

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

**Saturday, March 16 – Akathistos Saturday**

**9:00am Third Hour**

**4:30pm Akathistos**

**5:00pm Vigil Divine Liturgy +Nicholas Dereshi**

Readings: Heb 9:24-28; Mk 8:27-31

**Sunday, March 17 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Great Fast**

**Mary of Egypt, Venerable**

**10:00am Akathistos**

**10:30am Divine Liturgy + Joseph and Bernice Sikora**

Readings: Heb 9:11-14; Mk 10:32-45

**Monday, March 18 – St. Cyril of Jerusalem, Archbishop**

**9:00am Third Hour**

**5:30pm Soup Supper**

**6:30pm Spirituality of Vespers Teaching**

Readings: Gen 27:1-41; Prov 19:16-25

**Tuesday, March 19 – St. Chrysanthus & Daria, Martyrs**

**10:00am Third Hour**

Readings: Gen 31:3-16; Prov 21:3-21

**Wednesday, March 20 – Venerable Fathers of the St. Sabbas Monastery**

**9:00am Third Hour**

**7:00pm Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts +Vincent Ferri**

Readings: Gen 43:25-45:16; Prov 21:23-22:4

**Thursday, March 21 – St. James of Catania, Bishop Confessor**

**9:00am Third Hour**

Readings: Gen 46:1-7; Prov 23:15-24:5

**Friday, March 22 – St. Basil of Ancyra, Priest Martyr**

**9:00am Third Hour**

**7:00pm Scripture Teaching from St. Matthew's Gospel**

Readings: Gen 49:33-50:26; Prov 31:8-31

**Saturday, March 23 – Saturday of Lazarus**

**9:00am Third Hour**

**4:30pm Lazarus Service**

**Blessing of Palms, Gospel and Procession**

**5:00pm Divine Liturgy +Sr. Alphonsa**

Readings: Heb 12:28-13:8; Jn 11:1-45

**Sunday, March 24 – Entry Sunday**

**10:00am Third Hour**

**Blessing of Palms, Gospel and Procession**

**10:30am Divine Liturgy +Boston Family**

Readings: Phil 4:4-9; Jn 12:1-18

**SS. Sabinus and Pappas**, Martyrs, Egyptians, were thrown into the River Nile A.D. 296 in the persecution under Diocletian.

**St. Julian**, Martyr, died A.D. 298 in the reign of Maximian, Emperor. **St. Alexander**, Priest-Martyr, Pope of Rome, passed away about A.D. 119 under Hadrian, Emperor.

Our venerable father, **Alexis**, man of God, was the only son of a Roman Senator; died A.D. 404. Pope Innocent I and the Emperor Honorius are said to have been present at his burial.

Our holy father, Cyril, **Archbishop of Jerusalem**. His "Catechetical Instruction," given to the Catechumens, on the elements of the Faith are among the most precious documents of Catholic teaching. He was named by Pope Leo XII among the Doctors of the Church. He died A.D. 386 in the reign of Theodosius, Emperor. **SS. Alexandra, Claudia, Evphrasia** and other Martyrs who suffered death in Missena A.D. 327 during the reign of Maximian, Emperor.

**SS. Chrysanthus and Daria**, Martyrs, came from the East to Rome, where they suffered death by being buried alive A.D. 283. Our venerable father, **Thomas**, Patriarch of Constantinople, died in peace during the reign of Phocas, Emperor A.D. 608.

**Our venerable fathers, martyred in the Monastery of St. Sabbas.**

**Our venerable father and confessor, Jacob of Catania**, Bishop, died in the persecution of the Iconoclasts A.D. 765.

**St. Basil**, Priest-martyr, Presbyter of the Church in Ancyra, was thrown to the wild beasts in the arena at Caesarea in Palestine A.D. 363 under Julian the Apostate. Venerable **Isaak**, Monk

**St. Niocon**, Venerable-martyr and **two hundred disciples** fled the persecution in Palestine to a refuge in Sicily where they were put to death A.D. 250 under Decius, Emperor.

Our venerable father, **Zachary**, and **James**, Confessor. Our holy father, **Artemius**, Bishop of Thessalonica, a Seuleucian by birth, he was elevated to the Bishopric by St. Paul the Apostle. **St. Artemon**, Martyr-presbyter of Laodicea, was burned to death A.D. 305 under Diocletian, Emperor.

## *St. Patrick Enlightener of Ireland*

A Romano-Briton by origin, at the age of 16, he was taken captive to Ireland (c.405). He escaped after six years. He pursued his education in various continental monasteries. In about the year 432, after having been consecrated Bishop by **St. Herman of Auxerre**, he returned to Ireland as a missionary. He traveled throughout the country preaching, teaching, building churches, opening schools and monasteries, converting chiefs and bards and everywhere supporting his preaching with miracles. He is venerated as the Apostle of Ireland.

## ++++ *Parish Information and Important Dates* +++++

**PRESANCTIFIED** will be celebrated at 7:00pm each Wednesday during the Great Fast. Please bring a mat or rug for your knees!

**GREAT FAST TEACHING** – Scripture Teaching from St. Matthew’s Gospel will be held each Friday during the Great Fast beginning at 7:00pm.

**SOUP SUPPERS** - Please join us for Soup Supper each Monday at 5:30pm in the Parish Hall during the Great Fast. We will provide the soup and you, please bring bread to share!

**SOUP SUPPER TEACHING** – After each Soup Supper at 6:30pm, Ms. Rose Watkins will be teaching the History, Construction and Spirituality of Vespers.

**OLIVE BRANCHES** – We are looking for olive branches to decorate the church for Entry Sunday. If you can obtain olives branches, please bring them to the church office on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:30am to 4:30pm. Thank you

**MEMORIAL LILLY** – Those who would like to give a Memorial Lilly in honor of your beloved family members, living or deceased, for the Holy Place, please bring the plant to the church on March 25<sup>th</sup> between 9:00am and 4:30pm. Be sure to write their name on the bottom of the plant.

**EASTER BASKETS** will be blessed after the Jerusalem Matins on Holy Saturday and Pascha Morning.

ENTRY SUNDAY

**ANNUNCIATION OF THE THEOTOKOS** Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Holy Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at 11:00am and at 7:00pm.

**ANNUAL LAMB ROAST** will be held on Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> from 4:00pm to 7:00pm. Tickets may be purchased from SubDeacon Paul in the Parish office between 8:30am to 4:30pm. You may also purchase them through the mail. Tickets are \$30.00. Thank you.

**BISHOP’S APPEAL HAS BEGUN** and to date, we have received 42 completed pledges which is a great start!!! Please remember that this is a parishioner obligation and the recommended sacrificial pledge is \$200.00 per household which can be paid in monthly installments until May 31, 2013. God Bless You!

