

⌘ THE GREAT AND HOLY SAVING FORTY DAYS ⌘
SPRING 2024 DIVINE SERVICES AND PARISH LIFE
⌘ MARCH ⌘

Let us begin the Fast with joy!
 Let us prepare ourselves for spiritual effort!
 Let us cleanse our souls and cleanse our flesh!
 Let us abstain from every passion as we abstain from food!
 Let us rejoice in virtues of the spirit and fulfill them in love,
 that we may see the Passion of Christ our God
 and rejoice in spirit at His Holy Pascha

Forgiveness Sunday Vespers

FORGIVENESS SUNDAY / THE EXPULSION OF ADAM FROM PARADISE

ST. ALEXIS THE MAN OF GOD AND ST. PATRICK ENLIGHTENER OF ERIN

16 Saturday	-	Great Vespers	-	6PM
17 Sunday	-	Divine Liturgy and Forgiveness Vespers	-	9AM

THE BEGINNING OF THE GREAT AND HOLY SAVING FORTY DAYS
PURE WEEK

18 Monday	-	Third and Sixth Hours	-	9AM
		Great Compline and Canon of St. Andrew of Crete	-	7PM
19 Tuesday	-	Third and Sixth Hours	-	9AM
		Great Compline and Canon of St. Andrew of Crete	-	7PM
20 Wednesday	-	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts	-	9AM
		Great Compline and Canon of St. Andrew of Crete	-	7PM
21 Thursday	-	Third and Sixth Hours	-	9AM
		Great Compline and Canon of St. Andrew of Crete	-	7PM

ST. THEODORE'S SATURDAY

22 Friday	-	Ninth Hour and Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts	-	530PM
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Blessing of Wheat and Honey

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST / THE TRIUMPH OF ORTHODOX
PRE-FAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION

23 Saturday	-	Great Vespers	-	6PM
24 Sunday	-	Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great	-	9AM

THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS

24 Sunday	-	Festal Matins	-	5PM
25 Monday	-	Hierarchical Divine Liturgy of St John Chrysostom	-	930AM

Holy Annunciation Church, Maynard, MA

THE FESTAL TROPARION

Today is the beginning of our salvation: the revelation of the eternal mystery. The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, as Gabriel announces the coming of grace. Together with him let us cry to the Theotokos: "Rejoice, O Full of Grace, the Lord is with You!"



LEAVE-TAKING OF THE ANNUNCIATION
SYNAXIS OF THE HOLY ARCHANGEL GABRIEL

26 Tuesday	-	Third and Sixth Hours	-	9AM
		Sacrament of Repentance	-	5-8PM

27 Wednesday	-	Ninth Hour and Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts	-	530PM
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29 Friday	-	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts Universal Commemoration of the Departed	-	9AM 7PM
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SECOND SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST / ST. GREGORY PALAMAS

30 Saturday	-	Great Vespers	-	6PM
31 Sunday	-	Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great	-	9AM

FROM THE 9TH ODE OF THE CANON FOR ST. GREGORY PALAMAS

You became a mirror of God, O Gregory, for keeping without stain what in you is according to the divine image and bravely establishing your mind as master over the passions of the flesh, you attained what is according to God's image.

17 Wednesday -

2 Tuesday	-	Third and Sixth Hours	-	9AM
		Sacrament of Repentance	-	5-8PM
3 Wednesday	-	Ninth Hour and Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts	-	530PM
4 Thursday	-	Sacrament of Repentance	-	5-8PM
5 Friday	-	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts	-	9AM
		Universal Commemoration of the Departed	-	7PM

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST / CROSS VENERATION
THE REPOSE OF THE HOLY PATRIARCH TIKHON

6 Saturday	-	Vigil and Cross Procession	-	6PM
7 Sunday	-	Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great	-	9AM



FROM THE 8TH ODE OF
THE CANON FOR THE CROSS

Rejoice, O Cross, thrice blessed and divine wood, a light to those in darkness. Shining on the four corners of the earth, you prepare us for the dawn of Christ's Resurrection. Grant to all the faithful to come to the Feast of Pascha.

9 Tuesday	-	Third and Sixth Hours	-	9AM
		Sacrament of Repentance	-	5-8PM
10 Wednesday	-	Ninth Hour and Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts	-	530PM
11 Thursday	-	Sacrament of Repentance	-	5-8PM
12 Friday	-	Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts	-	9AM
		Universal Commemoration of the Departed	-	7PM

FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST / ST. JOHN OF THE LADDER

13 Saturday	-	Great Vespers	-	6PM
14 Sunday	-	Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great	-	9AM
16 Tuesday	-	Third and Sixth Hours	-	9AM
		Sacrament of Repentance	-	5-8PM

17 Wednesday	-	Ninth Hour and Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts	-	530PM
18 Thursday	-	Canon of St. Andrew of Crete and The Reading of the Life of St. Mary of Egypt	-	6PM

THE PRAISES OF THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS

O VICTORIOUS LEADER
WE, YOUR SERVANTS,
SING OUR GRATEFUL
O THEOTOKOS.
INVINCIBLE MIGHT, SET
CALAMITY, SO THAT
REJOICE, O



OF TRIUMPHANT HOSTS
DELIVERED FROM EVIL
THANKS TO YOU,
AS YOU POSSESS
US FREE FROM EVERY
WE MAY SING:
UNWEDDED BRIDE.

19 Friday - Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts - 9AM
The Akathist Hymn - 7PM
to the Most Holy Theotokos

FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE GREAT FAST - ST. MARY OF EGYPT

20 Saturday	-	Great Vespers	-	6PM
21 Sunday	-	Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great	-	9AM
23 Tuesday	-	Sacrament of Repentance	-	5-8PM
24 Wednesday	-	Ninth Hour and Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts	-	530PM
25 Thursday	-	Sacrament of Repentance	-	5-8PM

NO CONFESSIONS AFTER APRIL 25TH

✧ THE END OF THE GREAT AND HOLY SAVING FORTY DAYS ✧

Having completed the forty days that bring profit to our souls, we beseech Thee in Thy love for man: Grant us also to behold the Holy Week of Thy Passion that we may glorify thy mighty acts and thine ineffable dispensation for our sakes, singing with one mind: O Lord, glory to Thee!

Vespers of Lazarus Saturday