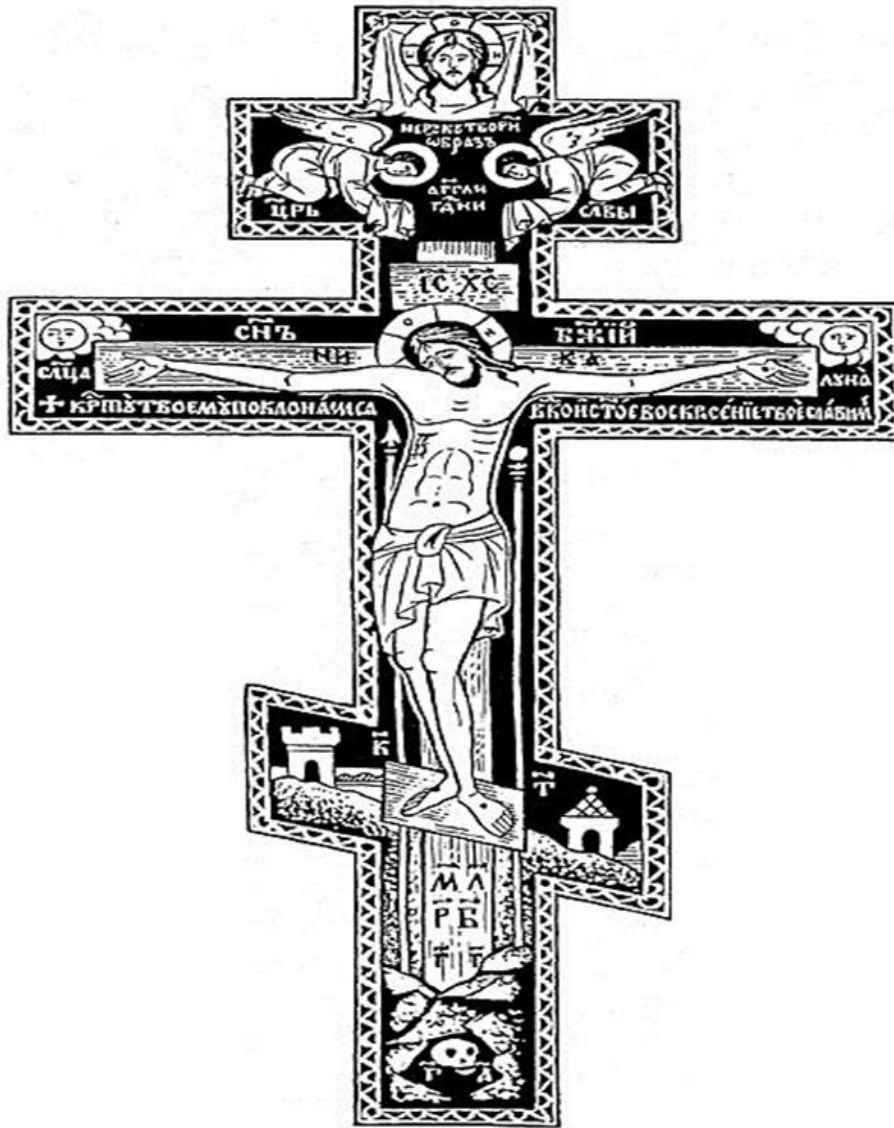


# 2025 Lenten Schedule & HOLY WEEK



## **Lenten Schedule 2025**

- March 2<sup>nd</sup>- Forgiveness Vespers at 5:00pm

### **1<sup>st</sup> Week of Great Lent**

- March 3<sup>rd</sup>- Great Compline with the Canon of St. Andrew at 6:30pm (respective quarter)
- March 4<sup>th</sup>- Great Compline with the Canon of St. Andrew at 4:30pm (respective quarter)
- March 5<sup>th</sup>- Pan-Orthodox Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 6:30pm (*Hosted by St. Anthony the Great Orthodox Church 103 Carolina St San Antonio, Texas 78210*).
- March 6<sup>th</sup>- Great Compline with the Canon of St. Andrew at 6:30pm (respective quarter)
- March 7<sup>th</sup>- Akathist to the Theotokos 1<sup>st</sup> Stasis at 6:30pm

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Week of Great Lent**

- March 12<sup>th</sup>- Pan-Orthodox Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 6:30pm (*Hosted by St. Ephraim Parish 5600 Vance Jackson Rd. San Antonio, Texas 78230*)
- March 13<sup>th</sup>- Great Compline at 4:30pm
- March 14<sup>th</sup>- Akathist to the Theotokos 2<sup>nd</sup> Stasis at 6:30pm
- March 15<sup>th</sup>- Soul Saturday Divine of St. John Chrysostom at 9:00am

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Week of Great Lent**

- March 19<sup>th</sup>- Pan-Orthodox Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 6:30pm (*Hosted by St. John Cassian Romanian Orthodox Church 1801 W Thorain Blvd, San Antonio, TX 78201*).
- March 20<sup>th</sup>- Great Compline at 4:30pm
- March 21<sup>st</sup>- Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 9:00am.
- March 21<sup>st</sup>- Akathist to the Theotokos 3<sup>rd</sup> Stasis at 6:30pm

### **4<sup>th</sup> Week of Great Lent**

#### ***Feast of the Annunciation***

- March 24<sup>th</sup>- Great Vespers at 4:30pm

- March 25<sup>th</sup>- Festal Orthros & Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom starting at 9:00am.
- March 26<sup>th</sup>- Pan Orthodox Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 6:30pm (*Hosted by Sts. Joachim & Anna Orthodox Church 6858 Oxford Trace St, San Antonio, TX 78240*)
- March 28<sup>th</sup>- Akathist to the Theotokos 4<sup>th</sup> Stasis at 6:30pm

**5<sup>th</sup> Week of Great Lent**

*Archimandrite Calinic Berger Archepiscopal Visit*

- April 2<sup>nd</sup>- Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 6:30pm
- April 3<sup>rd</sup>- Little Compline with the complete Canon of St. Andrew of Crete and the Life of St. Mary of Egypt at 6:30pm (*w/Archimandrite Calinic*)
- April 4<sup>th</sup>- Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 9:00am (*w/Archimandrite Calinic*)
- April 4<sup>th</sup>- Akathist to the Theotokos at 6:30pm (*w/Archimandrite Calinic*)

**6<sup>th</sup> Week of Great Lent**

- April 9<sup>th</sup>- Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 6:30pm
- April 10<sup>th</sup>- Great Compline at 4:30pm
- April 11<sup>th</sup>- Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 9:00am
- April 11<sup>th</sup>- Little Compline with the Canon of the Rising of Lazarus at 6:30pm

*Lazarus Saturday*

- April 12<sup>th</sup>- Orthros/Matins at 9:00am & Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom at 10:00am (*Reception of new faithful into the Holy Orthodox Church*)

*Palm Sunday*

- April 13<sup>th</sup>- Orthros/Matins at 9:00am & Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom at 10:00am
  - Procession w/ Palm Branches, Annual Photo & Fish Luncheon.

**HOLY WEEK**

- April 13<sup>th</sup>- Bridegroom Orthros for Holy Monday at 6:30pm (Sunday Evening)
- April 14<sup>th</sup>- Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 9:00am (Monday Morning)
- April 14<sup>th</sup>- Bridegroom Orthros for Holy Tuesday at 6:30pm (Monday Evening)

- April 15<sup>th</sup>- Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 9:00am (Tuesday Morning)
- April 15<sup>th</sup>- Bridegroom Orthros for Holy Wednesday at 6:30pm (Tuesday Evening)
- April 16<sup>th</sup>- Presanctified Divine Liturgy at 9:00am (Wednesday Morning)
- April 16<sup>th</sup>- Holy Unction Service at 6:30pm (Wednesday Evening)
- April 17<sup>th</sup>- Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great for the Anniversary of the Mystical Supper of Christ at 9:30am. (Thursday Morning)
- April 17<sup>th</sup>- Orthros with the 12 Passion Gospels for Holy Friday at 6:30pm (Thursday Evening)
- April 18<sup>th</sup>- The Royal (Great) Hours and Typika on Holy Friday at 9:00am (Friday Morning) (**Decorating the Bier**)
- April 18<sup>th</sup>- Great Vespers for Holy Saturday, the taking down of Christ from the Cross at 3:00pm (Friday Afternoon) (**Decorating the Bier**)
- April 18<sup>th</sup>- Orthros with the Lamentations for Holy Saturday at 6:30pm (Friday Evening)
- April 19<sup>th</sup>- Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, the First Liturgy (Baptismal Liturgy) of Pascha at 10:00am. (Saturday Morning)
- April 20<sup>th</sup>- **Great & Holy Pascha** starting at 10:00pm (Saturday Evening at 703 W Ashby Pl San Antonio, Texas 78212)
- April 20<sup>th</sup>- Agape Vespers at 3:00pm followed by Lamb Roast at 4:00pm (Sunday Afternoon)

***(Note: All Lenten services will take place in our chapel at 5600 Vance Jackson Rd. San Antonio, Texas 78230. Sunday services along with Great & Holy Pascha will take place at our temporary worship space in Laurel Heights at 703 W Ashby Pl San Antonio, Texas 72812. For example, all services Monday-Saturday at 5600 Vance Jackson Rd. and all Sunday morning services at 703 W Ashby Pl).*** The Archepiscopal Vicar of our Diocese, Archimandrite Calinic Berger, will be with us during the 5<sup>th</sup> week of Great Lent. He is looking forward to visiting our St. Ephraim parish and meeting with our parishioners. This 2025 Lenten Schedule does not reflect the regular weekend services of Great Vespers, Orthros & Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great that will be served each weekend

throughout the fast. There will also be other things that need to be done during Holy Week which are not reflected on this Schedule, such as buying palm branches, basil or laurel leaves, Easter lilies & decorating the bier with roses and flowers. Please make every effort to attend as many services as you can while we go through this Great and Holy Fast where we end with the encounter of the Empty Tomb and the Resurrected Lord. For a complete copy of our liturgical services during Holy Week please reference *The Services of Great and Holy Week and Pascha*, service book, produced by the Antiochian Archdiocese and on sale in our parish bookstore).

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