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Lord's Day	Holy Angels Day	Forerunner Day	Betrayal Day	St. Nicholas Day	Holy Cross Day	Martyrs Day
29 ZACCHAEUS SUNDAY 9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy Parish Education	30 Three Holy Hierarchs	31 Holy Unmercenaries Cyrus and John	Feb 1 Martyr Tryphon 10:00am Women's Bible Study 5:15pm 9 th Hour 5:30pm Vesperal Liturgy Potluck to follow	Feb 2 MEETING OF THE LORD	Feb 3 Righteous Simeon and Prophetess Anna	Feb 4 Ven. Isidora of Pelesium 4:00pm Great Vespers Confessions

5 BEGINNING OF THE LENTEN TRIODIAN Publican and Pharisee 9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy 11:00am Panakhida/Many Years Parish Education	6 St. Broclus, Bishop of S Smyrna Fast free	7 After Feast , St. Parthenius Fast free	8 Great Martyr Theodore the General 5:30pm Akathist to St. Innocent Fast free	9 Leavetaking of mtg Martyr Nicephorus Fast free	10 Hieromartyr Haralambos Fast free	11 Hieromartyr Blaise 4:00pm Great Vespers 5:00pm Confessions Fast free
12 The Prodigal Son 9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy Parish Education/Parish Council Meeting	13 St. Martinian Fr. Daniel out of town	14 St. Auxentius _____	15 Apostle Onesimus _____	16 St. Nikolai, Equal-to-the-Aposles of Japan _____	17 Great Martyr Theodore the Recruit Fr. Daniel Returns	18 St. Leo, Bishop of Rome 4:00pm Great Vespers 5:00pm Confessions
19 Sunday of the Last Judgment 9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy Pancake Breakfast No Parish Education Catechumens Class Bowling Outing	20 MEAT FAST BEGINS Ven. Agathon Fast from meat; dairy, fish wine, & oil allowed	21 Ven. Timothy Fast from meat; dairy, fish, wine, & oil allowed	22 St. Athanasius the confessor 5:30pm DailyVespers Fast from meat; dairy, fish, wine, & oil allowed	23 Hieromartyr Polycarp of Smyrna Fast from meat; dairy, fish, wine, & oil allowed	24 Ven. Erasmus Fast from meat; dairy, fish, wine, & oil allowed	25 Departed Monastics The worst kind of sin is not to acknowledge that you are sinful. (St. Caesarius of Arles, Commentary on I John, 1:8) 4:00pm Great Vespers 5:00pm Confessions Fast: dairy, fish, wine, & oil

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 Forgiveness Sunday Expulsion of Adam from Paradise 9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy 11:00am Forgiveness Vespers No Parish Education Catechumens class	27 1ST DAY OF GREAT LENT FULL FAST BEGINS - Note: Full fast = no meat, dairy, olive oil or alcohol unless noted. -Strict fast = only water. *Ask Fr. Daniel for ?s 5:30pm The Canon of St. Andrew	Feb 28 Ven. Basil the Confessor 5:30pm The Canon of St. Andrew	1 Martyr Eudocia of Hielopolis 10:00am Women's Bible Study 5:30pm The Canon of St. Andrew	2 St. Arseny Bishop of Tver' 5:30pm The Canon of St. Andrew	3 Sts. Zeno & Zoilus 5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy - w/ potluck	4 St. Gerasimus of the Jordan 4:00pm Great Vespers 5:00pm Confessions wine & oil allowed

<p>5 ORTHODOXY SUNDAY</p> <p>9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy - Icon procession - Many Years</p> <p>No Parish Education Catechumens class</p> <p>Fast: wine & oil allowed</p>	<p>6 The 42 Martyrs of Ammoria/ Uncovering of the precious Cross and nails.</p>	<p>7 Ven. Paul the Simple</p>	<p>8 Apostle Hermas (70)</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy - w/ potluck</p>	<p>9 40 Martyrs of Sabaste</p>	<p>10 Martyr Quadratus and those with him</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy - w/ potluck</p>	<p>11 MEMORIAL SATURDAY</p> <p>9:30am - Panakhida-</p> <p>4:00pm Great Vespers 5:00pm Confessions Fast: wine & oil allowed</p>
<p>12 ST GREGORY PALAMAS</p> <p>9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy</p> <p>No Parish Education Catechumens Class 12p Parish Council Meeting <i>By-Law workshop</i> wine & oil allowed</p>	<p>13 Martyr Christina</p>	<p>14 Ven. Benedict</p>	<p>15 Martyr Nicander</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy- w/ potluck</p>	<p>16 Apostle Aristobulus (70)</p>	<p>17 St. Patrick, bishop of Armagh, Enlightener of Ireland</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy - w/ potluck</p>	<p>18 St. Nikolia of Zhicha</p> <p>LENTEN RETREAT 10:00am-2:00pm Welcome Fr. Michael Corbin <i>"Restoring the Image of Christ"</i></p> <p>4:00pm Great Vespers 5:00pm Confessions wine & oil allowed</p>
<p>19 HOLY CROSS SUNDAY</p> <p>9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy Parish Education</p> <p>wine & oil allowed</p>	<p>20 St. Photini and her sons</p>	<p>21 St. James the Confessor</p>	<p>22 Martyr Drosida</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy - w/ potluck</p>	<p>23 New martyr Monk-Martyr Nikon- 1802</p>	<p>24 Forefeast of the Annunciation</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy/w potluck</p>	<p>25 ANNUNCIATION OF THE THEOTOKOS</p> <p>9:15am - Hours 9:30am - Divine Liturgy</p> <p>4:00pm Great Vespers 5:00pm Confessions fish, wine, & oil allowed</p>
<p>26 ST JOHN OF THE LADDER</p> <p>9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy Parish Education</p> <p>wine & oil allowed</p>	<p>27 Martyr Matrona</p>	<p>28 Ven. Hilarion</p>	<p>29 HieroMartyr Mark</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy - w/ potluck</p>	<p>30 Ven. John of the Ladder</p> <p>5:30p Canon of St. Andrew- Life of St. Mary of Egypt <i>Confessions</i></p>	<p>31 St. Innocent Apostle to America</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy - w/ potluck</p>	<p>Apr 1 St. Mary of Egypt SATURDAY OF THE AKATHIST TO THE THEOTOKOS</p> <p>3:00pm Akathist to Theotokos 4:00pm Great Vespers 5:00pm Confessions wine & oil allowed</p>

APRIL

<p>2 ST MARY OF EGYPT</p> <p>9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy -Many Years Parish Education Parish Council Meeting</p> <p>wine & oil allowed</p>	<p>3 St. Nicetas the Confessor</p>	<p>4 Ven. Joseph the Hymnographer</p>	<p>5 Sts. Agathopodes the the deacon & Theodulus the Reader</p> <p>10:00am - Women's Bible Study</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy - w/ potluck</p>	<p>6 Monk-Martyr Gennadius of Dionysiou Mt. Athos -1818</p>	<p>7 St. Tikhon, Bishop of Moscow and Enlightener of N. Amer.</p> <p>5:30pm Presanctified Liturgy - w/ potluck</p> <p>wine & oil allowed</p>	<p>8 LAZARUS SATURDAY</p> <p>9:30am Divine Liturgy Baptism of Catechumens Potluck to follow</p> <p>4:00pm Great Vespers 5:00pm Confessions wine & oil allowed</p>
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<p>9 ENTRY OF THE LORD INTO JERUSALEM (PALM SUNDAY)</p> <p>9:15am Hours 9:30am Divine Liturgy Parish Education</p> <p>5:30pm Bridegroom Matins</p> <p>Fish, wine and oil allowed</p>	<p>10 HOLY MONDAY</p> <p>5:30pm Bridegroom Matins</p>	<p>11 HOLY TUESDAY</p> <p>5:30pm Bridegroom Matins</p>	<p>12 HOLY WEDNESDAY</p> <p>5:30pm Bridegroom Matins</p>	<p>13 HOLY THURSDAY 9:30am VESPERAL LITURGY</p> <p>6:00pm MATINS PASSION GOSPELS Lighting of the 12 Gospel Candles</p>	<p>14 HOLY FRIDAY 9:00am ROYAL HOURS</p> <p>STRICT FAST</p> <p>5pm VESPERS</p> <p>7pm Compline / Matins</p>	<p>15 HOLY SATURDAY 10:00am VESPERAL LITURGY OF ST BASIL WITH Old Testament READINGS --Decorating of the Tomb</p> <p>11:30pm - Midnight Office 12:00am - Paschal Matins 1:00am - Paschal Liturgy 3:00am - Blessing of Baskets AGAPE FEAST</p>
<p>16 GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA</p> <p>3:00pm Paschal Vespers 4:00pm Egg Hunt and BBQ</p> <p>Fast free</p>	<p>17 BRIGHT MONDAY</p> <p>10am Divine Liturgy</p> <p>Fast free</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Fast free</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Fast free</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Fast free</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Fast free</p>	<p>22</p> <p>4:00pm Great Vespers</p> <p>Fast free</p>

LENTEN FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Don't be deceived regarding the knowledge of what will be after your death: what you sow here, you will reap there. After leaving here, no one can make progress. Here is the work, there the reward; here the struggle, there the crowns.

(St. Barsanuphius the Great, Instructions, 606)

God gives His communion to all who love Him. Communion with God is life and light and sweetness with all the good things that He has. But those who of their own will forsake him he rewards with separation from Him, which they themselves have chosen. As separation from light is darkness, so also alienation from God is deprivation of all good things which He has. But the good things of God are eternal and without end, so that the loss of them is eternal and without end. Thus sinners shall be the cause of their own torments, just as the blind do not see the light, although it is shining on them.

(St. Irenaeus of Lyons, Against Heresies, V.27)

The Eternal Joy of Christians, is that they always rejoice, for evil, death, sin, the devil and hell have been conquered by Christ. But when all of this is conquered, is there anyone in the world who can bring our joy to naught? You are the lord of this eternal rejoicing as long as you do not give in to sin. Joy burns in our hearts from His truth, love, resurrection, and from the Church and His saints. Joy burns in our hearts all because of sufferings for Him, mockings for Him, and death for Him, insofar as these sufferings write our names in heaven. There is no true joy on earth without the victory over death, but the victory over death does not exist without the Resurrection, and the Resurrection does not exist without Christ. The risen God-Man Christ, the founder of the Church, constantly pours out this joy into the hearts of His followers through the Holy Mysteries and good deeds. Our faith is fulfilled in this eternal joy, insofar as the joy of faith in Christ is the only true joy for human nature.

(St. Justin Popovich, Explanation of I Thessalonians, 5)