



# SAINT MARK'S CHURCH

An Antiochian Orthodox Parish in the Western Rite Tradition

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## Passion Sunday 2008

The first Mass begins at 8:00 AM today. Visitors are welcome to join us for social hour, and attend Church School at 9:10. At 9:45 we will offer Anglican Chant Matins. Please pick up our new Matins/Mass booklet on the back table of the sanctuary. The Solemn Mass begins at 10:00 o'clock. All are invited to join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments after each of the Liturgies.

There will be a *St. Raphael Camper's fund-raiser Brunch* today. All are invited to participate in helping our Young Campers here at St. Mark's. Mrs. Tamara McCrossen has provided all the food for the event. Our Teen campers will help serve the delicious meals. The menu will include an assortment of Quiches, Salad, Soup, Fruit and Bread. The cost will be Adults \$7, Teens \$3.50, Children \$2.50, and Tots \$1.50. Please have your checks ready when entering the *line*. They should be made payable to St. Mark's and "*Campers*" written in the memo. Extra \$ donations are welcome. We have 9 young people and 2 Counselors-in-training that have signed up to go. Thanks to Dn. Vladimir and Mat. Elizabeth for providing a *full scholarship* to the Camper's Fund. Following the brunch the Churchwomen will have a brief meeting at noon.

Thanks to Karen Goyette for providing refreshments for the social hour earlier this morning. If you have an upcoming birthday or an anniversary in April, please sign up to bring refreshments on one of the Sundays during the month. We have openings for both social hours for the next 2 weeks.

The *St. Mark's Churchwomen* have scheduled several events and service projects which are posted on the bulletin board in the parish hall for those ladies who would like to sign up and volunteer to help. See Dana if you have any questions.

Mrs. Jane Long sent a \$1000 check to the Antiochian Archdiocese for the *Clergy Retirement Fund*. Thanks to the many parishioners who made a donation to this worthy cause. This was the Churchwomen's service project for March.

A brief Vestry meeting at 11:35 today in the library. Please let the Vestry members go through the *chow line* first.

The Lenten Mite Box and Food Drive collections continues today.

We have a "Get Well" card for Dr. Dan's wife, Kimberly Crawford. She is quite ill!

The Wednesday Evening Class will resume it's study with Chapter 6 of *The Orthodox Way* by Bishop Ware.

The Saturday morning book study will meet this week at 10 o'clock. The book is *Greek East & Latin West*.

Lent is a time to practice fasting, prayer, alms-giving and works of charity. It can be the most spiritual time of the year to draw closer to the One Holy Undivided Trinity. See Father John if you need help with any of the Lenten Orthodox disciplines. We have several books on the subject on the table against the North wall in the parish hall.

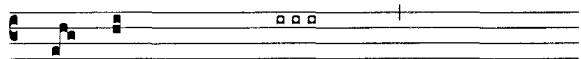
The *Sacrament of Confession* will be offered before and after Evensong or by appointment. All Orthodox Christians are asked to make time during Lent to make their Confession to Fr. John or to another Orthodox priest. We recommend *Confession for Christians* (L. A. Press) for those who want to learn more about contrition. Cost \$5. We would appreciate it if parishioners could come in this week to make their *Confessions* so to avoid the *mad rush* during Holy Week.

During Lent, we invite all to participate in the *Stations of the Cross* at 7 PM every Friday. This is a wonderful devotion to *Our Lord's Passion*. (Every parishioner should make an effort to come to at least one Station's service and this Friday is the last one of this Holy Season.

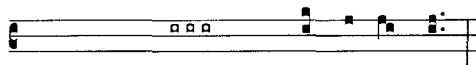
The Friday *Lenten suppers* will be served to the faithful between at 6:00 and 6:30 PM. If you plan to come, please let us know so that our hosts will have an idea of how much food to prepare. (We have a sign-up sheet.) Thanks to the Ryan family for providing the delicious meal last Friday night. The Teen SOYO Group will host this Friday's Lenten Supper.

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PASSION SUNDAY  
THE INTROIT.

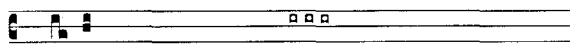
*Judica me. Psalm xliii. 1-2. Tone VII.*



∇ Give sen-tence with me, O God, and defend my



∇ cause against the un-god-ly peo-ple:

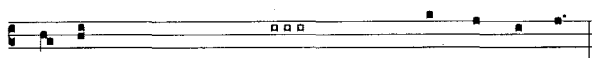


℞ O de-liver my soul from the deceitful and wicked

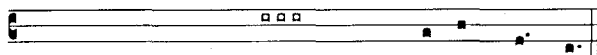


℞ man, for thou art the • God of my strength.

§ *Psalm. ibid. 3.*



∇ O send out thy light and thy truth that • they may lead me:



℞ and bring me unto thy holy hill,  
and • to thy dwell-ing.

*Cantor and Choir repeat from top to §.*

COLLECT OF THE DAY

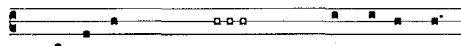
WE beseech thee, Almighty God, mercifully to look upon thy people: that by thy great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore, both in body and soul. Through, &c. Amen.

THE LESSON: *Hebrews ix. 11-15.*

BRETHREN: Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause he is

the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance, in Christ Jesus our Lord.

THE GRADUAL. *Psalm cxliii. 9-10. Tone V.*

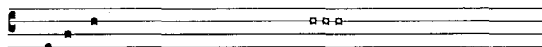


∇ De-liv-er me, O Lord, from • mine en-e-mies:

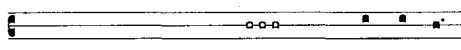


℞ teach me to do the • thing that plea-seth thee.

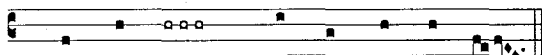
*Psalm. xviii. 48-49.*



∇ It is the Lord that delivereth me from my cruel enemies,

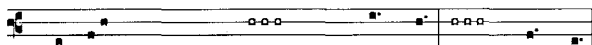


∇ and setteth me up above mine ad-ver-sar-ies:

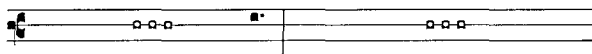


℞ thou shalt rid me • from the wick-ed man.

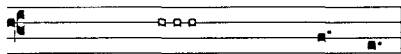
THE TRACT *Psalm cxxix. 1-4. Tone VIII.*



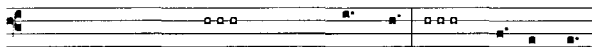
∇ Man-y a time have they fought a-against me:  
from my • youth up.



℞ May Israel now • say: yea, many a time have they



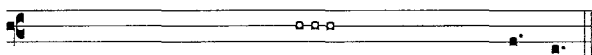
℞ vex-ed me from my • youth up.



∇ But they have not prevail-ed a-against me:  
the plowers plow-ed up-on my back.



℞ And made long • fur-rows: but the righteous Lord

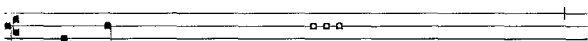


℞ hath hewn the snares of the ungodly in • pie-ces.

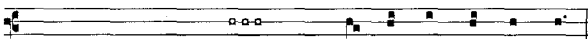
## THE HOLY GOSPEL: *St. John viii. 46-59.*

AT that time: Jesus said unto the multitudes of the Jews; Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God. Then answered the Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well that thou art a Samaritan, and hast a devil? Jesus answered, I have not a devil; but I honour my Father, and ye do dishonour me. And I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth. Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death. Then said the Jews unto him, Now we know that thou hast a devil. Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou sayest, If a man keep my saying, he shall never taste of death. Art thou greater than our father Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead: whom makest thou thyself? Jesus answered, If I honour myself, my honour is nothing: it is my Father that honoureth me; of whom ye say, that he is your God: yet ye have not known him; but I know him: and if I should say, I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto you; but I know him, and keep his saying. Your father Abraham rejoiced to see my day: and he saw it, and was glad. Then said the Jews unto him, Thou art not yet fifty years old, and hast thou seen Abraham? Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Before Abraham was, I am. Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple. Creed chanted.

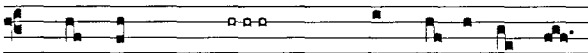
## THE OFFERTORY *Psalm cxix. 17, 107. Tone II*



∇ *I will give thanks unto thee, O Lord, with my whole heart: O*



∇ *do well unto thy servant that I • may live and keep thy word:*



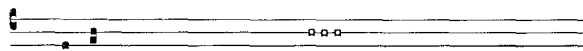
℞ quick-en thou me,

O Lord, accord-ing to thy word.

## THE SECRET.

We beseech thee, O Lord, that these our oblations may both loose the bonds of our iniquity, and obtain for us the gifts of thy lovingkindness. Through.

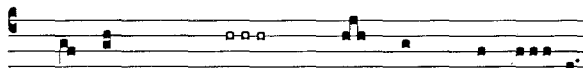
## THE COMMUNION. *I Corinthians xi. 24-25. Tone I.*



∇ *This is my Body, which is given for you: this cup is the*



∇ *new testament in my • Blood, saith the Lord:*



℞ this do ye, as oft as ye

drink it, in • re-mem-brance of me.

## THE POSTCOMMUNION.

Assist us mercifully, O Lord our God: that we, whom thou hast here refreshed with thy holy mysteries, may be defended by thy perpetual succour. Through.

## ORDER OF SERVICE

The Litany	Harris Mass
The Introit	
The Summary of the Law	<i>BCP. 69</i>
Kyrie eleison:	Harris Mass
Collect of the Day	
The Lesson	<i>BCP p. 126</i>
The Gradual and Tract	
The Holy Gospel	
Nicene Creed:	<i>St. A - 370</i>
Blessings, Notices, Sermon	
The Offertory	
Offertory: "Choral from B Minor Mass" - Branson	
Doxology:	1940 - 139
The Secret	
Prayer for the Church	<i>BCP. 74</i>
The Invitation, Confession,	
Absolution.	<i>BCP. 75</i>
The Preface	<i>BCP. 76</i>
Sanctus / Benedictus:	Harris Mass
Canon,	<i>BCP. 80-81.</i>
Our Father:	1940 - 722
Agnus Dei:	Harris Mass
Prayer of Humble Access	<i>BCP. 82</i>
The Communion	
Communion Hymns:	1940 - 56, 60, 75
Post Communion Prayers	
Thanksgiving Collect	<i>BCP. 83</i>
Dismissal & Blessing	
Closing Hymn:	1940 - 332

This Lent, area parishes will be hosting Vespers services for the greater Orthodox Christian community. The schedule for *Pan-Orthodox Vespers* with reception will be at 5 PM this evening at St. Herman's Church, 991 W. Prentice Ave. in Littleton, CO. (The church is just Southwest of Bellview & Broadway.) There phone number is 303-798-7306.

During Holy Lent we will offer Masses everyday of the week. Please, see the schedule below.

The Altar Guild continues taking donations for Easter Flowers for memorials and thanksgiving. (Envelopes are in the Church pews) Easter Candles for the sanctuary windows are available, too. Thanks to Ann Armstrong for donating the Pascha candle and to Dn. Vladimir and Matushka Elizabeth for the Altar Candles this year.

The St. Tikhon candle is given in loving memory of Lydia Witmer by her granddaughter, Matushka Deborah.

Thanks to Sister Sophia for baking the "bread of hospitality" today.

Thanks to ? for nursery duties today. We need Teens and Parents to Sign up and volunteer for April and May.

Thanks to Guy & Sean Huft and Ron Lickteig for volunteering to spruce up the Church grounds yesterday. Lisa Taylor, Sister Sophia, and Matushka Deborah have offered to bring some annuals when the weather warms up.

The St. Mark's Churchwomen are planning a Women's Lenten Retreat on "*Holy Icons*" presented by Mary Gay Coit this Saturday at 1 PM. Thanks to Matushka Elizabeth, Laurie, Lisa, and Penny for hosting the retreat. The hostesses will provide sandwiches at noon for those ladies who come early (10 am) to make Palm Crosses and will provide *Lenten* snacks later in the afternoon for the faithful who attend the "*Holy Icons*" Retreat.

Looking ahead: We will need a volunteer to cut the square pieces of tulle for the Easter eggs. We will also need about 200 (Large) Hard-Boiled Eggs by *Good Friday* for Matushka Deborah to dye and decorate!

Acolytes, Choristers, and Altar Guild members are welcome to serve during Holy Week. Please check your albs, cassocks, and robes to see if they need cleaning for Easter.

We invite parishioners to Sign up for the *Maundy Thursday Watch during Holy Week*. The *Watch is from 8:30 PM Thursday to 12 noon on Good Friday*.

The Altar Guild members and volunteers will decorate the Church for Holy Pascha on Saturday, April 26th at 10 am. Please see Laurie Baker if you have any questions.

There will be a *Parish Brunch* on Easter Day, April 27th at Noon. Thanks to Kristine Woolley and Debbie St. Clair for volunteering to host the event. We have a Sign up sheet posted in the parish hall for those who would like to bring a dish. The *Parish Brunch* hostesses will be serving tasty egg dishes, ham, muffins, rolls, fruit, candy, desserts, etc. Everyone is welcome to come and bring something for this wonderful occasion.

The reprinted *Monastic Breviary Matins* is now available from L.A. Press for \$45. Please, put your check in the appropriate envelope. Thanks to Fr. John, Bro. David, Oliver Brainerd, & Mary Gay Coit for offloading our 2000 copies!

The Antiochian Parish Life Conference will be held at the Hilton Dallas Hotel and sponsored by Sts. Constantine and Helen Church on June 18 - 22. Please, look for your packets in the mail or go to [www.dowamaplc.org](http://www.dowamaplc.org) web-site for more information. We have a Conference Schedule posted in our Parish hall as well as a Sign up sheet for those who would like to attend. We have scholarships available to cover the conference registration fees. See Carol McCabe for more information. We have 6 adults, 4 teens, and 1 child that have sign up to go!

Please, pick up your April *Lion* newsletter and a copy of the quarterly *Ember Tidings* in the narthex. We have extra copies.

Thanks to Nancy Stuart, Sandy Miller, and Sister Sophia for cleaning and organizing the choir room last week.

Thanks to the following parishioners who have given a donation to the St. Raphael Camper's Fund: Mat. Deborah, Ed & Jody, Ken & Carol, Tamara, Dn. Vladimir & Mat. Elizabeth, Mary Lou Shetterly, Frank & Stephanie, and Richard & Jean.

Thanks to the following parishioners who gave to the Clergy Retirement Fund last month: Fr. John & Deborah Connely, John & Dottie Eklund, Stephen Greenlee, Guy & Dana Huft, William & Tricia Langon, Dn. Vladimir & Mat. Elizabeth McDonald, Kathryn Reeves, Debbie St. Clair, Lisa Taylor, Subdn. James & Judith Tochihara, Annabelle Walker, Jeff Winkelhake, and Richard & Jean Woolley. This group donated \$550!

MONDAY, TUESDAY: MATINS 9:30 AM, MASS 10:00 AM  
WEDNESDAY : MATINS 7 AM, MASS 7:30 AM, 12 NOON  
MASS, EVENSONG 5 PM, 6:30 PM THEOLOGY CLASS  
THURSDAY: 7 MATINS, 7:30 MASS, EVENSONG 5 PM  
FRIDAY: 7 MATINS, 7:30 MASS, SCHOLA 4 PM, EVENSONG 5  
PM, LENTEN SUPPER 6PM, STATIONS 7 PM  
SATURDAY : ROSARY 8 AM, MATINS 8:30 AM, MASS 9:00 AM,  
GREEK EAST & LATIN WEST STUDY 10, CONFESSION 3-5,  
EVENSONG 5 PM