

Orthodox Church Mother of God, Mays Landing, NJ

Services of Great Lent 2014

Fasting for Presanctified Liturgy should begin after consumption of Lunch. Fasting through Great Lent should include abstaining from meat after Meatfare Sunday, and dairy products as well after Cheesefare Sunday. We may eat shellfish at any time, and fish with backbones on Annunciation, and the Entry into Jerusalem. Fasting for Holy Saturday should be a small dinner around 5PM in preparation for the Pascha Vigil Service at 11:30PM. All of us should regularly participate in Confession (once every three to four weeks) especially during Great Lent in preparation for Pascha. *To facilitate regular Confession, we will continue to celebrate a General Confession and will be available for personal Confession after all Lenten services.*

March 1, (Saturday) 6:30PM Vespers

March 2, (Sunday) 10AM Divine Liturgy, Cheesefare Sunday

Week 1

March 3 (Monday) 6:30PM The Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

March 5 (Wednesday) 6:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts (St. Gregory) with potluck to follow

March 8, (Saturday) 6:30PM Vespers

March 9 (Sunday) Sunday of Orthodoxy – Divine Liturgy 10AM

Week 2

March 12 (Wednesday) 6:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts with potluck to follow

March 15 (Saturday) 6:30PM Vespers

March 16 (Sunday) Divine Liturgy Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas, 10AM

Week 3

March 19 (Wednesday) 6:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts with potluck to follow

March 22 (Saturday) Vespers 6:30PM

March 23 (Sunday) 10AM Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Veneration of the Cross

Week 4

March 24 (Monday) 6:30PM Vesper/Liturgy for the Holy day of the Annunciation (eve)

March 26 (Wednesday) 6:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts with potluck to follow

March 29 (Saturday) Vespers 6:30PM

March 30 (Sunday) 10AM Liturgy, St. John Climacus

Week 5

April 2 (Wednesday) 6:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts with potluck to follow

April 5 (Saturday) Vespers 6:30PM

April 6 (Sunday) Divine Liturgy 10AM Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt,

The Week of Palms

April 9 (Wednesday) 6:30PM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts with potluck to follow

April 12 (Saturday) Lazarus Saturday, Vespers 6:30PM, Panahida for the departed to follow

April 13 (Sunday) Divine Liturgy 10 AM Entry of the Lord into Jerusalem

Services of Holy Week 2014

April 16 (Wednesday) 7 PM Sacrament of Holy Unction – Healing Sacrament, open to all Orthodox Christians (no fasting required before)

April 18 (Friday) 3 PM Holy Friday Matins

April 18 (Friday) 7 PM Holy Saturday Matins

Services of Pascha 2014

**April 19 (Saturday) 11:30PM Holy Pascha Vigil (Nocturns, Matins, Divine Liturgy),
After Liturgy - Blessing of Easter Food Baskets**