



Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah

3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84093

Sunday, April 5, 2015

Palm Sunday

Orthros: 9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

Celebrants:

Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas
Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev

Mission Statement: The Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah is a Christ-centered Greek Orthodox Christian parish that welcomes and embraces all Orthodox Christian faithful and all of God's children, regardless of ethnicity and is focused above all else on the faithful worship of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in adherence to the canons, teachings and traditions of the Orthodox Christian faith as part of One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

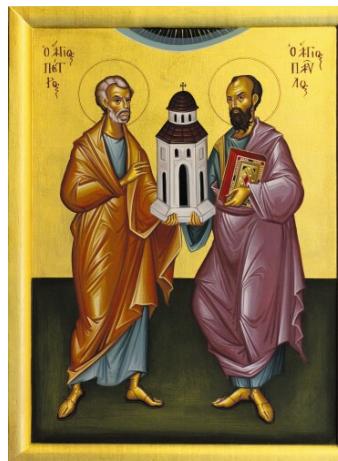
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Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 4:4-9

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalm 117.26,1

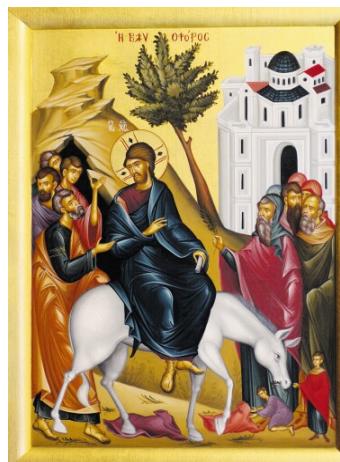
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Verse: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His mercy endures forever.



brethren, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel of John 12:1-18



six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and 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 is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey'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.

Hymns at Small Entrance

Resurrection Apolytikion

To confirm the general resurrection before Your Passion, You resurrected Lazarus from the dead, O Christ our God. Therefore imitating the children, carrying the symbols of victory, we cry out to You the Victor over death: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One, who comes in the name of the Lord."

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We were buried with You through Baptism, O Christ our God, and thus by Your Resurrection we have been granted immortal life, and extolling You we cry aloud, "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One who comes in the name of the Lord."

Entrance Hymn

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Save us, O Son of God, who sat on a donkey's colt.

Kontakion

In heaven upon the throne, on earth upon the colt, You were carried, O Christ our God; and the praise of the Angels, and the hymns of the children, You received as they cried to You, "Blessed are You, the One, who is coming to call Adam back again."

Communion Hymn

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia.

Selected Psalm Verses for Palm Sunday

In all the earth. Alleluia.

1. O Lord, our Lord, how wondrous is Your name in all the earth. Alleluia.
2. For Your splendor is exalted far beyond the heavens. Alleluia.
3. From the mouths of babies and nursing infants You prepared praise. Alleluia.
4. Because of Your enemies, that You may destroy the enemy and avenger. Alleluia.
5. You rebuke the nations, and the ungodly man destroys himself. Alleluia.
6. The stone the builders rejected, the same became the head of the corner. Alleluia.
7. And this came about from the Lord, and it is wonderful in our eyes. Alleluia.
8. The Lord is great in Zion, and He is exalted above all the peoples. Alleluia.
9. Zion heard and was glad, and the daughters of Judah greatly rejoiced. Alleluia.
10. Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem; praise your God, O Zion. Alleluia.
11. To declare the Lord's name in Zion, and His praise in Jerusalem. Alleluia.
12. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Alleluia.

13. Appoint a feast for yourselves, decked with branches, even to the horns of the altar. Alleluia.

14. You are my God, and I will give thanks to You; You are my God, and I shall exalt You. Alleluia.

15. Sing to the Lord who dwells in Zion. Alleluia.

16. That I may proclaim all Your praises in the gates of the daughter of Zion. Alleluia.

17. Who will bring about the salvation of Israel out of Zion? Alleluia.

18. In the courts of the Lord's house, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Alleluia.

19. The Lord shall reign forever; your God, O Zion, to all generations. Alleluia.

20. His praise continues unto ages of ages. Alleluia.

Glory. Both now. Alleluia.

Dismissal Hymn

Preserve him who blesses and sanctifies us, O Lord; preserve him for many years.

Orthodox Saints Commemorated on April 5: On April 5 we commemorate Saints Claudius, Diodorus, Victor, Victorinus & those martyred with them, Theodora the Righteous of Thessaloniki, and Saint Argyre the Neomartyr of Constantinople. Other saints commemorated today include Saints Agathopodes, Theodosius & those martyred with them, George the Neomartyr of New Ephesus, Holy Martyrs Theodora & Didymus of Alexandria, and the 5 young girls martyred at Neanidors of Lesbos.

Welcome Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas: We are blessed to welcome Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas from the Metropolis of Denver to celebrate Divine Liturgy with our Parish on this, our first Sunday in our new Parish home! Father Ambrose will be with us throughout Holy Week and for Pascha. The Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev will assist Father Ambrose today and throughout Holy Week.

Welcome Robert Shand: We are blessed to have the assistance of Robert Shand, one of our Parish seminarians, during Holy Week. Robert will assist Leo Davis with the chanting and may also assist Father Ambrose and Deacon Anatoli in the altar.

Fellowship Hour: Thank you to Phill and Liberty Mudrock, Fred and Connie Pantke, Andrea Rosenkrantz, Mary Simos, and Toula Souvall for hosting this week's fellowship hour. Please join us!

If you would like to sign up to host fellowship hour after Pascha, please contact Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net.

Altar Server News: The altar server schedule for this week is as follows:

Today, April 5, 2015 (10:00 a.m.): Jacob Pananos, Zachary Petrogeorge, Jonathan Petrogeorge and Thanasi Johnson.

Wednesday, April 8, 2015 (3:00 p.m.): Andy Adondakis, Zachary Petrogeorge, Luke Varechok and Jonathan Petrogeorge

Wednesday, April 8, 2015 (7:00 p.m.): Jacob Pananos, Dennis Apostole, Thanasi Johnson and Miles Burke

Friday, April 10, 2015 (3:00 p.m.): Jacob Pananos, Jonathan Petrogeorge and Thanasi Johnson

Friday, April 10, 2015 (7:00 p.m.): Kosta Sergakis, Zachary Petrogeorge, Dennis Apostole, Luke Varechok and Miles Burke

Saturday, April 11, 2015 (9:00 a.m.): Kosta Sergakis, Jonathan Petrogeorge, Thanasi Johnson and Miles Burke

Saturday, April 11, 2015 (11:00 p.m.): Jacob Pananos, Zachary Petrogeorge, Dennis Apostole and Luke Varechok

Confessions: Father Ambrose will be available for confessions during Holy Week. If you wish to make an appointment, please contact Dr. Charles Beck at president@gomissionparishut.org. You may also make an appointment directly with Father Ambrose after services.

Memorial Services: If you would like to schedule a memorial service, please contact Dr. Charles Beck at president@gomissionparishut.org or 801-573-6800. Please note, however, that no memorial services may be chanted until after the Sunday of Thomas (April 19).

Thank You! Amber Pananos would like to express her sincere gratitude to all of the women in our Parish who helped provide lunches for the facilities work crew over the past few weeks. Thank you all!

Holy Friday Youth Retreat: Our Parish will host a Holy Friday Youth Retreat on Friday, April 10, 2015, in our Fellowship Hall. The retreat begins at 10:00 a.m. for those in grades 7-12, and at noon for those in preschool (3 years and above) and grades K-6. The retreat will conclude for all ages with Great Vespers/Descent from the Cross services at 3:00 p.m. All Orthodox youth throughout Salt Lake are invited to attend, and guests are welcome!

Decorating the Kouvouklion: Please contact Sandra Zoolakis at aambus@msn.com or 801-943-6158 if you would like to assist in decorating the Kouvouklion (the symbolic tomb of Christ) with flowers for our Holy Friday services.

Anastasi Dinner: Our Parish will host its first Anastasi (Resurrection) dinner in the St. Thomas More banquet hall immediately following the Resurrection Service/Divine Liturgy on Holy Saturday night/Easter Sunday morning. Please make plans to join us!

Items for New Worship Space: Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to the fund to acquire liturgical and altar items that are critical but not part of the facility improvement budget passed at the Special Parish Assembly on February 14. The generosity of our parishioners has been amazing! If you would like to make a donation to this fund, please contact Chris Gounaris at treasurer@gomissionparishut.org or 801-660-9224.

Next Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, April 20, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

Camp Emmanuel: Camp Emmanuel will be held at Manzano Mountain Retreat in Torreon, New Mexico (near Albuquerque). Junior Session (ages 11-14): June 7-13, 2015; Senior Session (ages 15-18): June 14-20, 2015. The registration deadline is May 1, 2015. www.events.denver.goarch.org/?eventId=51&controller=event&task=individualRegister.

Calendar of Scheduled Events/Meetings: The staff at St. Thomas More has created a Google calendar to track our Parish's reservations for meetings and events. To view this read-only calendar, please visit <http://www.stmutah.org/content.cfm?id=360>.

Weekly Bulletin Announcements: Please send weekly bulletin announcement requests to Parish Council Secretary Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. Announcements for Pan-Orthodox, Fraternal and other events will be published at the discretion of the Parish Council and as space permits.

Prayer List: The family of Father Matthew Baker, the Theodorou family, Alec, Anastasia, Andromahi, Ange, Anthony, Austin, Barbara, Beverlee, Bill, Cathy, Christopher, Chrysoula, Connie, Cynthia, Dan, Elaine, Elizabeth, Garegin, Gary, George, Helen, Irene, Jackie, Jennifer, Joe, John, Justin, Katherine, Konstantinos, Kristina, Margaret, Margie, Maria, Marie, Mary, Mitch, Stacie, Theano, Tom, Vasiliki, Zachary.

Please note that we will be updating our Parish prayer list after Pascha. If you would like any of the above names to remain on the prayer list, or to add any additional names, please contact Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org.

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daughters of Penelope Easter Bread: The Daughters of Penelope will sell Easter bread in our Fellowship Hall immediately after Divine Liturgy today, April 5, 2015. Cost: \$8 per loaf.