

# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, April 5, 2020**

**Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt – Tone 1**

**Fifth Sunday of Great Lent**

## **CANDLE PRAYER REQUESTS**

Our parish was recently gifted with a candle carrying the Holy Fire from our Lord's Tomb in Jerusalem. This flame burns continually in our church.

If you wish to have a candle lit during a service with a prayer for a person or persons you know, please call or email Fr. David with their name or names. Reader Gabriel will light your candle from the Holy Fire and pray for the names you give to us.

Contact us at [frdavidcowan@gmail.com](mailto:frdavidcowan@gmail.com) or (607) 732-3980.

# SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

*All Services May Be Joined by Live Stream  
at Web Address [www.facebook.com/htocelmiraheights](http://www.facebook.com/htocelmiraheights)  
(Only Clergy, Clergy Family, and a Singer May Participate in the Church At the Present Time)*

## Today – St. Mary of Egypt – Fifth Sunday of Great Lent

- 8:50 AM 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour
- 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
- 12:00 PM “Zoom” Online Fellowship Hour – Check your email for instructions!

## Wednesday, April 8

- 3:00 PM “Zoom” Youth Fellowship Hour
- 6:30 PM Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts

## Friday, April 10

- 6:30 PM Vespers for the Raising of Lazarus

## Saturday, April 11 – Lazarus Saturday

- 9:50 AM Third Hour
- 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy – The Raising Of Lazarus
- 5:00 PM Great Vespers – Entry of Our Lord Into Jerusalem

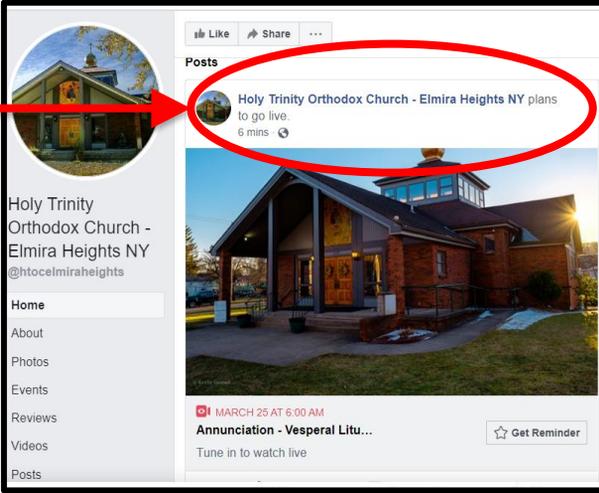
## Sunday, April 12 – The Entry of Our Lord Into Jerusalem: Palm Sunday

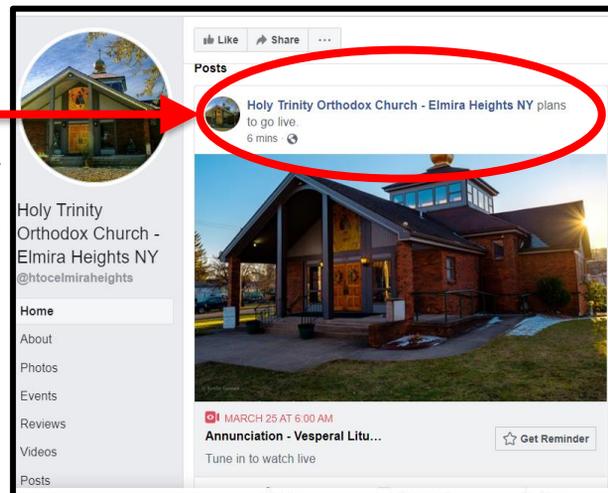
- 8:50 AM Third Hour, Concluding With Blessing of Palms and Pussy Willows
- 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy
- 12:00 PM “Zoom” Online Fellowship Hour – Check your email for instructions!
- 6:30 PM Bridegroom Matins of Holy Monday

### **A NOTE ON PALMS AND PUSSY WILLOWS**

The Assembly of Bishops and our Archbishop Michael have determined that to best ensure everyone’s safety and to minimize the potential for the spread of the Coronavirus, Blessed Palms and Willows will not be distributed on Palm Sunday. They will be stored appropriately and distributed when the stay-at-home constraints are finally lifted. Thank you for understanding this difficult decision in these extraordinary circumstances.

### **HOW TO WATCH AND HEAR OUR “LIVE-STREAM” SERVICES ON YOUR COMPUTER OR PHONE**

- In your Web browsing app or computer program, type:  
[facebook.com/htocelmiraheights](http://facebook.com/htocelmiraheights)
- You will see a photo of the church on your screen.
- Scroll down until you see THIS on the screen 
- At the time of the service, the live video will appear in your screen in place of the photo. Click on the video image if it does not start playing automatically. If a  “play” button appears, click on it to start playing.
- At the bottom right corner of the video you will see a
- “speaker” icon like this:  If it has a slash through it, there will be no sound.  Click on it so that the slash disappears, then make sure your volume is up.
- Also at the bottom right corner you will see two arrows:   
If you would like the video to take up your full screen, click on the arrows.
- If you need assistance, call our Parish Webmaster, Rdr. William Haluszczak, at 769-2834 or email him at [yachooyou@aol.com](mailto:yachooyou@aol.com).





**EPISTLES Hebrews 9:11-14** 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. **Galatians 3:23-29** Brethren: Now before faith came, we were confined under the law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. So that the law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. **GOSPELS Mark 10:32-45** At that time, they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was going before them; and they were amazed. And as they followed they were afraid. Then He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them the things that would happen to Him: "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles; and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again." Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, "Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask." And He said to them, "What do you want Me to do for you?" They said to Him, "Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They said to Him, "We are able." So Jesus said to them, "You will indeed drink the cup that I drink, and with the baptism I am baptized with you will be baptized; but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but it is for those for whom it is prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be greatly displeased with James and John. But Jesus called them to Himself and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many." **Luke 7:36-50** At that time, one of the Pharisees asked Jesus to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee's house, and sat down to eat. And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee's house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil. Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, "This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner." And Jesus answered and said to him, "Simon, I have something to say to you." So he said, "Teacher, say it." "There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?" Simon answered and said, "I suppose the one whom he forgave more." And He said to him, "You have rightly judged." Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil. Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little." Then He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." And those who sat at the table with Him began to say to themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" Then He said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."