Staying Safe at Home

By Father George Wilson

At the small entrance of the Divine Liturgy, we hear the Entrance Hymn as the Gospel is brought before the people and lifted high. The deacon or the priest then chants “Σοφία. Ὀρθόι. Wisdom, let us be attentive!” It is a call to attention. It says that which I am about to say is very important; stop what you are doing and pay attention.

During these days as the world is afflicted with COVID-19 that is caused by the coronavirus, it is indeed a time to stop what we normally do and pay attention. How many of us have been glued to our televisions or computers for the latest breaking news? How often do we glance at our smart phone to check in with social media?

Church services are closed to the public in ways that only occasionally we have experienced in the 2000-plus year history of the Christian Church. Our government officials and hierarchs of the Church insist it is a time to change the normal life with which we are comfortable. Only essential workers are expected to go to their workplace, and others are encouraged to work from home. Please heed these warnings. If you go out to the grocery, pharmacy, or doctor’s office, please practice social distancing, wash your hands, and disinfect the areas around you. The doctors insist that the worst is yet to come, so please be safe and ensure that your family members are safe.

We are offering the Liturgical Services of the Church online through our Facebook page. You do not have to be a Facebook member to view our live stream broadcasts. Our Parish Council has been meeting every Tuesday through Zoom video conferencing to address the changes that we are faced with during this very fluid time. Our Sunday Church School teachers will be meeting on March 27 to determine what kind of distance learning we can offer to the youth of our Cathedral community.

If someone needs assistance, picking up groceries or items from the store, we have had parishioners offer help. Just call the Cathedral office, and we will put them in touch with you.

As Christians, while we are “stuck” at home, I urge you to take advantage of this “family time.” It is the Lenten season when the Church encourages us to be more mindful of our prayer life and to increase our time of prayer as seen through the extra Church services that are offered. We should increase our prayer time at home as well.

Our beloved Metropolitan ALEXIOS said: “In spite of the necessary measures our government officials have asked us all to undertake to protect ourselves and our communities, I must state firmly that even when separated from the physical Sanctuary itself we may always approach the Throne of God through sincere prayer, reading of scripture, and of course by participating in the Divine Services ‘virtually’ in many different communities throughout our nation.”

He went on to encourage us further by saying: “As we continue to honor the health and life of our families and communities, let us remember the words of the Apolytikion of the Sunday of the Holy Cross: ‘Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting our rulers to prevail over adversaries, and protecting Your commonwealth by Your Cross.’ I pray that now and forever, we continue to turn to our Lord and His Precious Cross as we seek His mercy and Grace.”

May these days of Great Lent, through our family time of prayer, be a time of focus on our relationship with God. May we be like Noah who escaped the calamity of the flood through the safety of the ark, and may we escape the calamity of the coronavirus through the safety of our homes!
FROM HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN ALEXIOS

My brothers and sisters in Christ,

“O Lord save your people, and bless your inheritance; be their shepherd, and carry them forever.” Psalm 28:9

I greet you with love in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! I pray that this message finds you all safe and healthy.

In these uncertain times, when news of the Coronavirus can shift from hour to hour, I am mindful of the worry and fear that many of us are feeling. For this reason, I encourage each and every one of us to practice the recommended regulations suggested by the CDC and enacted by our local governments: whether this means simply keeping the recommended six feet apart in distance, limiting our travel to only necessary places, or, in some cities, staying only in our homes.

I recognize that for many of us, staying in our homes represents a new kind of challenge, and so this note is meant to suggest some ways to pass the time, that will be spiritually fruitful.

We should pray. We can begin by praying for our affected brothers and sisters, especially those throughout Europe and here in the United States. We should also pray, of course, for our Lord’s deliverance for ourselves and our loved ones.

We should read Scripture and other Orthodox books to help us become more aware of our inner lives. Our ordinary daily lives often make it easy to avoid, or simply forget, that part of our growth as Christians is to support our faith through the words of the Church and not only through the Sacraments and prayer. Now, with the internet, there are many ways to order various books in Greek and in English that correspond to very simple or very complex understandings of the faith. Consider: The Orthodox Church by His Eminence Kallistos Ware, or books by Saint Porphyrios, Saint Paisios, and Saint Iakovos of Evia for these are contemporary Saints, who knew and understood the struggles we face in our modern world.

Finally, even in our homes we can occupy ourselves by fulfilling our Lord’s Gospel in the simplest way: by calling our brothers and sisters. Such a personal way to show Christian love will especially mean a great deal to those who are alone for loneliness is also a great problem during times such as these. If we are going out for necessary things such as food, be sure to reach out to your neighbors to see if they are in need, all while fulfilling the appropriate social distancing measures.

In spite of all the difficulties and worries that this disease presents for our world, I ask you to keep these things in mind as we seek to live out our Lord’s Gospel in ways that will preserve the health of our communities, while glorifying His name. I remain, Paternally yours with love in the Lord,

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March 1, 2020
Emanuel Spanolios, 40-Days

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Tamara Razzhivina, 1-Year
March 25, 2020
Ioannis Tsatsoulis, 5-Years
Dear Parishioners,

I wanted to take a moment to discuss the COVID-19 crisis, as well as update you on the ways in which we are responding to current and anticipated challenges.

**COVID-19 in Louisiana and the New Orleans Area**
The coronavirus has been spreading throughout the country with New Orleans being one of the areas hardest hit. The first case in Louisiana was reported on March 9, 2020. Approximately two weeks later, as of March 25, there are 1,795 positive cases in the state with several more cases under investigation. We are still far from the peak of this crisis, and many more cases are expected before this is over. There are no clear predictions as to how long it will take for things to get to a manageable level. There are several models attempting to predict the course of events with a range of different results. We are making plans and adjustments that will prepare us for any of these expected outcomes. As we have done from the beginning, the Holy Trinity’s Board of Trustees is following this issue closely and making appropriate adjustments in order to better serve our community during this crisis.

**Church Services**
On March 13, church services were closed to parishioners who instead have been encouraged to follow along online. The services are streaming on Facebook live, but please note that you do not need to have a Facebook account in order to follow along. You can access and view the live streaming services, as well as past services, at the following link: https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityCathedralNOLA/

A schedule of services can be found here: http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?height=600&wkst=1&bgcolor=%23FFFFFF&src=httaskforce%40gmail.com&color=%23A32929

Both of the above links can also be found on the cathedral’s website: http://holytrinitycathedral.org/index.html

We continue to adjust this system in order to improve your remote experience.

**The Greek Festival**
After a video conference meeting of the Board of Trustees and the Greek Festival chairpersons, it was decided that it would not be possible to hold a Greek Festival this year, and the 2020 Greek Festival will be canceled. There are plans in the works to have a fundraising event in the fall, if circumstances permit.

**Our Community**
On March 13, all non-liturgical events and activities at the Hellenic Cultural Center were suspended without exception. We are currently exploring several different modalities that should allow us to continue our educational and cultural ministries, albeit in modified form. Please stay tuned for further developments in this area.

The COVID-19 outbreak presents multiple new challenges for our community. Fortunately, the state of our community is strong, and we are well positioned to weather this crisis. Financially, I expect that we will take significant losses. We will do everything possible to mitigate these losses which, in any scenario, will be manageable. The one thing this community absolutely cannot and will not risk is the safety and health of its parishioners. We will continue to make this our priority and appreciate everyone’s support and understanding. Please feel free to reach out to your Board members, if you have any issues or concerns.

The Greek Orthodox Community of the Holy Trinity in New Orleans has faced several unique challenges in the past. There were the multiple difficulties faced during and after Hurricane Katrina. There was the period, after leaving the North Dorgenois location, when we had no physical church to call home. Although I do not know the details, our community even survived the Spanish flu epidemic in 1918, which saw some 54,000 cases of influenza. Our community has always had a can-do attitude, and this crisis will be no different. Especially at this time in the church calendar, it may be difficult to have to follow these very important Lenten services remotely. This is true. But even this restriction stands as an example of how our community responds to a crisis. We will improvise. We will adapt. We will overcome. We will do whatever is required to secure the health, prosperity, and future of this community.

Sincerely,
Ares M. Christakis, MD
2020 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

At the time of this printing, all services will be closed to the public until further notice.

SATURDAY OF LAZARUS, April 11
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

PALM SUNDAY, April 12
8:45 a.m. Orthros
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom
7:00 p.m. Nymphios (Bridegroom) Service

HOLY MONDAY, April 13
7:00 p.m. Nymphios (Bridegroom) Service

HOLY TUESDAY, April 14
7:00 p.m. Nymphios (Bridegroom) Service

Hymn of Kassiani the Nun

HOLY WEDNESDAY, April 15
3:00 p.m. Sacrament of Holy Unction
7:00 p.m. Nymphios (Bridegroom) Service

HOLY THURSDAY, April 16
6:00 a.m. Vesperal Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great
7:00 p.m. Service of the Holy Passion

The Twelve Gospels

HOLY AND GREAT FRIDAY, April 17
8:30 a.m. Service of the Royal Hours
3:00 p.m. Vespers of the Cross

Taking our Lord down from the Cross

7:00 p.m. Service of the Lamentations and Procession

HOLY SATURDAY, April 18
9:00 a.m. Vesperal Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great
11:30 p.m. Orthros of the Resurrection

SUNDAY OF PASCHA, April 19
12:00 a.m. Service of the Resurrection

Resurrection Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

12:00 p.m. Agape Vespers

2020 ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΩΝ ΜΕΓΑΛΗΣ ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΟΣ

Από τη σημείωση της δημοσίευσης του παρόντος όλες οι λειτουργίες της εκκλησίας θα είναι κλειστές στο κοινό μέχρι νεωτέρας.

ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ ΤΟΥ ΛΑΖΑΡΟΥ, 11η Απριλίου
9:00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΒΑΪΩΝ, 12η Απριλίου
8:45 π.μ. Όρθρος
10:00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία του Αγίου Ιωάννου του Χρυσοστόμου
7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ, 13η Απριλίου
7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΤΡΙΤΗ, 14η Απριλίου
7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου

Το Τροπάριο της Κασσιανής

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΤΕΤΑΡΤΗ, 15η Απριλίου
3:00 μ.μ. Ιερόν Ευχέλαιον
7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία του Νιπτήρα

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΠΕΜΠΤΗ, 16η Απριλίου
6:00 π.μ. Εσπερινή Θεία Λειτουργία του Μεγάλου Βασιλείου
7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία των Αχράντων Παθών

Τα Δώδεκα Ευαγγέλια

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΠΑΡΑΣΚΕΥΗ, 17η Απριλίου
8:30 π.μ. Ακολουθία των Μεγάλων Ορών
3:00 μ.μ. Εσπερινός της Αποκαθηλώσεως

7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία του Επιτάφιου Θρήνου και Περιφορά

ΜΕΓΑ ΣΑΒΒΑΤΩΝ, 18η Απριλίου
9:00 π.μ. Εσπερινή Θεία Λειτουργία του Μεγάλου Βασιλείου
11:30 μ.μ. Όρθρος της Αναστάσεως

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΠΑΣΧΑ, 19η Απριλίου
12:00 π.μ. Ακολουθία της Αναστάσεως

Αναστάσιμη Θεία Λειτουργία του Αγίου Ιωάννου του Χρυσοστόμου

12:00 μ.μ. Εσπερινός της Αγάπης
Fund Development

On February 1, 2020, The New Orleans Advocate-The Times Picayune and the Holy Trinity Archives Committee presented the history panel, *Treme to Constantinople: The Little Greek Church Revisited with New Research from World Archives*, a fundraising event to support the work of the Archives Committee. The presentation was held in the award-winning New Orleans Advocate-Times Picayune Building on St. Charles Avenue in New Orleans. The lecture featured Alexander Billinis and Gregory Kontos, two Greek scholars and researchers on the Greek experience.

Gregory Kontos is seen here, left, discussing his research on *Religio-National Symbiosis in Orthodox New Orleans, 1850s-1920s*. His remarks included data he compiled from Holy Trinity sacramental records found in a 1920s journal and subsequently severely damaged in the Katrina flood waters. As a contract researcher for Holy Trinity, Greg read images of the damaged pages reproduced with spectral imaging technology. His visit was sponsored by the Institute for History, Leiden University, Holland, where he completed his Master of Sociology degree.

Right is Alexander Billinis, who spoke on *New Orleans: A Spoke in the International Greek Mercantile Hub of the 18th Century*. Alex is a lecturer and student at Clemson University, North Carolina, where he pursues his Master’s in History focusing on the Post-Byzantine Greek Diaspora and the emergence of the Greek international mercantile and shipping organizations. Alex is the author of *The Eagle Has Two Faces: Journeys through Byzantine Europe and Hidden Mosaics: An Aegean Tale.*

Thank you very much to the following for their gifts to honor the memory of Anita Georges:
Cornelia and John Koniditsiotis, Helen Malachias, and Jeanette Tsatalios

Thank you to the following for their memorial gifts:
Helen Malachias to honor the memory of Emanuel Spanolios
Barbara Stavis Wolf to honor the memory of Charlie Malachias

May Their Memories Be Eternal.

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Thank you to all the following supporters who made possible *Treme to Constantinople -The Little Greek Church Revisited with New Research from World Archives*

**SPONSORS**—Ron Eldridge, Dathel and John Georges, Richard Maag, Helen Malachias, and Catherine Catsulis Vial

**RECEPTION**—Victoria Catsulis, Elaine Nugent, Gail Psilos, Connie and Alex Tiliakos, Mary Webb, Georgia Zervoudis, and Ginny Zissis

**PROGRAM**—Victoria Catsulis

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**ΚΑΛΟ ΠΑΣΧΑ**

Το Φως της Ανάστασης του Κυρίου να φέρει σε όλους αγάπη, υγεία, δύναμη, προκόπη και οικογενειακή γαλήνη.
The Philoptochos Chapter is functioning well, thanks to the entire Holy Trinity Community. Its members are here to help and, thank God, have letters, cards, telephones, as well as the internet, to keep in touch. Their prayers and concerns are with all, and they trust that better days are coming soon. Even with the current circumstances, below are two projects on which work continues.

- **PHILOPTOCHOS COOKBOOK**—If you have a recipe that you would like to have published in the Philoptochos cookbook, please send it to Maria Anastasiou—ka5uit@yahoo.com
- **SUPPORT A MISSION PRIEST PROJECT**—Consider helping an Orthodox Priest in the mission field. For $600 a priest can be taken care of for a whole year. Philoptochos is sponsoring this meaningful program of the Orthodox Mission Center in St. Augustine, Florida, known as “Support A Mission Priest” or SAMP. Please make your checks payable to Philoptochos and send c/o Holy Trinity Cathedral - 1200 Robert E. Lee Boulevard - New Orleans, LA 70122.

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**Philoptochos “Support a Mission Priest” Project Ends in April**

A priest in the Mission Field can be supported for only $600 a year. Philoptochos asks that you consider participating by sending your check, made payable to Philoptochos, to the Cathedral office. A video was planned to be shown during the coffee fellowship on April 5, but since the “stay in place” is in effect, you can watch this video at your leisure. It will give you an understanding of where your donation is going and who you are helping!

https://youtu.be/V09AbyshWmk

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**Prayer for Protection Against a Pandemic**

Lord Jesus Christ our God, You Who created human beings with utter goodness, the healer of our souls and bodies, heed now the supplication of Your children, and save us from the impeding threat against the world. For this affliction has spread ferociously and the fear of death has surrounded us. Many have suffered and many have passed on to repose, and there is none to save us, except You, O Lord.

We know, Merciful Lord, that all this will cultivate our faith, as we implore you, crying out in utter repentance. Undo, O Lord, the dangerous effects of the virus and heal all people, as a most Gracious Lord. For those, who repose in peace, give rest in Your heavenly abode. Grant peace to the world, so that all people know that You are the Only God, and your faithful are not bound by death but live forever.

For You are our hope and our whole life is in Your benevolent hands, and to You we give glory, as well as to the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

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The Daughters of Penelope wish everyone safety and good health during this difficult time. Please follow the guidelines set by city, state, and national officials. Regular hand washing, sanitizing frequently used surfaces and social distancing are very important for everyone to follow for protection of you and your families from the spread of this global virus.

All Daughters of Penelope events are currently on hold until further notice, but members will keep in contact via phone, mail, text, and email. If you are not on the membership email list and wish to be added, please send your address to hellenic2004@yahoo.com
The Cathedral office received **94** commitments totaling **$65,663**. Of this **$51,638** was paid with an average pledge of **$698.54**. Thank you for your generous support of the 2020 Stewardship Ministry.

**PLEDGES RECEIVED BY MARCH 26, 2020**

Anastasiou, Maria and Kosta  
Andrews, Bethiehelm K.  
Angelico, Robert and Kathy Conklin  
Angelus, Maria and George  
Asprodites, Gal and Nick  
Athas, Nancy  
Bilalis, Michael  
Bouton, Bella and Raymond  
Bozinis, George  
 Catsulis, Victoria  
 Chancy, Jr., Dena and James W.  
 Christakis, Alkaterini and Petros  
 Christakis, Ioann S.  
 Christakis, Loukaia and Michael  
 Christakis, Maria T.  
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 Chronis, Diane and Nicholas  
 Dabbs, Stella  
 Dangueux, Pam  
 Dousssa, Sandra  
 Frezoulis, Angeliki and Konstantinos  
 Fysas, Despina and George  
 Gattuso, Ioana and Roy  
 Georges, Constantine  
 Georges, Dathel and John  
 Hansel, Tonya and Andrew  
 Huner, Maria and Eldon  
 Johnson, Helen Maskas and Ben  
 Konitsiotis, Cornelia and John  
 Konitsiotis, Jeanne and Elias  
 Konitsiotis, Jenny and Harry  
 Kontaxis, Athena  
 Kontoudis, Despina S.  
 Korominas, Lenna and George  
 Koukoubis, Frank  
 Koukoubis, Helen  
 Koukoubis, Mary and John  
 Kouriatis, Evangelia  
 Krinas, Angie  
 Krinas, Connie  
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 Limbert, Mitchell G.  
 Maag, Magdalene Spirros and Richard  
 Madonia, Arlene and Jason  
 Malhies, Konstantina  
 Malachias, Bobby  
 Malachias, Helen  
 Malachias, Vange  
 McCray, Mona and Douglas  
 Michailakis, Bepeta and Kosta  
 Michailakis, Kalliope and Petros  
 Michailakis, Michael  
 Michailakis, Pam and Gus  
 Michailakis, Petroula and Pete  
 Morcos, Ann  
 Moustoukas, Viki and Nick  
 Naquin, Georgia and Lee  
 Nicoladis, Peggy and Frank  
 Nicoulous, Sue and Constantinos  
 Nugent, Elaine Michalos  
 Owen, Adrienne Dabbs and Greg  
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 Pappas, Christina and Nicholas  
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 Pappas, John E.  
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 Pepp, Mary  
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 Stassinis, Maria Zissis and David  
 Stefanias, Jade Lin and Adamandios  
 Stokes, Maria and Brian  
 Tilikos, Connie and Alexander  
 Trombetta, Anastasia  
 Vaida, Mary and Razvan  
 Veltsos, Carla and Dimitri  
 Venturatos, Ann and Steve  
 Venturatos, Stephanie  
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 Webb, Mary and James  
 Whitehead, Martha and Joel  
 Wilson, Rev. George and Pres. Harriet  
 Wolf, Angelle and William  
 Wolf, Barbara Stavis  
 Yazdanov, Michele Moore and Alex  
 Yousif, Suzie  
 Zargani, Aidaterini  
 Zeitmann, Kaler  
 Zeitmann, Kathy and Robert  
 Zografos, Katherine

**NEW, EASY STEWARDSHIP FORMAT ON CATHEDRAL WEBSITE**

The stewardship theme for 2020 is “A Time for Every Purpose Under Heaven.” This reminds us that with belief in Christ and faith in the Lord, we can all find the time and resources to support our Church and further its mission. Giving to the Church is one way to show thanks to God for all that He has provided. Your 2020 pledge is in part a reflection of that thankfulness, and the Stewardship Committee is most grateful to the families and individuals who have submitted their 2020 stewardship commitment.

If you have not made your pledge this year, consider using the new format that was recently installed on the Cathedral website—**www.holytrinitycathedral.org**. It is fast, easy, convenient, and secure. Stewards can select a one-time or recurring payment and use a credit card. Given the current economic climate, you can budget your giving over the year.

Thank you for your cooperation in this endeavor. With your support, our Church can continue to accomplish great things.
SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

AHEPA—All AHEPA events for April are cancelled until further notice. This includes the Icon Raffle. The officers want members to know that the deadline for collecting dues has been extended. Please submit your $65 to the Cathedral office at your earliest convenience.

CANDLE LIGHTING AND VIRTUAL TRAY—Be on the lookout for a new HTC webpage offering candle lighting and a virtual tray. Soon, a community email will announce its arrival.

GREEK FESTIVAL—The annual Greek Festival is cancelled. The Parish Council and Greek Festival Committee are discussing options for hosting a fundraiser sometime in the fall.

GREEK FESTIVAL PASTRY COMMITTEE—With the 2020 Greek Festival cancelled, the Pastry Committee arranged for all ingredients to be secured or returned. It is their sincerest hope that all the wonderful, capable, and loyal workers stay well, rest, and pray. It was a great start of preparation, and the Committee thanks all their devoted assistants. May the Holy Trinity protect and bless the Cathedral family.

ST. STEPHEN’S SUMMER CAMP—The directors of St. Stephen’s Summer Camp decided to POSTPONE Camper Registration. They are working with CampDoc to set up a new registration date for after Pascha.

VCS – PARABLES OF OUR LORD—The 2020 Vacation Church School program is cancelled. Father George will evaluate the situation and decide in the upcoming weeks whether VCS will be rescheduled later this summer.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR ALL PARISHIONERS

Pertinent information is frequently emailed to the community. If you are not on the HTC family email list and wish to be included, please contact the Cathedral office at 504-282-0259 and give Vickie the information.
### APRIL 2020

| **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1** | 5:30 pm | Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts |
| **FRIDAY, APRIL 3**   | 7:00 pm | Akathist Hymn                      |
| **SUNDAY, APRIL 5**  | 8:45 am | Orthros                           |
|                      | 10:00 am | Divine Liturgy—SUNDAY OF SAINT MARY OF EGYPT |
| **MONDAY, APRIL 6**  | 6:00 pm | Great Compline                    |
| **TUESDAY, APRIL 7** | 6:00 pm | Parish Council Meeting via Teleconference |
| **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8** | 5:30 pm | Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts |
| **SATURDAY, APRIL 11** | 9:00 am | Divine Liturgy—LAZARUS SATURDAY |
| **SUNDAY, APRIL 12** | 8:45 am | Orthros                           |
|                      | 10:00 am | Divine Liturgy—PALM SUNDAY        |
|                      | 7:00 pm | Nymphios (*Bridegroom*) Service   |
| **HOLY MONDAY, APRIL 13** | 7:00 pm | Nymphios (*Bridegroom*) Service   |
| **HOLY TUESDAY, APRIL 14** | 7:00 pm | Nymphios (*Bridegroom*) Service—*Hymn of Kassiani the Nun* |
| **HOLY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15** | 3:00 pm | Sacrament of Holy Unction         |
|                      | 7:00 pm | Nymphios (*Bridegroom*) Service   |
| **HOLY THURSDAY, APRIL 16** | 6:00 am | Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great |
|                      | 7:00 pm | Service of the Holy Passion—*The Twelve Gospels and Procession with the Cross* |
| **HOLY FRIDAY, APRIL 17** | 8:30 am | Service of the Royal Hours        |
|                      | 3:00 pm | Vespers of the Cross (*Taking our Lord down from the Cross*) |
|                      | 7:00 pm | Service of the Lamentations and Procession |
| **HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 18** | 9:00 am | Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great—FIRST RESURRECTION |
|                      | 11:30 pm | Orthros of the Resurrection      |
| **SUNDAY, APRIL 19** | 12:00 am | Service of the Resurrection       |
|                      | 12:30 am | Resurrection Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom |
|                      | 12:00 pm | Agape Vespers                     |

**BRIGHT WEEK—NO FASTING**

| **THURSDAY, APRIL 23** | 9:00 am | Divine Liturgy—SAINT GEORGE THE GREAT MARTYR |
| **FRIDAY, APRIL 24**  | 9:00 am | Divine Liturgy—THEOTOKOS OF THE LIFE-GIVING FONT |
| **SUNDAY, APRIL 26**  | 8:45 am | Orthros                           |
|                      | 10:00 am | Divine Liturgy—THOMAS SUNDAY      |