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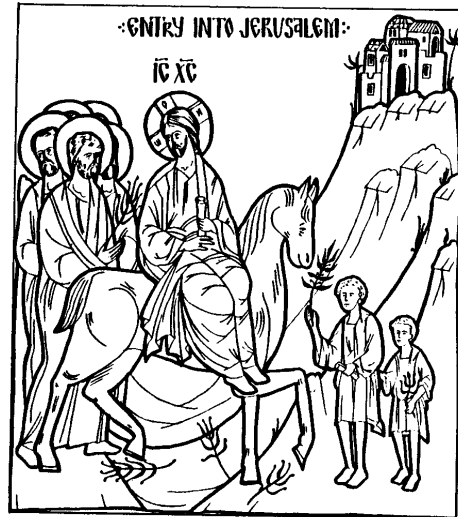
March 28, 2021

No. 13

Flowery (Palm) Sunday

Philippians 4:4-9

John 12:1-18



CHURCH SERVICES

SATURDAY DIVINE LITURGY

7:00 pm – attended; bilingual

SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGIES:

9:00 am – attended, bilingual

11:00 am – livestreamed & attended

7:00 pm – attended; bilingual

WEEKDAY DIVINE LITURGIES:

7:00 am – registration at the door

REGISTER TO ATTEND:

<https://tinyurl.com/RegisterMarch2021>

or call/email the parish office

LITURGY LIVESTREAMING:

<https://tinyurl.com/stbasilchannel>

BASILIAN FATHERS SERVING THE PARISH:

Fr. Thomas Kobak, OSBM

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CONFESSIONS:

Available at a weekend Divine Liturgy or by appointment during the week

MARRIAGES:

By appointment, at least 6 months in advance.

BAPTISMS & FUNERALS:

Please contact the parish office to make arrangements with a priest

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Divine Liturgy for Sunday, March 28, 2021:

<https://youtu.be/zF0dA0dNXjU>

First Antiphon

I am filled with love* for the Lord will hear the voice of my plea.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us.

For He has inclined His ear to me,* and I will call to Him all the days of my life.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us

The pangs of death encircled me,* the trials of Hades befell me.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us

I met with anguish and pain,* and called upon the name of the Lord.

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Saviour, save us

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Third Antiphon

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good,* for His mercy endures forever.

Troparion, Tone 1: Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection,* You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God:* and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory* and cry to You, the conqueror of death:* Hosanna in the highest!* Blessed is He who comes* in the name of the Lord.

Therefore, let the house of Israel say that He is good,* for His mercy endures forever.

Troparion, Tone 1: Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection,* You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God:* and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory* and cry to You, the conqueror of death:* Hosanna in the highest!* Blessed is He who comes* in the name of the Lord.

Therefore, let the house of Aaron say that He is good,* for His mercy endures forever.

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Let all who feat the Lord say that He is good,* for His mercy endures forever.

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Entrance

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, we bless you from the house of the Lord,* the Lord is God and has appeared to us.

Troparia and Kontakia

Troparion, Tone 1: Assuring us before Your Passion of the general resurrection,* You raised Lazarus from the dead, O Christ God:* and so, like the children we also carry signs of victory* and cry to You, the conqueror of death:* Hosanna in the highest!* Blessed is He who comes* in the name of the Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Troparion, Tone 4: Buried with You through Baptism, O Christ our God,* we have been granted immortal life by Your resurrection,* and we sing Your praises, crying out:* Hosanna in the highest!* Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Now and for ever and ever. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone 6: Mounted on the throne in heaven, O Christ God,* and on a colt here on earth,* You accepted the praise of the angels,* and the hymn of the children who cried to You:* Blessed are You who have come to call Adam back.

Prokeimenon, Tone 4

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord;* God the Lord has appeared to us.

verse: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His mercy endures forever.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord;* God the Lord has appeared to us.

Epistle

A reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Philippians (4: 4-9)

Brethren: Rejoice in the Lord always! I say it again. Rejoice! Everyone should see how unselfish you are. The Lord is near. Dismiss all anxiety from your minds. Present your needs to God in every form of prayer and in petitions full of gratitude. Then God's own peace, which is beyond all understanding, will stand guard over your hearts and minds, in Christ Jesus.

Finally, my brethren, your thoughts should be wholly directed to all that is true, all that deserves respect, all that is honest, pure, admirable, decent, virtuous, or worthy of praise. Live according to what you have learned and accepted, what you have heard me say and seen me do.

Then will the God of peace be with you.

Alleluia, Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

verse: Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has worked wonders. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

verse: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Gospel: John 12: 1-18

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor 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 because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting,

"Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord—
the King of Israel!"

Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written:

"Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion.
Look, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey's colt!"

His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him. So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify. It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him.

Hymn to the Mother of God: O my soul, magnify Christ who seated on a foal. The Lord is God and has appeared to us:* together let us celebrate.* Come with great rejoicing; let us magnify Christ* with palms and olive branches, and with sings let us cry aloud to Him:* Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Communion Hymn: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord;* God the Lord has appeared to us.* Alleluia, alleluia,* alleluia.

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

I believe, O Lord, and confess that You are truly Christ, the Son of the living God, Who came into the world to save sinners of whom I am first.

Although I cannot now be a partaker of Your mystical supper, O Son of God, come at least spiritually into my heart by your Divine Grace for the healing of my soul and body.

I will not tell the mystery to Your enemies, nor will I give You a kiss as did Judas, but like the thief I confess to You:

† Remember me, O Lord, when you come into your kingdom.

† Remember me, O Master, when you come into your kingdom.

† Remember me, O Holy One, when you come into your kingdom.

I also believe, O Lord, and profess, that this, which I would receive and which is now here present with us in Mystery, is truly Your most precious Body, and Your life-giving Blood. May I one day partake of Your mystical supper again for the remission of all my sins and for life everlasting.

† God, be merciful to me a sinner.

† God, cleanse me of sins and have mercy on me.

† I have sinned without number, forgive me, O Lord.

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH (BY POPE LEO XII)

To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our afflictions, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also. Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you to graciously regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O most mighty protector, be kind to us, and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.

Covid 19 Restrictions – Masks are mandatory. Please follow the guidance of our volunteers and do not gather outside the church after the Divine Liturgy. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping your fellow parishioners safe!

Papal prayer intention for March 2021 – *Sacrament of Reconciliation*: Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.

Church Volunteers – We are ever grateful for our parishioners that time after time have contributed to the mission of our parish. Whether from the ‘Return-to-Church Team’, the Cultural Centre, or one of our parish organizations, “Thank You”!

Remember the sick, the lonely, and the elderly in your prayers, and try to visit them: Annie, Teresa Bayrock; Joseph Bayduza; LB; Rachel Bernardi; Val Boyko; John Chichak; Patricia Chichak; Tillie Chichak; Fr. Thomas Kobak, OSBM; Diane Konowalec; Helen Filipowich; Elsie Huk; Irene; Lass & Ted Karall; Nettie Kowal; Katelyn (8 yrs. old); Joyce Krasilchuk; Raymond Krevenchuck; Sylvia Lozinsky; Paul Lucyk; Natalia (5 yrs. old); Alex Nay; Barbara Najanovic; Ronald P.; Patricia; Helen Pasemko; Rose Pesklewis; Zena Pshyk; Larry Skubleny; Josie Stechynsky; Dean Tomasic; Peter & Sylvia Syvenky; Ernie Wicentowich; Gloria Yasayko; Louise Zurawell; Bishop Severian Yakymyshyn, OSBM; Kathleen Zapisocki; those afflicted from COVID-19; our Canadian Peace Keepers; and those confined to their hospital beds or their homes. **Please call or email the Parish Office to submit, resubmit, or remove a name.**

Repairs around Church – please exercise caution as you are walking by the repair work on the south-side walkway outside the church. The space is currently cordoned off and will be filled with paving stone after some settling.

Lector Formation – If you are interested in serving as a lector or learning more about your faith, reach out to either Sr. Zoe (780-435-4441) or the parish office to help you get started. Newman College offers several courses online. For lectors, the program explores various parts of the Bible, the Mysteries (Sacraments), as well, basic theology.

Three different courses will be offered starting April 5, 2021.

Sorokousty 2021 – Our final Sorokousty service will be on **Wednesday, March 31**. The Divine Liturgy and Parastas will be celebrated in memory of the deceased family members whose names are requested. Please submit your new names or renew your family request by using a Sorokousty envelope, or through our online form: <https://tinyurl.com/Sorokousty2021>

St. Basil Lenten Mission – To view the Mission Reflections from last week, please visit our YouTube channel.

Divine Liturgy Books – If you wish to purchase a copy of “The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom”, the liturgy book normally found in the pews, we have copies available to be purchased for your own domestic church! They are available at \$10 each.

E-transfer Donations – St. Basil Parish is able to accept donations through your online banking! The email address to send funds is: **donationstbasilchurch@gmail.com**

If you are prompted to provide a security question, check again the spelling of the address. Please use this method for only Parish donation purposes.

Basilian Fathers Stipends/Donations – At this time, we do not have a method to accept electronic monies specifically for the Basilian Fathers. If you wish to submit a stipend (eg. Divine Liturgies; Sorokousty); pay for a purchase or certificate; or make a donation to the Basilian Fathers, we ask that you use cash or issue a cheque.

UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC RADIO HOUR “VECHIRNYA HODYNA” on World FM 101.7: Every Sunday evening from 6 to 7 PM, or on the Internet at WorldFM.ca. Anyone interested in sponsoring a program, or portion of the program, in honour of a birthday, an anniversary, in memory of a loved one, or any other special event? Cost for one-half hour is \$175.00. Please make cheques payable to: *Basilian Fathers Radio Account* – income tax receipts will be issued.

Basket blessings 2021 – To have your baskets blessed, please register for a service on April 3 or 4. Your basket will remain with you in the pew the entire time. The priests will go around the church to bless your paschal gifts.

Notable Upcoming Church Services

Unless otherwise noted, a 7am Divine Liturgy is celebrated
Monday through Saturday, inclusive

Saturday, March 27: 6:30 pm – Rosary 7 pm – Divine Liturgy then Mission Reflection #3 (<i>livestreamed</i>) <i>Lenten Mission Conclusion</i>	OFFICE IS CLOSED
Sunday, March 28: <u>Palm Sunday</u> 8:30/9:00 am – Rosary/ Divine Liturgy 10:30/11:00 am – Rosary/ Divine Liturgy (<i>livestreamed</i>) 6:30/7:00 pm – Rosary/ Divine Liturgy	OFFICE IS CLOSED
Wednesday, March 31 7pm – Divine Liturgy & Sorokousty	
Thursday, April 1: <u>Great & Holy Thursday</u> 10 am – Divine Liturgy with Bishop David Motiuk (<i>livestreamed</i>) 4 pm – Virtual Camp St. Basil 7 pm – Passion Matins (Reading of the Twelve Gospels) (<i>livestreamed</i>)	
Friday, April 2: <u>Good Friday</u> <i>No 7am Divine Liturgy this day</i> 1 pm – Vespers – Exposition of the Holy Shroud (<i>livestreamed</i>) <i>following</i> – Online Plaschanytsa Adoration (<i>livestream only</i>) <i>at 6pm, during livestream</i> – St. Basil UCWLC Vigil 4 pm – Virtual Camp St. Basil 7 pm – Jerusalem Matins (<i>livestreamed</i>)	OFFICE IS CLOSED
Saturday, April 3: <u>Holy Saturday</u> 10 am – Divine Liturgy (<i>livestreamed</i>), followed by basket blessing 1 pm – basket blessing 3 pm – basket blessing 4 pm – Virtual Camp St. Basil 5 pm – Nadhrobna (Service at the Tomb), followed by basket blessing	OFFICE IS CLOSED
Sunday, April 4: <u>Pascha / Easter Sunday</u> 7 am – Resurrection Matins , followed by Divine Liturgy (<i>livestreamed</i>) followed by basket blessing 10:30 am – Divine Liturgy , followed by basket blessing	OFFICE IS CLOSED
Monday, April 5: <u>Easter Monday</u> <i>No 7am Divine Liturgy this day</i> 8 am – Resurrection Matins 9 am – Divine Liturgy 1 pm – Virtual Camp St. Basil	OFFICE IS CLOSED
Tuesday, April 6: <u>Easter Tuesday</u> <i>No 7am Divine Liturgy this day</i> 8 am – Resurrection Matins 9 am – Divine Liturgy	

Registration is open for Holy Week services
All services are available to attend in-person (*except for 'Virtual Camp St. Basil' and 'Online Plaschanytsa Adoration'*)

Our registration is fully booked for:
Good Friday @ 1pm
Easter Sunday at both 7am and 10:30am

There is not any space set aside for walkups.
You may be turned away if you did not register!

Our Holy Week services are high in demand. We may not be able to accommodate those who do not register as our space is limited.

We kindly ask that visitors to our church consider fulfilling their Easter Sunday obligation at their home parish. Of course, we will always welcome our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Online Registration for Holy Week is not available.

Registration for April liturgies will become available on Tuesday April 6. Your patience is greatly appreciated.



Я не бю шутка бє

Від нині за тиждень буде
великдень!

Будь моцний як лоза,
Здоровий як вода,
Багатий як земля!

I do not strike you the branch
strikes you

From today in one week will
be Easter!

Be strong as the willow,
Healthy as water,
Rich as the soil!

His Beatitude, Patriarch Sviatoslav, on March 23, will mark his 10th Anniversary of election as Patriarch of the Ukrainian Catholic Church. To mark the occasion, “Zhyvym TV” will live stream a celebration on March 28, starting at 7:00 pm Kyiv time (11am in Edmonton) <https://zhyve.tv/broadcast/> The theme of the celebration is “Together in the Future: Reflections on the Vision of the Ukrainian Catholic Church on the occasion of the 10th Anniversary of the Enthronement of His Beatitude Patriarch Sviatoslav.”

40 Days for Life – If you are interested in praying near the abortion clinic (outside the 50m bubble zone), please visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/edmonton/>

Today’s Pro-Life Intention – Father, fill all people with the same love by which Your Son gave Himself away on the Cross. Grant that we may sacrifice ourselves and never sacrifice others.

The Knights of Columbus Charities Appeal online 50/50 raffle is now live and can be accessed directly at www.koc5050.com or State’s website at www.kofc.ab.ca. The target jackpot is \$100,000 with the prize being half of the jackpot at the end of the ticket sales period, minimum \$20,000. Ticket sales end on April 28 and the draw is April 30. This raffle has a feature that allows ticket buyers to support a specific council. Enter “10519” for Fr. Hannas Council to receive a portion of the funds.
Ticket Prices: 1 for \$5; 5 for \$20; 20 for \$50; 100 for \$100.

Retrouvaille – A lifeline for troubled marriages! Is your marriage in crisis? Communication problems? You are not alone. Visit helpourmarriage.ca ; call 587.598.4357 or email info@helpourmarriage.ca
Edmonton Retrouvaille **VIRTUAL** Program runs April 22–25, 2021

Edmonton’s 41st Annual Good Friday Outdoor Way of the Cross is an ecumenical prayer event marking the suffering and death of Jesus. It is a time to notice how the gospel values of Jesus apply to individual and public life today. Due to COVID–19 restrictions, this year’s walk will be presented virtually, in video format at <https://outdoorwayofthecross.wordpress.com/>
For more information, contact Marguerite Watson at 780.433.6570 or Marguerite.watson@telus.net

Palm (Flowery) Sunday
The Royal Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem

A reflection by Father James A. Spontak

All of us look to the time of Passion Week with a certain amount of anticipation. The final scenes of the drama of salvation and of the life of Jesus are about to be reenacted before us again. We are blessed with the opportunity of participating in the whole cycle of the liturgical services of Passion Week, so richly satisfying and profoundly moving. We know, too, that the long-awaited Feast of feasts, that most solemn day, the Resurrection of our Lord, is at hand.

That is the spirit and mood of Flowery Sunday, the Feast of the Royal Entry of our Lord into Jerusalem. It carries the air of festivity, for it truly is a great feast of the Church. Yet woven throughout the liturgical services for this day is another theme, not in contrast, but rather giving clarity and definition to the exultant scene we are celebrating.

The anointing at Bethany juxtaposes the generous devotion of Mary, pouring out costly ointment for Jesus, with the grasping narrowness of Judas, already in anticipation of his betrayal. The anointing is for burial, and the plot to kill Jesus begins to unravel. It becomes obvious that this triumphal entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem carries far more significance than a momentary victory procession: *"... for the King of angels rides now upon a foal, and He comes to smite His enemies with the Cross in His almighty power."* (Sessional Hymn at Matins)

It is clear that Jesus is entering Jerusalem as King, acclaimed by joyful shouts of praise. At the same time, it is also clear that this public acknowledgment of Jesus is ushering in the dramatic sequence of agony, trial, and abandonment to the Father's will. Jesus' reign is established, and our redemption is assured.

We begin Passion Week with this perspective of faith: Jesus' power and reign are already in effect even in the darkest moments of all that we commemorate this week. It is an insight that we can then carry with us: The victory and lordship of Christ are ever present and manifest even as we face life's darkest aspects and moments. Encouraged by this faith, the above words from the Holy Apostle Paul's epistle might carry us through Great Week and our own hours of darkness, toward the dawning radiance of the Holy Resurrection.

BLESSING OF WILLOWS ON PALM SUNDAY

Priest: Let us pray to the Lord.

Faithful: Lord, have mercy.

Priest: O Lord our God, who sit upon the Cherubim, and Who restored the might of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, that through His cross and burial and Resurrection He might save the world. Who, also, when today He entered Jerusalem to embark upon His voluntary Passion, was met by the people who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death, bearing the symbols of victory, boughs of trees and branches of palms, emblematic of the Resurrection. Keep and preserve us also who on this prefestal day in imitation of them bear in our hands palms and boughs. And like those nations and children who cried to You: 'Hosanna!' may we likewise with hymn and spiritual song be made worthy of the life-giving resurrection through Christ Jesus, our Lord, with Whom You are blessed together with Your all-holy, gracious and life-giving Spirit, now and ever and forever.

Faithful: Amen.

Priest: Peace be (+) to all!

Faithful: And with your Spirit.

Priest: Bow your heads to the Lord.

Faithful: To You, O Lord.

Priest: O Lord God, Ruler of the universe! During times of the righteous and just Noah, You revealed the ark to be a prefigurement of the Church, foretelling the coming of the most Holy Spirit through the dove that brought the olive branch. This prefigurement was fulfilled by the Jewish children who greeted You with olive and palm branches, giving You praise, and shouting: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" Therefore, just as You blessed the greeting people bearing branches, so too, O Lord Jesus Christ, our God, (+) bless and sanctify (+) these boughs and willow branches, so that all, who receive them, may receive through them protection of their souls and bodies. May they be a medicine for our salvation and a sacrament of Your grace. Every place, where they will be placed, may those, who dwell there, receive Your blessing. Having driven away all hostile powers, may Your right hand protect those, whom You have redeemed with Your most Precious Blood; so that we may all sing together: "Hosanna, Blessed is He judges justly with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

Faithful: Amen.

Priest: (blesses the willows with Holy Water saying) These willow branches are blessed by the sprinkling of this holy water, in the name of the Father, (+) and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit (+). Amen.