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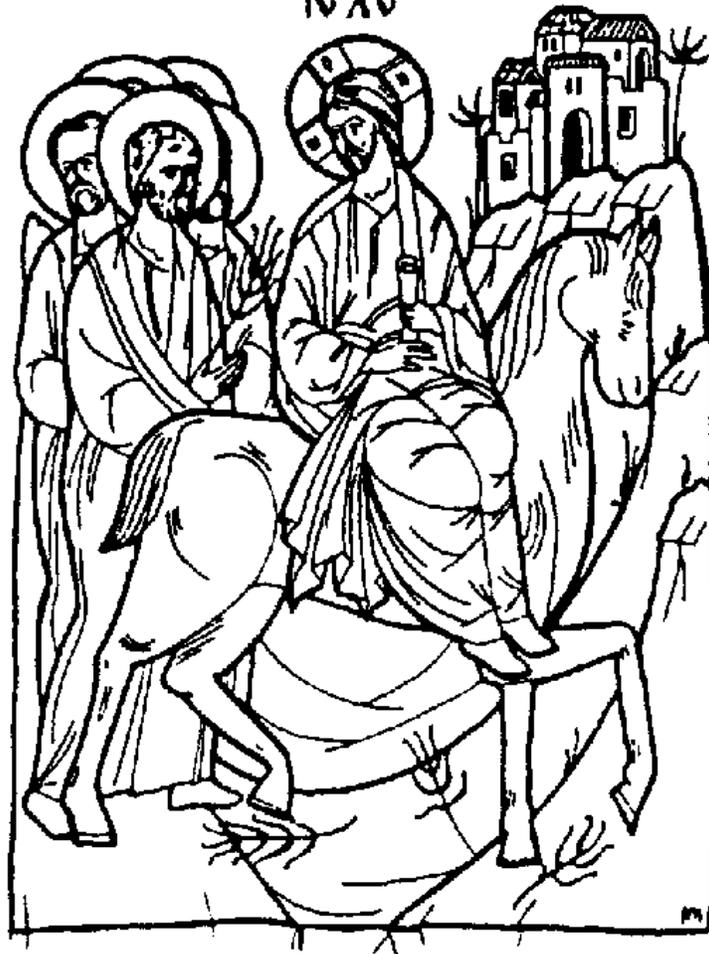
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• ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM •

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**GLORIOUS AND BRILLIANT FEAST OF THE ENTRANCE OF OUR
LORD JESUS CHRIST INTO JERUSALEM (PALM SUNDAY)**

CHANGES FOR THE PALM SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY

Refrain of Second Antiphon: O Son of God, who rode upon the foal of an ass, save us who sing to Thee, Alleluia.

Entrance Hymn: **Priest:** Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord. The Lord is God and hast appeared unto us. **People:** Save us O Son of God, who rode upon the foal of an ass, who sing unto Thee, Alleluia.

HYMNS AFTER THE LITTLE ENTRANCE

Troparion for Palm Sunday in the First Tone: O Christ God, when thou didst raise Lazarus from the dead before thy passion, thou didst reveal the universal resurrection. Wherefore, we like the children carry palms of victory and triumph and cry to thee, O Vanquisher of death: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord!

Troparion for Palm Sunday in the Fourth Tone: When we were buried with thee in baptism, O Christ God, we became deserving of the resurrection to immortal life. Wherefore, we praise thee, crying unto thee: Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord!

Kontakion for Palm Sunday Tone 6: Upborne upon the heavenly throne, and seated upon the earthly foal, O Christ our God, receive the praises of angels and the hymns of men, exclaiming before thee, Blessed is he that cometh to restore Adam.

Prokeimenon (Ps. 117:26, 1) Blessed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His mercy endures forever.

Reading from Saint 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.

Alleluia Verses (Psalm 97:1, 3): O sing to the Lord a new song. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of the Lord.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (12:1-18)

Six days before the 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 here, 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 ass and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on an ass'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.

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Megalynarion of Palm Sunday (Instead of "It is truly meet...")

God the Lord hath appeared unto us; let us celebrate the Feast, and let us rejoice and magnify Christ; and with palms and branches let us raise our voices unto him with praise, saying, Blessed is he that cometh in the Name of the Lord our Savior.

Communion Hymn (Instead of "Praise ye the Lord..."): Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Instead of "We have seen the true light..." we sing," O Christ God, when thou didst raise Lazarus..." (as above in Tone 1).

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Holy Oblations are offered today by Omar Fakhouri and daughters for the health and salvation of his wife Fatin, and by Nelson and Jerri Mamey for the soul of Kh. Patricia Romley, newly-departed this life.

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Please remember in your prayers: Yuri Sidorenko, May Dabbah, Sylvia Saba, Fatin Fakhouri (burns), Tarek Fakhouri, Adib and Nabila Zabaneh, Laura Anter (brain surgery), and the suffering people of Haiti, India, Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, Egypt, Libya, Ethiopia, Somalia, Palestine, Venezuela, Ukraine, and all people afflicted by violence and disease, especially those affected by the Coronavirus.

Today

Our Antiochian Women are holding their Annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale after the service.

Easter Candles are offered for sale in the church hall for \$10.00 each.

The red dye for Easter Eggs is for sale in our bookstore for \$2.00 each envelope.

This Week

On Palm Sunday, the fast of the Church is relaxed to allow fish, wine and olive oil. For Holy Week we keep a strict Lenten fast: We are to abstain from all meat and animal products (including eggs, milk, animal fats, etc.), wine and olive oil, through Holy Wednesday. Oil and wine are allowed on Holy Thursday. On Holy Friday we should eat as little as we possibly can. On Holy Saturday we also fast strictly (though wine is allowed).

Note: *For Palm Sunday, and all Holy Week and Pascha, there will be Special Teams of Altar Servers. Please see sub-deacon Athanasios for details.*

Holy Week Services

Sunday evening, April 17, 7:00 p.m. Bridegroom Orthros

Monday April 18, 7:00 p.m. Bridegroom Orthros

Tuesday April 19, 7:00 p.m. Bridegroom Orthros. *After this service is the last time set aside for Holy Confessions*

Wednesday April 20, 7:00 p.m. Holy Unction Service

Thursday Morning April 21: Orthros 9:00 a.m.,

Holy Thursday Vespers Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.

Thursday Evening April 21: Service of the Twelve Passion Gospels, 7:00 p.m.

Friday Morning April 22: Royal Hours, 9:30 a.m.

Friday Afternoon April 22: Vespers of the Taking Down of our Lord's Body from the Cross, 3:30 p.m.

Friday Evening April 22: Service of Lamentations 7:00 p.m.

Saturday morning April 23 Holy Saturday Vesperal Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

Next Week

Pascha and Bright Week

Saturday night April 23/ April 24: PASCHA Rush, Procession, Orthros and Divine Liturgy 11:00 p.m. Pascha Breakfast following.

April 24, Great and Holy PASCHA, Agape Vespers, 1:00 p.m

Upcoming Events

Fr. Michael's Retirement Luncheon

We are gearing up to celebrate over 3 decades with our Abouna. This is a bittersweet time for us since we are happy for Fr. Michael but sad to see him go. Fr. Michael's retirement has been moved to mid-August. **Therefore, the Retirement Celebration has been moved to Sunday July 31.** Please save the date for his celebration with reservation information coming out in the next few weeks.

July 31, Social Hour at 2:30 PM, Mediterranean meal at 3:00 PM.

St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church Hall, Irvine

Limit of 300 seats

Sincerely,

Retirement Party Committee

Nelson and Jerri Lynn Mamey, Rima Tarazi, Barbara Scholl, Kristin Chala and Paula Rodriguez

Quote from the Saints

Let those of us who have wisely finished the course of fasting and who celebrate with love the beginning of the suffering of the Passion of the Lord, Let us all, my brothers, zealously imitate the purity of self-controlled Joseph; Let us fear the sterility of the fig tree; Let us dry up through almsgiving the sweetness of passion. In order that we

may joyously anticipate the Resurrection, Let us procure like myrrh pardon from on high because the eye that never sleeps observes all things.

St Romanos the Melodist

The Entrance of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ into Jerusalem

On Sunday, five days before the Passover of the Law, the Lord came from Bethany to Jerusalem. Sending two of His disciples to bring Him a foal of an ass, He sat thereon and entered into the city. When the multitude there heard that Jesus was coming, they straightway took up the branches of palm trees in their hands, and went forth to meet Him. Others spread their garments on the ground, and yet others cut branches from the trees and strewed them in the way that Jesus was to pass; and all of them together, especially the children, went before and after Him, crying out: "Hosanna: Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord, the King of Israel" (John 12:13). This is the radiant and glorious festival of our Lord's entry into Jerusalem that we celebrate today.

The branches of the palm trees symbolize Christ's victory over the devil and death. The word Hosanna means "Save, I pray," or "Save, now." The foal of an ass, and Jesus' sitting thereon, and the fact that this animal was untamed and considered unclean according to the Law, signified the former uncleanness and wildness of the nations, and their subjection thereafter to the holy Law of the Gospel.

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