St. Sophia’s Greek Orthodox Church
Syracuse, New York

Weekly Bulletin
Sunday, April 28, 2024
Palm Sunday

Metropolis of Detroit
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.

The reading is from
St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 4:4-9

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.
Πρὸς Φιλιππησίους 4:4-9

Προκείμενον. Ἡχος δ’
ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 117.26,1

Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὑμνήματι Κυρίου.

Στίχ. Στίχ. Ἐξομολογεῖσθε τῷ Κυρίῳ ὅτι ἀγαθός,
ὅτι εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα τὸ ἔλεος αὐτοῦ.

Πρὸς Φιλιππησίους 4:4-9 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἄδελφοί, χαίρετε ἐν κυρίῳ πάντοτε· πάλιν ἔρῳ, χαίρετε. Τὸ ἐπιεικὲς ύμῶν γνωσθῇ πᾶσιν ἀνθρώποις. Ὁ κύριος ἐγγύς. Μηδὲν μεριμνᾶτε, ἀλλ’ ἐν παντὶ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ δεήσει μετὰ εὐχαριστίας τὰ αἰτήματα ύμῶν γνωριζότω πρὸς τὸν θεόν. Καὶ ἡ εἰρήνη τοῦ θεοῦ ἐν πάσῃ νυνὶ, φρονήσεις καὶ μνήμη τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐν πάσῃ μνήμῃ. Τὸ λοιπὸν, ἀδελφοί, ὅσα ἔστιν ἀληθῆ, ὅσα σεμνά, ὅσα δίκαια, ὅσα ἁγνά, ὅσα προσφιλή, ὅσα εὔφημα, εἰ τις ἁρετὴ καὶ εἰ τις ἅγιος, ταῦτα λογίζομεν. ἀκούσατε καὶ ἠκούσατε καὶ ἠκούσατε ἐν ἐμοί, ταῦτα πράσσετε· καὶ ο ὄψες τῆς εἰρήνης ἐσται μεθ’ υμῶν.
The Gospel

According to John 12:1-18

Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazaros was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazaros was one of those at 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 Lazaros, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazaros 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 Lazaros 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.
Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Ἰωάννην 12:1-18
Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Πρὸ ἔξ ἡμερῶν τοῦ πάσχα ἦλθεν Ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς Βηθανίαν, ὅπου ἦν Λάζαρος τὸ τεθνηκώς. ὃν ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν. ἔποιησαν οὖν αὐτῷ δείπνον ῥηθεὶ, καὶ ἡ Μάρθα διηκόνει· ὁ δὲ Λάζαρος ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν. λέγει οὖν εἰς ἐκ τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ, Ἰουδαῖας Σίμωνος Ἰσκαριώτης, ὁ μέλλων αὐτὸν παραδίδονα· διατί τοῦτο τὸ μύρον οὐκ ἐπράθη τριακοσίων δηναρίων καὶ ἐδόθη πτωχοῖς; εἶπε δὲ τὸν Λάζαρον ἀποκτείνωσιν, ὅτι πολλοὶ δι᾽ αὐτὸν ἔφυγον τῶν Ἰουδαίων καὶ ἐπίστευον εἰς τὸν Ἰησοῦν. Ἃγνωστὸς οὖν ὅτι ἔφυγον τῶν Ἰουδαίων καὶ ἐπίστευον εἰς τὸν Ἰησοῦν. ἀκούσαντες ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὅτι ἔφυγον τῶν Ἰουδαίων καὶ ἐπίστευον εἰς τὸν Ἰησοῦν. ἀκούσαντες δὲ τὸν Λάζαρον ἀποκτείνωσιν. ἦλθαν δὲ τοῦτο ὅτι πρὸ ἕξ ἡμερῶν τοῦ πάσχα ἦλθεν Ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς Βηθανίαν, ὅπου ἦν Λάζαρος ὁ τεθνηκώς, ὃν ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν. ἐποίησαν οὖν αὐτῷ δείπνον ἐκεῖ, καὶ ἡ Μάρθα διηκόνει· ὁ δὲ Ἱησοῦς αὐτὸν ἠγιάσα· ἠλείπε τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ καὶ ἐξέμαξε τὰς θριξὶς αὐτῆς τοὺς πόδας αὐτοῦ· ή δὲ οἰκία ἐπλήρωθαι ἐκ τῆς ὀσμῆς τοῦ μύρου. ὁ δὲ διὰ τὸν ᾿Ιησοῦν μόνον, ἀλλ᾽ ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν ἦν Λάζαρος, ὁ ὁδύτης πυρός τοῦ Ἠρώδου. ἢ λέγει οὖν εἷς τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ, ᾿Ιούδας Σίμωνος Ἰσκαριώτης, ὁ μέλλων αὐτὸν παραδίδονα· διατί τοῦτο τὸ μύρον οὐκ ἐπράθη τριακοσίων δηναρίων καὶ ἐδόθη πτωχοῖς; εἶπε δὲ τὸν Ἰησοῦν μόνον, ἀλλ᾽ ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν τοῦ Λάζαρον. ἔλαβον τὰ βαΐα τῶν φοινίκων καὶ ἐξῆλθον εἰς ὑπάντησιν αὐτῷ, καὶ ἔκραζον· ὡσαννά, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου, ὁ βασιλεὺς τοῦ ᾿Ισραήλ. ὁ ὄχλος ὁ ὀνάριον ἐκάθισεν ἐπ᾽ αὐτὸ, καθώς ἐστι γεγραμμένον· μὴ φοβοῦ, θύγατερ Σιών· ἢδον ὁ βασιλέας σου ἔρχεται καθήμενος ἐπὶ πῶλον ὄνου. ἐμνήσθησαν δὲ ὅτε ἐδοξάσθη ὁ Ἰησοῦς. Ῥητοὶ δὲ οἱ ὄχλοι ὄχλοι τοῦ Ἱουδαίων ἐπὶ πῶλον ὄνου. ἔγνων ὅτι ὤρα ἐνταφίασης πόλεως ἔστιν. ἔθεσαν ὅτι ἔρχεται ὁ Ἐρωτόλομος, ἔδηλον τὰ βαΐα τῶν φοινίκων καὶ ἐξῆλθον εἰς ὑπάντησιν αὐτῷ, καὶ ἔκαλε· ἔρχεται ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου, ὁ βασιλεὺς τοῦ ᾿Ισραήλ. ἢ ὦ Κυρίε, ὁ χαμόν ἔστις ἐγερμένον ἐπὶ τὸν Λάζαρον. οὐδὲ ὁ θύγατερ Σιών· ἢδον ὁ βασιλέας σου ἔρχεται καθήμενος ἐπὶ πῶλον ὄνου.
HYMNS OF THE DAY

Apolytikion for the Feast
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.”

Τὴν κοινὴν Ἀνάστασιν πρὸ τοῦ σοῦ Πάθους πιστούμενος, ἐκ νεκρῶν ἠγειρας τὸν Λάζαρον, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός· ὥθεν καὶ ἡμεῖς ως οἱ Παιδες, τὰ τῆς νίκης σύμβολα φέροντες, σοὶ τῷ Νικητῇ τοῦ θανάτου βοῶμεν· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ψύστοις, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

Apolytikion
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.”

Συνταφέντες σοι διὰ τοῦ Βαπτίσματος, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, τῆς ἀθανάτου ζωῆς ἠξιώθημεν τῇ Ἀναστάσει σου, καὶ ἀνυμνοῦντες κράζομεν· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ψύστοις, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

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.”

Τῷ θρόνῳ ἐν οἴρανῷ, τῷ πώλῳ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, ἐποχούμενος Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, τὸν Ἀγγέλων τὴν αἴνεσιν, καὶ τῶν Παιδῶν ἀνύμνησιν προσεδέξω βοώντων σοι· Εὐλογημένος εἰ ὁ ἐρχόμενος, τὸν Ἀδὰμ ἀνακαλέσασθαι.
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A special thank you to the following members of our community who have volunteered to donate their time today to serve coffee:

Garyfallia Papageorge & Anastasia Papazides
Church Services & Events for Today & for HOLY WEEK

Today—PALM SUNDAY
   Orthros 9:00 am
   Blessing of Palms 9:45 am
   Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
   Bridegroom Orthros 6:00 pm

HOLY MONDAY—April 29
   Bridegroom Orthros 6:00 pm

HOLY TUESDAY—April 30
   Presanctified Liturgy 9:00 am
   Bridegroom Orthros 6:00 pm

HOLY WEDNESDAY—May 1
   Presanctified Liturgy 9:00 am
   Holy Unction 3:00 pm
   Holy Unction 6:00 pm

HOLY THURSDAY—May 2
   Vesperal Liturgy 9:00 am in Church
   The Passion Gospels 6:00 pm

GREAT and HOLY FRIDAY—May 3
   Royal Hours 10:00 am
   Great Vespers (Removal of Christ from Cross) 3:00 pm
   Epitafios Service 6:00 pm

HOLY and GREAT SATURDAY—May 4
   9:00 am Protoanasisi Divine Liturgy
   11:30 pm Resurrection Service—Pascha

PASCHA—EASTER SUNDAY—May 5
   12:00 pm (Noon) Agape Vespers
   Easter Egg Hunt
PHILOPTOCHOS Easter Basket Raffle

Baskets will be displayed and tickets can be purchased on Palm Sunday - April 28th

We will have the drawing on Palm Sunday—April 28th

Tickets:
$10 for 20 tickets & a door prize ticket
$5 for 8 tickets & a door prize ticket

Funds raised will be utilized for our numerous philanthropic projects.

PHILOPTOCHOS Tsoureki Sale

Mark your calendars for Palm Sunday—April 28th when we will have our annual Tsoureki Sale (Greek Easter Bread)
Easter Egg Hunt

Sunday, May 5th

Following Noon Agape Vespers
(Pascha Service)

JOY & HOPE

Easter Eggs will be placed inside on the main level, please bring an Easter basket or bag to collect them

Once all eggs have been retrieved we will have kids come to the table and open eggs so we have them for next year
TODAY
We have the PARISH PHOTO After the Liturgy