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Bulletin for Pascha Sunday, April 20, 2014

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Schedule of Services for Bright Week

April 20th Holy Pascha—The Feast of Feasts

Sat/Sun Midnight Procession, Matins, Hours, Liturgy

3:00 p.m. Agape Vespers

4:00 p.m. Paschal Picnic, Egg Hunt

April 21st Bright Monday

8:00 a.m. Paschal Matins

9:00 a.m. Paschal Divine Liturgy

3:00 p.m. Paschal Vespers

April 22nd Bright Tuesday

8:00 a.m. Paschal Matins

9:00 a.m. Paschal Divine Liturgy

4:00 p.m. Paschal Vespers

April 23^{es} Bright Wednesday

6:00 a.m. Paschal Matins

7:00 a.m. Paschal Divine Liturgy

7:00 p.m. Paschal Vespers

April 24th Bright Thursday

7:30 a.m. Paschal Matins

6:00 p.m. Paschal Vespers

April 25th Bright Friday

7:30 a.m. Paschal Matins

4:00 p.m. Paschal Vespers

April 26th Bright Saturday

9:30 a.m. *Russian Divine Liturgy, St. Seraphim's, Dallas*

5:00 p.m. Vigil, Confession

April 27th Thomas Sunday

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

From the Triodion

Come ye faithful, let us raise our minds on high and enjoy the Master's hospitality and the table of immortal life in the upper room; and let us hear the exalted teaching of the Word whom we magnify.

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belongs to the Diocese of the South, Orthodox Church in America

Announcements for Pascha, April 20

To Our Visitors: Welcome! Please join us after the service for coffee and conversation. If you would, fill out a visitor's card for us and leave it in the basket on the table by the door.

To All: Please be aware that Holy Communion is open only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves for worthy participation in the Mystery through prayer, fasting, and a recent confession to a priest (within the last month or so). We should be modestly dressed (so as not to distract others) and present to hear "Blessed is the Kingdom" at the beginning of the Liturgy (in *unusual* circumstances no later than the Gospel reading), and not leave until the dismissal at the end.

The Special Offering will go for our building fund.

Agape Vespers & Picnic: Please join us at 3:00 p.m. today for the Agape Vespers and Paschal picnic with egg hunt for the children.

Temple Oil given for the health and salvation of William and Carolyn.

No Fasting this Week

No Classes this Week

Tithes, Offerings & Attendance: Bringing our tithes and offerings to the temple of God is part of our worship of God, which also supports our efforts to proclaim the fullness of the Gospel of Christ in Denton through the establishment of a permanent Orthodox parish and new missions in Denton County and north Texas. Checks should be made out to St. Maximus Orthodox Church and placed in the basket on the candle table, where there is also a box for alms (those in need) and a box for our building fund.

Last week, we gave \$2187.98 in tithes and offerings; in April, we have given \$3934.48 our monthly budget is \$8700 (\$2008 per week). Candles \$107; Building Fund box \$192; soda \$5.41; Special Offering for IOCC \$64. Flower offering \$144.19. Attendance: Saturday Vigil 41, Palm Sunday Liturgy 93.

From Saint Maximus

If a man loves someone, he naturally makes every effort to be of service to that person. If, then, a man loves God, he naturally strives to conform to His will. But if he loves the flesh, he panders to the flesh.

400 Chapters on Love, 3.10

Paschal Hours

The Hours will be sung Pascha night between Matins and the Liturgy while the Liturgy of Preparation (Proskomide) is finished in the altar. Hereby you may sing along with the choir. They also may be said or sung morning and evening during Bright Week in place of our regular prayers, if desired.

Through the prayers of our holy Fathers, Lord Jesus Christ our God have mercy on us.

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tomb bestowing life! (*thrice*)

Tone 6 Having beheld the Resurrection of Christ, / let us worship the holy Lord Jesus, / the only sinless one. / We venerate Thy Cross, O Christ, / and we praise and glorify Thy holy Resurrection, / for Thou art our God / and we know no other than Thee; / we call on Thy Name. / Come, all ye faithful, / let us venerate Christ's holy Resurrection, / for, behold, through the Cross joy hath come into all the world; / let us ever bless the Lord, / praising His Resurrection, / for by enduring the Cross for us, / He hath destroyed death by death. (*thrice*)

Hypakoe, tone 8 Before the dawn Mary and the women / came and found the stone rolled away from the tomb. / They heard the angelic voice: "Why do ye seek among the dead as a man / the One who is everlasting light? / Behold the clothes in the grave! Go and proclaim to the world: / 'The Lord is risen! He hath slain death, / as He is the Son of God, saving the race of men!"

Kontakion, tone 8 Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, / Thou didst destroy the power of death. / In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, / proclaiming, "Rejoice" to the myrrh-bearing women, / granting peace to Thine Apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

Tone 8 In the grave with the body, but in hell with the soul as God, / in Paradise with the thief, and on the throne with the Father and the Spirit / wast Thou, O Christ, filling all things, Thyself uncircumscribed.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Tone 8 Bearing life and more fruitful than Paradise, / brighter than any royal chamber, / Thy tomb, O Christ is the fountain of our resurrection.

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Tone 8 Rejoice, O holy and divine abode of the Most High! /
For through thee, O Theotokos, joy is given to those who cry: /
“Blessed art thou among women, O all-undefiled Lady!”

Lord, have mercy. (40)

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Shine! Shine! O new Jerusalem! / The glory of the Lord hath
shone on thee. / Exult now / and be glad, O Zion! / Be radiant,
O pure Theotokos, / in the resurrection of thy Son.

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God have mercy on us. Amen.

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Paschal Greetings in Various Languages

English: Christ is risen! Indeed, He is risen!

Greek: Christos anesti! Alethos anesti!

Russian: Khristos Voskresye! Bo istinu voskresye!

Romanian: Hristos a inviat! Adeverat a inviat!

Arabic: El Messieh kahm! Hakken kahm!

Spanish: Cristo ha resusitado! En verdad ha resuscitado!

German: Christus ist auferstanden! Wahrlich er ist erstanden!

Latin: Christus resurrexit! Vere resurrexit!

Japanese: Christos fukkatsu! Jitsu ni fukkatsu!

French: Christ est ressuscité! En vérité il est ressuscité!

Norwegian: Kristus er oppstanden! Han er sannelig oppstanden!

Italian: Cristo e' risorto! Veramente e' risorto!

Eritrean-Tigre: Christos tensiou! Bahake tensiou!

Swahili: Kristo amefufukka! Kweli Amefufukka!

Georgian: Kriste aghsda! Cheshdmaritad aghsda!

Paschal Notes

The prayer “O Heavenly King” is not said at home or in church during this season until Pentecost. Instead we use the Paschal Troparion, “Christ is risen from the dead...” thrice. During the 50 days from Pascha to Pentecost, we do not kneel or make prostrations in church in keeping with the joyful, festal character of the season. For 40 days, through the Leavetaking of the Feast, May 28, we greet each other by saying, “Christ is Risen!” “Indeed, He is Risen!” and we use the paschal troparion before and after meals.