

ST. NICHOLAS BULLETIN

Sunday, April 1, 2018

Palm Sunday – Entrance into Jerusalem

Seventh Week of Great Lent

Epistle, Phil. 4:4-9 / Gospel, John 12:1-18

Ven. Mary of Egypt / Ven. Euthymus of Suzdal

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

HOLY THURSDAY 7:00 p.m. Reading of the 12 Passion Gospels
GOOD FRIDAY 3:00 p.m. Good Friday Vespers (Veneration of the Holy Shroud)
GOOD FRIDAY 7:00 p.m. Lamentations by the Lord's Tomb (Procession)
HOLY SATURDAY 11:30 p.m. Nocturns (Followed by Easter Matins Service and Blessing of Easter Baskets in the Church Hall)

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOUR will be held today, following the Divine Liturgy.

MAY THIS HOLY WEEK be a time of deep prayer, true fasting and reading of the Holy Scriptures. Also, may it be a time of peaceful mediation. Make it your priority to attend the Holy Week services and remember what our Lord has done for us and the sacrifice He made that we may live.

SPECIAL THANKS and GOD'S BLESSINGS to Holy Trinity Orthodox Church (New Salem), Deacon Rodion and Matushka Sandy Motichak, Casey Fritch and Steffie Smith for providing the pussy willows for Palm Sunday.

ALTAR TABLE CANDLES (7) offered by Soroka Family (For God's blessings upon Fr. Igor on his birthday, 4/1).

VIGIL OFFERINGS – Sunday, April 1, 2018

ANN O'BRIEN and MARY BEHANNA (Virgin Mary Kiot) – In memory of parents, Andy and Petrina Gernat (2)
HEATHER MOLINA – For health of father, Paul Zolak / For special intentions (2)
SANDY KLIZAS – In memory of Stephen and Helen Drake / In memory of Frank and June Drake / For health of cousin, Jean (3)
OLGA BOGAN – For health of family / Special intentions (2)
BILL MULLEN – For health of wife, Lorraine
M/M BILL MULLEN – For health of Fr. Igor
KEN BEHANNA – For health and welfare of Church

ELEANOR PRYSTASH – Anniversary remembrance of husband, John (3/21) / In memory of departed Helen Gula (2)

JIM PRYSTASH – Anniversary remembrance of father, John (3/21)

LARRY and STEFFIE SMITH – For health of dad / For health of Fr. Igor / In memory of mom / Birthday blessings for Fr. Igor (4)

BILL PRIATKO – God's healing hand be with all of the afflicted in our parish / God's watchful hand be with all of our troops who are in harm's way / God's healing hand be upon daughter-in-law, Dottie / Blessed Memory Eternal to my beloved Katrinka (4)

RANDY VESCHIO – For health of mom and dad / For health of Michele (2)

DEBBIE and DAN PRIATKO – In memory of our beloved mom / God's healing hand be upon sister-in-law, Dottie / For health of all parishioners / For health of Fr. Igor / Health and well-being of cousin, Don Pollock (5)

DEBBIE PRIATKO – Special intentions (3)

GINNY and DAVE CASCIANI – God's healing hand be upon granddaughter, Gianna

GINNY CASCIANI – God's healing hand be upon husband, David

VLAD KASH (3)

SANDY AITKEN – In memory of dad, Lee / In memory of godson, Nicholas / In memory of godfather, John Prystash / For health and well-being of mother, Pauline / Birthday blessings for Fr. Igor / Special intentions / Birthday blessings for brother, Ethan (7)

DR. DIMITRI and PAULINE PETRO – God's blessings upon Fr. Igor on his birthday / For birthday of son-in-law, Nick / For health of daughter, Kyra / For health of grandson, Luke / For health of daughter, Christine / For health of granddaughter, Alexandra / God's blessings upon granddaughter, Stephanie (7)

NICK and CHRISTINE MILCHOVICH – For health of Dottie Priatko / Birthday blessings upon Fr. Igor / Birthday blessings upon daughter, Alexandra (3)

MARK SOROKA – God's blessings upon father, Fr. Igor on his birthday / In memory of mother, Matushka Irene (2)

FR. IGOR SOROKA – In loving and blessed memory of departed Matushka Irene / In prayerful memory of departed sister, Sylvia Elnitsky (2)

The Meaning of Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday summons us to behold our king: the Word of God made flesh. We are called to behold Him not simply as the One who came to us once riding on a colt, but as the One who is always present in His Church, coming ceaselessly to us in power and glory at every Eucharist, in every prayer and sacrament, and in every act of love, kindness and mercy. He comes to free us from all our fears and insecurities, to take solemn possession of our soul, and to be enthroned in our heart. He comes not only to deliver us from our deaths by His death and Resurrection, but also to make us capable of attaining the most perfect fellowship or union with Him. He is the King, who liberates us from the darkness of sin and the bondage of death. Palm Sunday summons us to behold our King: the vanquisher of death and the giver of life.

REMEMBER the SICK and AFFLICTED in your prayers.