

AN IMAGE OF TRUE REPENTANCE

Throughout the season of Great Lent, one message is echoed repeatedly: *REPENTANCE*. In fact, even before the beginning of this 40-day fast, our Church places before us the thought that we must repent of our sins. Will we be found worthy of the great gift of salvation that the Resurrected Christ brings to His faithful followers?

True repentance is a process that is often misunderstood. It involves much more than merely confessing our sins. It even goes far beyond expressing sincere sorrow for our transgressions. Indeed, true repentance calls out to us to *CHANGE OUR LIVES COMPLETELY!* When we repent of our sins, we are expected to strive with all of our strength to rid our lives of the shameful things that we do which are contrary to God's laws. Repentance is "making right" all of the "wrongs" of which we are guilty.

No one understood the necessity of true repentance better than *ST. MARY OF EGYPT*. In her early years, Mary lived a life of immorality and promiscuity. While visiting Jerusalem one day, her eyes were opened to the sinfulness of her ways when some "hidden force" prevented her from entering the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. Realizing her unworthiness before God, this 6th century saint retired to the desert region beyond the Jordan River, leaving her past life behind. For nearly 50 years, she devoted her life to prayer and fasting, as she attempted to live in a manner that properly captured the spirit of repentance.

This is why our Church honors her memory annually on the 5th Sunday of Lent. As this sacred time of year rapidly draws to a close, we are asked to be imitators of Mary of Egypt. May we find encouragement in her example as we struggle to overcome our sins.

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ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY BULLETIN

April 2, 2023

ST. MARY OF EGYPT

Orthros 9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy immediately following the Orthros.

APRIL SCHEDULE

SUN APR 2	†St. Mary of Egypt	9:00 a.m.
MON APR 3	Philoptochos Board Meeting	5:15 p.m.
	†Great Compline - Reader Service	6:00 p.m.
	Philoptochos Meeting	7:00 p.m.
TUE APR 4	Greek School	5:30 p.m.
	Savvas Bournelis Orthodox Study	6:00 p.m.
WED APR 5	Silver Liners' Board Meeting	10:30 a.m.
	Senior Choir	5:15 p.m.
	†Presanctified Liturgy	6:30 p.m.
	@ Holy Assumption OCA	
THU APR 6	Hellenic Beginners Dance Practice	4:30 p.m.
	Hellenic Intermediate Dance Practice	5:00 p.m.
	Hellenic Training Sr Dance Practice	5:45 p.m.
	Hellenic Senior Dance Practice	6:15 p.m.
	Parish Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
FRI APR 7	Fish Fry	4:00 p.m.
SAT APR 8	†Saturday of Lazarus	9:00 a.m.
	Sunday School Mini Lent Retreat	
	Baking of Galatobouriko	
SUN APR 9	†Palm Sunday	9:00 a.m.
	†Palm Sunday Evening Bridegroom	7:00 p.m.
MON APR 10	†Holy Monday Evening Bridegroom	7:00 p.m.
TUE APR 11	†Holy Tuesday Evening Troparion of Kassiane	7:00 p.m.
WED APR 12	†Holy Wednesday Morning Presanctified Liturgy	9:00 a.m.
	†Holy Wednesday Evening Holy Unction	6:00 p.m.
THU APR 13	†Holy Thursday Morning St. Basil The Great	9:00 a.m.
	†Holy Thursday Evening Reading of 12 Gospels	6:00 p.m.
FRI APR 14	†Holy Friday Morning Reading of the Royal Hours	9:00 a.m.
	†Holy Friday Afternoon Apokathelosis Service	3:00 p.m.
	†Holy Friday Evening Lamentations Service	7:00 p.m.



ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE

April 2, 2023 - Team B



TODAY'S MEMORIALS:

40 Days ~ Rena Schaefer

1 Year ~ John Tsangeos

4 Years ~ Anne Tsangeos

TODAY'S TRISAGION

12 Years ~ Sandra Stamatou

The Prosforo & Wine have been donated in memory of John & Anne Tsangeos.

The coffee hour is in loving memory of John and Anne Tsangeos.



PHILOPTOCHOS MEETING TIME CHANGE

Monday, April 3, 2023

5:15- PM -Board Meeting

6:00 PM - Attend Church Compline Service

7:00 PM - General Meeting



SAVE THE DATE!

ST. HARALAMBOS FISH FRY

April 7, 2023

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

HOLY WEEK & PASCHA FLOWERS



If you would like to donate flowers for Holy Week & Pascha, please contact the church office at 330-454-7278.

ITEMS NEEDED:

Salutations to the Theotokos Icon Wreaths (1)
Daffodils, Palms, Annunciation Wreath,
Epitaphion (4), Epitaphion Flowers (3), Lilies

Save the Date!

*Ladies Philoptochos Society
Annual Mother's Day Dinner
"Shoe-In!"*

*Please wear or bring a favorite
pair of shoes, past or present.*

Date: Monday, May 1, 2023

Saint Haralambos Cultural Center

Appetizers: 5:30 PM / Dinner: 6:30 PM

Dinner choice: Baked Greek Chicken or Vegetarian

Donation:

Members in good standing \$5 /Guests \$10

Reservations will be taken beginning Sunday, March 26, 2023

No tickets will be sold at the door.

Reservation Deadline: Saturday, April 23, 2023

Questions? Contact

Mary Griveas (330) 268-9069

Mary Trifelos (330) 492-9353

2023 STEWARDSHIP ENVELOPES

For those parishioners using envelopes, the 2023 Stewardship Envelopes are finally available for pickup in front of the Bookstore.

PLEASE NOTE:

The envelopes are arranged in alphabetical order by LAST NAME, not by envelope number.

Please begin using your 2023 Stewardship envelopes as of today.

Please discard all 2022 envelopes at this time.

Thank you!

ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY SCHOOL
PRESENTS.....

A MINI LENTEN RETREAT
THE LAST SUPPER—RE-ENACTMENT

SATURDAY OF LAZARUS, APRIL 8TH,
AFTER SERVICES IN THE GYM.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME
TO ATTEND & PARTICIPATE.

A LENTEN LUNCH WILL ALSO BE SERVED.

EVERYONE WILL THEN GATHER TO MAKE
PALM CROSSES FOR PALM SUNDAY
SERVICE THE NEXT DAY.



55th Annual Daughters of Penelope
Debutante's Ball

April 22, 2023

Doors Open @ 8:00 p.m.
Presentation @ 9:00 p.m.

Alex D. Krassas Event Center

Tickets: \$25 each

To Purchase tickets, please contact
Carolyn Hill @ (330) 904-7848

CRETAN NATIONAL CONVENTION
CLEVELAND, OHIO

JUNE 30TH - JULY 5, 2023

For more details on this event,
contact Maria Kalikas, 330-754-5305
or cretanclubcle@gmail.com

April 2, 2023: FEAST: St. Basil Liturgy. Fifth Sunday of Lent, commemorating Mary of Egypt; Righteous Titos, the Wonderworker (+IXth c.); Theodora, Virginmartyr; Martyrs Aidesios and Amphion, Brothers (+306); Martyr Panagiotes; Gregory of Nikomedia (b. +1240).

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον Ἦχος α΄.

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωροῦμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν. Διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι Ζωοδότα· Δόξα τῇ ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

Τῆς Ὁσίας. Ἦχος πλ. δ΄

Ἐν σοὶ Μῆτερ ἀκριβῶς διεσώθη τὸ κατ’ εἰκόνα· λαβοῦσα γὰρ τὸν σταυρόν, ἠκολούθησας τῷ Χριστῷ, καὶ πράττουσα ἐδίδασκες ὑπερορᾶν μὲν σαρκὸς παρέρχεται γάρ, ἐπιμελεῖσθαι δὲ ψυχῆς, πράγματος ἀθανάτου· διὸ καὶ μετὰ Ἀγγέλων συναγάζεται Ὁσία Μαρία τὸ πνεῦμά σου.

Τοῦ Ναοῦ

Ὡς στῦλος ἀκλόνητος, τῆς Ἐκκλησίας Χριστοῦ, καὶ λύχνος ἀείφωτος, τῆς οἰκουμένης σοφέ, ἐδείχθης **Χαράλαμπος**· ἔλαμψας ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, διὰ τοῦ μαρτυρίου. ἔλυσας καὶ εἰδώλων τὴν σκοτόμαιναν μάκαρ· διὸ ἐν παρρησίᾳ Χριστῷ. Πρέσβευε σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Κοντάκιον Ἦχος β΄

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode 1

The stone having been sealed by the Pharisees and chief priests, and Your allimmaculate body being guarded by soldiers, You rose on the third day, O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. Then the powers of the heavens cried out to You, O Giver of Life, and shouted, "Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Your eternal rule! Glory to Your saving plan, O God who love humanity!"

For the Devout Woman Mode pl. 4

In you, O Mother, is preserved undistorted what was made in the image of God; for taking up the cross, you followed Christ and by example taught, that we should overlook the flesh, since it passes away, and instead look after the soul, since it is immortal. And therefore, O devout Mary, your spirit rejoices with the angels.

Hymn of the Church

As a pillar unshaken of Christ’s holy Church, and lamp ever-burning to all the world you emerged, O wise **Haralambos**; in all the world you shined, with the martyrdom you suffered, you dispelled the dark night, of the idols, O blessed; whence, with courage do intercede, to Christ that we may be saved.

Kontakion Mode 2

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

April 2, 2023 5th Sunday of Lent
Hebrews 9:11-14



Epistle

The reading is from Paul’s Letter to the Hebrews.

Brethren, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

April 2, 2023 5th Sunday of Lent
Mark 10:32-45



Gospel

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

At that time, Jesus took his twelve disciples, and he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."