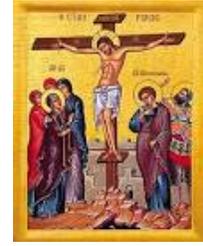




**SAINT NICHOLAS  
ORTHODOX CHURCH  
CEDARBURG, WISCONSIN  
APRIL 2019 NEWS**



***Great Lenten Cook-off— Sunday April 7***

Bring a favorite *strictly Lenten* dish and its *recipe* to share at coffee hour.  
There will be prizes! If you can't bring a dish, just come and enjoy.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

*In these life-giving days we walk with Christ and his disciples through his suffering and death and into his holy Resurrection. Try to be in church often, daily if you can. If need be, attend an Orthodox church nearer to you. Holy Communion is available at all Liturgies; keep an appropriate pre-Communion fast. When you can't get to church, read the Holy Week Gospel accounts - Use your Saint Nicholas calendar or go to <http://www.antiochian.org/liturgicday> or <https://www.goarch.org/chapel/> . Father Bill's short daily commentaries on Holy Week services and readings will be in his Blog at <https://blogs.ancientfaith.com/frbill/>*

**APRIL**

- 20 Lazarus Saturday** 8:30 a.m. Matins, 9:30 a.m. Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom  
*Afterwards we make Palm crosses, Confessions*  
5 p.m. Great Vespers, Confessions
- 21 PALM SUNDAY** **8:30 a.m. Orthros (Matins), Confessions**  
**9:30 a.m. Liturgy with Procession & Coffee Hour**  
7 p.m. Bridegroom Matins
- 22 Great and Holy Monday** 8 a.m. Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts  
7 p.m. Bridegroom Matins
- 23 Great and Holy Tuesday** 8 a.m. Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts  
7 p.m. Bridegroom Matins
- 24 Great and Holy Wednesday** 8 a.m. Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts  
**7 p.m. Matins and Holy Unction Anointing Service**
- 25 GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY** **4:30 p.m. Vespertal Divine Liturgy** of St. Basil  
**6 p.m. Lenten Supper** *Wine and oil are permitted.*  
**7 p.m. Matins: 12 Gospels Service** *The Crucifixion*
- 26 GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY** 9 a.m. Royal Hours (1st, 3rd, 6th) till about 10:15 a.m.  
*You are invited to stay and help decorate the bier afterwards.*  
2:30 p.m. Ninth Royal Hour  
**3 p.m. Great Vespers** *Taking down from the Cross*  
**7 p.m. Matins: Lamentations Service** *The Burial*  
*(All Night Watch? - if announced)*

**Confessions** may be heard after any Holy Week service or by appointment.

**PASCHAL SERVICES: see page 2. Our Regular Schedule: see page 3.**

**Christ is risen! Truly, He is Risen!**

Χριστός Ανέστη! Αληθώς Ανέστη!

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## **GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA**

### **APRIL**

**27 Saturday 10 a.m. First Liturgy of the Resurrection (St. Basil)**

9:45 p.m. Midnight Office

**10 P.M. PASCHAL PROCESSION, PASCHAL MATINS  
and DIVINE LITURGY of Saint John Chrysostom**

*This is the chief Pascha service, an “explosion of joy” which lasts till about Midnight. It’s ok to bring young children in pjs and let them sleep if you wish.*

followed by the **Great Paschal Feast** which ends the Lenten Fast

*Bring some of your favorite foods which you gave up during Lent.*

**28 Sunday 9:30 a.m. Agape Vespers**

*This service is for any who find it hard to attend on Saturday night or wish to attend in addition to the night service.*

***There is no Holy Communion at this service.*** We need people to help read the Gospel in various languages. Sign up or see Father David.

**Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death,  
and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!**

*Hear the Paschal Troparion sung all over the world in many languages:*

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vofvMRYCg\\_c](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vofvMRYCg_c)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SynvdFT-rqU>

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lfh\\_H3xP6lo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lfh_H3xP6lo)

**APRIL FASTING:** *Remember, fasting may be adjusted for reasons of health, age, pregnancy, family situations and the like. Use your common sense.*

**HOLY WEEK:** No meat, fish, milk products, wine or oil

Palm Sunday: fish, wine and oil permitted

Holy Thursday supper: wine and oil permitted *so we don't fade dead away during the long Twelve Gospels Service*

Holy Friday: eat as little as possible at least till 3 p.m., the hour of Jesus' death.

**PASCHA: The Great Fast ends after 10 p.m. Paschal Liturgy.**  
**Then there is NO MEATEAST during the 40 days of Pascha. Enjoy!**

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## OUR REGULAR WORSHIP SCHEDULE..

**SUNDAYS** **8:30 a.m. Matins (Orthros)**

**9:30 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY**

followed by Coffee Hour

**Mondays** **8 a.m. Matins**

**Wednesdays** **8 a.m. Matins**

*Weekday Vespers before classes and meetings as announced*

**Saturdays** **5 p.m. Great Vespers**

**Confessions:** after Saturday Vespers, before Sunday Liturgy,  
or by appointment

**You are invited to sign up for the following Holy Week events:**

- 1) to contribute toward **flowers and decorations**.
- 2) to chant, read or acolyte at **Holy Week services**.
- 3) for the Holy Thursday supper and the Pascha feast.
- 4) to help **decorate the bier** on Holy Friday morning
- 5) for to bring a dish to the **Paschal Feast**
- 5) to read the Gospel in another language at **Agape Vespers**

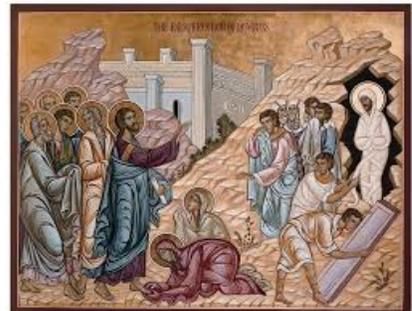
**FATHER DAVID'S COLUMN: Traditions**

*Pascha (Easter) is fast approaching. You may have noticed Easter candy being displayed the day after St. Valentine's Day. While the secular consumer society promotes their interests in such displays, little if any attention is given anymore to the idea of the day being the Feast of the Resurrection. Try to find anything remotely Christian even in the greeting card section, much less in any advertising or promotions.*

*Do not get me wrong; dark chocolate, Peeps and spicy jelly beans after a long fast are welcome. Those who know me understand that I love chicks, ducklings and bunny rabbits (not in my garden though), but these symbols are not what Pascha (Easter) is all about. Sadly the secular world thinks that we are celebrating the return of "new life" in Spring and miss the real point of celebrating new life in Christ, that He has conquered death by death.*

*What are our family traditions for Pascha (Easter)? Do we prepare our families by making Holy Week one that is truly "Holy" (set apart). Taking time each evening of that particular week to meditate with Holy Scripture upon the sacrifice that Jesus made for us? Do we read the Holy Scriptures of that week as a family, in order to make Pascha even more joyous? Can we do without television for a week? Can we really take the fast seriously for at least this one week? Do we join with Jesus in denying ourselves as He did for the salvation of our souls? Dare we as parents have the audacity to take our children out of school on Holy Friday to help decorate the bier and attend all the services of that day? How are we teaching them that this day is holy, important and should be observed in solemnity?*

*Traditions are important. A good tradition here at St. Nicholas is to attend Divine Liturgy on Lazarus Saturday and make palm crosses. These palms are given out the following day to the entire congregation. Traditionally it is also the time when our children can make a confession as well. Why not have the whole family make a confession at this time - create a new*



*tradition in the family. When dyeing eggs, parents we can explain how this tradition came about. Originating with the Orthodox tradition of the red eggs given out at Pascha! Slavic in custom, we will have the blessing of the food baskets after Holy Saturday morning liturgy in the basement. We would always ask our children to help with this and explain why we would put eggs, salt, meats, butter, cheeses, breads, chocolate into the basket to be blessed. It gave us as a family an opportunity to discuss those foods that we missed during the Great Fast. We looked forward to eating the things in the basket the following day at our Paschal meal. Salt was a tradition passed down to us from my mother, for she would use the blessed salt during the rest of the year in everything she prepared. Some of our family traditions have gone by the wayside as our children grew, but they now keep some of them. Still important to them are the services offered all weekend. Life is about family and traditions. Since Church is family it is important that we all participate in the traditions offered, for they all are presented so we remember Christ and His love for us.*

**APRIL ANNIVERSARIES** *Are there omissions? errors?*

**Birthday:** 6 - Christine Bergey, 8 - Pat Barber, 10- Aleka Tsioulos, 12 - Veronica Elchert, 13 - Katerina Valentine, 19 - Travis Stolz, 23 - Eddie Koury, 24 - Bill Dodge, Evelyn Spice, 28- Moses Heyer-Devine, 29 - Tom Grossman

**Wedding:** 3 - Steven & Julia Werner, 16 - Jim & Evie Spice, 27 - Stanley & Virginia Stacey,

**Nameday:** 1 St. Mary of Egypt - Keeyla Ainsworth

Pascha - Yenyu Liacopolis, Tom Ratas, Friday after Pascha - Zoe Ganos, 23 George - Diana Sjoberg, Mats Sjoberg, Jorgan Jammal, Eddie Koury, 25 - Mark McQuide, Marcia Nimmer, 30 - Chris Spice

## **THE PASCHAL SERMON OF SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM**

*read just before the beginning of the Paschal Divine Liturgy*

If any man be devout and love God, let him enjoy this fair and radiant triumphal feast. If any man be a wise servant, let him rejoicing enter into the joy of his Lord. If any have labored long in fasting, let him now receive his recompense. If any have wrought from the first hour, let him today receive his just reward. If any have come at the third hour, let him with thankfulness keep the feast. If any have arrived at the sixth hour, let him have no misgivings; because he shall in nowise be deprived thereof. If any have delayed until the

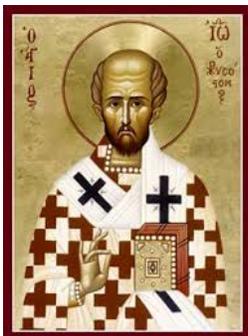


ninth hour, let him draw near, fearing nothing. If any have tarried even until the eleventh hour, let him, also, be not alarmed at his tardiness; For the Lord, who is jealous of his honor, will accept the last even as the first; he gives rest unto him who comes at the eleventh hour, even as unto him who has wrought from the first hour. And he shows mercy upon the last, and cares for the first; and to the one he gives, and upon the other he bestows gifts. And he both accepts the deeds, and welcomes the intention, and honors the acts and praises the offering.

Wherefore, enter you all into the joy of your Lord; and receive your reward, both the first, and likewise the second. You rich and poor together, hold high festival. You sober and you heedless, honor the day. Rejoice today, both you who have fasted and you who have disregarded the fast. The table is full-laden; feast ye all sumptuously. The calf is fatted; let no one go hungry away.

Enjoy ye all the feast of faith: Receive ye all the riches of loving-kindness. let no one bewail his poverty, for the universal kingdom has been revealed. Let no one weep for his iniquities, for pardon has shown forth from the grave. Let no one fear death, for the Savior's death has set us free. He that was held prisoner of it has annihilated it. By descending into Hell, He made Hell captive. He embittered it when it tasted of His flesh. And Isaiah, foretelling this, did cry: Hell, said he, was embittered, when it encountered Thee in the lower regions. It was embittered, for it was abolished. It was embittered, for it was mocked. It was embittered, for it was slain. It was embittered, for it was overthrown. It was embittered, for it was fettered in chains. It took a body, and met God face to face. It took earth, and encountered Heaven. It took that which was seen, and fell upon the unseen.

O Death, where is your sting? O Hell, where is your victory? Christ is risen, and you are overthrown. Christ is risen, and the demons are fallen. Christ is risen, and the angels rejoice. Christ is risen, and life reigns. Christ is risen, and not one dead remains in the grave. For Christ, being risen from the dead, is become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. To Him be glory and dominion unto ages of ages. Amen.



*St. John Chrysostom ("The Golden Tongue") was born at Antioch in the year 347 and spent his early years studying under the finest philosophers and rhetoricians. Then he became a Christian. He was ordained deacon in the year 381 and priest in 386. Over time, his fame as a holy preacher grew. In 397 he was summoned from Antioch to be the new Archbishop of Constantinople. The Empress Eudoxia had him exiled into Armenia in winter and after an illness he died there in the year 407. His last words were "Glory to God for everything!"*



St. Sava Orthodox Cathedral  
and the Orthodox Christian Women's Association  
invite you to a Lenten Presentation

## “Never Alone”

Presented by Hieromonk Serafim Baltic,  
of the New Gracanica Monastery

“During Lent we try to isolate ourselves  
from all manner of temptation  
but in isolation lies Communion with God,  
not loneliness.”

Saturday, April 13, 2019

5:30-7:30

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Vespers followed by the presentation  
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