

The Martyr

Entry of the Lord into Jerusalem – “Palm Sunday”

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In Memoriam


40 days: Charles Michael Csernica

- 13 Thomas LaBache (1961)
George Christ (1961)
14 Peter Dionis (1995)
Georgia Ndini (2003)
15 Theodore D. Yapo (1964)
16 Ilo (Louis) Bedgio (1999)
17 Katherine Karoli (1961)
Marina Adam (1975)

Memorials and the Paschal Season

Orthodox teaching, from Lazarus Saturday (April 11) to “the Day of Rejoicing” (the Tuesday after Thomas Sunday – April 28) there are no memorial services to be served in the church – our departed will only be commemorated at *Proskomedie* (Liturgy of Preparation).

Prayers for Blessings

 Christy Adams; Joyce Athanas; John Balga; Monica Demetri; Charles Dougiello, Sr.; Bob Herman; Richard Hirst; Nicholas Hotova; Diane Hoffmeyer; the child Aisalyn Hurd; William Kohlbacker; Violeta Kosdandini; Meni Kyriacou; Katherine LaBache; Christy Lambert; Elizabeth Lambro; ; Dhimitra Leka; John Louis, Sr.; Louise Moran; Theodore Morrison; Meropi (Mary) Nichio; Minnie Phostole; Pandora Plasa; Eleanor Polena; Mark Sabatino; David Schutte; Gloria Simo; Tessie Sotir; Joanne Tallcouch; Peter Thanas; Mary, Peter Themel; Allana, Christy, Stephen & Leonora Thomas; Vincent J. Torre; Mitchell Trotta; Aphrodita (Rita) Vangel.

As a community of Faith our prime responsibility is to support one another – in both faith and action. Prayer combines both. Please submit the name of the person for whom you wish to pray – and remember that when the prayers have been answered, to take that name off the list as well

Coffee Hour: Building Community

Today Anne and her friends: Diane and Mary
Pascha Friends and Family of the Church School
Apr. 26 Lakruar Luncheon
Call Laura Chadwick 268-2865 to sponsor a coffee hour

Egg Hunt Tradition Continues

Once again we will be holding our traditional egg hunt. Please bring at least a dozen plastic eggs for each child that you expect to bring with you for the hunt.

We would like to define some things:

1. Children are expected to *come* and be *in* the church for the service. They are also expected to be dressed appropriately for church (one year we had some come in gym wear!).
2. Children are all those in the Church School attending program *otherwise* they are defined as those ten years and less.
3. Children older than 10 may accompany infants, but are expected to honor the parish rules.
4. Children (and their escorts) acquiring more than 24 eggs are expected to share their findings with those who found less. We are a church ~ sharing is a fundamental Christian principle.

Teuta News/Information

- We are requesting dyed red eggs for Pascha. Please see **Gloria Athanas** for ribbon to tie the bags.
 - We are pleased to announce that the long-awaited Lakruar Luncheon will take place on April 26. The Teuta Ladies were forced to postpone the original day due to inclement weather in February. **Sorry – no tickets left!**
 - **Calling All Bakers!!!!!!** The Teuta ladies will hold a bake sale in the church hall on Saturday, May 9th from 10 to 3 which will be open to the public. Please support us by donating a baked item or two. We would love to have ethnic pastry, but we will gladly accept cakes, pies, cookies, etc. If you are willing to bake, please contact **Georgika Boria, Elsie Gartsu, or Gloria Ruseski**. Baked goods can be dropped off the night before, or at 9 AM that day.
- If you can put in a couple of hours at the event, please see **Laura Chadwick**. Thank you in advance for your support. We need **everyone's** help to make this a success.



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Deepest Sympathy

We have learned that **Greg Csernica's** brother, Charles Michael, passed away. We extend the sympathy of the parish community to the extended Csernica family - and especially Greg, Luba, Steve, Sarah, and Greg's father, Charles Basil, who visits us often from upstate New York.

Archbishop DMITRI retires

The Holy Synod acted on the retirement request of Archbishop DMITRI. As part of his many years of ministry, he served as the administrator of the Albanian Archdiocese, and as such had occasion to visit our parish.

The Synod's statement is as follows:

"With gratitude to God for his service and with profound respect, although regretting his absence from our midst, the Holy Synod of Bishops of The Orthodox Church in America accepts the request for retirement of His Eminence DMITRI, Archbishop of Dallas and the South, effective 31 March, 2009. It is the prayer of the Bishops of The Orthodox Church in America that the Lord will grant many years to His Eminence, Archbishop DMITRI. In retirement, his title will be 'Former Archbishop of Dallas and the South.'"

FORCC SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

The Fellowship of Orthodox Churches of Connecticut (FORCC) with its true meaning of FELLOWSHIP has successfully united Orthodox churches in our state to work together as a team to promote the Orthodox Faith throughout Connecticut. One of the projects is a Scholarship Fund. Presentation of this Scholarship Award will be given out each year at the FORCC's annual dinner.

Applications are available at:

<http://www.forcc.org/scholarship.html>

REQUIREMENTS NEEDED TO BE ACCEPTED:

All ITEMS must be included when an application is submitted and must be received by the FORCC Chairman on or before June 1, 2009. **Applications submitted or postmarked after June 1 will not be accepted**

Furniture/Household items Needed

This is a very exciting time for many VA Connecticut veterans who have been homeless. Soon they will be moving into their own apartments.

Furniture in good (lightly used) condition and household items are needed to make these apartments a home.

If you have items to donate please call **Jennifer DeGaetano** at the Errera Community Care Center at (203) 500-5613.

Up-coming Events/Services

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| Today | 9:30 AM General Confession & Church School |
| | 10AM Liturgy Entrance of the Lord into Jerusalem ("Palm Sunday") |
| | 7PM Bridegroom Matins |
| Apr. 13 | 7PM Bridegroom Matins |
| Apr. 14 | 7PM Bridegroom Matins |
| Apr. 15 | 7PM Uncion |
| Apr. 16 | 9:30 AM Liturgy of the Last Supper |
| | 7PM Matins of the Crucifixion (with the reading of the 12 Gospel Lessons) |
| Apr. 17 | 9AM Decoration of the "petafi" |
| | 3PM Vespers: "Taking down from the Cross" |
| | 7PM Matins: Lamentations |
| Apr. 18 | 9:30 AM Liturgy |
| | 11PM Nocturne and procession |
| | Paschal Liturgy |
| Apr. 19 | 11AM Paschal Vespers followed by egg hunt, weather permitting |
| Apr. 20 | 9:30 AM Liturgy |
| Apr. 23 | 9:30 AM Liturgy: St. George |
| Apr. 26 | 9:30 AM Church School |
| | 10 AM Liturgy – Thomas Sunday followed by the Lakruar Luncheon |



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