



Sts. Peter & Paul Boulder

Weekly Bulletin Week of April 9th, 2017

Welcome to Our Parish!

The mission of Sts. Peter & Paul is to be a beacon of Orthodox Christian spirituality in the greater Boulder area. We strive together to live our Orthodox Christian Faith by having a devoted prayer life, through fasting and almsgiving, and through regular participation in the services and sacraments of the Holy Orthodox Church.

Service Schedule & Parish Activities

Palm Sunday Evening	7pm	Bridegroom Service
April 10, Monday	9 am 7 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Bridegroom Service
April 11, Tuesday	9 am 7 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Bridegroom Service
April 12, Wednesday	7 am 6 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Holy Unction Service
April 13, Thursday	8 am 6 pm	Vesporal Liturgy Mystical Supper 12 Gospels Passion Service (Metropolitan Isaiah will serve)
April 14, Friday	8 am 2 pm 7 pm	Great and Royal Hours Taking down from the Cross Lamentation (Lord's Tomb)
April 15, Saturday tion	9 am 11:30 pm	Vesporal Liturgy - First Resurrec- tion Canon
Holy Saturday Evening 12 Midnight Resurrection Service - Holy Pascha		
April 16, Sunday	12 noon 1 pm	Agape Vespers Pascha Easter Picnic



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Recurring Services

Orthros

Sunday @ 8:15 am

Divine Liturgy

Sunday @ 9:30 am

Great Vespers

Saturday @ 5 pm

Parish Council

President - George Tsiouvaras;

Vice President - Nick Kallan

Treasurer - Oliver Huskey

Secretary - Steve Dzilvelis

Jim Azar

Tom Jacky

Hosts & Volunteers

Ushers	Jim Zissimos
Fellowship Hour Host	Saliba Family (in honor of Cina)
Myrrhbearers	Alexandra, Elizabeth
Choir	Georgia, Demetra G.
Epistle Reader	Gus

Have an Announcement?

Please contact Aaron

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Deadline is every V

On Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday summons us to behold our king: the Word of God made flesh. We are called to behold Him not simply as the One who came to us once riding on a colt, but as the One who is always present in His Church, coming ceaselessly to us in power and glory at every Eucharist, in every prayer and sacrament, and in every act of love, kindness and mercy. He comes to free us from all our fears and insecurities, “to take solemn possession of our soul, and to be enthroned in our heart,” as someone has said. He comes not only to deliver us from our deaths by His death and resurrection, but also to make us capable of attaining the most perfect fellowship or union with Him. He is the king, who liberates us from the darkness of sin and the bondage of death. Palm Sunday summons us to behold our king: the vanquisher of death and the giver of life.

Palm Sunday summons us to accept both the rule and the kingdom of God as the goal and content of our Christian life. We draw our identity from Christ and His Kingdom. The kingdom is Christ - His indescribable power, boundless mercy and incomprehensible abundance given freely to man. The kingdom does not lie at some point or place in the distant future. In the words of the Scripture, the kingdom of God is not only at hand (Matthew 3:2;4:17), it is within us (Luke 17:21). The kingdom is a present reality as well as a future realization (Matthew 6.10). St Theophan wrote the following words about the inward rule of Christ the King:

“The Kingdom of God is within us when God reigns in us, when the soul in its depths confesses God as its Master, and is obedient to Him in all its powers. Then God acts within it as master “both to will and to do of his good pleasure” (Philippians 2:3). This reign begins as soon as we resolve to serve God in our Lord Jesus Christ, by the grace of the Holy Spirit. Then the Christian hands over to God his consciousness and freedom, which comprises the essential substance of our human life, and God accepts the sacrifices; and in this way the alliance of man with God and God with man is achieved, and the covenant with God, which was severed by the Fall and continues to be severed by our willful sins, is reestablished.”

The kingdom of God is the life of the Holy Trinity in the world. It is the kingdom of holiness, goodness, truth, beauty, love, peace and joy. These qualities are not works of the human spirit. They proceed from the life of God and reveal God. Christ Himself is the kingdom. He is the God-Man, Who brought God down to earth (John 1:1,14). “He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world knew Him not. He came to His own home, and His own people received Him not” (John 1:10-11). He was reviled and hated.

Palm Sunday summons us to behold our King - the Suffering Servant. We cannot understand Jesus kingship apart from the Passion. Filled with infinite love for the Father and the Holy Spirit, and for creation, in His inexpressible humility Jesus accepted the infinite abasement of the cross. He bore our griefs and carried our sorrows; He was wounded for our transgressions and made Himself an offering for sin (Isaiah 53). His glorification which was accomplished by the resurrection and the ascension was achieved through the cross.

In the fleeting moments of exuberance that marked Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem, the world received its King. The king who was on His way to death, His passion, however, was no morbid desire for martyrdom. Jesus’ purpose was to accomplish the mission for which the Father sent Him.

Father Alkiviadis Calivas

Our Journey through Holy Week

As Orthodox Christians, we believe that our salvation comes through the holy Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We spend a lot of time in church services during Holy Week, leading up to this great mystery. In these services, we remember and participate in the last days of Jesus earthly life. Holy Week will truly help shed light on what it means to be a Christian when we participate in the services.

During Holy Week, we hear stories from Holy Scripture that teach us about who Jesus is, who we are, and how we can live to grow closer to Christ. If we learn about the depth and meaning of these services, we can enter into the saving mystery of His Resurrection on Pascha Sunday with a fuller and more loving commitment to the resurrection that happens inside each of us. Holy Week can change your life.

Blessed Holy Week ‘Kalo Pascha’

Events & Announcements

Palm Sunday Luncheon

Please join us for a delicious fish luncheon in celebration of Palm Sunday today. The proceeds will help benefit the ministry of Philoptochos.

Holy Week Church Clean Up

The cleaning group needs your help with tidying the church during Holy Week. If you attend any of the scheduled morning Pre-Sanctified Liturgies, can you stay for 20 -30 minutes afterwards? We need to vacuum the narthex, nave, and entry way; and set things up for the next service. Any questions, ask Presbyteria Kedrann (303 746-9375) or Joanne Ashmun (303 678-0440).

Flower Donations for Holy Week

We are in need of donations to offset the cost of the Holy Week Flowers, especially to decorate the epitaphio (tomb of Christ) on Holy Friday. The donation basket is located in the narthex on the left side. Thank you for all your help.

Red Dye Packets in Bookstore

We have red dye packets available at the bookstore. Stop by today!

Holy Friday Procession

Sts. Peter and Paul would like to invite all girls to wear a white dress/skirt and top and participate in the procession around the Kouvouklion at the Holy Friday evening service at 7 PM, April 14.

Sacrament of Confession

Father Jordan will continue to hear confessions leading up to Holy Week. Please try to schedule your confession before Holy Wednesday, April 12th. Father Jordan will be visiting our shut ins on Holy Wednesday and Thursday. The young people in Sunday school will have the opportunity to have confession on Saturday of Lazarus. Father Jordan will be available before and after services for confession on Sunday night, Holy Monday and Holy Tuesday. You can reach Father Jordan at frjordan-brown@gmail.com or 720-329-5212.

Holy Thursday: Preparing the Paschal Eggs

We have a beautiful tradition in our church on Holy Thursday to prepare the Pascha Eggs for the Anastasi Resurrection Service. On Holy Thursday, April 13, the church will celebrate the Vespers Divine Liturgy of St Basil, beginning at 8 am. The Lord instituted the Divine Liturgy on Holy Thursday with His Disciples. Holy Thursday for the Orthodox Christians is the first celebration of the Holy Eucharist. It is very appropriate on this Holy Day for the faithful to prepare the Resurrection eggs, which symbolize Christ breaking the tomb and conquering death. Please join us on Holy Thursday. There will be a lenten meal immediately after service. We will prepare the eggs in the kitchen. We recommend bringing an extra shirt to wear under the apron. We will be working with the strong red dye. Please contact Father Jordan if you are able to help on Holy Thursday. We are asking for eggs (raw) to be brought on Palm Sunday. There is a sign up in the hall for eggs (we need 20 dozen uncooked / raw eggs).

Philoptochos Special Gift Card Fund Raiser

Please consider purchasing gift cards through our local Philoptochos TODAY! Gift cards are perfect for gift-giving for graduations, birthdays, Pascha, Mother's day, Father's Day, distributions to those in need, or purchases you're planning to make in-store or online. Over 300 popular retailers are available (including Starbucks, AMC, Macy's, Target, and many, many more!) and give 3-18% of the sale back to Philoptochos. 100% of proceeds go to support local, national, and international charities. **The deadline to order HAS BEEN EXTENDED to April 9th with an April 16th delivery.** Lis Troicky will be taking your orders and payments. Contact Lis for more information at the gift card selling table in the hall, by email at etroick@aol.com, or phone at 720-771-7786. Thank you for your support of our Philoptochos!

AND ---> Don't forget to stop by the Philoptochos gift card table to purchase your weekly grocery gift cards or Old Chicago Pizza Palz gift cards. We have King Soopers reloadable gift cards at \$2.50 each, where you take the card to King Soopers and BEFORE the cashier scans your transaction, ask the cashier to put any denomination you wish on the card(or go to Customer Service). You can pay King Soopers with a credit card, check or cash to add money to the card! Philoptochos will receive 5% of your sale. Philoptochos also sells the following gift cards in \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations: King Soopers, Safeway, Sprouts, Whole Foods, Vitamin Cottage and Lucky's. Stop by the Gift card table in the hall today!

Events & Announcements

Orthodox Campus Fellowship OCF

The OCF will be meeting on Tuesday, 6 pm, April 18 for a Pascha picnic. We will meet at the St Thomas Catholic Center (15th & Euclid). Please come hungry! There will plenty of delicious Greek food. Please contact our OCF President, Elias EJ Katsoulas at ejkatsoulas@gmail.com or Father Jordan, OCF Chaplain, at frjordabrown@gmail.com with any questions.

Men's Fellowship: Bright Wednesday, April 19, 7:30 pm

We welcome all men to join us on Bright Wednesday for a delicious BBQ Dinner. There is an evening Divine Liturgy at 6 pm. This is a great opportunity to develop new friendships and strengthen old ones. Dinner will take place in the parish hall after service.

Adult Education

The Wednesday morning Bible Study (10 am) and evening class (7 pm) will resume in May. Class will meet on May 17, May 24, May 31 and June 7. We will focus on the gospel readings and Orthodox teachings of our Lord's Resurrection, Ascension and Pentecost. If you have any questions about the Orthodox Christian Faith or would like to join the church, please contact Father Jordan (303-581-1434 / frjordanbrown@gmail.com)

Feast of St George

The Brotherhood of Saint George has invited us on Bright Saturday, April 22nd, to celebrate the St. George Panighyri (feast day celebration). The Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30 am (Orthros 8 am). The luncheon celebration will immediately follow services. Address: 361 Forest Street (303) 316-7407

Youth Ministry Lunch: Sunday, April 30

Dear Parents and children (elementary, middle and high school), please join on Sunday, April 30, for a lunch event at the home of Fr Jordan and Presbyteria Marika. We will be discussing the summer youth events.

Raise our Roof with Laughter

The Saint Catherine Greek Orthodox Church (Greenwood Village), will be having a special event with comedian, Jolly Demis, on Saturday, April 22, 6:30 pm. You can purchase your tickets at scatherinechurch.org/events/follies All proceeds benefit the St Catherine Beautification and Iconography Project.

Camp Emmanuel Summer Camp Scholarships

Dear parents of middle and high school students, A dear parish family has graciously offered a beautiful gift for our young people who will be participating in the Camp Emmanuel Summer camp this coming June. There will be no registration cost for our young people. Father Jordan will be taking the high school goyans, June 11-17. The junior goya camp is scheduled for June 18-24. Please contact Father Jordan with any questions related to summer camp.

Lost & Found

If you have left something at the church, please check the shelf in the Fellowship Hall for your lost item. Coats and outerwear will be placed in the Church narthex closet opposite the furnace room. We ask that you keep a close eye on your property as items left after 30 days will be donated.