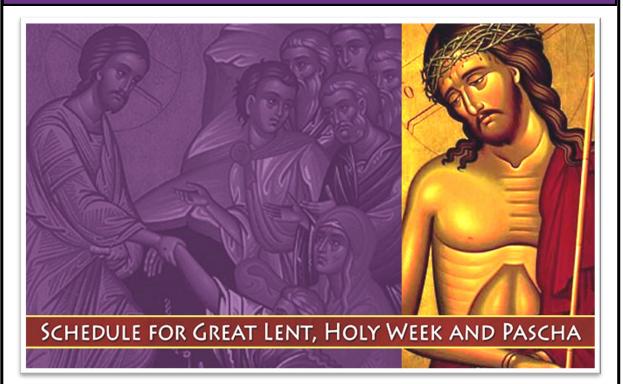


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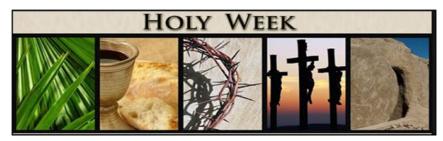


**Great Lent** is a time for self-examination and self-denial – a time for taking control of our lives and our bodies. The purpose of the fast is to give us a greater awareness of our dependence on God. It is a time to improve ourselves and our relationship with God. Lent is a time for greater works of mercy and charity for those less fortunate than us. It is a time for visitation of the sick and assistance to the poor, and generally a more joyful relationship with those who are close to us – our family and friends. Most of all, Lent is a time of joy and a new beginning. We cleanse ourselves –mind, body and soul– through the physical and spiritual fast, keeping a Christian attitude in all that we do. All this is done to prepare us for the Great Feast of Pascha – the Resurrection of Christ. *(www.goarch.org)* 

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## LENTEN CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 24 Great Compline: 6:30pm



Sunday, April 28 -Palm Sunday Orthros 8:15am/Divine Liturgy: 9:30am First Bridegroom Service-Nymphios-6:30pm

Monday, April 29 - Holy and Great Monday Second Bridegroom Service-(Nymphios)-6:30pm

**Tuesday, April 30 - Holy and Great Tuesday** Hymn of Kassiane-6:30pm

Wednesday, May 1- Holy and Great Wednesday Family Unction Service-3:30pm Holy Unction Service-6:30pm

**Thursday, May 2 - Holy and Great Thursday** Vespers & Divine Liturgy of St. Basil-(The Mystical Supper)-8:30am The Holy Passion of the Lord-(Twelve Gospel Readings)-6:00pm

> Friday, May 3- Holy and Great Friday Reading of the Royal Hours-9:00am Vespers of the Descent from the Cross-3:00pm Service of the Lamentations-6:30pm

Saturday, May 4 - Holy and Great Saturday Vesperal Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great-9:00am Pre-Resurrection Service-11:00pm Resurrection Liturgy-12:00am

> Sunday, May 5 - Great & Holy Pascha Agapi Service-11:00am