



## 2022 Holy Week and Pascha

**Saturday, April 16th** - Great Vespers with Litia will be served at 5 PM.

**Sunday, April 17th - Palm Sunday, Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem.** *Phil. 4:4-9; Jn. 12: 1-18.* The Divine Liturgy with the blessing of willows will be served at 9:30 A.M. Confession from 9:00 A.M. Following Liturgy everyone is invited to the Church hall for a festive brunch.

**Monday, the 18th**—"Bridegroom" Matins will be served in English at 6:30 PM.

**Tuesday, the 19th**—"Bridegroom" Matins will be served in English at 6:30 PM.

**Wednesday, the 20th**—Matins of Holy Thursday will be served in English at 6:30 PM.

**Thursday, the 21st—Great and Holy Thursday,** Commemoration of the Last Supper. *I Cor. 11: 23-32; Mt. 26; 2-20, Jn. 13: 3-17, Mt. 26: 21-39, Lk. 22: 43-45, Mt. 26:40 - 27:2.* The **Vespertal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great** will be served at 9:30 A.M. Confession from 9:00 A.M.

"**Strasti**", i.e., the Matins of Good Friday with the reading of the 12 passion Gospels, will be served at 6:00 P.M.

**Friday, the 22nd—Great and Holy Friday.** The Royal Hours will be served at 9:30 A.M.

**Vespers with the Procession of the Holy Shroud** will be served at 5:00 P.M.

All altar servers and sacristans are asked to be in the Church at 4:30 P.M. for a review of the Paschal services.

*Please remember that Good Friday is the most solemn day of the year. In accordance with the Church typicon we observe a complete fast today, only having some bread and tea if needed after Vespers. We turn off the TV, radio, and other devices, participate in the Holy Services, and refrain from all unnecessary and frivolous conversation.*

**Saturday, the 23rd – Great and Holy Saturday.** *Rm. 6: 3-11; Mt. 28: 1-20.* The Vespertal Divine Liturgy will be served at 11 AM.

We will begin the reading of the Acts of the Apostles at 7:00 PM in Church. All parishioners are welcome and encouraged to take a turn reading.

The "**Graveside Service**" (Midnight Office) will be officiated at 9:00 PM.

**Sunday, the 24th—PASCHA. The Resurrection of our Lord, God, and Saviour Jesus Christ.** *Acts 1: 1-8; Jn. 1: 1-17.* The Paschal Procession around the Church will begin at 5:30 AM, followed immediately by Paschal Matins and the Divine Liturgy.

The blessing of Paschal foods will take place outdoors immediately after Liturgy. We ask the faithful to place their baskets on the grassy areas in front of the church and around the hall. Father will read the prayers of blessing before the front doors of the Church, and will then bless the Paschal foods as everyone sings “Christ is Risen/Khrystos Voskres.”

During the Paschal Services when the priest greets us with the words “Khrystos Voskres!”/“Christ is Risen!” we joyfully reply “Voistynu Voskres!”/Truly, He is Risen!” We also encourage our parishioners to sing the Paschal Troparion during the Paschal season.

Please remember that in accordance with our pious ancient tradition we do not kneel in Church from Pascha until Pentecost.

**Paschal (Agape) Vespers** will be served at 3:00 P.M. today.

**Monday, the 25th—Bright Monday.** *Acts 1: 12 - 17, 21 -26; Jn. 1: 18 - 28.* The Paschal Divine Liturgy will be served at 9:30 A.M.

**Saturday, the 30th** —Great Vespers will be served at 5 PM.

**Sunday, May 1st —Antipascha, Sunday of the Doubting Thomas.** *Acts 5: 12 - 20; Jn. 20 - 19 - 31.* The Liturgy will be served at 9:30 AM. Following the Liturgy everyone is invited to the Church hall for our traditional “Sviachene” Paschal meal. Tickets must be purchased in advance, and are available from Rosemary at the back of Church. Ticket cost: Adults - \$10; Teens - \$5; children up to 12 years of age - free.

Paschal Graveside Services (“Provody”) will be held at Ss. Volodymyr and Ol’ha Cemetery in Courtice beginning at 1:30 PM

(north section, west section, south section, central section) and at Thornton Cemetery in Oshawa beginning at 4:00 PM.

**Saturday, the 7th** - Paschal Graveside Services (“Provody”) will be held at Union Cemetery in Oshawa at 11 AM, beginning from the south side by King St. and moving north.

Great Vespers will be served at 5 PM.

**Sunday, the 8th - 3rd Sunday after Pascha, of the Myrrhbearing Women.** *Acts 6: 1 - 7; Mk. 15: 43 - 16:8.* Holy Apostle Mark. The Liturgy will be served at 9:30 AM.

Paschal Graveside Services (“Provody”) will be held at St. Volodymyr Cemetery in Oakville beginning at 2:00 PM. For services at all other cemeteries please make arrangements with Fr. Bohdan directly.

**Collections in Church.** Please be aware that we will be returning to our usual practice of having a collection during the Liturgy. Our men or women will be conducting the collection during Liturgy, right after the sermon. We are very appreciative that many of our parishioners are part of our PAR (pre-authorized remittance) program, and they of course need not donate during the Liturgical collection. Those who are not participants in our PAR program are asked to place their donations in the basket during the collection, and likewise are asked to use the envelopes available in the Church office so we may properly record their donations, Thank you!

**Live Streaming of Services.** Anyone who is willing and able to help with the live-streaming of our Liturgical services is asked to contact either Vlad Sauchanka or Father Bohdan.

**Pastoral Visitations.** Fr. Bohdan will gladly visit or bring Holy Communion to any of our elderly or infirm parishioners in their home, nursing home, or in the hospital, adhering to the Covid protocols which are in place at the time. Should you or someone you know wish Father to visit please contact him to arrange for a convenient day and time.