



Nativity-Assumption of the Virgin Mary Church

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Services Schedule

Sunday Orthros: 8:30 AM

Divine Liturgy: 9:30 AM

Sacraments and Home Visitations: please call Fr. Constantine

WEEKLY BULLETIN

April 2, 2017

Gospel and Epistle Readings

Epistle Reading

Prokeimenon. Plagal Fourth Mode. Psalm 75.11,1.

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.

Verse: God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-14.

BRETHREN, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Gospel Reading

Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt

The Reading is from Mark 10:32-45

At that time, Jesus taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Saints and Feasts



April 02

Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt

The memory of this Saint is celebrated on April 1, where her life is recorded. Since the end of the holy Forty Days is drawing nigh, it has been appointed for this day also, so that if we think it hard to practice a little abstinence forty days, we might be roused by the heroism of her who fasted in the wilderness forty-seven years; and also that the great loving-kindness of God, and His readiness to receive the repentant, might be demonstrated in very deed.



April 02

Titus the Wonderworker

Little is known of this Saint except that he took up the monastic life from his youth, became the abbot of a monastery, and reposed in peace.



April 02

Theodora the Virgin-martyr of Palestine



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Amphianos & Aedesios the Martyrs of Lycia

Hymns of the Day

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal Fourth Mode

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and condescended to be buried for three days, so that from the passions You might set us free. Our life and resurrection, O Lord, glory be to You.

Apolytikion for Sun. of St. Mary of Egypt in the Plagal Fourth Mode

In thee the image was preserved with exactness, O Mother; for taking up thy cross, thou didst follow Christ, and by thy deeds thou didst teach us to overlook the flesh, for it passeth away, but to attend to the soul since it is immortal. Wherefore, O righteous Mary, thy spirit rejoiceth with the Angels.

Apolytikion for the Church in the Fourth Mode

Your birth, O Theotokos, brought joy to the whole world, for from you dawned the sun of righteousness, Christ our God. Freeing

us from the curse, He gave us His blessings. Abolishing death, He granted us eternal life.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Second Mode

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

Wisdom of the Fathers

But let no man be troubled at the apostles being in such an imperfect state. For not yet was the cross accomplished, not yet the grace of the Spirit given. But if thou wouldest learn their virtue, notice them after these things, and thou wilt see them superior to every passion.

St. John Chrysostom

Homily 65 on Matthew 20, 2,3,4,6. B#54, pp.399-401,403., 4th Century

For with this object He reveals their deficiencies, that after these things thou mightest know what manner of men they became by grace. ... No one shall sit on His right hand nor on His left.

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Parish Events

For this Sunday:

All parishes of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America are urged to offer something in the building of this National Site. This coming Sunday April 2nd, 2017, Our parish will have a special collection that will be sent to the Archdiocese to assist in the building of the St Nicholas Shrine. Whatever amount you can offer, however small you may think it is, would be of great benefit. When you think of the power of many small contributions, even a small offering of a dollar or two, God will multiply, when it is added to the thousands of other donations received from around the country.

If you decide to write a check, Please make checks

Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and in the memo line please write **St Nicholas National Shrine**

+Na Evlogimeno, (may it be blessed)

Funeral Arrangement for Anna Panos:

Downing Cottage Funeral Chapel

21 Pond Street

Hingham, MA

Calling Hours: Thursday, April 6th, from 5pm-7pm.

Funeral Service: Friday, April 7th, 11:00 am

Nativity-Assumption Church, 811 Jerusalem Rd, Cohasset, MA

Internment: High Street Cemetery, Hingham, MA

At the request of the family, In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the: "Panagia Church, Philoptochos Society,"

811 Jerusalem Rd, Cohasset. MA 02025

+ May her Memory be Eternal

Further Reading:



Fifth Sunday of Lent: St. Mary of Egypt
http://lent.goarch.org/saint_mary_of_egypt/learn/

Food for Lazarus, Food for Friends Ministry

Thank you for your continued support to the Wellspring Food Pantry in Hull. With your donations, many people are provided with staple food and personal necessities, that they otherwise will have some difficulty obtaining. The Food Pantry is also in need of personal products and paper goods donations.

A special thanks to our parishioners for their stewardship of bringing the goods to the food pantry center.

Reminder:

Holy Communion is an expression of our Faith, reception of the Holy Gifts is open only to those who are baptized, chrismated, and practicing members of the Orthodox Church. (from Fr. Thomas Fitzgerald, professor of Church History and Historical Theology)

If you or your family members are sick or in the hospital, please call or email Fr. Constantine to let him know. **Phone Number:** 978-314-4992
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James 5:15

And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven.

Coffee Hour:

Interested in hosting coffee hour? In our Coffee Hour area, there is a sign up sheet. You may want to do it with another person/family.

Please visit us on Facebook: Nativity-Assumption of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church and For the Sick and the Suffering.

Website: Nativity-Assumption of the Virgin Mary (Panagia Parish): <http://panagiacoasset.com/index.php>

