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Every **Saturday** in our Cathedral there is a *Vigil* at 5:00 PM (English and Slavonic). *Divine Liturgy* in English is at 9:00 AM and in Church Slavonic – at 10:45 AM on **Sunday**. We also have Akathist in Georgian at 1:00 PM.

To place a notice in the church bulletin: Call Lisa Morris in the church office between 9:00-2:00 Tuesday-Friday (202)-333-5060, or to leave a message press 10 at menu, e-mail the church at office@stnicholasdc.org or pick up a form in the basement of the church on the bulletin board. Notices must be submitted no later than Thursday for the following Sunday.

Entrance into Jerusalem

April 28, 2002 Readings

Matins Gospel: **Mathew 21:1-11;**

Liturgy Epistle: **Philippians 4: 4-9;**
Gospel: **John 12:1-8.**



Schedule of Services

Next Week*

- 29 Monday 19:00 Bridegroom Matins [E]
 - 30 Tuesday 7:00 Bridegroom Matins [S]
 - 1 Wed 7:00 Holy Unction [E,S,G]
 - 2 Thursday 10:00 Liturgy [E,S,G]
 - 2 Thursday 19:00 Twelve Gospels [E,S,G]
 - 3 Friday 14:00 Vespers w/Plaschenitsa [E,S,G]
 - 3 Friday 19:00 Matins of Lazarus Saturday
 - 4 Saturday 10:00 Liturgy [E, S,G]
 - 4 Saturday 23:30 Nocturnes [E,S,G]
 - 5 Sunday 00:00 Matins. Divine Liturgy [E,S,G]
 - 5 Sunday 12:00 Vespers of Pascha [E,S,G]
- Followed by an Easter Egg Hunt, ages 3 - 10

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Fast Days

Great Lent until May 5th. According to the Church rules, during this period, we should abstain from meat, milk, eggs and sexual relations.

+++ VISITORS +++

A warm welcome to St. Nicholas Cathedral!

We are glad to have you worship with us today.

Please join us downstairs for our coffee hour.

* E=English, S=Church Slavonic, G=Georgian, O.C. – Old Calendar.

Troparions & Kontakions

Festal Antiphons:

First Antiphon (Tone 2): I love the Lord because He has heard the voice of my supplication. *Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us. Because He inclined His ear to me, therefore I will call on Him as long as I live. * The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of hell laid hold on me. * I suffered distress and anguish; then I called upon the name of the Lord. * Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. *

Second Antiphon (Tone 2):

I kept my faith even when I said: "I am greatly afflicted!" *O Son of God who sat upon the foal, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia! What shall I render to the Lord for all the things He has given me? * I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. * I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people. * Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen. *

Third Antiphon (Tone 1): O give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His mercy endures forever! *By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God! Like the children with the palms of victory, we cry out to Thee: O Vanquisher of Death: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! Let the house of Israel say: For He is good, for His mercy endures forever! * Let the house of Aaron say: For He is good, for His mercy endures forever! * Let all those who fear the Lord say: For He is good, for His mercy endures forever! *

Troparia (Tone 1): By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion, Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God! Like the children with the palms of victory, we cry out to Thee: O Vanquisher of Death: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Troparia (Tone 4): When we were buried with Thee in Baptism, O Christ God, we were made worthy of eternal life by Thy Resurrection! Now we praise Thee and sing: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord! Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Kontakia (Tone 6): Sitting on Thy throne in heaven, carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God! Accept the praise of angels and the songs of children, who sing: Blessed is He that comes to recall Adam!

Prokeimenon (Tone 4): Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord and hath revealed Himself to us. Verse: O give praise to the Lord for he is good, for His mercy endures forever.

Alleluia (Tone 1): O sing to the Lord a new song; for the Lord hath done marvelous things. Verse: All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.



SCRIPTURES

Philippians 4: 4-9

Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy – meditate on these things. The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

John 12:1-8

Six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said, “Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?” This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, “Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you but you do not always have me.” When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him. Crying, “Hosanna! Blessed be he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!” And Jesus found a young ass and sat upon it; as it is written, “Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold thy king is coming, sitting on an ass’s colt!” His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

Announcements

Schedule Changes: The following changes were made to the Paschal Schedule of services. On Holy Wednesday, May 1, 2002 the Matins service has been replaced by Holy Anointing in English, Church Slavonic and Georgian. On Bright Monday, May 6, 2002 the Divine Liturgy in English, Church Slavonic and Georgian will begin at 9:30 am. ***Correction:*** Bright Monday is the 35th anniversary of His Beatitude's consecration as a Bishop!

Paschal Pot Luck Breakfast: Don't forget to sign up to bring a dish and join us for our Paschal Breakfast following the Paschal Divine Liturgy. All are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Daria Virvan at 301-262-5984 or Lisa Morris in the church office, 202-333-5060.

All Night Vigil: On Holy Friday, May 3, 2002 we will have an all night vigil with reading of psalms. If you would be interested in reading there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board at the bottom of the stairs. Please sign up for the two-hour shift you would be willing to help with. For more information please contact the coordinator Chris Rowe at 301-947-0599.

Attention Parents: A Russian Pascha party (in Russian) for our young parishioners will take place on Saturday, May 11, at 2:30 P.M. in the church hall. The young talents of St. Nicholas Sunday School will present a play, a priest will address the children and parents, and there will be fun games and music. All are welcome to participate and praise the Lord with their talents. Children will receive presents and we will all have a light meal after we are tired from all the fun. The Sunday school is organizing this event and would appreciate a \$7 donation per child (if it will not hurt your family's budget). We look forward to seeing you there.

Easter Eggs for the Metropolitan: Please consider dyeing an extra dozen eggs (preferably red) for His Beatitude to hand out on Easter when preparing your Easter Basket this year. Eggs may be delivered to the Cathedral during Holy Week.

Blessing of Easter Baskets: Easter Baskets will be blessed following the Divine Liturgy on Holy Saturday (approximately 11:30 am) and again at 10 pm, 10:30 pm and 11 pm that evening. ***No baskets will be blessed after the 11 pm blessing is completed.*** We are sorry but we will be unable to store any baskets in the church hall during the Paschal services.

Easter Egg Hunt: On Sunday, May 5th following the Paschal Vespers St. Nicholas will host its annual Easter Egg Hunt on the front lawn of the Cathedral. All children ages 3-10 are welcome to participate.

Coffee Hour: Two to three volunteers are needed to setup and cleanup coffee hour after the Noon Vespers on Pascha. Please contact the church office ***as soon as possible*** if you would be able to help with this. *The Cathedral would very much like to extend this outreach for the many visitors who will attend church on this day. Please consider helping the church with this endeavor.*

Agape Canister: The Agape canister netted \$30.50 on April 14, 2002. Thank you St. Nicholas for your continued generous support.