad, Earl, Tom, Loren, Sonya, Margi & Joe, Betty, Jackie, MaryAnn & Bob, Chuck, Bodhi, Diane, Stella, Jake, Pat, Karen; special intentions

**APRIL REPOSED** Dolores Martin (1974); Herb Hobson (2004); Charles Rose (2015); 1-Larry Twarek (2019); 4- Sophia Jump (2012); 4-Harry Flewelling (2018); 5-Nancy Sitzler (2022); 6-John Kotch (2022); 7-Louis M. Benya (1976); 7-Mitered Archpriest Basil Dziama (1969), Former Pastor; 7-Bob Mazur (2018); 9-Julia Guzy (2021); 11-LaVerne Schutt (2014); 12-Helen Tomko (1989); 14-Paul Glovinsky (1978); 15-Stephen Brooks (2005); 16-Mary Wright (2005); 17-Lois Mazurik (1999); 22-Olga Belenky (1971); 22-John Beadle (1988); 22-Fred Millie (1996); 24-Demasthony Ballan (1968); 26-Margaret Mazur (1987); 26-Russell Kovach (1981); 28-Ann Kovalick (2018); 29-Olga Kollmeier (1972); 30-Anthony Hubicki (1977)

**ATTENDANCE** Annunciation Divine Liturgy, 14 attending; Sunday Divine Liturgy, 22; Presanctified, 13 attending

**CLEANING SCHEDULE** April 3, Susan; April 10, Laura; April 17, Jean; April 24, Laura

**APRIL CHARITY IS THE MARBLEHEAD PENINSULA LIONS CLUB** The Lions Club is part of a global network, participating in projects to serve the community. They meet at 6:30 PM May through October on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month, and from November through April on the 2nd Thursday of the month only, at the VFW Post 7572, 421 West Main Street in Marblehead. A planned project is the Lions Club's partnership with Danbury Township on the renaming and maintenance support at Lake Point Park located at 11257 E Bayshore Road in Marblehead.

*From the Amvon of) Father John Adamcio*

## **SOME THOUGHTS ON PASSION (HOLY) WEEK**

As we prepare ourselves for the great and saving day of Holy Pascha, we take some time to consider the meaning of **Holy (Passion) Week**.

With the celebration of the **Resurrection of Lazarus and our Lord's Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem (Lazarus Saturday and Palm Sunday)**, we end the forty days of the Great Fast and begin a new chapter on our journey to Pascha. This does not mean that we no longer abstain from meat and dairy products (or however we have fasted during that time), but we enter into a more intense spiritual struggle during coming week, which fasting and prayer helps us endure.

In celebration of our Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem, we bless palms and/or pussy-willows. In the northern climates, especially in Russia, where palms do not grow, willows are the first plants to bloom and produce the "catkins." We will bless these in memory of the children and people of old who used the palm fronds to welcome Jesus into Jerusalem.

**The Scripture readings for this Sunday** not only inform us of this great feast, but strengthen our resolve as well. The Gospel reading from St. John (12:1-18) tells us about the dinner served for our Lord, His Apostles, and Lazarus, with Mary anointing the feet of Jesus, and His entry into the city.

The Epistle reading taken from St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians (4:4-9) is not only beautiful, but especially meaningful for us today: Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

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. The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

**The readings from the Old Testament, and the hymns sung during the Presanctified Liturgy and Bridegroom Matins for Great and Holy Monday** bring to mind Joseph (who was sold into slavery by his brothers) as a prototype of Christ.

**The readings and hymns of Great and Holy Tuesday** prepare us to meet the Heavenly Bridegroom Who receives into His chamber only those dressed in their bridal garments woven of virtues—those who meet Him with the lighted lamps of faith and good deeds, and have not hidden the talents given them by God.

**The readings and hymns of Great and Holy Wednesday** recall the supper given by Simon the Pharisee at which the sinful woman anointed the feet of Christ with myrrh.

**The services for Great and Holy Thursday** commemorate the Mystical Supper (the Last Supper), Institution of the Eucharist, and the washing of the Disciple's feet by our Lord Jesus Christ. Instead of the "Cherubic Hymn," the prayer before Communion is sung: Of Your Mystical Supper, O Son of God, accept me today as a communicant. For I will not speak of your Mystery to Your enemies, neither like Judas will I give you a kiss, but like the thief I will confess You: Remember me in Your Kingdom. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! In the great cathedrals the Washing of the Feet is often

celebrated by the bishop who washes the feet of twelve priests during which the deacon recounts this act written in the Gospels.

**Matins for Great and Holy Friday** are celebrated by anticipation on Thursday evening. It is during this service that the Passion of Christ is recounted through the reading of Twelve Gospel lessons, beginning with His discourse to His Disciples at the Mystical Supper, ending with His betrayal in the Garden of Gethsemane, the mock trial before the Sanhedrin, His condemnation by Pilate, Crucifixion, Death, and Entombment. The hymns associated with this service are deeply moving and spiritual!

**Great and Holy Friday Vespers** recalls the taking down of the Body of Christ from the Cross, and entombment in the Sepulcher.

**Matins for Great and Holy Saturday**, sung in anticipation on Great and Holy Friday evening, consists of the singing of Psalm 118 (traditionally the Psalm read for funerals) interspersed with Praises of our Lord's great love for us by His dying on the Cross for our sins. After the singing of the matins canon, a procession with the Winding Sheet (Plaschanitsa, Epitaphios) goes around the outside the church. When the procession re-enters the church, the reading of the Dry Bones from the Prophecy of Ezekiel is read, an Epistle and Gospel reading follow.

**On Great and Holy Saturday, Vespers with the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great** is celebrated with great dignity and solemnity. Fifteen readings from the Old Testament containing references to the prophecies and prototypes of the Resurrection of Christ. Following the Epistle reading a special hymn replaces the usual "Alleluia:" Arise (Resurrect) O Lord, and judge the earth, for to You belong the nations! During the singing of this refrain, the church and clergy change their covering and vestments from black to white, in preparation for the reading of the Gospel of the Resurrection. The rest of the Divine Liturgy proceeds in order. However, instead of the usual "Cherubic Hymn," a special hymn is sung: Let all mortal flesh keep silent, nor think of anything earthly; for the King of kings and the Lord of lords comes to be sacrificed, to give Himself as food for the faithful. Before Him go the Angelic hosts, with the Principalities and Powers, the many-eyed Cherubim and the six-winged Seraphim, veiling their faces and singing: Alleluia!

*We hope this gives you an insight to the wonderful days ahead of us, and you will take every opportunity to come to church and participate in these wonderful services.*

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