



## St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church

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*A Parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America*

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**April 9, 2023**

### **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 an ass, 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.*

**APOLYTIKION OF LAZARUS SATURDAY IN TONE ONE** - *In confirming the common Resurrection, O Christ God, Thou didst raise up Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion. Wherefore, we also, like the children, bearing the symbols of victory, cry to Thee, the Vanquisher of death: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.*

**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 an ass; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.*

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**APOLYTIKION OF PALM SUNDAY IN TONE FOUR** - *As by baptism we were buried with Thee, O Christ our God, so by Thy Resurrection we were deemed worthy of immortal life; and praising Thee, we cry: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.*

**KONTAKION OF PALM SUNDAY IN TONE SIX** - *Being borne upon a throne in Heaven, and upon a colt on the earth, O Christ God, Thou didst accept the praise of the angels and the laudation of the children as they cried to Thee: Blessed art Thou Who comest to recall 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 your forbearance be known to all people. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your petitions be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are honorable, 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 any praise, think about these things. The things which you both learned and received, and heard and saw in me, these things 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 ass and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on an ass'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 is the Lord and hath appeared unto us; ordain a feast, and rejoicing, come let us magnify Christ with palms and branches, crying out with hymns: Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord, our Savior.*

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## UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 9, 2023 - 7:00 PM - Bridegroom Matins  
Monday, April 10, 2023 - 7:30 AM - Presanctified Divine Liturgy  
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Tuesday, April 11, 2023 - 7:30 AM - Presanctified Divine Liturgy  
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Wednesday, April 12, 2023 - 7:30 AM - Presanctified Divine Liturgy  
Wednesday, April 12, 2023 - 7:00 PM - Holy Unction  
Thursday, April 13, 2023 - 9:00 AM - Divine Liturgy for the Last Supper  
Thursday, April 13, 2023 - 7:00 PM - 12 Passion Gospels  
Friday, April 14, 2023 - 10:00 AM - Royal Hours  
Friday, April 14, 2023 - 4:00 PM - Vespers  
Friday, April 14, 2023 - 7:00 PM - Lamentations  
Saturday, April 15, 2023 - 9:30 AM - Holy Saturday Divine Liturgy with Chrismations  
Saturday, April 15, 2023 - 10:00 PM - Paschal Rush Service with the Blessing of the Baskets  
Sunday, April 16, 2023 - 12:00 PM - Agape Vespers followed by Fellowship Paschal Meal

Tuesday, April 18, 2023 - No Liturgy  
Wednesday, April 19, 2023 - 6:00 PM - Weekday Vespers  
Saturday, April 22, 2023 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers  
Sunday, April 23, 2023 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

**\*\*Save the Date - Parish Life Conference at the Antiochian Village Hosted by our Parish - June 28 - July 2, 2023**

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**PRAYER LIST** - Please contact Pres. Kristina Abernathy via email at [Kristina.nicole@me.com](mailto:Kristina.nicole@me.com) or via text to add living or departed names to the prayer list.

**LIVING** – Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Metropolitan Onufriy and the People of Ukraine, The People of Tigray, Eritrea and Ethiopia, The people of Syria, Palestine, Lebanon, and Iraq, Archbishop Melchizedek, Archpriest Moses, Matuska Magdalena, Archpriest Jerome and Family, The Fellowship of the Holy Archangel Michael Monastery, Hieromonk Alexi, Priest John, Deacon John, Shimashee Brenda, Deacon Abraham, Shimashee Laurie, The Sisterhood of the Transfiguration Monastery, The Seminarian Luke, The Seminarian Micah and Family, The Seminarian Kevin, The Seminarian Elias and Olivia, The Seminarian Alexandros, Rachel and Christina, Anthony, Caroline, Melania, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, Brandon, Isabella, Marcella, Ashley and Family, Moses, Samuel, Samuel, Andrea, Hanni, Maya and Family, Brooklyn, Arbutus, Sonya, Ben and Trinity, The staff, board, volunteers and donors of the Neighborhood Resilience Project, Marcia, The Weaver Family, Rhonda, Daniel, Samira, Nisora, Andrea, Chuck, Jane, Photini, Chrissie, Pat & Dave, Eliza, Ella, Anastasia, Paige, Noah, Evan, The students of the Pitt/CMU/Duquesne/Waynesburg OCF, Alexandra, Alexis, Juliana, Judah, Mark, Sophie, Abbie, Katie, Brandon, Amy, John and Family, John, Oxanna, Yeshi, Paulos, Solomon, Dawit, Eyobel, Regat, Surafael, Azaiel, Vladimir, Nikki, Henry, Aujhanay, Scott, Fred, Harry, Yohanna and Elizabeth, Chris, John and Antionio

**DEPARTED** - Newly Departed Jim

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**CONFESSIONS** - Please contact Rev. Paul Abernathy by calling at 412.227.9746 or Pres. Kristina to schedule.

**HOUSE BLESSINGS** - Please see Pres. Kristina if you still need to be scheduled for your house blessing.

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**DONATIONS** - Please make your offerings as follows:

1. Checks made payable to St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church. Donations can be placed in the donation box in the front of the church.
2. Donations can be made online on PayPal at - [https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted\\_button\\_id=H6PGMWDTQABFQ](https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=H6PGMWDTQABFQ) or by following the QR code.



*\*\*Starting in 2023 - donations will be acknowledged by a year end contribution statement in early 2024. If you need something different, please email Pres. Kristina at [kristina.nicole@me.com](mailto:kristina.nicole@me.com).*

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**SACRED SPACE MINISTRY** - Thank you to everyone who helped clean and prepare the church for Pascha.

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**PASCHA**

1. Please save and provide your onion skins to Halti Janet for her use to dye red eggs for Pascha. Needed by Holy Tuesday.
  2. The sign up for Pascha Pot Luck will be in the back. Please sign up to bring what you can.
  3. The OVC Cohort is leading an all night vigil on Friday evening. You can contact anyone in the cohort for more details. An announcement will be made after church.
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