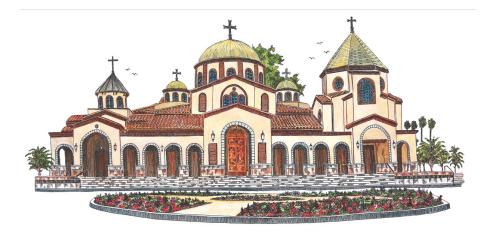
Saint Andrew Orthodox Church



April 14, 2024

Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great

Sunday of St. John Climacus

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Divine Liturgy

Today's Hymns and Readings for Your Participation in the Divine Liturgy

Apolytikion of the Resurrection Tone 4

Having learned the joyful message of the resurrection from the angels, the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation, and proudly brought the news to the apostles saying, "Death has been spoiled. Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy."

Apolytikion of St. John Climacus Tone 8

The barren wilderness thou didst make fertile with the streams of thy tears; and by thy deep sighing thou hast given fruit through thy struggles a hundredfold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father John Climacus, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Apolytikion of St. Andrew-Tone 1

O Andrew first-called of the Apostles, brother of Peter the first-enthroned, intercede with the Master of all to grant peace to the world and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion for Sunday of Great Lent Tone 8

To thee, the champion leader, do I offer thanks of victory O Theotokos, thou who has delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free. From all forms of danger free me and deliver me that I may cry unto thee: "Hail O Bride without Bridegroom."

Prokeimenon

O Lord, how magnified are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews (6:13-20)

Brethren, when God made a promise to Abraham, since He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, saying, "Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multi-

ply thee." And thus, having patiently endured, he obtained the promise. For people indeed swear by what is greater, and in every dispute of theirs the oath is final for confirmation. So when God, being minded to show more abundantly to the heirs of the promise the immutability of His counsel, He interposed it with an oath, that by two immutable things—in which it is impossible for God to lie—we might have a strong consolation, we, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope that is set before us; a hope, which we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and entering into "that which is within the veil," where Jesus entered as a Forerunner on our behalf, having become a High Priest "forever according to the order of Melchizedek."

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark (9:17-31)

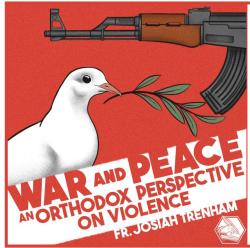
At that time, a man came to Jesus, kneeling down and saying unto him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit. And wherever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked Thy Disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And Jesus answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to Me." And they brought the boy to Him; and when the spirit saw Jesus, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if Thou canst do anything, have pity on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, "Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You

dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when Jesus had entered the house, His Disciples asked Him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And Jesus said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting." They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And Jesus would not have anyone know it; for He was teaching His Disciples, saying to them. "The Son of man will be delivered

into the hands of men, and they will kill Him; and after He is killed, He will rise on the third day."

Megalynarion to the Theotokos

All creation rejoiceth in thee, O thou who art full of grace: the angelic hosts and the race of men. O hallowed temple and spiritual paradise, glory of virgins, of whom God was incarnate and became a little child, even our God who is before all the ages; for he made thy womb a throne, and thy body more spacious than the heavens. All creation rejoiceth in thee, O thou who art full of grace. Glory to thee.



St. John Chrysostom Catechetical School Presents

War and Peace

An Orthodox Perspective on ViolenceBy Fr. Josiah

Evenings at 8pm Following Presanctified Liturgy

Wed. April 10th • Thur. April 18th Wed. April 24th

Family Night Dinner IS POTLUCK THROUGH THE LENTEN SEASON. To register your children for care or to volunteer to help with childcare, go to: https://bit.ly/SA-KidzKlub-Childcare Register for childcare by Tuesday at 7pm

Lenten Home Gatherings Thursdays April 11th and 25th, at 6pm Potluck Meal * Discussion * Friendship

We are holding two Lenten Home Gatherings during Great Lent. One on April 11th and one on April 25th. We will meet at 6pm. You should have received an email with the name and address of your host homes. There have been some changes to host homes, so please view your email to find out where to go.

Come meet people and make new parish friends!



Service Schedule for Week of April 14

Monday the 15th

8:00am Lenten Orthros 7:00pm Great Compline

Tuesday the 16th

8:00am Lenten Orthros

5:00pm Lenten Vespers and Great Compline

Wednesday the 17th

8:00am Lenten Orthros

5:30pm Confession

6:00pm Compline, Cannon of St. Andrew and the Reading of the Life of St. Mary of Egypt

Thursday the 18th

8:00am Lenten Orthros

6:00pm 9th Hour and Typica

6:30pm Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

8:00pm St. John Chrysostom Catechetical School—Lecture Series—Lecture 2: War and Peace: An Orthodox Perspective on Violence by Fr. Josiah. Family Night Dinner IS POTLUCK THROUGH THE LENTEN SEASON. Childcare will be available. To register your children for care or to volunteer to help with childcare, go to: https://bit.ly/SA-KidzKlub-

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Friday the 19th

8:00am Jesus Prayer Service

7:00pm Akathist to the Theotokos

Saturday the 20th

7:30am Orthros

8:00am Divine Liturgy for the Righteous Father Theodore of the Hair-shirt

4:00pm Catechism

4:30pm Confession

5:30pm Great Vespers

Sunday the 21st

9:00am Orthros

10:00am Liturgy-Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt



50 Hours of Prayer for the Lives of the Unborn Friday, April 19 at 10am through Sunday, April 21th at 9am

The prayer will be in the St. John Chrysostom Chapel, and will consist of Akathists and the Jesus Prayer. To register for a prayer time go to: https://bit.ly/50HoursOfPrayer. If you have any questions, email Ezekiel here: rlizarraga163@gmail.com



Do You Know a Person Graduating this Spring?

It is soon that time of year when we honor our high school and college graduates. Please send the office name of graduate, name of high school or college and Degree if college.

Prayer Requests

Prayers for the living will be retained on the list for 40 days. For exceptions, see Father Josiah.

Living

- Peace in the Holy Land and Ukraine
- Sophia Griffin, health
- Sarah Kassaseya, healing of foot
- Michael (Jeff) Mosely, health
- Samuel Saenz, health
- Nikki Delgado, health
- Sonia Ruben, health
- Micaela Yarber, health
- Azariah , Joziah & Seraphim Yarber, health
- Adam Khoury, health
- Elizabeth Sparrow, health
- Harold Thomas, health
- Mildred Parsons, health
- Yuri Parfeniuk, health
- Shota Abesadze, health

- Melchiades Lozano
- Nathanael Chavers, health
- Augustine Henkes, health
- Lee Ounanian, health
- Ruth Wilkey, health
- Joshua Wilkey, health
- Christina Sherry Horan, health

Departed

- + Our brothers and sisters departed this life in Gaza and Ukraine conflicts
- + Archpriest Anthony Karbo, newly reposed
- + Innocent Bruce Abramson 2015
- + William Stoyas 2004
- + Jean Blair, newly reposed
- + Archpriest Peter Staviski

Mabrouk! Many Years! Khronia Polla!

Name Days

Apr. 15-St. Rowan (Ruadhan) of Lorrha-Rowen Taylor

Birthdays

Apr. 14-Monica Hall, Alice Layoun, Victoria Vasquez

Apr. 15-Audrey Baker, Porphyria Poula Geoffrion, Barbara Rand Saba

Apr. 16-Mariam Saba

Apr. 17-Andrew Coppolo, Anthonia Silvana

Debessai, Rowan Taylor, Elyse Thomazin, Ephraim Jose Tovar

Apr. 18-John Abboud, Gabriel Gomez, Emmelia Rebecca Jenkins, Anna Carrina Jimenez

Apr. 19-James Laurman, Gabriela Rodriquez Apr. 20-Brooke Carnohan

Anniversaries

Apr. 16-Nilus Niel and Suzanne MacConnell



Treasurer's Corner — Monthly Wrap Up—Month of March

General Fund: \$47,421 Tot Building Fund: \$17,480 Bud

Total Received: \$64,901 Budgeted Need: \$79,920

Shortfall: \$15,018

Welcome to Our Visitors

We are delighted to have you join us at our service today in worshiping the Holy Trinity. Please take a moment after the service to introduce yourself to our pastor, Fr. Josiah. You are cordially invited to join us for the Agape Meal after services. We would love to greet you and to answer any questions you may have about our church. If you are not Orthodox Christian, please do not approach the chalice during the distribution of Holy Communion. If you are an Orthodox Christian, please note that Communion must be prepared for by fasting, reconciliation, and recent confession.

Prayer for the Catechumens

Abboud, John Abborino, Guv Acuña, Arthur Addison, Maria Aguilar, Janet Baker, Colt Capacio, Nick Carnohan, Brooke Carnohan, Finn Carnohan, Trov Celis, Ava Celis, Charlotte Celis, Eve Chavers, Nathanael Chavers, Suzette Collins, Luna Collins, Nicole Crandell, Casey Crandell, David Crandell, Jameson Cruz. Francisco DeLeon, Brandon Diaz, Breana Diaz, Jacob Dooley, Benjamin Dussault, Alex Espinoza, Aaron Evans, Morgan

ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN

2024 PROJECT

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Clergy-Vives

ESTABLISH AN

Evans, Alyssa Evans, Joanna Gallegos, Edgar Gonzales, Fernando Gregson, Erik Gronberg, Evan Gruener, Conrad Guardado, Amy Guardado, Hector Guardado, Lucas Heneise, Daniel Hicks, Broedy Hicks, Glory Horan, Dakota Horan, Dalton Jenkins, Tianna Jones, Leah Jones, Jaylee Jones, Sunshine Jones, Juniper Kevs, Dean Lamberth, Matthew Logan, Jaime Logan, Jonah Lozano, Cathy Lozano, Edwin Lozano, Noah Lucas, Samuel

Maroufkhani, Aidan Maroufkhani, Callan Maroufkhani, Cassian Maroufkhani, Kevin Maroufkhani. Shannon Monsma, Staycie Morales, Anastasia Morales, Abraham Morales, Brian Morales, Ezequiel Morales, Isabella Morales, Liliana Morales, Zulema Moran, Arelis Morris, Padraic Munoz, Maximiliano Nicassio, Santino Nixon, Teresa Neuenswander, Anthony O'Brien, John O'Brien, Heather Ojeda, Adrian Ounanian, Leroy Paige, Tyleen Parish, Rebeckah Plumhoff, Charles

Quintero, MiaSolei Quintero, Regina Quintero, Sal Reves, Bardo Rios, Abraham Rios, Brittany Robles, Benjamin Rodriguez, Benjamin Rodriguez, Emilio Rodriguez, Frank Rodriguez, Gabriela Saenz, Yosef Scheer, Jim Serrano, Sophia Soares, Larissa Solorzano, Paul Solorzano, Tabitha Spurling, John Spurling, Sarah Strayer, Crystal Strayer, Joshua Strayer, Zion Tucker, John Tucker, Ronnalee Vagenas, Kimberly Williams, Victoria Zavala, Christina

Antiochian Women 2024 Project Widawed Clergy Wives Endowment Fund Endowment Fund This year's Antiochian Women PROJECT seeks to hon-

or our widowed clergy wives for the years of selfless service they have given to our Archdiocese. Our love for them and our deep respect has moved us to establish a dedicated Endowment Fund, from which the yearly dividends will be distributed among them. The amount of financial support we can offer each year will directly depend on the amount of funding we raise through this year's PROJECT. So let's show our heartfelt support for these well-deserving ladies, and inaugurate this Endowment Fund with a generous financial base.

> Proceeds from our Palm Sunday Fish Fry will benefit this worthy Project.

LOTS HAPPENING ON LAZARUS SATURDAY—April 27th



Annual Lazarus Family Day

- Divine Liturgy 8AM
- Children's & Teen's Choir Rehearsal for Palm Sunday
- Learn How to Fold Palm Crosses and help make them for the Parish on Sunday
- Learn How to Weave a Shaneeheh for Palm Sunday. \$10 for materials—order your palm frond from Jeanette Zarour after Liturgy today. Must provide your own flowers.
- Bring Food to share for brunch and snacks!

Annual Lazarus Saturday Workday

Everyone is encouraged to come to the church Lazarus Saturday to participate in our annual workday where we prepare the temple and grounds for Holy Week and Pascha. We will meet right after Liturgy in the morning, have a light breakfast, and then work, work, work.

Temple and Chapel: We will clean and oil all of the wood in the temple and chapel, clean the icons, clean the floors and make sure everything is beautiful and presentable.

Grounds: We will pull all of the weeds around the temple, prune roses, clean the terrace and pickup trash from the property.



Words of Wisdom

There will come a time when corruption and lewdness among the youth will reach the utmost point. There will hardly be any virgin youth left. They will see their lack of punishment and will think that everything is allowable for them to satisfy their desires. God will call them, however, and they will realize that it will not be possible for them to continue such a life. Then in various ways they will be led to God...that time will be beautiful. That today they are sinning greatly, will lead them to a deeper repentance. Just like the candle before it goes out, it shines strongly and throws sparks; with its light, it enlightens the surrounding darkness; thus, it will be the Church's life in the last age. And that time is near. † St Seraphim of Vyritsa

A Beautiful Tradition — The Blessing of Paschal Baskets

A central Eastern European Paschal tradition is the blessing of the baskets. The family gets together during Lent to prepare what will go into the basket. The basket will be taken to Liturgy on Pascha for a blessing. The tradition has spread across Orthodox churches in the United States, and is practiced at St. Andrew by many. All can participate in this beautiful tradition.

For a fuller description of this tradition and preparing your basket, go to:

saintandrew.net/traditionaleasterbaskets



The Tradition of Red Dyed Eggs for Pascha



The early Christians used red colored eggs to symbolize the Resurrection. This tradition has been passed down to us from them, through St. Mary Magdalene. After the Resurrection she used her social standing to gain an invitation to a banquet given by Emperor Tiberius Caesar. Upon arriving she greeted him with "Christ is Risen!" He laughed and responded, "Christ rising from the dead is as likely as the egg in your hand turning red." Before he finished speaking, the egg turned bright red in her hand. She then cried, "Christ is Risen; for Jesus has burst forth from the tomb!" For this reason, the icons of St. Mary Magdalene often depict her holding a red egg in her right hand and we dye eggs red for Pascha!

We bring red hard boiled eggs to Liturgy on Pascha for the priest to hand out. Collectively several hundred eggs are handed out!

If you are dying eggs to bring to the feast PLEASE REMEMBER:

- The hard boiled eggs should be dyed on Holy Thursday. Elizabeth Sharon Yocum will be at the hall kitchen to dye eggs with other ladies on Holy Thursday following morning services. If you want to do this with her, please contact her at 909-553-6252 or email her at shar4j@gmail.com. You will need to bring eggs.
- If you would like to dye red eggs at home for the Paschal Liturgy, contact Elizabeth Sharon Yocum to get the dye. 909-553-6252 or email her at shar4j@gmail.com.
- MAKE SURE EGGS ARE DRY before bringing them to the temple on Pascha. Wet eggs drip red stain onto the temple floor, vestments and parishioner clothing. Not a good thing. If they are not dry, save them for your celebration at home. If you refrigerate them, moisture will condense on the outside when you remove them. Make sure they have dried from this before bringing them to Liturgy.

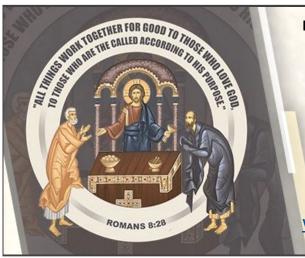
Words of Wisdom

God always helps. He always comes in time, but patience is necessary. He hears us immediately when we cry out to him but not in accordance with our own way of thinking.

† St Joseph the Hesychast







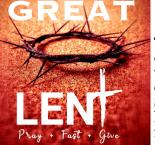
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The 72nd Parish Life Conference

Hosted by Holy Resurrection Church, Tucson AZ

July 3-7, 2024

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GREAT LENT & HOLY WEEK FAST MARCH 18—MAY 4

The Church prescribes a common fasting discipline for the faithful during Lent. M-F we abstain from flesh-meats, dairy products, fish, wine and oil. On weekends we are allowed as a relaxation wine and oil. On the Great Feasts of the Annunciation (March 25) and Palm Sunday (April 28), we are allowed fish. During the week we attempt to limit the number of our meals. It is customary for Orthodox to abstain from eating and drinking until noon. When we fast from food we also do from marital relations. The goal of this fast has little to do with

food. The prescribed fast is a means to obtain a little hunger and to produce in us hunger and thirst for the Kingdom of God as well as sympathy for the hungry of the world that would drive us to almsgiving. As well by fasting the Spirit of God tames our unruly desires of the flesh, exposes sin that should be repented of as we recognize our addictions to earthly pleasures and things, frees up time normally taken by food preparation and consumption for spiritual reading, confession, visitation, and other good deeds. We turn our attention away from eating dead things that perish in order to give our attention to eating things which abide forever, such as the Word of God and the Holy Eucharist. If we have a negative attitude toward fasting we are completely missing the point and wasting our time. Fasting is a joy. We don't have to fast. We get to fast. It was precisely this change of attitude concerning fasting from joy to burden that led to the fall of man. If you don't feel positive ask yourself why you don't and hear your Lord's counsel to anoint your head when you fast. Are there specific things God is calling you to fast from? (TV, cell phone, speaking, sleeping too much, criticizing, unedifying reading, movies, internet, social media, eating out, smoking, computer games, shopping, theatre, coffee, sweets...) May your fasting be blessed for your salvation!



FOOD FOR HUNGRY BOXES

During Great Lent each year we show our love for the hungry, hurting people in our own neighborhoods, as well as to those in hidden corners of the world by filling Food for Hungry boxes with our alms. We return our full to overflowing boxes to the Church and place them on the Solea on Palm Sunday. This is a central part of our fasting, prayer and alms giving during this holy season.

Through this tradition we have helped the homeless and the sick, fed the hungry, aided those in prison and their families, and provided relief for the war torn.

PROJECT MEXICO & St. Innocent Orphanage



This summer a group from St Andrew will be going to Project Mexico to build a house for the needy—and you can help!

The group will leave June 25th and return July 1st. Each person in the group needs to raise \$1,000 for Project Mexico and their transportation. They also need to raise additional funds for their personal needs. Group members are tasked with raising their funds—partly by asking family and friends to help. Give them a friendly ear if they approach you! If you want to donate to the overall group, contact the office for more information on how to help.

Ministry Volunteer Service Schedule			
Sunday	April 14	April 21	April 28
Agape Hour	Captain: Pres Lauren Covarrubias Xenia Gloria Venezia Vassa Wendy Wiemann Jeanette Gomez Tayde Thai Guiles Valerie Laguna Maria Flores Food Prep Only Jennifer Kelley	Captain: Mary Maggie Simmons Ariana Thornburg Stacey Fazio Emmelia Becky Jenkins Elizabeth Sharon Yocum Sophia Yuko Kehoe Cathy Lozano Food Prep Only Stephanie Gammo Kirk and Elizabeth Beck Serve Food Only Rebeckah Parish	Captain: Elizabeth Lindsay Buhler Xenia Crissy Parrish Adriana Kazanjian Anne Lauren Simpson Catherine Tovar Brittany Lavenant Tabitha Moes Andrea Ranney Food Prep Only Pres Leeann Hernandez Pres Robin Corrigan
Bookstore	Shawn Kehoe	Simeon Blevins	Emilia Jana Brubaker
Visitor Welcoming	Eve Celis Sharon Yokum	Suzanne Rombach Cecilia Anderson	Luke Trenham Patrick Melville
Playground Safety	John Sachs Natalee Estrada Gabriel Estrada	Arielle Martinez Jennifer Kelley Ryan Beamish	Gabriel Moes Eve Celis Anna Toni Roohr
Prosphora	Suzanne Perrine Helena Sayegh	Irene Osadchuk Regina Bernard	Rachel Bordeaux Lauren Geoffrion
Ushers, Icons and Candles	Captain: Miriam Saenz Ushers: John Alex Saenz Emilia Jana Brubaker Brendan Massaro Candles and Icons Bonnie Moro Anthony Mura Magdalena Cindy Mura	Captain: Anastasia Nixon Ushers: Patrick Melville Sonia Ruben Mary Jasmine Arana Candles and Icons: Ezekiel Lizarraga Larissa Soares Christina Thomazin	Captain: Simon Blevins Ushers: Christina Thomazin Martin Bernard Phanourios Griffin Candles and Icons Michael Hensley Joshua Cords
Saturday	April 13	April 20	
Grounds Prep for Sundays	<u>Leader</u> : James Nolan Anthony Neuenswander Martin Bernard Broedy Hicks	<u>Leader</u> : James Nolan Nicholas Delgado Martin Bernard Charles Plumhoff	Leader: James Nolan Captain: Kevin Maroufkhani Salvador Quintero Martin Bernard Alexander Dussault Chistina Zavala

Holy Week Schedule—April 28 -May 4

Sunday Evening: 7pm Bridegroom Orthros with Procession

Holy Monday: 9am Presanctified Liturgy 7pm Bridegroom Orthros

Holy Tuesday: 9am Presanctified Liturgy

7pm Bridegroom Orthros with Hymn of St.

Kassiani

Holy Wednesday: 9am Presanctified Liturgy

7pm Holy Unction Healing Service

Holy Thursday: 9am Orthros

Holy Saturday:

10am Institution Liturgy of St. Basil and Foot-

washing Service

7pm Service of the Passion Gospels

Holy Friday: 9am Royal Hours

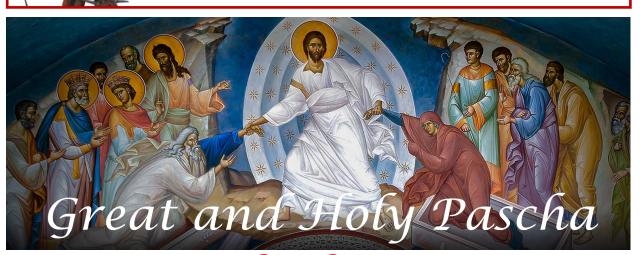
4pm Unnailing Vespers: Service of Taking Down

from the Cross

6:30 pm Exorcisms of Catechumens 7pm Orthros: Lamentations at the Tomb

9am Baptismal Liturgy of St. Basil and Reception

of Catechumens



Service Schedule

May 4 — 11:30pm Midnight Office, Rush
May 5 — 12:00am Procession, Paschal Orthros & Divine Liturgy
Paschal Feast following Liturgy
2:00pm Agape Vespers and Picnic

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death E among those in the tombs, bestowing life!