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SCHEDULE OF HOLY WEEK AND PASCHAL SERVICES 2024:

March 23 Sat. LAZARUS SATURDAY 10:00 a.m. Penitential service and individual confessions 4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom March 24 Sun. PALM SUNDAY 11:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy: Blessing and distribution of palms and willows MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK March 25 Mon. Annunciation of the Most Holy Theotokos 7:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy March 26 Tues. TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK 9:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy March 27 Wed. WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK: MARY MAGDALENE ANOINTS JESUS' FEET 9:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy 7:00 p.m. The Sacrament of Holy Unction This sacrament is usually administered only to the sick. But once a year, on Wednesday of Holy Week, Holy Unction is administered to all the faithful as a further preparation for Pascha/Easter. It is a healing service - not only for bodily ills, but for spiritual ones as well. March 28 Thurs. HOLY AND GREAT THURSDAY: THE TABLE OF THE LORD 7:00 p.m. Commemoration of the Mystical Supper: Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great and Washing of the Feet HOLY AND GREAT FRIDAY: THE PASSION AND BURIAL March 29 Fri. OF CHRIST Today we observe strict abstinence from all meat and dairy products (milk, butter, cheese, eggs) in a spirit of penance for the Lord's Passion and Death. (Note: Symbols for strict fast shown on parish calendar:

3:00 p.m. Vespers of the Burial of Christ: Procession with the Holy Shroud (plashchanytsya) and its deposition in the Lord's tomb. Confessions after the service. *The church will be open until* 9:00 p.m. today for personal prayer and meditation.

March 30 Sat. HOLY AND GREAT SATURDAY: THE DESCENT OF CHRIST INTO HADES We observe simple abstinence at lease from meat. The church will be open all day for personal prayer and meditation. Let each of us find a quiet moment—either on Friday evening or today—to visit the Lord's Tomb and venerate His life-giving wounds.

> 12:00 noon Devotional Canon, "Lament of the Mother of God." Confessions after the service: last opportunity for confessions before Pasha/Easter

4:00 p.m. Vigil Liturgy with Anaphora of the Holy Apostle James

March 31 Sun. THE GREAT DAY: FIRST SUNDAY OF PASCHA/EASTER, THE RESURRECTION 11:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, the blessing of the Artos, Blessing and distribution of eggs (*krashanky*), Oil of Gladness (*myrovannya*), and the blessing of Paschal Foods (in the parish hall)

- April 1 Mon. BRIGHT OR SPRINKLING MONDAY: REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy, followed by sprinkling of the people with Holy Water
- April 2 Tues. BRIGHT TUESDAY: THE BREAKING OF BREAD AT EMMAUS 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

April 7 Sun. THOMAS SUNDAY: THE SECOND SUNDAY OF PASCHA/EASTER 11:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy NOTE: Our annual *Easter breakfast*, a common parish meal, will take place today, Thomas Sunday. Freewill donations. Thank you and God bless.

CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY RISEN!