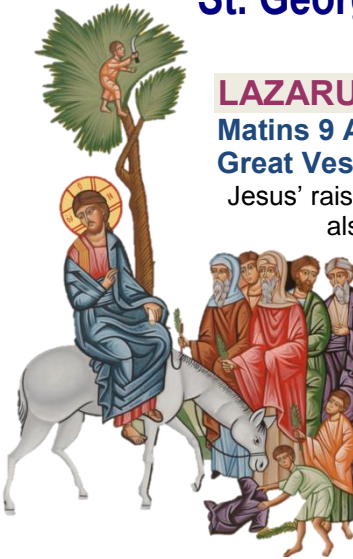


# HOLY WEEK & PASCHA 2011

## St. George Orthodox Church • Indianapolis



### LAZARUS SATURDAY • APRIL 16

**Matins 9 AM • Divine Liturgy, 10 AM**  
**Great Vespers, 5 PM • Confessions Follow**

Jesus' raising Lazarus from the dead shows He can raise all mankind. Please also join us after Liturgy for a Falafel brunch (hosted by Fr. Nabil and Khouriyah Elaine), and help us prepare for the Feast by polish and decorating the Lord's house.

### PALM SUNDAY • APRIL 17

**Matins and Confession, 9 AM • Divine Liturgy, 10 AM**

In the triumphant entry of our Lord into Jerusalem to face his voluntary death, "We like the children carry the palms of victory," in Procession. Adults and children may also bring decorated candles. A Fish Dinner follows Liturgy.

### PALM SUNDAY EVENING • APRIL 17

**Bridegroom Matins, 7 PM • Confessions Follow**

The Procession with the icon of Christ, the Bridegroom of the Church, takes place, and we remember the righteousness of Joseph who, like Christ, suffered unjustly with patience and was exalted.

### GREAT MONDAY EVENING • APRIL 18

**Bridegroom Matins, 7 PM • Confessions Follow**

We remember the example of the ten virgins waiting for the Bridegroom.

### GREAT TUESDAY EVENING • APRIL 19

**Bridegroom Matins, 7 PM • Confessions Follow**

We remember the woman who anointed the head and feet of our Lord, wiping them with her hair, in contrast with Judas and his betrayal of Christ. The Hymn of Kassiane expresses these contrasts with profound poetry and majesty.

### GREAT WEDNESDAY EVENING • APRIL 20

**Sacrament of Holy Unction, 7 PM**

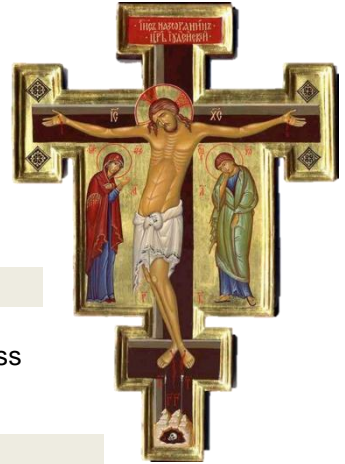
We are anointed for healing of soul and body as Christ was anointed in anticipation of his burial. All should have made their confession *before* this point.



## GREAT THURSDAY MORNING • APRIL 21

### Liturgy of St. Basil, 9 AM

On this day, when Jesus first said to his disciples, “Take, eat; this is my Body,” Orthodox Christians make it a point to participate in Holy Communion. Children may be excused from school and will participate in the “Footwashing” rite. Breakfast will follow.



## GREAT THURSDAY EVENING • APRIL 21

### Matins with the Twelve Passion Gospels, 7 PM

We walk with our Lord through the Passion. A procession with the Cross commemorates Christ’s voluntary Crucifixion.

## GREAT FRIDAY • APRIL 22

### Royal Hours, 10 AM • Church School Retreat, Noon • Un-nailing Vespers, 3 PM

We try to spend this day in Church, heeding our Lord’s words to “watch and pray.” During Vespers, Christ is taken down from the Cross and placed in the decorated tomb. Children may be excused from school for the day for services and for the retreat.

## GREAT FRIDAY EVENING • APRIL 22

### Resurrectional Matins of Christ’s Funeral, 7 PM

We join Joseph of Arimathea, Nicodemus and the Myrrh-bearing Women to sing in Praise of the buried Christ, and we process with the Bier and passing under it as if joining Christ in the tomb.

## GREAT SATURDAY MORNING • APRIL 23

### Liturgy of St. Basil, 10 AM

As we keep vigil, the Victory of Christ over death and his Resurrection ‘explode’ with throwing of the leaves of victory. *Please bring your children to this service.* Breakfast will follow.

## THE RESURRECTION • SATURDAY, APRIL 23 / SUNDAY, APRIL 24

### RUSH/MATINS/LITURGY, 11 PM

We receive the new Light and the Good News that “Christ is Risen.” **Please bring dyed-red eggs.** You may also bring Easter Baskets to be blessed for enjoyment and sharing after Liturgy. Our parish council will also serve additional food to Break the Fast.

## AGAPE VESPERS • SUNDAY, APRIL 24

### Love Vespers, Noon • Egg Hunt Follows

The Good News (Gospel) of the Resurrection will be proclaimed in as many languages as possible. A sign-up list will be posted during Holy Week for you to read any language you know (we might have the text available, if you don’t).

