

# Palm Sunday - 13 April 2025

## Holy Virgin Dormition Russian Orthodox Church

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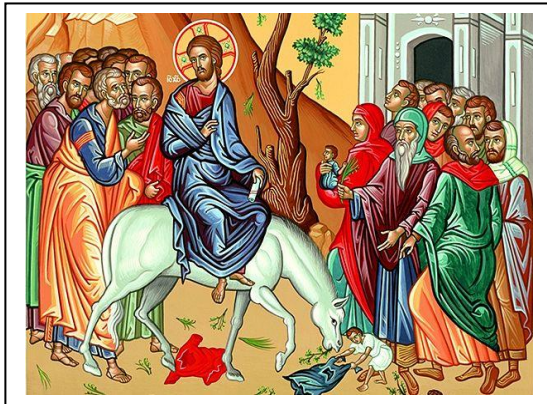
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*Blessed is he that cometh in  
the name of the Lord; We  
have blessed you out of the  
house of the Lord. God is  
the Lord and hath appeared  
unto us.*

Scriptures for today

Phil. 4:4-9

John 12:1-18

SAINTS NAME FOR THIS WEEK TODAY, SUNDAY (April 13/March 31)-  
Ap. Ipatius, Appolonius, Avdius, Benjamin, Jonah, Joseph, Innocent.  
MON- *Mary (Maria)*, Evfimy, Makary, Gerontius, Vaslidus, Abraham,  
Achazus, Barsonofius. TUE- Titus, Amifian, Edesius, Polycarp,  
Gregory. WED- Nikita, Ilyrikus, Elpidifor, Dius, Vithonius Galikus  
*Theodosia, Irene*, Paul, Nectarius. THUR- Joseph, George, Zosimus  
*Fervutha*, Nikita, Theonus. FRI- Theodulus, Agathopod, Puplius  
Theonus, Simeon, Forvinus, *Theodora*, Mark, Platon, Gregory. SAT-  
George, Kallopius, Rufinus, *Aquilina (Jacquiline)*, Daniel, Neal (Sorsky),  
Seapion, Levkius.

### Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for the Twelve Passion Gospels on Holy Thursday and for processions on Good Friday Evening, Midnight Resurrection and Paschal Vespers. There are sign-up sheets in the back of church.

### Weekday Parking

When attending weekday services, please be advised that you should park in the back parking lot with a sign in the dash simply stating "In Church".

### SCHEDULE FOR PASSION WEEK AND PASCHAL SERVICES

Holy & Great Monday (April 14, 2025)

8:30 AM – Presanctified Liturgy

Doors Open & Confessions begin at 7:30 AM

Holy & Great Thursday (April 17, 2025)

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

6:30 PM – Reading of the Twelve Passion Gospels

Holy & Great Friday (April 18, 2025)

8:30 AM – Royal Hours

3:00 PM – Vespers (taking down of the Lord's body from the Cross)

6:30 PM – Matins (Christ's descent into Hell)

Holy & Great Saturday (April 19, 2025)

9:00 AM – Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

2:00 PM – Lesser Blessing of baskets

(Note: Food which is blessed at the 2:00 PM service CANNOT be eaten until the conclusion of the midnight Resurrection Service)

11:30 PM – Nocturnal Prayers

Bright Resurrection (April 20, 2025)

Midnight Resurrection – Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Blessing of Paschal baskets, after Liturgy

12:00 noon – Paschal Vespers

Bright Monday & Bright Tuesday (April 21 & 22, 2025)

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Confessions/Absolutions in Passion Week: Those who have come to Confession and received Holy Communion during this current Lent may prepare themselves to receive Holy Communion at the Bright Resurrection Liturgy by coming for absolutions at any of our church services beginning with Great Thursday and continuing through Great Saturday afternoon. NO Confessions will be heard at night before the Midnight Service.

### Hot Dog Brigade

Since the closing of Mr. Hoagie, earlier this year, we have the opportunity to having our Hot Dog Brigade held here at the church. Today is the absolute last day to get your order forms in for this event. Forms are available in the back of church. Prices are now available as well. Please see Maria Ermakov for any questions.

### Pascha Donations

Remember that only offerings made in the "Easter Christ is Risen" envelope will be printed in the gift list.

First Votive Crosses  
Offered by Michael Mezhinsky

Second Votive Cross  
Offered by Simo & Paula Dragovich for the health of Dragovich  
& Klipa families.

St. Herman's Shrine  
Lara & Jerry Werries

Iconostas Lampadi  
Offered by Marion Temple

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#### Reservations for Special Pascha Candles

Today is the last day for registration of special requests for Altar Candles, Chandeliers, Floral Arrangements, etc. in order to appear in the Paschal edition of our bulletin. All requests must be turned in at the candle counter today before leaving church.

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#### Thank You

Many thanks to all who helped with this year's Easter Bake Sale and Kielbasa Sale. There is so much necessary work that goes into these projects. Thank you and God bless all of you who came to help!

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#### Special Lottery Ticket

We are still selling a calendar lottery ticket for the month of June. This fundraiser requires help from all of our parishioners. It will be based off of the 7:00 PM Pick 3 so we will need to sell 1000 tickets. We are hoping that parishioners help sale some tickets to their family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers (if permitted). The ticket costs \$10.00 and the prizes range from \$75.00 to \$2000. The church will net a profit of \$5,000.00. Please see Natalia Grimm for these tickets.