

To Our Guests and Visitors about Receiving Holy Communion:

- 1. In Orthodox churches, Holy Communion is given to and received only by members of the Orthodox Church (the baptized and chrismated who strive to live in repentance, faith, and godliness).**
- 2. If you are non-Orthodox, please refrain from approaching the Chalice, but speak with Fr. Jonathan after the Liturgy. If you are Orthodox and unfamiliar to the Priest, please introduce yourself to Fr. Jonathan prior to the Liturgy, otherwise at the Chalice.**
- 3. Please approach the Chalice in the following order: children first; then row-by-row from the front of Church, going to the Chalice on the side you are positioned (if there are two Chalices), returning to your place by the outside aisle past the table with the *antidoron* (bread and wine).**

Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered for the Health of:

Archprst. Theodore	Archprst. Stephen	Archprst. Elias	Mat. Marion	Irene
Laurie	Barbara	Tanya	Nicole & Noelle	Eli
Joshua	Mark	Nick	Nina	Charles
Gregory	Ronald	Tatiana	Nancy	Deanna
Bill	Kay	Lydia	Nicholas	Mary
Heike	Mikey	Patrick	Medhat	Richard
Kathy	Dolores	John	Taisa	Jerry
Emma & n.b. girl				

Prayers of Holy Oblation are offered in Memory of:

Eugenia (ND) Konstantin (ND) Anna (ND)

May Birthdays:

Aubrey Roth (5/2)	Joseph Michael (5/2)	Radica Koutselas (5/14)
Jason Gentile (5/18)	Fr. Stephen Plumlee (5/25)	Edward Roth (5/25)
Ian Stefanescu (5/31)		

TO SPONSOR COFFEE HOUR, please sign up on the calendar book on the glass case. COFFEE HOUR.

St. Mark is a Parish of the OCA Diocese of the South under the leadership of Metropolitan Tikhon and Archbishop Alexander. Our mission is to be a spiritual home to all who enter; to be a Christ-like community of Orthodox Christians; to be active in worship, fellowship, and witness, through participation in the Sacraments to come into close union with God.

If you are unable to attend services, but wish to continue your Stewardship contributions, send them to PO Box 1315, Bradenton FL, 34206.

Memorial Bricks for the St. Mark Memorial Garden can be ordered at www.thatsmybrick.com/stmarkorthodox. You can order a 4"x 8" or 8"x8" brick with or without an Orthodox Cross, the number of characters vary accordingly. If you have any questions about the ordering process, see Fr. Jonathan.

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Office Hours: W, Th, F 10:00 AM – Noon

This week at St. Mark

28 Sunday	5:00 PM	Bridegroom Matins
29 Monday	6:00 PM	Bridegroom Matins
30 Tuesday	6:00 PM	Bridegroom Matins
1 Wednesday	9:30 AM	Presanctified Liturgy
	3:00 PM	Holy Unction
	6:00 PM	Matins of Holy Thursday
2 Thursday	9:30 AM	Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil
	6:00 PM	Matins of Holy Friday (12 Gospels)
3 Friday	4:00 PM	Great Vespers (Carrying out of Gravecloth)
	6:00 PM	Matins of Holy Saturday (Lamentations)
4 Saturday	1:00 PM	Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil (begin Paschal Vigil)
	11:30 PM	Midnight Office (Begin Paschal Service)
5 Sunday	12:00 AM	Paschal Matins & Divine Liturgy
	11:30 AM	Paschal Vespers & Gospel Procession

Sunday, April 28, 2024 Tone 5

Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem (Palm Sunday)

Prokeimenon **Tone 4**

Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord. / God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us. (Ps. 117:26b, 27b)

V. O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endures forever. (Ps. 117:1)

Philippians 4:4-9 (Epistle)

Rejoice in the Lord always. Again I will say, rejoice! Let your gentleness be known to all men. The Lord is at hand. Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy – meditate on these things. The things which you learned and received and heard and saw in me, these do, and the God of peace will be with you.

John 12:1-18 (Gospel)

Then, six days before the Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was who had been dead, whom He had raised from the dead. There they made Him a supper; and Martha served, but Lazarus was one of those who sat at the table with Him. Then Mary took a pound of very costly oil of spikenard, anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped His feet with her hair. And the house was filled with the fragrance of the oil. But one of His disciples, Judas Iscariot, Simon’s son, who would betray Him, said, Why was this fragrant oil 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 had the money box; and he used to take what was put in it. But Jesus said, “Let her alone; she has kept this for the day of My burial. For the poor you have with you always, but Me you do not have always.” Now a great many of the Jews knew that He was there; and they came, not for Jesus’ sake only, but that they might also see Lazarus, whom He had raised from the dead. But the chief priests plotted to put Lazarus to death also, because on account of him many of the Jews went away and believed in Jesus. The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: “Hosanna! ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!’ The King of Israel!” Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on 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 these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him. Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from the dead, bore witness. For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had done this sign.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Our Parish website is www.bradentonorthodox.org. Please check it out and give any feedback you might have to Fr. Jonathan or a Council member. You can also find Saint Mark online at www.facebook.com/St.MarkOrthodoxChurch.
- **Quarterly Charity (April-June): Care Net**
- **A COFFEE HOUR SPONSOR SHEET** is located on the glass bookstore case in the Narthex. Please consider sponsoring Coffee Hour in 2024. Speak with Marsha Blazso for more information.
- **Immediately following each Divine Liturgy as we venerate the Cross, we pray the Post-Communion Prayers. Please maintain quiet until the prayers are completed.** 
- Anyone interested in helping count the Sunday collections, please see a Parish Council member.
- **Lenten Project** is the lift station needed to tie into the Manatee County sewer system, as required by the County with any new construction. This will need to be completed before a new hall can be built.
- Architectural drawings and an artist’s rendition of a **proposed Fellowship Hall** for St. Mark Church are on display in the Narthex. Please join us in prayer seeking God’s will for the realization of this project.
- **A Baby Shower for Savanah Shanks** is planned for Saturday, May 18 9:30-11:30 AM at the home of Marsha Blazso. Please RSVP to Marsha at 941-704-1430.
- Fr. Jonathan will be **Blessing Graves** on St. Thomas Sunday (May 12) beginning at 2:00 PM in Ellenton, then going to Manasota (Bradenton), The Palms (Sarasota), and the National Cemetery.
- **Pascha Baskets** will be blessed at the conclusion of the Paschal Liturgy next Sunday morning. Baskets *will not be blessed following the Paschal Vespers* service beginning at 11:30 AM; however, an **egg hunt** for the children will follow the Paschal Vespers service and Gospel Procession.
- **Congratulations** to the newly Chrismated servants of God and their sponsors: Spencer (Luke) and Temple (Elizabeth) Kortum [Braden and Savanah Shanks], and Belle (Marina) Hudson [Marsha Blazso]. God grant you many years!

Hymns after the Entrance with the Gospel:

Troparion Tone 1

By raising Lazarus from the dead before Thy Passion,
Thou didst confirm the universal resurrection, O Christ God.
Like the children with the palms of victory,
we cry out to Thee, O Vanquisher of Death:
“Hosanna in the highest!//
Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord.”

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

Troparion Tone 4

When we were buried with Thee in baptism, O Christ God,
we were made worthy of eternal life by Thy Resurrection.
Now we praise Thee and sing:
“Hosanna in the highest!//
Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord!”

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen

Kontakion Tone 6

Sitting on Thy throne in Heaven,
carried on a foal on earth, O Christ God,
accept the praise of angels and the songs of children, who sing://
“Blessed is He Who comes to recall Adam!”