



St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church

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**Sunday, April 9, 2017 – Feast of Palm Sunday
Entrance of our Lord Jesus Christ into Jerusalem**

THE FIRST ANTIPHON

I am filled with joy, for the Lord will hear the voice of my supplication. The anguish of death encompassed me; the perils of hell beset me.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

I found tribulation and anguish, and I called upon the Name of the Lord. I will walk acceptably before the Lord in the land of the living. (Refrain)

Glory... Both now... (Refrain)

THE SECOND ANTIPHON

I believed, and therefore have I spoken: but I was deeply humiliated. What shall I render unto the Lord, for all His benefits unto me?

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who didst sit upon the foal of a donkey, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

I will take the cup of Salvation, and call upon the Name of the Lord. (Refrain)

I will pay my vows unto the Lord in the presence of all His people. (Refrain)

Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

THE THIRD ANTIPHON

O, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good: for His mercy endureth forever. Let the house of Israel now say that He is good: for His mercy endureth forever. Let the house of Aaron now say that He is good: for His mercy endureth forever. Let all that fear the Lord now say that He is good: for His mercy endureth forever.

• During the Little Entrance, after the verses of the Third Antiphon, chant the Apolytikion of Lazarus Saturday. Then, the following:

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF PALM SUNDAY

Blessed is He Who cometh in the Name of the Lord: God is the Lord and hath appeared unto us. Save us, O Son of God, Who didst sit upon the foal of a donkey; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

• After the Little Entrance (Eisodos), sing these Apolytikia in the following order.

APOLYTIKION OF LAZARUS SATURDAY IN TONE ONE

O Christ God, when Thou didst raise Lazarus from the dead, before Thy Passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection. Wherefore, we, like children, carry the insignia of triumph and victory, and cry to Thee, O Vanquisher of death: Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He Who cometh in the Name of the Lord.

APOLYTIKION OF PALM SUNDAY IN TONE FOUR

O Christ God, when we were buried with Thee in Baptism, we became deserving of Thy Resurrection to immortal life. Wherefore, we praise Thee, crying: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

· **Do NOT sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.**

KONTAKION OF PALM SUNDAY IN TONE SIX

Upborne upon the heavenly throne, and seated upon the earthly foal, O Christ our God, receive the praises of angels and the hymns of men, exclaiming before Thee: Blessed is He that cometh to restore Adam.

THE EPISTLE

Blessed is He Who cometh in the Name of the Lord.

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul 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, these do; and the God of peace will be with you.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (12:1-18)

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus who had died was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper; Martha served, and Lazarus 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, Simon's son, one of His Disciples (he who was to betray Jesus), said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not because he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the moneybox 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 Lazarus, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus 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 cometh in the Name of the Lord, 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 Jesus when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet Jesus was that they heard He had done this sign.

MEGALYNARION FOR PALM SUNDAY IN TONE FOUR

God the Lord hath appeared unto us; let us celebrate the Feast, and let us rejoice and magnify Christ. With palms and branches let us raise our voices unto Him with praise, saying: Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord, our Savior.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 9th – 9:30 AM – DIVINE LITURGY – PALM SUNDAY

7:00 PM – Bridegroom Matins

Monday, April 10th – 9:00 AM – Presanctified Liturgy

7:00 PM – Bridegroom Matins

Tuesday, April 11th – 9:00 AM – Presanctified Liturgy

7:00 PM – Bridegroom Matins

Wednesday, April 12th – 9:00 AM – Presanctified Liturgy

7:00 PM – Holy Unction

Thursday, April 13th – 9:00 AM – DIVINE LITURGY of the Last Supper

7:00 PM – 12 Passion Gospels

Friday, April 14th – 10:00 AM – Royal Hours followed by decorating the Tomb

4:00 PM – Vespers

7:00 PM – Lamentations at the Tomb

Saturday, April 15th – 10:30 AM – DIVINE LITURGY

10:00 PM – PASCAL RUSH and LITRUGY followed by Fellowship.

Sunday, April 16th – CHRIST IS RISEN! 12:00 PM – Agape Vespers

PRAYER LIST - Please contact Pres. Kristina Abernathy via email at Kristina.nicole@me.com or via text or call at 724.493.7213 to add living or departed names to the prayer list.

LIVING– Patriarch John, Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Elias, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Archpriest Patrick, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Joseph, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Hiromonk Michael, The Sisterhood of St. Nina Monastery, The Sisterhood of Pandanassa Monastery, Gregory, Justin, Christopher, Joseph, Rodger, Sister Janice, John, Aksana, Nicholas, The Painter Family, The Boozer Family, The Wells Family, The Horne Family, The Focus Family, Brandon, Isabella, Ashley, Carmen, Timothy, Marcella, Cassie, Cami, George, Eva, The Elderkin Family, Decoda, Ainsley, Destiny, Zachary, Billy, Michael

DEPARTED – Archpriest John, Kh. Joanne, Monica, Andre, Joey

CONFESSIONS and HOUSE BLESSINGS By Appointment - Please contact Rev. Paul Abernathy via calling at 412.254.6281 to schedule confession or a meeting.

BIRTHDAYS – Brandon Bailey (April 9th)

DONATIONS

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