Ephile & Gospel Reading

Epistle: Philippians 4: 4-9
Brethren, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving keep it your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel: John 12: 1-18
Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazaros was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazaros was one of those at table with him. Mary took a costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said, "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have a mother." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazaros, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazaros also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazaros out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

Ephile & Gospel Reading in Greek

Ο Λατάταστος: Φιλ 4:4-9
Αδελφοί, γιορτάστε στον κιόνο τοίχους το σώμα, γιορτάστε. Το Πέμποκε την τιμή της ανθρώπου. Ο Κύριος είναι θαυματουργός. Μετάβασε τον τάφο σας. Άναντι στην περιποίηση τον νομοθετή της ανθρώπου στον σώμα σας. Το όνομα Του στον Νομό τους θαυμάζετε. Εσείς, οί τραγουδούντες, έχετε τον έλεγχο τού σώματος, οι αγαπητοί, οι οίκοι, οι οικιστές. Ενημερώστε το όνομα του νομοθετή της ανθρώπου στον τάφο σας.

Το Ευαγγελίον : Ιακ 1: 1 - 18
Πρὶν ξεκινήσει τον τάφος βγήκε ο Ιησούς από Βηθλεέμ, ουσών ή Λάζαρος ο νεκρός ή τον θάνατον θάνατος επέστρεψεν έξω ανάμεσα σε τους κόσμους του. Οι οικίστες έγιναν πάνω στον Ιησού και έβαλαν το όνομα του σώματος του Ιησούς στον τάφο. Υπέστη τον τάφο του Ιησούς και έβαλεν το όνομα του σώματος του Ιησούς στον τάφο. Τότε οι οικίστες έθαναν και έβαλαν το όνομα του Ιησούς στον τάφος του.

ANNUNCIMATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
LANCASTER, PA
SUNDAY, April 12, 2020
Basil the Confessor of Parium; Anthoussa of Constantinople
Orthros: Festal
Gospel: Festal
Epistle: Philippians 4: 4-9
Page: 1019 (Pew Bibles)
Gospel: John 1: 12-18
Page: 932 (Pew Bibles)

Palm Sunday
In the ancient church and kings generally often led triumpal processions into cities. These were magnificently spectacular of power and pomp involving chariots, horses, soldiers, arms and booty.

But Christ’s triumphal entry into Jerusalem included no such external signs of power and splendor. In the Gospels we find Him always walking. There is no reference that He was ever on a horse. And now He comes into Jerusalem with a band of simple Galilean fishermen riding on a donkey. What king, asks Chrysostom in a homily, ever entered into a city on a donkey? Christ came as the Prince of Peace. A spontaneous crowd and enthusiastic children gave Him a hero’s welcome. Jesus accepted their warm acclaim as a joyful expression of His spiritual king- ship. In this humble setting of fisherman, ordinary people, and children, the central event of Palm Sunday fulfilled the prophecy of Zechariah:

Rejoice, people of Zion! Shout for joy, you people of Jerusalem! Look, your king is coming to you! He comes triumphant and victorious, but humble and riding on a donkey — on a colt, on a foal of a donkey. — Zechariah 9:9

1. **APOLYTIKION OF PALM SUNDAY (First Mode)**

To confirm the general resurrection before Your Passion, You resurrected Lazarus from the dead, O Christ our God. Therefore imitating the children, carrying the symbols of victory, we cry out to You the Victor over death: “Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One, who comes in the name of the Lord.”

2. **APOLYTIKION OF PALM SUNDAY (Fourth Mode)**

We were buried with You through Baptism, O Christ our God, and thus by Your Resurrection we have been granted immortal life, and extolling You we cry aloud, “Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One who comes in the name of the Lord.”

3. **PALM SUNDAY KONTAKION (Plagal Second Mode)**

In heaven upon the throne, on earth upon the colt, You were carried, O Christ our God; and the praise of the Angels, and the hymns of the children, You received as they cried to You, “Blessed are You, the One, who is coming to call Adam back again.

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Sunday, April 12th

**Palm Sunday**

8:15 AM Orthros

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

7:00 PM Bridegroom Service

Holy Monday, April 13th

7:00 PM Bridegroom Service

8:15 PM OCF & Young Adult Orthodox Video Call

Holy Tuesday, April 14th

7:00 PM Bridegroom Service

The Hymn of Kassiani

Holy Wednesday, April 15th

7:00 PM Bridegroom Service

8:30 PM GOYA Zoom Meeting

Holy Thursday, April 16th

9:00 AM Vesperal Liturgy

Institution of The Last Supper

6:00 PM Service of Christ’s Passion

Twelve Gospel Readings

Holy Friday, April 17th

9:00 AM Royal Hours

2:00 PM The descent of Christ from the Cross

7:00 PM Service of the Praises (Encomia)

Holy Saturday, April 18th

9:00 – 11:00 AM Vesperal Divine Liturgy

10:15 PM Resurrection Service, Orthros & Divine Liturgy

11:00 PM Lights go out

Sunday, April 19th Great & Holy Pascha

12:00 PM AGAPE Vespers of Love