

St. Anthony Greek Orthodox Church
HOLY WEEK AND EASTER/PASCHA PROGRAM
MARCH 31 – APRIL 8, 2018

SATURDAY OF LAZARUS – March 31

Orthros 9:00 a.m.
Divine Liturgy & Holy Communion..... 10:00 a.m.
Breakfast and making palm crosses.

PALM SUNDAY – April 1

Orthros 8:45 a.m.
Divine Liturgy (Luncheon to follow)..... 10:00 a.m.
Service of the Bridegroom..... 7:00 p.m.

HOLY MONDAY – April 2

Service of the Bridegroom..... 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TUESDAY – April 3

Service of the Bridegroom (Hymn of Kassiane) 7:00 p.m.

HOLY WEDNESDAY – April 4

Sacrament of Holy Unction 6:00 p.m.

HOLY THURSDAY – April 5

Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil 8:00 a.m.
The Service of Holy Passion (12 Gospels)..... 7:00 p.m.

HOLY FRIDAY – April 6

The Royal Hours..... 9:00 a.m.
The Descent from the Cross 3:00 p.m.
The Lamentations 7:00 p.m.

HOLY SATURDAY – April 7

Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil 10:00 a.m.
Vigil for the Holy Resurrection 11:00 p.m.
“Come Receive the Light” – The Resurrection Service & Divine Liturgy 11:45 p.m.
Mageiritsa Dinner follows. All faithful are cordially invited to partake.

PASCHA/EASTER SUNDAY – April 8

The Agape Vespers Service 11:00 a.m.

Ἑλληνική Ὁρθόδοξη Ἐκκλησία Ἁγίου Ἀντωνίου
ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΜΕΓ. ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΟΣ/ΠΑΣΧΑ
31 ΜΑΡΤΙΟΥ – 8 ΑΠΡΙΛΙΟΥ 2018

ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟΝ ΤΟΥ ΛΑΖΑΡΟΥ – 31 Μαρτίου

Ὁρθρος 9:00 π.μ.
Θεία Λειτουργία 10:00 π.μ.
Θα ακολουθήσει πρόγευμα για τα παιδιά μας καί όλους τους πιστούς.

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΒΑΪΩΝ – 1 Ἀπριλίου

Ὁρθρος 8:45 π.μ.
Θεία Λειτουργία 10:00 π.μ.
Ἀκολουθία τοῦ Νυμφίου 7:00 μ.μ.

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ – 2 Ἀπριλίου

Ἀκολουθία τοῦ Νυμφίου 7:00 μ.μ.

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΤΡΙΤΗ – 3 Ἀπριλίου

Ἀκολουθία τοῦ Νυμφίου (Τροπάριον της Κασσιανής) 7:00 μ.μ.

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΤΕΤΑΡΤΗ – 4 Ἀπριλίου

Τὸ Μυστήριον τοῦ Ἱεροῦ Εὐχελαίου..... 6:00 μ.μ.

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΠΕΜΠΤΗ – 5 Ἀπριλίου

Ἑσπερινή Λειτουργία τοῦ Μεγάλου Βασιλείου..... 8:00 π.μ.
Ἀκολουθία τῶν Παθῶν (Τα Δώδεκα Ευαγγέλια) 7:00 μ.μ.

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΠΑΡΑΣΚΕΥΗ – 6 Ἀπριλίου

Μεγάλαι ὼραι 9:00 π.μ.
Ἀποκαθήλωσις 3:00 μ.μ.
Ὁ Ἐπιτάφιος Θρήνος..... 7:00 μ.μ.

ΜΕΓΑ ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟΝ – 7 Ἀπριλίου

Ἑσπερινή Λειτουργία τοῦ Μεγ. Βασιλείου..... 10:00 π.μ.
Ἀκολουθία τῆς Ἀναστάσεως 11:00 μ.μ.
Δεῦτε λάβετε Φῶς- Ἡ Ἀνάστασις καὶ Θεία Λειτουργία 11:45 μ.μ.
Θα ακολουθήσει μαγειρίτσα για όλους τους πιστούς.

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΠΑΣΧΑ – 8 Ἀπριλίου

Ἑσπερινός τῆς Ἀγάπης..... 11:00 π.μ.

**The Catechetical Paschal Homily of our Father
Among the Saints St. John Chrysostom**

If there are devout and God-loving people here, let them enjoy this beautiful, radiant festival. If there are prudent servants, enter joyously into the Lord's joy. Whoever may be spent from fasting, enjoy now your reward. Whoever has toiled from the first hour, receive today your just settlement. If any came after the third hour, celebrate gratefully. If any of you arrived after the sixth, have no misgivings, you have lost nothing. If some have been as late as the ninth, come forward, do not be at a loss. If any of you have arrived only at the eleventh hour, do not be dismayed for being late.

The Master is gracious: He accepts the last even as the first; He gives rest to those of the eleventh as well as to those who have labored from the first; He is lenient with the last while looking after the first; to the one He gives, to the other He gives freely; He accepts the labors and welcomes the effort; honors the deed, but commends the intent. So, all of you, enter into the joy of our Lord: first and second, share the bounty. Rich and poor alike, celebrate together. Sober or heedless, honor the day. Those who fasted and those who did not, rejoice today. The table is full, everyone fare sumptuously. The calf is fatted; no one go away hungry. Everyone, savor the banquet of faith; relish the riches of His goodness.

No one need lament poverty, for the kingdom is seen as universal. No one need grieve over sins; forgiveness has dawned from the tomb. No one need fear death; the Savior's death has freed us from it. While its captive He stifled it. He despoiled Hades as He descended into it; it was angered when it tasted His flesh. Foreseeing this, Isaiah proclaimed: "Hades," he said, "was angered when he met You below." It was angered because it was abolished. It was angered because it was mocked. It was angered because it was slain. It was angered because it was shackled. It received a body and encountered God. It took earth and came face to face with heaven. It took what it saw and fell by what it could not see. Death, where is your sting? Hades, where is your victory? Christ is risen and you are overthrown. Christ is risen and demons have fallen. Christ is risen and not one dead remains in the tomb. For Christ, having risen from the dead, has become the first fruits of those that slept. To Him be the glory and the dominion, forever. Amen.

Fr. Peter and Pres. Aida Stratos, Fr. Christopher and Pres. Kalli, John Vidalakis-Parish Council President, and the Parish Council members, the Ladies Philoptochos Society, the Church staff, our Choir and Chanters, Altar Boys, GOYA, Sunday and Greek Schools, Moms n' Tots, Greek Folk Dance Groups, and all our community organizations express to you and your families warmest wishes for a joyful Pascha and thank you for your generosity, love and continuing support.