

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT

Proper Preface and Sanctus. Pg. 26 (Music Pg. 54)

Canon of the Mass (*Kneel*). Pg. 27 - 28

Preparatory Prayers and Communion. Pg. 30 - 31

Communion hymn: (75) O sacred Head sore wounded

Communion. *St. Matt. xxvi.* O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it: thy will be done.

Thanksgiving, Dismissal, and Blessing. Pg. 31 - 32

The Last Gospel. Pg. 32

Final Hymn: (70) Go to dark Gethsemane

Holy Week Schedule:

Spy Wednesday (May 1)

7 PM - Tenebrae (Wednesday in Holy Week is the day that Judas agreed to betray Jesus to the Pharisees for thirty pieces of silver. The Tenebrae service—which is actually the Matins and Lauds offices of Maundy Thursday—is one of growing shadows, as candles are extinguished one by one following Psalms, Lessons, and readings from the Church fathers)

Maundy Thursday (May 2)

7 PM - Mass of the Lord's Supper (*This Mass commemorates the institution of the Eucharist by the Lord in the upper room with his disciples*)

8 PM - Gethsemane Vigil (*After Mass the Sacrament is processed to the altar of repose, and the high Altar is stripped of its vestments. We stay and 'watch' with Jesus as his disciples failed to do in the Gethsemane garden*)

Good Friday (May 3)

6 PM - Stations of the Cross (*This devotion follows Jesus on the march to Golgotha, his crucifixion, and then burial*)

7 PM - Pre-Sanctified Mass (*This special liturgy is full of solemn Collects and intercessions, the veneration of the Holy Cross, and communion from the Eucharist consecrated the day before on Maundy Thursday*)

Holy Saturday (May 4)

9 PM - Pascha Vigil (*Blessing of the new fire and Paschal candle, the 12 Prophecies, blessing the font, Baptism, the Litany, the Vigil Mass, and communion Vespers*)



And the multitudes that went before, and that followed, cried saying, Hosanna to the Son of David: Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord

Palm Sunday

April 27, 2024

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For Our Visitors

Welcome! We're so happy that you're with us today. It would be our honor to get to know you and to answer any questions you may have about our church or today's liturgy.

A NOTE ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION: In the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Communion is given only to baptized, chrismated Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting, and confession. We do invite all non-Orthodox visitors to come forward to receive a blessing and some of the *panis benedictus* (blessed bread).

MORNING PRAYER

(Yellow "English Office" Spiral Bound Book)

Invitatory Antiphon. It shall not be lost labor that ye haste to rise up early; for the Lord hath promised a crown to them that watch:

* **O come, let us worship.**

Venite. Pg. Pg. 2 (Psalm 95 ending, no Gloria Patri)

Psalms: Pgs. 197 - 201, Psalm 132 - 135 (28th Day at Morning Prayer)

First Reading. Zechariah 9:9 - 16

Benedictus es, Domine. Pg. 7

Second Reading. St. Mark 11:1 - 11

Responsory:

☩. *Deliver me from mine enemies, O God.*

℞. **Defend me from them that rise up against me.**

Benedictus Antiphon. *Much people which were come together on the feast-day, cried out and said, * Blessed is he that in the Name of the Lord cometh: Hosanna in the highest.*

Benedictus Dominus. Pg. 15

Our Father and Suffrages. Pgs. 10-12

Concluding Collects and Responses. Pgs. 12-14

The Asperges

The Asperges in the Saint Alban Service Book - Pg. 3

THE HOLY MASS

MUSIC: Pg. 51 (Advent and Lent)

Entrance Hymn: (64) Ride on, ride on in majesty (1st tune)

Introit. Ps. xxi. (*Domine, ne longe*) O Lord, remove not thy succor afar from me, have respect unto my defense, and hear me: deliver me from the mouth of the lion: yea from the horns of the unicorns hast thou regarded my cry. **Ps. ibid.** My God, my God, look upon me, why hast thou forsaken me: and art so far from my health, and from the words of my complaint?

Kyrie. Pg. 20 (Music Pg. 51)

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God, who, of thy tender love towards mankind, hast sent thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ, to take upon him our flesh, and to suffer death upon the cross, that all mankind should follow the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant, that we may both follow the example of his patience, and also be made partakers of his resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord., who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Epistle (Be seated): Philippians 2:5-11

Gradual. Ps. lxxiii. Thou hast holden me by my right hand: thou shalt guide me with thy counsel: and after that receive me with glory. Truly God is loving unto Israel, even unto such as are of a clean heart: nevertheless my feet were almost gone, my readings had well-nigh slipped. And why? I was grieved at the wicked: I do also see the ungodly in such prosperity.

Tract (Stand). Ps. xxii. My God, my God, look upon me...

Gospel: St. Matthew 27 — **Homily. (Be seated)**

Creed. Pg. 22 (Music Pg. 51)

Offertory. Ps. lxix. Thy rebuke hath broken my heart, I am full of heaviness: I looked for some to have pity on me, but there was no man. Neither found I any to comfort me: they gave me gall to eat and when I was thirsty they gave me vinegar to drink.

Offertory hymn: (190) Let thy Blood in mercy poured

Intercessions. Pg. 24

At the Procession:

Antiphons are sung. Then the hymn *Gloria, laus, et honor*:

*All glory, laud, and honor To thee, Redeemer King
To whom the lips of children Made sweet hosannas ring.*

Thou art the King of Israel And David's royal Son
Now in the LORD'S Name coming The King and Blesséd One
Refrain

The company of angels is praising thee on high;
and we with all creation in chorus make reply.
Refrain

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.
Refrain

To thee before thy Passion they sang their hymns of praise;
to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.
Refrain

As thou received their praises, accept the prayers we bring,
for thou delight in goodness, O good and gracious King!
Refrain

At the Door:

The subdeacon knocks on the door of the church with the Cross, evoking verses 19-20 from Ps. 118, from which "Hosanna" and "Blessed is he..." also come (¹⁹ *Open to me the gates of righteousness that I may go into them, and give thanks unto the LORD.* ²⁰ *This is the gate of the LORD, the righteous shall enter into it*).

Then this final antiphon is sung:

As the Lord was entering into the holy city, the children of the Hebrews foretold the resurrection of life. With branches of palm trees, they cried out, Hosanna in the highest. V. When the people heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they went forth to meet him. With branches...

The Mass follows. Palms are held during the singing of the Passion Gospel.

THE LITURGY OF PALMS

Before the Mass on Palm Sunday is the blessing of Palms and the procession with the same, liturgically and sacramentally letting us participate in the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem (Zechariah 9:9-13; Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-11; Luke 19:28-40; John 12:12-19) accompanied by the people shouting "Hosanna!" (transliteration of the Hebrew *Hosia-na*, meaning *Save, we pray* or *Save now*, which became an exclamation of praise) and "Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the LORD!", both from Ps. 118:25-26. The blessing of the Palms is such a solemn and important action today, that it is couched within a "missa sicca" (or "dry Mass") format, complete with the features of a normal Mass but with the blessing of Palms happening instead of the Eucharistic consecration.

Introit - Matt. 2:19 *Hosanna filio David.*

Lesson - Exodus 15:27, 16:1-7a

Gradual - Matt. 26:39, 41 *In monte Oliveti*

Gospel - Matthew 21:1-9

Solemn Preface

Sanctus - Pg. 49, *Saint Alban Service Book*

Collects:

WE beseech thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God: that thou wouldest vouchsafe to ble \times ss and sanc \times tify this creature of olive, which thou hast bidden to spring from the wood of the tree, which likewise the dove, returning to the ark, did bear in her mouth: that all who shall receive thereof, may obtain for themselves protection both in body and soul: and let it be, O Lord, a remedy for our salvation, a sacrament of thy grace. Through...

O GOD, who dost gather together the things which are dispersed abroad, and dost preserve that which thou dost gather: who didst bless the people when they went forth bearing branches to meet Jesus: ble \times ss also these branches of palm and olive which thy servants receive with faith to the honour of thy name; that into whatsoever place they shall be brought, the dwellers in that place may obtain thy blessing: that all adversity being put to flight, thy right hand may protect those who are redeemed by Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord: who with thee...

O GOD, who by a wonderful order of thy providence wast pleased, even by means of things insensible, to shew forth the dispensation of our salvation: grant, we beseech thee; that the devout hearts of thy faithful people may profitably understand what is mystically signified by that deed when, on this day, the multitude, inspired by the heavenly light, went forth to meet the Redeemer, and strawed branches of palm and olive beneath his feet. The branches, then, of palm foreshadow his triumph over the prince of death; and the boughs of olive in a manner proclaim that the anointing of the Spirit is come. For the multitude rejoiced to know that even then it was prefigured: that our Redeemer, having compassion on the misery of mankind, was about to battle with the prince of death, and by his death to triumph. And therefore obediently they laid before him such things as should signify in him both the triumphs of his victory and the abundance of his mercy. Wherefore we likewise with sure faith, having in memory both the deed and the signification of the same, humbly beseech thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord: that in him and through him, whose members thou hast been pleased to make us, we may win the victory over the empire of death, and be found worthy to be partakers of his glorious Resurrection. Who with thee...

GOD, who by an olive branch didst command the dove to proclaim peace on earth: vouchsafe, we beseech thee; to sanctify with thy heavenly blessing these branches of olive and other trees: that for all thy people they may be profitable unto salvation. Through Christ, our Lord...

BLESS, we beseech thee, O Lord, these branches of palm or olive: and grant; that as thy people on this day do outwardly perform these things to thy honor, so they, spiritually fulfilling the same with pure devotion, may win the victory over the enemy, and cleave steadfastly to every work of mercy. Through...

GOD, who didst send forth thy Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, into the world for our salvation, that he might humble himself to be made like unto us, and call us back to thee: before whom, at his coming to Jerusalem for the fulfilling of the Scriptures, the multitude of the people that believed with faithful devotion strewed their raiment and palm branches in the way: grant, we beseech thee, that we may so prepare for him the way of faith, that, every stone of stumbling and rock of offense being done away, our works may blossom before thee with branches of righteousness: and that we may be found worthy to follow in his footsteps: Who with thee.

The distribution of the palms. Ant. Pueri Hebraeorum

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, who didst ordain that our Lord Jesus Christ should ride upon the foal of an ass, and didst teach the multitudes of the people to straw in his way their raiment and branches of trees, and likewise to sing Hosanna in his praise: grant, we beseech thee; that we may by thee be enabled to follow their innocency, and be partakers of their merits; through the same Christ, our Lord.

Ps. Let us proceed in peace.

R. In the Name of Christ. Amen.

