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**✠ Liturgical services for March - April and Holy Pascha April 20 - 2025 ✠**

**✠ March ✠**

**✠ Saturday, March 1 ✠ Saturday of Souls**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy + Memorial Service

**✠ Forgiveness Sunday, March 2 ✠ Nicholas Planas (Cheese-fare )**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

**✠ Thursday, March 6 ✠ 42 Martyrs of Amorion**

7 pm ✠ Paraklesis to Saint Spyridon

**✠ Friday, March 7 ✠ Laurence of Megara**

7 pm - I Salutations

**✠ Saturday, March 8 ✠ Miracle of kollyva by Saint Theodore the Tyron**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

**✠ Sunday of Orthodoxy, March 9 ✠ 40 Martyrs at Lake Sevastia**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

**Procession around the Church with Icons**

**6:30 pm Sunday of Orthodoxy Pan- Orthodox Vespers**

**Saint Paul Greek Orthodox Church, Irvine CA**

**✠ Thursday, March 13 ✠ Pouplios Bishop of Athens**

7 pm ✠ Paraklesis to Saint Spyridon

**✠ Friday, March 14 ✠ Benedict of Nursia**

7 pm - II Salutations

**✠ Sunday of Saint Gregory Palamas March 16 ✠ Sabin of Egypt**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

**✠ Thursday, March 20 ✠ Fathers slain at the Monastery of St. Savas**

7 pm ✠ Paraklesis to Saint Spyridon

**✠ Friday, March 21 ✠ James the Confessor**

7 pm - III Salutations

**✠ Sunday of The Holy Cross, March 23 ✠ Holy Martyr Nikon and His 199 Disciples  
(Veneration of the Holy Cross)**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

✙ **Tuesday, March 25** ✙ **Annunciation of The Theotokos** (Greek Independence Day)

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

✙ **Thursday, March 27** ✙ **Matrona of Thessaloniki**

7 pm ✙ Paraklesis to Saint Spyridon

✙ **Friday, March 28** ✙ **Hilarion the New**

7 pm - IV Salutations

✙ **Sunday of St. John Climacus, March 30** ✙ **John Climacus**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

✙ **April** ✙

✙ **Thursday, April 3** ✙ **Niketas the Confessor**

7 pm ✙ Paraklesis to Saint Spyridon

✙ **Friday, April 4** ✙ **George of Maleon**

7 pm - Akathist Hymn (5th Saturday of Lent)

✙ **Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt, April 6** ✙ **Eutychius Patriarch of Constantinople**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

✙ **Thursday, April 10** ✙ **Terrence his Companions**

7 pm ✙ Paraklesis to Saint Spyridon

✙ **Saturday, April 12** ✙ **Lazarus Saturday**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

✙ **Sunday, April 13** ✙ **Palm Sunday**

9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy

✙ **The Sacred Services of Holy Week** ✙

**7 pm Palm Sunday Evening-Orthros of Great Monday**

✙ **Holy Monday, April 14** ✙ **(Righteous Joseph)**

**7 pm** Orthros for Tuesday in Holy Week

✙ **Holy Tuesday, April 15** ✙ **(Ten Virgins)**

**7 pm** Orthros for Wednesday in Holy Week

✙ **Holy Wednesday, April 16** ✙ **(Anointing of the Lord)**

**6 pm** Sacrament of Holy Oil

✙ **Holy Thursday, April 17** ✙ **(Mystical Supper)**

**9 am** The Vesperal Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great

**6 pm** Orthros of the **Holy and Redeeming Passion** of Our Lord Jesus Christ (The Twelve Gospels)

✙ **Holy and Great Friday, April 18** ✙ **The Holy Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ**

**4 pm** **Great Vespers** of the Deposition ( The descent from the Cross )

**7pm Orthros for Holy and Great Saturday ( The Lamentations with the procession around the Church with the Epitaphios )**

**✠☐ Holy and Great Saturday, April 19 ✠☐ (Christ's Descent into Hades )**

**9 am The Vesperal Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great**

**11 pm Vigil for the Holy Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**

**✠☐ Great and Holy Pascha , April 20 ✠☐ The Resurrection of Christ (Η Ανάστασις του Κυρίου - Easter Sunday)**

**12 pm Office of Great Vespers - Agape Service**

**✠☐ Renewal Wednesday, April 23 ✠☐ Great Martyr George**

**9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy**

**✠☐ Sunday, April 27 ✠☐ Thomas Sunday**

**9 am Orthros / 10 am Divine Liturgy**



Dear parishioners,

I am honored being your priest in the beautiful church of St. Spyridon in Upland for almost two years. As you have observed, our community is growing with the help of God and we can already see some fruits. The first responsibility of all of us as Orthodox Christians is to pray; we should pray in the family and in our beautiful church according to the liturgical indications. We have to trust the help of God in our work, through the intercession of the Virgin Mary of St. Spyridon and All Saints. The monthly bulletin can be found in Church and on the parish's website. The Parish Council and the dear Ladies of Philoptochos work with great love and responsibility and care so that the family of St. Spyridon grows in the true faith and responsibility. Each of you is very important for the good functioning of the parish. The Church needs your financial support but above all your active presence in the sacramental life. The Divine Liturgy on feast days and Sunday invites the faithful to receive the Eucharist. I personally recommend that during Lent everyone rediscover the value of Confession in which we receive reconciliation with God, ourselves and our neighbor. The spiritual Fathers recommend that we confess more often to receive Communion.

Happy Lent to all, with health, peace and serenity in Christ our Risen Lord!

Kali Sarakosti,  
Iustinian Father Deac

⛪ □ **BENEFIT DINNER FOR THE LIFE-GIVING SPRING MONASTERY** ⛪ □

■ St. Nectarios Church in Covina will host a Benefit Dinner and Live Auction in support of our wonderful Monastery in Dunlap on SATURDAY, MAY 3, 2025. The evening will begin with Vespers at 5 pm, followed by a Social Hour at 6 pm and Dinner at 7 pm in the parish hall. Donation Amount: \$75 for adults; \$60 for children; children under 10 years old are free. RSVP by calling Anastasia Kalivas, [818-371-0526](tel:818-371-0526) by Palm Sunday, April 13. We urge you to reserve your seats due to the popularity of this event



**Καλή Ανάσταση**