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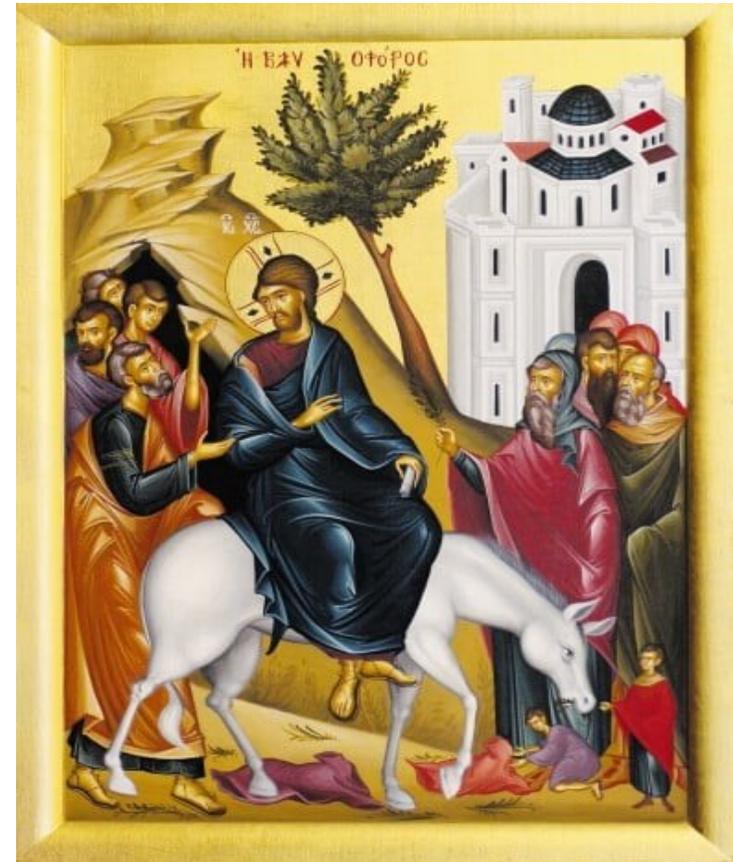
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PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 5, 2026

Hymns Following the Gospel (Small Entrance)

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the First Mode

In confirming the common Resurrection, O Christ God, Thou didst raise up Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion. Wherefore, we also, like the children, bearing the symbols of victory, cry to Thee, the Vanquisher of death: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

Τὴν κοινὴν Ἀνάστασιν πρὸ τοῦ σοῦ Πάθους πιστούμενος, ἐκ νεκρῶν ἤγειρας τὸν Λάζαρον, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός· ὅθεν καὶ ἡμεῖς ὡς οἱ Παῖδες, τὰ τῆς νίκης σύμβολα φέροντες, σοὶ τῷ Νικητῇ τοῦ θανάτου βοῶμεν· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

Apolytikion for Palm Sunday in the Fourth Mode

As by baptism we were buried with Thee, O Christ our God, so by Thy Resurrection we were deemed worthy of immortal life; and praising Thee, we cry: Hosanna in the highest; blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.

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

Seasonal Kontakion in the Plagal Second Mode

In Heaven, He is seated upon a Throne and on earth He rides upon a foal. O Christ our God, accept the praise of the Angels and the hymn of the Children who cry out to You, "Blessed are You who comes to recall Adam."

Τῷ θρόνῳ ἐν οὐρανῷ, τῷ πάλῳ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, ἐποχοῦμενος Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, τῶν Ἀγγέλων τὴν αἴνεσιν, καὶ τῶν Παίδων ἀνύμνησιν προσεδέξω βοῶντων σοὶ· Εὐλογημένος εἶ ὁ ἐρχόμενος, τὸν Ἀδὰμ ἀνακαλέσασθαι.



PANAGIA'S GARDEN

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St. Vasilios Church Camp 2026



Save the date!

August 3rd-7th, Daily 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

\$150 per Child with Sibling Discounts, for Ages 4-10

Registration Deadline: July 6th

Email with any questions or
Save your spot: goyal@stvasilios.org

MYRROPHORES

One of the most beautiful ways for our young girls to participate in the events of Holy Week is to volunteer to be a myrrophorra, or representative of the myrrh bearing women at the tomb of Christ. We welcome elementary school aged girls to be Myrrophores during the Holy Friday afternoon service. If you are interested in participating you must arrive at church at 2:15 on Holy Friday, April 10th and meet in the board room under the church to be fitted for a robe and receive directions. Any questions, please contact Rita Constantinou at rconstan1113@gmail.com.

Middle school and high school aged girls are invited to be Myrrophores for the Friday evening service. Girls must arrive by 6:15 on Holy Friday, April 10th and meet in the board room. Any questions, please contact Constance Spack at cdpap14@gmail.com or Rita Constantinou at rconstan1113@gmail.com.

There are only a limited amount of white robes so they will be

GREEK FESTIVAL



SAINT VASILIOS
GREEK FESTIVAL
MAY 22-24, 2026

MEMORIAL
★ DAY ★
WEEKEND!

FRIDAY
5 - 11 PM

SATURDAY
Noon - 11 PM

SUNDAY
Noon - 9 PM

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 - Saturday @ 8 PM
 - Sunday @ 7 PM
- ★ LIVE GREEK MUSIC BY ORFEAS
 - Saturday 6-10 PM
 - Sunday 5-9 PM

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EPISTLE READING

Prokeimenon. Fourth Mode. 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.

Προκείμενον. Fourth Mode. ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 117.26,1.

Εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου.

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

τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα Πρὸς Φιλιππησίους 4:4-9.

Ἀδελφοί, χαίρετε ἐν κυρίῳ πάντοτε· πάλιν ἐρῶ, χαίρετε. Τὸ ἐπιεικὲς ὑμῶν γνωσθήτω πᾶσιν ἀνθρώποις. Ὁ κύριος ἐγγύς. Μηδὲν μεριμνᾶτε, ἀλλ' ἐν παντὶ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ δεήσει μετὰ εὐχαριστίας τὰ αἰτήματα ὑμῶν γνωρίζεσθω πρὸς τὸν θεόν. Καὶ ἡ εἰρήνη τοῦ θεοῦ ἡ ὑπερέχουσα πάντα νοῦν, φρουρήσει τὰς καρδίας ὑμῶν καὶ τὰ νοήματα ὑμῶν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. Τὸ λοιπόν, ἀδελφοί, ὅσα ἐστὶν ἀληθῆ, ὅσα σεμνά, ὅσα δίκαια, ὅσα ἀγνά, ὅσα προσφιλή, ὅσα εὐφημα, εἴ τις ἀρετὴ καὶ εἴ τις ἔπαινος, ταῦτα λογίζεσθε. Ἄ καὶ ἐμάθετε καὶ παρελάβετε καὶ ἠκούσατε καὶ εἶδετε ἐν ἐμοί, ταῦτα πράσσετε· καὶ ὁ θεὸς τῆς εἰρήνης ἔσται μεθ' ὑμῶν.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Sunday, April 5
Nymphios 7pm

Monday, April 6
Holy Monday
Nymphios 7pm

Tuesday, April 7
Holy Tuesday
Nymphios 7pm

Wednesday, April 8
Holy Wednesday
Unction 3 pm
Unction 7 pm

Thursday, April 9
Holy Thursday
St. Basil's Liturgy 7 am
12 Gospels 7 pm

Friday, April 10
Good Friday
Royal Hours 9am
Apokathelosis 3 pm
Lamentations 7 p

Saturday, April 11
Holy Saturday
Vespers Liturgy 8 am in Church
Panychis 11:15 pm gym

Sunday, April 12
Easter Sunday
11 am Agape Vespers

ΚΑΘΗΜΕΡΙΝΕΣ ΙΕΡΕΣ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΕΣ

Νύμφιος
Κυριακή, 5 Απριλίου 7 μ.μ

Δευτέρα, 6 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Δευτέρα
Νύμφιος 7 μ.μ.

Τρίτη, 7 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Τρίτη
Νύμφιος 7 μ.μ

Τετάρτη, 8 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Τετάρτη
Ιερόν Ευχέλαιον 3 μ.μ.
Ιερόν Ευχέλαιον 7 μ.μ.

Πέμπτη 9 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Πέμπτη
7:00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία
Ακολουθία των Παθών 7 μ.μ.

Παρασκευή, 10 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Παρασκευή
Βασιλικές Ωρες 9πμ
Αποκαθήλωσης 3 μ.μ.
Επιτάφιος Θρήνος 7 μ.μ.

Σάββατο, 11 Απριλίου
Μεγάλο Σάββατο
8 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία
Η Παννυχίς 11:15 μ.μ.
Ακολουθία της Αναστάσεως Μεσά
νυχτα

Κυριακή, 12 Απριλίου
Άγιον Πασχα
Ακολουθία της Αγάπης 11 π.μ

GOOD FRIDAY RETREAT

SAINT VASILIOS

Good Friday Retreat

APRIL 10, 2026
9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

All children K-12th grade and Little Lambs under 4 with a guardian, join a morning of faith-filled activities as we journey toward Pascha.



Please pack a nut free snack!

RSVP by 4/1
Sign up now:
<https://shorturl.at/pnFEy>



AGAPE SERVICE GOSPEL READERS NEEDED

Calling all parishioners (high school students and older) who are fluent (or can read well) in another language!

During the Agape Service on Easter Sunday morning, we read the Gospel in several different languages to show that all nations proclaim that Christ is Risen.

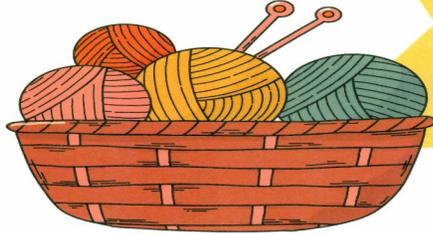
English and Greek are read by the clergy. In previous years we have had readers in languages such as Armenian, French, Portuguese, Spanish, Chinese, Gaelic, Russian, Dutch, Swahili, Latin, Arabic, Italian, German, Georgian, and Albanian.

We welcome those who would like to read in these languages again, and would also welcome readers in new languages!

KNITTING GROUP

St. Vasilios

PHILOPTOCHOS KNITTING GROUP



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THE MONTH IN THE BOARD
ROOM

STARTS FEB 10
10-11:30AM

BEGINNERS THROUGH
ADVANCED

SCHOLARSHIP BRUNCH

St. Vasilios Church

SCHOLARSHIP BRUNCH

Sunday, June 14th

For more information about the scholarship program
and its requirements, please visit:

<https://www.stvasilios.org/ministries/scholarships>

CALL TO ACTION: BE A HERO!

We are looking for individuals to sponsor specific contributions
to this well-deserved event for our Parish Youth.

Can you step up as a sponsor for one of the following?

- + **Live Music** to Make It Special
- + **Printed Programs** to Make it Memorable
- + **Decor** to Make it Photo Worthy

If you can step up and save the day, please be in touch
with one of the three brunch event organizers

Christina Maria Bray: christinamariabray@gmail.com



GOSPEL READING

Palm Sunday

The Reading is from 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 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.

Κατὰ Ἰωάννην 12:1-18

Πρὸ ἕξ ἡμερῶν τοῦ πάσχα ἦλθεν Ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς Βηθανίαν, ὅπου ἦν Λάζαρος ὁ τεθνηκώς, ὃν ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν. ἐποίησαν οὖν αὐτῷ δεῖπνον ἐκεῖ, καὶ ἡ Μάρθα διηκόνει· ὁ δὲ Λάζαρος εἷς ἦν τῶν ἀνακειμένων σὺν αὐτῷ. ἡ οὖν Μαρία, λαβοῦσα λίτραν μύρου νάρδου πιστικῆς πολυτίμου, ἤλειψε τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ καὶ ἐξέμαξε ταῖς θριξίν αὐτῆς τοὺς πόδας αὐτοῦ· ἡ δὲ οἰκία ἐπληρώθη ἐκ τῆς ὀσμῆς τοῦ μύρου. λέγει οὖν εἰς ἐκ τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ, Ἰούδας Σίμωνος Ἰσκαριώτης, ὁ μέλλων αὐτὸν παραδιδόναι· διατί τοῦτο τὸ μύρον οὐκ ἐπράθη τριακοσίων δηναρίων καὶ ἐδόθη πτωχοῖς; εἶπε δὲ τοῦτο οὐχ ὅτι περὶ τῶν πτωχῶν ἐμελεν αὐτῷ, ἀλλ'

ὅτι κλέπτῃς ἦν, καὶ τὸ γλωσσόκομον εἶχε καὶ τὰ βαλλόμενα ἐβάσταζεν. εἶπεν οὖν ὁ Ἰησοῦς· ἄφες αὐτήν, εἰς τὴν ἡμέραν τοῦ ἐνταφιασμοῦ μου τετήρηκεν αὐτό. τοὺς πτωχοὺς γὰρ πάντοτε ἔχετε μεθ' ἑαυτῶν, ἐμὲ δὲ οὐ πάντοτε ἔχετε.

Ἔγνω οὖν ὄχλος πολὺς ἐκ τῶν Ἰουδαίων ὅτι ἐκεῖ ἐστὶ, καὶ ἦλθον οὐ διὰ τὸν Ἰησοῦν μόνον, ἀλλ' ἵνα καὶ τὸν Λάζαρον ἴδωσιν ὃν ἤγειρεν ἐκ νεκρῶν. ἐβουλεύσαντο δὲ οἱ ἀρχιερεῖς ἵνα καὶ τὸν Λάζαρον ἀποκτείνωσιν, ὅτι πολλοὶ δι' αὐτὸν ὑπῆγον τῶν Ἰουδαίων καὶ ἐπίστευον εἰς τὸν Ἰησοῦν.

Τῇ ἐπαύριον ὄχλος πολὺς ὁ ἐλθὼν εἰς τὴν ἑορτήν, ἀκούσαντες ὅτι ἔρχεται Ἰησοῦς εἰς Ἱεροσόλυμα, ἔλαβον τὰ βαῖα τῶν φοινίκων καὶ ἐξῆλθον εἰς ὑπάντησιν αὐτῷ, καὶ ἔκραζον· ὡσαννά, εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος ἐν ὀνόματι Κυρίου, ὁ βασιλεὺς τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ. εὐρῶν δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὀνάριον ἐκάθισεν ἐπ' αὐτό, καθὼς ἐστὶ γεγραμμένον· μὴ φοβοῦ, θύγατερ Σιών· ἰδοὺ ὁ βασιλεὺς σου ἔρχεται καθήμενος ἐπὶ πῶλον ὄνου. Ταῦτα δὲ οὐκ ἔγνωσαν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ τὸ πρῶτον, ἀλλ' ὅτε ἐδοξάσθη ὁ Ἰησοῦς, τότε ἐμνήσθησαν ὅτι ταῦτα ἦν ἐπ' αὐτῷ γεγραμμένα, καὶ ταῦτα ἐποίησαν αὐτῷ. Ἐμαρτύρει οὖν ὁ ὄχλος ὁ ὢν μετ' αὐτοῦ ὅτε τὸν Λάζαρον ἐφώνησεν ἐκ τοῦ μνημείου καὶ ἤγειρεν αὐτὸν ἐκ νεκρῶν. διὰ τοῦτο καὶ ὑπήντησεν αὐτῷ ὁ ὄχλος, ὅτι ἤκουσαν τοῦτο αὐτὸν πεποιηκέναι τὸ σημεῖον.



FR. CHRIS'S RETIREMENT CELEBRATION

FATHER CHRISTOPHER FOUSTOUKOS RETIREMENT

Fr. Chris has made it official. He will retire this year after 19 years at St. Vasilios. Certainly his faithful service to the parishioners of our parish has been exemplary, and we would like to give him a proper send off. It should be noted that no priest stands tall without family support, and we will honor Pres. Claire as well.

While Fr. Chris will have a two-month sabbatical starting in May, we will welcome him back in August for his final official serving the Divine Liturgy.

The retirement celebration will be held on Sunday, September 13 immediately after Divine Liturgy. By then we will have a new priest assigned to the parish, and it is our hope that he and Fr. Chriss will offer a service before the celebration in the Demotses Educational Center.

Planning is already underway, and if you would like to serve on that committee, please contact the office or me directly.

ALTAR DONATIONS

VIGIL LIGHTS

In loving memory of James & Dora Maravelias.

KOLYVA FOR MERCY MEAL

The office has been asked many times by parishioners who would like to have Kolyva for the Mercy Meal after the funeral. If you would like to order Kolyva a parishioner has stepped forward and is willing to accommodate parishioners. If you are interested call Niki at 978-578-7292.

RED EASTER EGGS

During this Blessed and Holy Holiday season, when you color your eggs, we ask that you could include another dozen or two to be distributed during Holy Week.

If you would like to participate, please bring your boiled, dyed eggs to the church office on Holy Thursday between 10:00 am and 12 pm. We thank you for your support .

Καλο Πασχα και Καλη Ανασταση.

ANTIDORON

Antidoron– We want to encourage parishioners to continue asking for Antidoron to take home for people who are sick or could not make it to the Divine Liturgy. We kindly ask that you wait until all those present receive their Antidoron before receiving Antidoron for those who are absent. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

COMMUNION

Communion in the Orthodox Church is for Baptized and Chrismated Orthodox Christians in good sacramental standing. We ask that you allow families with young children and kids to come receive before the adults enter the communion line. Please exit into the side aisles and enter the Communion line from the central aisle at the back of the church.