Parish Announcements - Sunday, April 2, 2023

Announcement requests may be sent via email to saintnicholasar@gmail.com

Schedule of Liturgical Services & Activities		
TODAY – Sunday, April 2 (5 th Sunday of Great Lent – St. Mary of Egypt)	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship	
Monday, April 3	6:00p Great Compline 7:00p Parish Council Mtg	
Wednesday, April 5	6:00p Presanctified Liturgy & Lenten Potluck Meal (Hosted at St. John Church - 1740 9th St in Rogers)	
Friday, April 7	6:00p Little Compline w/ the Canon of the Raising of Lazarus	
Saturday, April 8 (LAZARUS SATURDAY)	10:00a Festal Liturgy	
	5:00p Great Vespers	
Sunday, April 9 (PALM SUNDAY)	9:00a Festal Orthros 10:00a Festal Liturgy & Procession followed by Parish Festal Potluck 1:00p Bridegroom Orthros	

<u>Hierarchal Visit of Bishop NICHOLAS</u>
We had a wonderful visit with His Grace, Bishop NICHOLAS. Many thanks to all who joined us for service and fellowship, and especially those who provided our Lenten Meal.

Parish Council Meeting - Monday, April 3

We will have our monthly Parish Council Meeting at 7:00p following Great Compline at 6:00p. We look forward to our fruitful leadership meeting.

FINAL NOTICE - Paschal Community Greeting Card

As a parish fundraiser, we will be mailing out a Paschal Community Greeting Card to our mailing list which includes the names of those who would like to be listed and contribute \$25 (per family or entry). Please contact Kristin Potoski (kpink007@live.com or 214-843-2114) to be included.

<u>Community Garden - Spring UPDATE</u>
All are welcome to join, and this isn't just for people who want to get their hands in the dirt, but also for those who are just curious as to what we do. To learn more and get involved, please contact Ciera Nelson (409-256-5685) or join the Garden GroupMe chat. Save the Date - Spring Garden Sale will be on Sunday, May 14 (Mother's Day)!

<u>Agape Vespers & Gospel Reading in Various Languages - Sunday, April 16</u>
Laity participate in the Gospel Reading in various languages at Agape Vespers, which will be held at 1:00p on Sunday, April 16. If you would like to read in a native (or studied) language, please email Fr. Paul (frpaul.fuller@gmail.com) first come, first chosen!

Mediterranean Meal for OLLI Group at St. Nicholas - Thursday, April 20
We will be hosting a class on the Orthodox Church for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (OLLI) on Thursday, April 20 at 10:00a and providing a Mediterranean Meal. If able to help provide and serve this meal for our guests (approx. 20), please contact Fr. Paul.

Bookstore UPDATE

Don't forget about the parish bookstore! Even though we've relocated of our fellowship area, make sure you visit the bookstore.

Currently featuring a series of beautiful icons for Holy Week and Pascha including three of the Resurrection. In addition, we have Beautiful Pascha (a coloring book for children) as well as the book The Miracle of the Red Egg. Come check them out!

Church Etiquette Reminder of the Month Guidelines for the Paschal Season

There are some special etiquettes to observe during the great season of Resurrectional JOY regarding fasting and our prayer life, both corporate and private. Use the QR code below and read over this short article of explanation for some helpful reminders!



Holy Oblation & Fellowship Hosting

Please consider which Sunday your household will offer the Holy Oblation (holy bread) and host Fellowship (Coffee) Hour. Please see Kate Salem (ksalem2@cox.net) to sign up and learn more.

Sign-up NOW for Sundays in 2023! This will be an annual request of our parish family!

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2023	Names of Host	Commemoration
April 2 (Fast)	Baclig Family	Antiochian Men's Month
April 9 (Fast)	Parish Festal Potluck	PALM SUNDAY
April 15 (Evening)	Parish Festal Potluck	PASCHA
April 23	Nancy Brown	
April 30	Todd & Terry Keesee	Todd's Birthday
May 7	IN NEED OF HOST	
May 14	IN NEED OF HOST	Mother's Day
May 21	Cory & Rebecca Troy	Graduation & Church School Recognition Day Rebecca's Birthday
May 28	Mark & Denise King Vera Belic	
June 4	Parish Festal Potluck	PENTECOST
June 11	Philip & Ciera Nelson	
June 18 (Fast)		Father's Day
June 25 (Fast)		

Liturgical Schedule for Holy Week, Pascha, & Bright Week

Friday, April 7 – 6:00p Little Compline w/ the Canon of the Raising of Lazarus Saturday, April 8 – 10:00a Festal Liturgy; 5:00p Great Vespers

Sunday, April 9 (*Palm Sunday*) – 9:00a Festal Orthros 10:00a Festal Liturgy & Parish Festal Potluck (*still Lenten with allowance for fish, oil, & wine*); 1:00p Bridegroom Orthros

Monday, April 10 – 6:00p Bridegroom Orthros Tuesday, April 11 – 6:00p Bridegroom Orthros Wednesday, April 12 – 6:00p Sacrament of Holy Unction

Thursday, April 13 – 10:00a Vesperal Liturgy (*Mystical Supper*); 6:00p Reading of the 12 Passion Gospels Friday, April 14 – 10:00a Royal Hours; 6:00p Un-Nailing Vespers 7:00p Lamentations Service

Saturday, April 15 – 10:00a Vesperal Liturgy (Descent into Hades); 10:00p Paschal Orthros, Liturgy, & Parish Festal Potluck (breaking the fast together)

Sunday, April 16 – 1:00p Agape Vespers & Parish Festal Potluck

Tuesday, April 18 – 6:00p Paschal Vespers Thursday, April 20 – 6:00p Paschal Vespers