

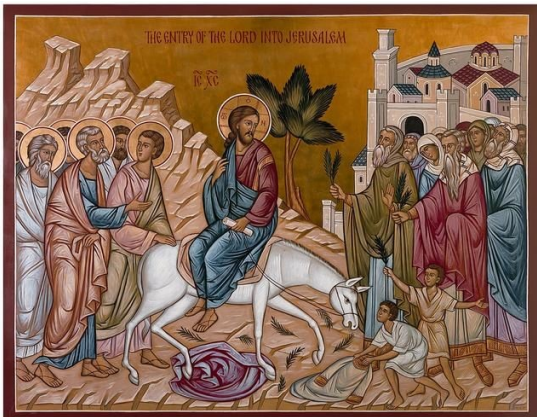


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SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024 - ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 28 ΑΠΡΙΛΙΟΥ, 2024
ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΒΑΪΩΝ – PALM SUNDAY.



Κυριακή των Βαΐων – Palm Sunday

«Ωσαννά, Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου, ὁ βασιλεύς τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ» (Ἰωάν. Ιβ' 13)

Ταπεινό καί ἄσημο γνωρίσαμε τόν Κύριον καθ' ὅλη τήν ἐπίγειο ζωή Του. Ἀκόμη ταπεινότερο, περιφρονημένο καί ἀποδοκιμασμένο ἀπό τό ἔθνος Του, θά Τόν ἀντικρύσουμε μετ' ὀλίγες ἡμέρες ἐπί τοῦ Σταυροῦ Του, βρισκόμενο σέ κάμινο ὁδύνης, ἐγκατελελειμένο ἀπό ὅλους καί πάντων.

Ἄς Τόν δοῦμε λοιπόν σήμερα καί ἄς Τον θαυμάσουμε εἰσερχόμενο ἐν δόξῃ στήν ἁγία πόλη τοῦ

Πάθους Του καί νά γίνεται δεκτός ἀπό τά ἐνθουσιώδη πλήθη τοῦ λαοῦ ὡς βασιλέα, «Ωσαννά, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου, ὁ βασιλεύς τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ». Ἄς Τόν θαυμάσουμε ἀλλά καί ἄς Τόν ὑποδεχθοῦμε ὅλοι μας ὡς Σωτήρα καί Λυτρωτή μας. «Ωσαννά». Εἶναι δοξολογία καί ἐπευφημία. Εἶναι ὅμως καί ἱκετευτική ἐπίκληση. «Σῶσον ἡμᾶς». Ἐσύ πού ἔρχεσαι σταλμένος ἀπό τόν Θεό, χάρισέ μας τήν σωτηρία. Ὁ σκοπός τῆς εἰσόδου Του εἰς τήν Ἱερουσαλήμ δέν ἦταν νά δώσῃ ἀφορμή στά πλήθη νά Τόν ζητωκραυγάσουν μέ ἐνθουσιασμό ὡς βασιλέα. Ὁ σκοπός, διά τόν ὁποῖο ἔγινε ἄνθρωπος, ἦταν ἕνας καί μοναδικός. Νά προσφέρῃ τήν μεγάλη θυσία, τήν ἀνεκτίμητο θυσία τῆς ζωῆς Του, νά γίνῃ Αὐτός «ὁ ἀρχηγός τῆς σωτηρίας». Καί ὅπως, σύμφωνα μέ τήν ἐντολή τοῦ Θεοῦ, οἱ Ἰσραηλίτες προκειμένου νά ἐλευθερωθοῦν ἀπό τήν δουλεία τῆς Αἰγύπτου καί ἐορτάσουν τό πρῶτο Πάσχα, ἔπρεπε νά ξεχωρήσουν πρό τεσσάρων ἡμερῶν τόν πασχάλιον ἀμνόν, τόν ὁποῖον θά ἐθυσίαζαν, ἔτσι καί τώρα ὁ Ἰησοῦς. Ἐπειδή αὐτός εἶναι «ὁ Ἀμνός τοῦ Θεοῦ ὁ αἴρων τήν ἁμαρτίαν τοῦ κόσμου» (Ἰωαν. Α' 29), ὁ ὁποῖος δηλαδή, ἤλθε νά θυσιάσῃ τήν ζωή του διά τήν σωτηρία τῶν λογικῶν του προβάτων, εἰσέρχεται στά Ἱεροσόλυμα ὄχι γιά νά καθῆσῃ ἐπί ἐπιγείου βασιλικοῦ θρόνου, ἀλλά γιά νά ἀνέβῃ εἰς τόν Σταυρό καί νά ὑπομείνῃ ὅλη τήν ἀγωνία καί τήν ὁδύνη τοῦ Σταυρικοῦ θανάτου διά τήν σωτηρία τοῦ κόσμου, «Τό πάσχα ἡμῶν ὑπέρ ἡμῶν, ἐτύθη Χριστός», (Α' Κορ. Ε' 7). Δικός μας πασχάλιος ἀμνός ἀγαπητοί μου, εἶναι ὁ ἐνανθρωπήσας Υἱός τοῦ Θεοῦ, ὁ Ἅγιος καί ἀναμάρτητος Ἰησοῦς Χριστός.

Ἄς Τόν ὑποδεχθοῦμε καί ἐμεῖς μέ τά βάρια τῆς ψυχῆς μας κατά τίς ἅγιες ἡμέρες πού ἔρχονται καί νά τόν φιλοξενήσουμε μέσα μας, διά τῆς συμμετοχῆς μας στό μυστήριο τῆς Ἁγίας Κοινωνίας. Ἄς πλύνουμε τίς ἔνοχες συνειδήσεις μας καί τά πάθη μας μέ τό λουτρό τῆς μετανοίας καί ἐξομολογήσεως. Καί ἄς Τοῦ προσφέρουμε ὁλόθερμα τήν εὐχαριστία καί εὐγνωμοσύνη μας, διότι μᾶς ἀξιώνει ὁ Ἅγιος τῶν Ἁγίων νά ἔρχεται καί νά κατοικῇ μέσα μας.

*Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.
Στίχ. Στίχ. Ἐξομολογεῖσθε τῷ Κυρίῳ ὅτι ἀγαθός, ὅτι
εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα τὸ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ.*

Πρὸς Φιλιππησίους 4:4-9 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἀδελφοί, χαίρετε ἐν κυρίῳ πάντοτε· πάλιν ἔρω, χαίρετε. Τὸ ἐπιεικὲς ὑμῶν γνωσθήτω πᾶσιν ἀνθρώποις. Ὁ κύριος ἐγγύς. Μηδὲν μεριμνᾶτε, ἀλλ' ἐν παντὶ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ δεήσει μετὰ εὐχαριστίας τὰ αἰτήματα ὑμῶν γνωρίζεσθω πρὸς τὸν θεόν. Καὶ ἡ εἰρήνη τοῦ θεοῦ ἡ ὑπερέχουσα πάντα νοῦν, φρουρήσει τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν καὶ τὰ νοήματα ὑμῶν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. Τὸ λοιπόν, ἀδελφοί, ὅσα ἐστὶν ἀληθῆ, ὅσα σεμνά, ὅσα δίκαια, ὅσα ἀγνά, ὅσα προσφιλή, ὅσα εὐφρημα, εἴ τις ἀρετὴ καὶ εἴ τις ἔπαινος, ταῦτα λογίζεσθε. Ἄ καὶ ἐμάθετε καὶ παρελάβετε καὶ ἠκούσατε καὶ εἶδετε ἐν ἐμοί, ταῦτα πράσσετε· καὶ ὁ θεὸς τῆς εἰρήνης ἔσται μεθ' ὑμῶν.

St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 4:4-9

BRETHREN, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Ἰωάννην 12:1-18

Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Πρὸ ἕξ ἡμερῶν τοῦ πάσχα ἦλθεν Ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς Βηθανίαν, ὅπου ἦν Λάζαρος ὁ τεθνηκώς, ὃν ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν. ἐποίησαν οὖν αὐτῷ δεῖπνον ἐκεῖ, καὶ ἡ Μάρθα διηκόνει· ὁ δὲ Λάζαρος εἷς ἦν τῶν ἀνακειμένων σὺν αὐτῷ. ἡ οὖν Μαρία, λαβοῦσα λίτραν μύρου νάρδου πιστικῆς πολυτίμου, ἤλειψε τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ καὶ ἐξέμαξε ταῖς θριξίν αὐτῆς τοὺς πόδας αὐτοῦ· ἡ δὲ οἰκία ἐπληρώθη ἐκ τῆς ὀσμῆς τοῦ μύρου. λέγει οὖν εἷς ἐκ τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ, Ἰούδας Σίμωνος Ἰσκαριώτης, ὁ μέλλων αὐτὸν παραδιδόναι· διατί τοῦτο τὸ μύρον οὐκ ἐπράθη τριακοσίων δηναρίων καὶ ἐδόθη πτωχοῖς; εἶπε δὲ τοῦτο οὐχ ὅτι περὶ τῶν πτωχῶν ἔμελεν αὐτῷ, ἀλλ' ὅτι κλέπτης ἦν, καὶ τὸ γλωσσόκομον εἶχε καὶ τὰ βαλλόμενα ἐβάσταζεν. εἶπεν οὖν ὁ Ἰησοῦς· ἄφες αὐτήν, εἰς τὴν ἡμέραν τοῦ ἐνταφιασμοῦ μου τετήρηκεν αὐτό. τοὺς πτωχοὺς γὰρ πάντοτε ἔχετε μεθ' ἑαυτῶν, ἐμὲ δὲ οὐ πάντοτε ἔχετε. Ἔγνω οὖν ὄχλος πολὺς ἐκ τῶν Ἰουδαίων ὅτι ἐκεῖ ἐστὶ, καὶ ἦλθον οὐ διὰ τὸν Ἰησοῦν μόνον, ἀλλ' ἵνα καὶ τὸν Λάζαρον

ἴδωσιν ὃν ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν. ἐβουλεύσαντο δὲ οἱ ἀρχιερεῖς ἵνα καὶ τὸν Λάζαρον ἀποκτείνωσιν, ὅτι πολλοὶ δι' αὐτὸν ὑπήγον τῶν Ἰουδαίων καὶ ἐπίστευον εἰς τὸν Ἰησοῦν. Τῇ ἐπαύριον ὄχλος πολὺς ὁ ἐλθὼν εἰς τὴν ἑορτήν, ἀκούσαντες ὅτι ἔρχεται Ἰησοῦς εἰς Ἱερουσόλυμα, ἔλαβον τὰ βαῖα τῶν φοινίκων καὶ ἐξῆλθον εἰς ὑπάντησιν αὐτῷ, καὶ ἔκραζον· ὡσαννά, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου, ὁ βασιλεὺς τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ. εὐρῶν δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὀνάριον ἐκάθισεν ἐπ' αὐτό, καθὼς ἐστὶ γεγραμμένον· μὴ φοβοῦ, θύγατερ Σιών· ἰδοὺ ὁ βασιλεὺς σου ἔρχεται καθήμενος ἐπὶ πῶλον ὄνου. Ταῦτα δὲ οὐκ ἔγνωσαν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ τὸ πρῶτον, ἀλλ' ὅτε ἐδοξάσθη ὁ Ἰησοῦς, τότε ἐμνήσθησαν ὅτι ταῦτα ἦν ἐπ' αὐτῷ γεγραμμένα, καὶ ταῦτα ἐποίησαν αὐτῷ. Ἐμαρτύρει οὖν ὁ ὄχλος ὁ ὢν μετ' αὐτοῦ ὅτε τὸν Λάζαρον ἐφώνησεν ἐκ τοῦ μνημείου καὶ ἤγειρεν αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν. διὰ τοῦτο καὶ ὑπήντησεν αὐτῷ ὁ ὄχλος, ὅτι ἤκουσαν τοῦτο αὐτὸν πεποιθέναι τὸ σημεῖον.

The Gospel According to John 12:1-18

Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazaros was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazaros was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazaros, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazaros also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazaros out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.



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DIVINE SERVICES MAY 2024

SUNDAY, MAY 5
EASTER SUNDAY

AGAPE VESPERS 11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 6

**SAINT GEORGE THE GREAT
& VICTORIOUS MARTYR**

Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00-10:00 a.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 7

SAINTS RAPHAEL, NICHOLAS & IRENE

Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00-10:00 a.m.

FRIDAY, MAY 10

LIFE-GIVING

FOUNTAIN OF THEOTOKOS

Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00-10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 12

**SUNDAY OF ST. THOMAS
MOTHER'S DAY**

Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00-11:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 19

**SUNDAY OF
THE MYRRH-BEARERS**

Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00-11:00 a.m.

TUESDAY, MAY 21

SAINTS CONSTANTINE & HELEN

Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00-10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, MAY 26

**SUNDAY OF
THE PARALYTIC**

Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00-11:00 a.m.

MONDAY, MAY 27

SAINT JOHN THE RUSSIAN

Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00-10:00 a.m.

ΙΕΡΕΣ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΕΣ ΜΑΪΟΥ 2024

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 5 ΜΑΪΟΥ
ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΠΑΣΧΑ
ΕΣΠΕΡΙΝΟΣ ΤΗΣ ΑΓΑΠΗΣ
11:00 π.μ.

ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ 6 ΜΑΪΟΥ
ΑΓΙΟΥ ΓΕΩΡΓΙΟΥ
ΤΟΥ ΤΡΟΠΑΙΟΦΟΡΟΥ
Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία
8:00-10:00 π.μ.

ΤΡΙΤΗ 7 ΜΑΪΟΥ
ΑΓΙΩΝ ΡΑΦΑΗΛ, ΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΥ & ΕΙΡΗΝΗΣ
Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία
8:00-10:00 π.μ.

ΠΑΡΑΣΚΕΥΗ 10 ΜΑΪΟΥ
ΖΩΔΟΧΟΥ ΠΗΓΗΣ
Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία
8:00-10:00 π.μ.

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 12 ΜΑΪΟΥ
ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΘΩΜΑ
ΕΟΡΤΗ ΤΗΣ ΜΗΤΕΡΑΣ
Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία
8:00-11:00 π.μ.

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 19 ΜΑΪΟΥ
ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΜΥΡΟΦΟΡΩΝ
Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία
8:00 -11:00 π.μ.

ΤΡΙΤΗ 21 ΜΑΪΟΥ
ΑΓΙΩΝ ΚΩΝΣΤΑΝΤΙΝΟΥ & ΕΛΕΝΗΣ
Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία
8:00-10:00 π.μ.

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 26 ΜΑΪΟΥ
ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ
ΤΟΥ ΠΑΡΑΛΥΤΟΥ
Ορθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία
8:00-11:00 π.μ.

ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ 27 ΜΑΪΟΥ
ΑΓΙΟΥ ΙΩΑΝΝΟΥ ΤΟΥ ΡΩΣΣΟΥ
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3v3	3v3
Track:	Track:
50m dash	50m dash
4x50m shuttle	200m dash
4x100m shuttle	400m dash
Field:	800m run
softball throw	1500m run
standing long jump	4x200m relay
Swimming:	5k
25m freestyle	Field:
4x25m relay	shotput
Board games:	softball throw
chess	long jump
checkers	high jump
backgammon	Swimming:
nok-hockey	50m freestyle
table tennis	100m freestyle
	100m relay
	Board games:
	chess
	checkers
	table tennis
	backgammon

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Olympics Website (for general inquiries): <https://www.goado.com/>

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Θέλαμε να ευχαριστήσουμε τα μέλη της κοινότητας μας που έχουν ανανεώσει την οικονομική προσφορά για το 2024. Για να γίνεται μέλη για το 2024, μπορείτε να συμπληρώσετε την κάρτα της ετήσιας προσφοράς σας που βρίσκετε στο παγκάρι του Ναού η στο γραφείο της κοινότητας, και επιστρέφοντάς την στο γραφείο μας μαζί με το δώρο της αγάπης σας. Η δωρεά σας είναι μια έκφραση της πίστης και της ευγνωμοσύνης σας για τις πολλές ευλογίες στη ζωή σας. Καλό και ευλογημένο Τριώδιο σε όλους!



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Agape Vespers

Sunday, May 5, 2024

11:00 am

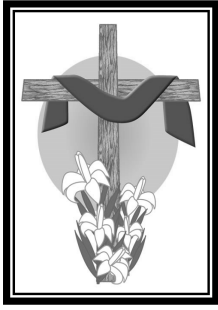
If you would like to volunteer to read the gospel in another language during Agape Vespers please call the church office.

Εσπερινός της Αγάπης

Κυριακή, 5 Μαΐου, 2024

11:00 πμ

Όσοι ενδιαφέρεσθε να διαβάσετε το Ευαγγέλιο σε ξένη γλώσσα τον Εσπερινό της Αγάπης, σας παρακαλώ να επικοινωνήσετε με το γραφείο της κοινότητας.



Τρισάγιο Μεγάλη Παρασκευή-Trisagion on Holy Friday

Μετά το τέλος της Ιεράς Αποκαθηλώσεως διαβάζονται ονόματα κεκοιμημένων αδελφών μας εις τον Τίμιο Σταυρό καθώς και εις τον Επιτάφιο του Κυρίου μας. Παρακαλούμε όσοι το επιθυμείτε, να προσκομίσετε τα ονόματα, για να μνημονευθούν υπέρ μακαρίας μνήμης και αιωνίου αναπαύσεως στο Τρισάγιο μπροστά στον επιτάφιο την Μεγάλη Παρασκευή.

At the end of the Holy Friday service of the Unnailing from the Cross, names of the deceased are read at the Cross of our Lord and the Epitaphios. You may submit names of your beloved that have fallen asleep to be commemorated during the Trisagion on Holy Friday.

MEMORIALS—ΜΝΗΜΟΣΥΝΑ

Please inform the church office at least one week in advance for memorial services and koliva.

Please note that there is no memorials beginning from the Saturday of Lazarus until the Sunday of Thomas. The first Sunday that Memorials will take place again is May 19th (Sunday of the Myrrhbearing Women)



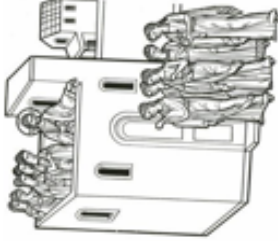





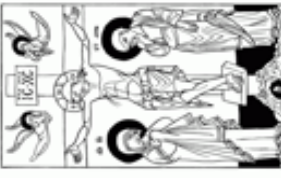
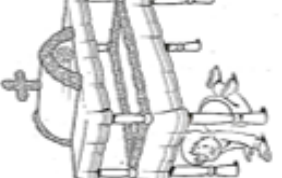

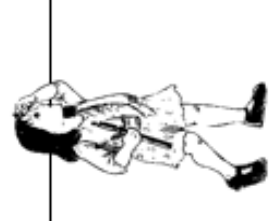


Σας παρακαλούμε να κάνετε έγκαιρα τις παραγγελίες σας για τα κόλλυβα τουλάχιστον μία εβδομάδα νωρίτερα για να μπορούμε να σας εξυπηρετούμε με τον καλύτερο δυνατό τρόπο.

Δεν τελούνται μνημόσυνα από το Σάββατο του Λαζάρου μέχρι την Κυριακή του Θωμά. Μπορείτε να ξανά τελέσεται μνημόσυνα από την Κυριακή των Μυροφόρων 19 Μαΐου.

The Children's Word: "Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

What makes you happy?

Can you think of something that always makes you smile? A friend? A favorite thing you do? A joke? Did you know God wants us to be joyful, to be happy? Today is Palm Sunday, a day full of joy and happiness. When we hear the Gospel reading, we hear how the people were so joyful when they saw Jesus coming into Jerusalem. They shouted and waved branches. They were so happy that their King, Jesus, was coming to the royal city! In today's epistle reading, we hear words that tell us, "Rejoice in the Lord always. Again, I will say, Rejoice...The Lord is near." God wants us to rejoice today...and every day! When we think about how God is with us, we have a reason to rejoice, to be full of happiness. When we think about what God has done for us, we have a reason to rejoice, to be full of happiness. Palm Sunday is a beautiful day, and we can celebrate how God is the real King! But can you try to keep those special words in your heart all the time (not just today)? "Rejoice in the Lord always!" Be full of joy because God is with us!

HOLY MONDAY		Today, the Church remembers Joseph, from the Old Testament who was so beloved by his father that his own brothers betrayed him out of jealousy. But he was led forth again with great glory and was honored as a king. He became lord over all Egypt and a provider of wheat for all the people. His life symbolizes the betrayal, Passion, death, and glorification of our Lord Jesus Christ.	
HOLY TUESDAY		Today remember the parable of the 10 virgins, which Jesus told as He was coming close to His Passion. This story teaches us that we should not be careless in our lives, but should know Him, and be prepared for the end at every moment, like the wise virgins, so that we may meet our Bridegroom, lest He come suddenly and the doors of heaven be shut to us.	
HOLY WEDNESDAY		Today, the Church services retell the act of the woman who anointed Jesus' head and feet with very precious myrrh, and wiped them with her hair to prepare Him for burial. We also remember the betrayal of Judas who was greedy for the cost of the myrrh and sold Jesus for 30 pieces of silver. This is why we fast on Wednesdays.	
HOLY THURSDAY		Today, Christ blessed the bread and the wine, and gave us the Mystery of Holy Communion. He washed the feet of the disciples as an example of humility. After, Christ went to the Mount of Olives, in anguish to pray alone and was arrested by soldiers, spit upon, mocked and judged to death on the Cross. The disciples all scattered, and Peter denied Him three times.	
HOLY FRIDAY		Jesus, wearing a crown of thorns carried His cross to Golgotha, where at the third hour, He was crucified with two thieves. One cried out, "Remember me, O Lord, when Thou comes in Thy Kingdom." Christ was pierced in the side and water and blood poured forth. A great earthquake shook and darkness covered the Earth. He was laid in tomb.	
HOLY SATURDAY		Although the Jews had the tomb sealed, early in the morning, the women bearing spices went to anoint Christ. They found the tomb empty and an Angel cried out "He is not here. He is Risen! Go proclaim it to the disciples!" In His death He destroys the gates and bars of Hades, and made His light to shine where only darkness reigned!	
PASCHA		After Christ passed all of Saturday in the grave; He arose "while it was yet dark, very early in the morning" on Sunday, the third day, according to the Hebrew calculation, began after sunset on Saturday. We begin to celebrate at midnight that "Christ is Risen!" Every Sunday during the year is celebrated as the day of Resurrection For Orthodox Christians!	

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