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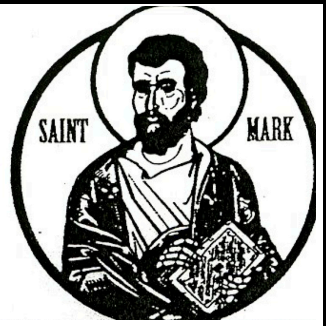
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SUNDAY APRIL 24, 2016

ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM. PALM

SUNDAY. Martyr Sabbas Stratelates ("the General") of Rome, and 70 soldiers with him (272). Ven. Savva and Aleksy the Recluse, of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—13th c.). Martyrs Pasicrates and Valentine in Moesia (Bulgaria—228). Martyrs Eusebius, Neon, Leontius, Longinus, and others, at Nicomedia (303).

Epistle: Philipians 4:4-9

Gospel: John 12:1-18

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Confessions:	Saturdays Following Vespers <i>Also by appointment</i>
Great Vespers:	Saturdays at 6pm
Vigil:	Eve of Feasts at 7pm
Divine Liturgy:	Sundays at 9:30am Feast Days at 9:15am

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

Sund, April 24:	Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am. Coffee Hour. Mission Service St. Michael's Orthodox Church, Wilmington, DE.
Monday, April 25:	Bridegroom Matins -7pm
Tuesday, April 26:	Presanctified Liturgy – 9:15am; Bridegroom Matins – 7pm
Wednesday, April 27:	Presanctified Liturgy – 9:15am; Bridegroom Matins – 7pm
Thursday, April 28:	Vesperal Liturgy – 9am; Matins of Holy Friday with Passion Gospels – 7pm
Friday, April 29:	Royal Hours with Typica – 8am; Vespers of Holy Friday – 3pm; Matins of Holy Saturday with Lamentations and Procession – 7pm
Saturday, April 30:	Vesperal Liturgy – 9am; Nocturns 11:30pm
Sunday, May 1:	Matins and Divine Liturgy of Pascha followed by Blessing of Baskets and Agape Meal – 12am; Paschal Vespers – 6pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Coffee Hour: We need signups for the coming weeks. Please take a Sunday, no elaborate meals needed, just basic refreshments. Combine with another family or do it yourself. Please look at the calendar and signup.

Church Cleaning: While April is covered May through September are not. Please find a time to commit to cleaning our church on a weekly basis so that it is properly adorned for the worship of God and appealing to those who visit us.

Holy Week: The Services of Holy Week are Holy Week. Participation in them is the experience of Holy Week. Recognizing that everyone cannot make everything, we should attend those we are able to. Show up with a desire to accompany Christ and He will do the rest.

Parish Cleanup Day: Thank you to those who came and helped inside and out.

Scrip Program: Today. Last week profit **\$58.80. YTD, \$226.32.**

Wrightstown Food Cupboard:

Please continue to remember to bring coffee, tea, juice, pasta, peanut butter for the pantry.

VIGIL LIGHTS:

From the Pitra Family:

In Memory Of:

Iwan Kwasow, 12th Anniversary of Repose

From the Swan Family:

For the Health Of:

Stanley

From The Ristvey Family:

For the Health of:

Margaret, George, Valerie, Andrew, Lorelly, Margaret Ann, Katherine, Helen, Delores, Joseph

In Memory of:

George, Anna, Maryann, Ann, John, Nicholas, John, Suzanna, Joseph, Steven, Annie, Susan.

From Marina:

For the Health of:

Alexandra, Julia, Mikhailyana, Ekaterina, Jon, Sofia, Alina, Anna, Tatyana, Irina.

In Memory of:

Olga, Agrepina, Nadezda, Ekaterina, Borys, Viktor, Galina, Yury, Sergey, Eugenia, Abram, Valentina

From Valerie:

For the Health of:

For Stephanie on the occasion of her birthday
For George and Margaret

From Dina Londar:

For the Health of:

Michell, Lindsey, Dana, Polina, Polina, Lilla, Lena, Stella, Susan, Mike, Jim, Zoya, Melissa, Galina, Galina, Michelle, Sonia, Liliya, Lilya

From Sam Regen:

For the Health of:

Donna, Mayer Family

In Memory of:

Steve Mayer

BIRTHDAYS:

Gillian Crosby

For when I am weak, then am I strong.

That is, when I am cognizant of my nothingness and the omnipotence of God, then I am strong. When I know that I, of myself alone, cannot do any good either for myself or for others, and when I totally entrust myself to the power and mercy of God, then I am strong. When I sense that I am as a drowning person in this world, and that I am not in a position to grasp the extended hand of God and to hold onto it by my own strength, but instead cry out to God that He take hold of my hand and pull me out of the depths of the sinful abyss, then I am strong. When I see that I am weak and that I am a hollow reed amidst the tempest of winds and floods--a reed which God is able to fill with His almighty grace--and when I pray with faith for God's grace, then I am strong.

O my weak brethren, let us entrust ourselves to the power of God, that we, in our nothingness, may be strong. Relying on man, you are weak, but relying on God, you are strong. Adhere to God, and all the power of God will be with you. Confess your weaknesses before God, and God will send you His all-powerful grace. This is confirmed for you by the Apostle through his example and through his experience: For when I am weak, then am I strong. In truth, there is no contradiction in Holy Scripture. The physical man speaks about contradiction in terms of the sound of the words, but the spiritual man enters into the meaning, and shatters the illusion of contradiction through experience.

St. Nicholai of Zhica. The Prologue, April 22.