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Liturgical Schedule

Divine Liturgy
Sunday: 8:30 am
Holyday: 9:00 am

Confessions

One half hour before
the divine liturgy or
by appointment

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The Divine Liturgy intention is for the he parish family

If you would like to schedule a Litrgy please talk to Father Vasyl or use the sign up sheet in the vestibule.

Jesus Christ son of the living God have mercy on me a sinner.

A Christian is one who imitates Christ in thought, word, and deed, as far as is possible for human beings.

Follow Christ without anxiety or hesitation, always looking heavenward and expecting help from there.

I do not know whether we must all teach others: but teach yourselves at all costs.

Do not be surprised that you fall every day; do not give up, but stand your ground courageously.

If anyone could see their own vices accurately without the veil of self-love, they would worry about nothing else in this life.

If the Holy Spirit is peace of soul, then nothing so prevents the presence of the Spirit in us as anger

When we had our last fundraising event, we had issues with the gas stove, making it unsafe to use. We need to purchase a new stove to continue having fundraisers to make money for our church.

There are envelopes in the back of the church for donations to purchase the stove.



Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast
(Saint Mary of Egypt)

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Menologion

Cyril and Methodius were brothers, Byzantine Christian theologians and missionaries. For their work evangelizing the Slavs, they are known as the "Apostles to the Slavs". They are credited with devising the Glagolitic alphabet, the first alphabet used to transcribe Old Church Slavonic. After their deaths, their pupils continued their missionary work among other Slavs.

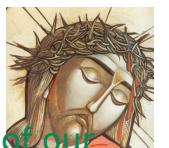
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Fasts & Feasts

April

- 5 Akathistos Saturday (No Liturgy)
- 6 Fifth Sunday of the Great Fast (St Mary of Egypt)
- 12 Lazarus Saturday (No Liturgy)
- 13 Palm (Flowery) Sunday
Blessing of Psalms
- 14-19 Great and Holy Week
- 17 Great and Holy Thursday
- 18 Great and Holy Friday
- 19 Great and Holy Saturday
- 20 **PASCHA: The Resurrection of our Lord, God and Savior, Jesus Christ**
- 21 **Bright Monday**
- 22 **Bright Tuesday**
- 27 **Thomas Sunday**



May

- 4 **Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women**
- 11 **Sunday of the Paralytic**
- 18 **Sunday of the Samaritan Woman**
- 25 **Sunday of the Man Born Blind**
- 29 **The Ascension of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ**

She began her life as a young woman who followed the passions of the body, running away from her parents at age twelve for Alexandria. There she lived as a harlot for seventeen years, refusing money from the men that she copulated with, instead living by begging and spinning flax.

One day, however, she met a group of young men heading toward the sea to sail to Jerusalem for the veneration of the Holy Cross. Mary went along for the ride, seducing the men as they traveled for the fun of it. But when the group reached Jerusalem and actually went towards the church, Mary was prohibited from entering by an unseen force. After three such attempts, she remained outside on the church patio, where she looked up and saw an icon of the Theotokos. She began to weep and prayed with all her might that the Theotokos might allow her to see the True Cross; afterwards, she promised, she would renounce her worldly desires and go wherever the Theotokos may lead her.

After this heart-felt conversion at the doors of the church, she fled into the desert to live as an ascetic. She survived for years on only three loaves of bread and thereafter on scarce herbs of the land. For another seventeen years, Mary was tormented by "wild beasts—mad desires and passions." After these years of temptation, however, she overcame the passions and was led by the Theotokos in all things.

Following 47 years in solitude, she met the priest St. Zosima in the desert, who pleaded with her to tell him of her life. She recounted her story with great humility while also demonstrating her gift of clairvoyance; she knew who Zosima was and his life story despite never having met him before. Finally, she asked Zosima to meet her again the following year at sunset on Holy Thursday by the banks of the Jordan.

Zosima did exactly this, though he began to doubt his experience as the sun began to set that night. Then Mary appeared on the opposite side of the Jordan; crossing herself, she miraculously walked across the water and met Zosima. When he attempted to bow, she rebuked him, saying that as a priest he was far superior, and furthermore, he was holding the Holy Mysteries. Mary then received communion and walked back across the Jordan after giving Zosima instructions about his monastery and that he should return to where they first met exactly a year later. When he did so, he found Mary's body with a message written on the sand asking him for burial and revealing that she had died immediately after receiving the Holy Mysteries the year before (and thus had been miraculously transported to the spot where she now lay). So Zosima, amazed, began to dig, but soon tired; then a lion approached and began to help him, that is, after Zosima had recovered from his fear of the creature. Thus St. Mary of Egypt was buried. Zosima returned to the monastery, told all he had seen, and improved the faults of the monks and abbot there. He died at almost a hundred years old in the same monastery.

Most blessed Theotokos and ever Virgin Mary
and Holy Father Nicholas Archbishop Myra
intercede in our behalf, that the Lord God
might be merciful to us.

Travel with me as I travel through life.
Assist me on my journey. Make straight my
path.

Be with me at the time of my death.

Escort me from his life into the next

14-19 **Great and Holy Week**

- 16 Great and Holy Wednesday Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts **3 pm**
- 17 Great and Holy Thursday (Saint Stephen's) **6:30 pm**
- 18 Great and Holy Friday **4 pm**
- 19 Great and Holy Saturday **4 pm**
(Blessing of Baskets)
- 20 Pascha – Feast of the Resurrection of Christ (Easter Sunday) **8:30 am**

Year	Catholic / Protestant Easter	Greek Easter
2021	4 April	2 May
2022	17 April	24 April
2023	9 April	16 April
2024	31 March	5 May
2025	20 April	20 April
2026	5 April	12 April
2027	28 March	2 May
2028	16 April	16 April
2029	1 April	8 April
2030	21 April	28 April

Over a 500-year period (from 1600 to 2099 AD), Easter will most often be celebrated on either March 31 or April 16.

According to long-term averages, the most unusual Easter date is March 22. The second place goes to April 24, and the third place goes to March 23.