# OUR JOURNEY TO PASCHA! 2023

## **SUNDAYS**

Fast - Free Week FEBRUARY 5th

Normal Fast Week FEBRUARY 12th

Meatfare FEBRUARY 19th

Cheesefare FEBRUARY 26th

1st Sunday of Lent MARCH 5th

2nd Sunday of Lent MARCH 12th

3rd Sunday of Lent

4th Sunday of Lent

5th Sunday of Lent

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FLOWERY (PALM) SUNDAY!

APRIL 9th GREAT WEEK BEGINS

GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY

APRIL 14th

FEAST OF FEASTS! APRIL 16th NO FASTING!

## THEMES / GOSPEL READING

TRIODION WEEKS Publican and the Pharisee Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Gospel: Luke 18:10-14

The Prodigal Son Returns!Epistle:1 Corinthians 6:12-20Gospel:Luke 15:11-32

#### The Last Judgement

Epistle:1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2Gospel:Matthew 25:31-46

Adam and Eve are cast from Paradise! FORGIVENESS SUNDAY Epistle: Romans 13:11-14:4 Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21

GREAT LENT BEGINS WITH FORGIVENESS VESPERS SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY

Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2 Gospel: John 1:43-51 ST GREGORY PALAMAS

Epistle:Hebrews 1:10-2:3Gospel:Mark 2:1-12

#### VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

HALF WAY TO PASCHA! Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1

ST JOHN of the LADDEREpistle:Hebrews 6:13-20Gospel:Mark 9:17-31

### ST MARY of EGYPT

Epistle: Gospel: Hebrews 9:11-14 Mark 10:32-45

GREAT AND HOLY WEEK ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9 Gospel: John 12:1-18

GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS CHECK WITH YOUR PARISH FOR ROYAL HOURS AND VESPERS SCHEDULE

BRIGHT WEEK

HOLY PASCHA! (CHRIST IS RISEN!) Epistle: Acts 1:1-8 Gospel: John 1:1-17

## HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

Show compassion on the poor and distressed. Trust in God, not yourself and ask for His help before every task this week.

Schedule a Confession. Every morning say, "Today I will be humble." Use up/freeze meats this week.

Pray facing East this week. Christ is returning from the East and we wait for Him! Use up/freeze dairy this week.

Ask each other for forgiveness each evening this week before bed.

Bring an icon to church for a procession.

Bring a prayer rope to be blessed today! Use it and pray the Jesus Prayer each day this week.

Wear your cross to church and kiss the cross each morning with a bow!

Every time you climb stairs this week ask St. John to help you reach Paradise with the sign of the cross!

> Ask the Theotokos to offer you and the world pure thoughts and ideas this week.

> > Place your palm branches and pussywillows behind an icon at home and in your car!

Refrain from TV, Internet & Phones to honor Christ's Death.

Greet everyone with "CHRIST IS RISEN!" & say it before good morning and goodnight!