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Week 21-26

Holy Week Schedule - 2025 Saint John Orthodox Cathedral - Eagle River, Alaska



No fasting until Ascension

HOLY W	Saint John Orthodox Cathedral - Eagle River, Alaska HOLY WEEK
Friday APRIL 11	FRIDAY COMPLINE 7:15pm - Little Compline with the Canon for Saint Lazarus (40 minutes) Last day of Lent
Saturday 12	LAZARUS SATURDAY "The Raising of Lazarus" 9:15am - Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom (90 minutes + Baptisms if needed) 7:15pm - Great Vespers (40 minutes) This is a traditional day to baptize infants
Sunday 13	PALM SUNDAY "The Triumphal Entry of Christ into Jerusalem" 9:00am - Matins - Blessing of Palms (60 minutes) 10:00am - Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom (90 minutes) 7:15pm - "Bridegroom" Matins (Confession following) (60 minutes) Fish, wine and oil are allowed on this day
Monday 14	GREAT AND HOLY MONDAY "The Signs of the Last Days" 7:15pm - "Bridegroom" Matins (Confession following) (60 minutes)
Tuesday 15	GREAT AND HOLY TUESDAY "The Parables of the Virgins and of the Talents" 7:15pm - "Bridegroom" Matins (Confession following) (60 minutes)
Wednesday 16	GREAT AND HOLY WEDNESDAY "The Anointing at Bethany" 7:15pm - Holy Unction - Sacrament of Anointing the Sick (100 minutes)
Thursday 17	Orthodox Christians receive anointing for healing of soul and body GREAT AND HOLY THURSDAY "The Washing of the Disciples' Feet and the Last Supper" 6:15pm - Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil (110 minutes) Fast from noon until after Liturgy
Friday 18	GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY "The Crucifixion of Christ" 7:15am - Matins - 12 Gospel Readings & Procession with the Cross (135 minutes) 12:15pm - Royal Hours: 6th Hour Prayers (25 minutes) 3:15pm - Royal Hours: 9th Hour Prayers (25 minutes) 6:15pm Great Vespers - Veneration of the Shroud (70 minutes) All-Night Vigil - The Faithful keep Vigil in the Church reading Psalms. Strict Fast Day
Saturday 19	GREAT AND HOLY SATURDAY "The Sabbath Rest in the Tomb" 7:15am - Matins - Lamentations & Procession with the Shroud (130 minutes) 4:15pm - Vesperal Liturgy of Saint Basil (130 minutes) - Changing of the Vestments to White. Strict Fast Day, light fasting meal after Liturgy
Sunday 20	PASCHA: EASTER SUNDAY "The Resurrection of Christ" 4:30am - Paschal Matins & Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom (150 minutes) Procession around the Church, Homily of Saint John Chrysostom 3:15pm - Agape Vespers (40 minutes) - The Gospel is read in different languages to celebrate the universality of the Joy of Christ's Resurrection - Procession to the Cemetery and Easter Feast following. Easter Baskets are blessed following Liturgy



BRIGHT MONDAY - 12:15pm - Bright Week Hours (10 minutes)