



**CHURCH OF THE PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS**  
**AND SAINT SERGIUS OF RADONEZH**

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**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES – MARCH-APRIL, 2021**

*All dates according to the civil calendar.*

Fri. Mar. 5      6 pm      Vespers and Matins.  
Sat. Mar. 6      9 am      Hours, Divine Liturgy, and Pannikhida for all departed Orthodox.  
**Meat-fare Saturday: Commemoration of the Dead.**

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Sat. Mar 6      5 pm      All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Mar. 7      9:30 am      Hours and Divine Liturgy. **Meat-fare Sunday;**

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Sat. Mar. 13      5 pm      All-night Vigil.  
**Note: On this night clocks are moved ahead one hour.**  
Sun. Mar. 14      9:30 am      Hours, Divine Liturgy, and Vespers. **Cheesefare Sunday.**  
**The Expulsion of Adam; Forgiveness Sunday.**

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**The Forgiveness Vespers service will begin immediately following the Divine Liturgy**

I think upon the fearful day and lament my evil acts. What answer shall I give to the Immortal King? And with what boldness shall I, the prodigal, gaze upon the Judge? O compassionate Father, only-begotten Son, and Holy Spirit, have mercy upon me.

– *Sessional Hymn at the Canon at Matins of Meatfare Sunday*

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR MARCH-APRIL – PG. 2

**– Beginning of Great Lent –**

Mon. Mar. 15     8:30 am     Matins, Hours, Typica, Vespers, Litia for the Departed.  
**Clean Monday.**

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Mon. Mar 15     6 pm     Great Compline with the reading of the Canon of St. Andrew of Crete.  
**Clean Monday.**

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Tues. Mar. 16     6 pm     Great Compline with the reading of the Canon of St. Andrew; Matins.  
**Clean Tuesday.**

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Wed. Mar. 17     9 am     Hours, Typica, Vespers and Divine Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts.  
**Clean Wednesday.**

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Wed. Mar. 17     6 pm     Great Compline with the reading of the Canon of St. Andrew of Crete.  
**Clean Wednesday.**

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Thurs. Mar. 18     6 pm     Great Compline with the reading of the Canon of St. Andrew; Matins.  
**Clean Thursday.**

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Fri. Mar. 19     9 am     Hours, Typica, Vespers and Divine Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified  
Gifts; Moleben to St. Theodore, the Tyro; blessing of the Kolyvo.  
**Clean Friday.**

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Fri. Mar. 19     6 pm     Matins.  
Sat. Mar. 20     9 am     Hours and Divine Liturgy. **First Saturday of Lent:**  
**Commemoration of the Miracle of St. Theodore the Tyro.**

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR MARCH-APRIL – PG. 3**

Sat. Mar. 20 5 pm All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Mar. 21 9:30 am Hours and Divine Liturgy. **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent: The Triumph of Orthodoxy.**

Sun. Mar. 21 5 pm Vespers.

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Fri. Mar. 26 6 pm Matins.  
Sat. Mar. 27 9 am Hours, Divine Liturgy, and Pannikhida. **2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of Lent. Commemoration of the Dead.**

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Sat. Mar. 27 5 pm All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Mar. 28 9:30 am Hours, and Divine Liturgy. **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent: The Synaxis of the Holy Fathers of the Kiev-Caves Lavra.**

Sun. Mar. 28 5 pm Vespers.

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Fri. Apr. 2 6 pm Matins.  
Sat. Apr. 3 9 am Hours, Divine Liturgy, and Pannikhida. **3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of Lent: Commemoration of the Dead.**

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Sat. Apr. 3 5 pm All-night Vigil with the bringing out of the Cross.  
Sun. Apr. 4 9:30 am Hours and Divine Liturgy. **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent: Veneration of the Cross.**

Sun. Apr. 4 5 pm Vespers.

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Tues. Apr. 6 6 pm All-night Vigil with Litia and Blessing of the Loaves.  
Wed. Apr. 7 9 am Hours, Vespers and Divine Liturgy.  
**ANNUNCIATION OF THE MOST HOLY THEOTOKOS.**

*Fish is allowed on this day.*

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR MARCH-APRIL – PG. 4**

Fri. Apr. 9            6 pm            Matins.  
Sat. Apr. 10          9 am            Hours and Divine Liturgy, and Pannikhida.  
**4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of Lent: Commemoration of the Dead.**

*Note: On this day the Church also commemorates the Venerable Martyr Eustratius (†1097), whose relics lie in the Near Caves of the Kiev-Caves Lavra; we have a portion of his relics in our church.*

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Sat. Apr. 10          5 pm            All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Apr. 11          9:30 am        Hours and Divine Liturgy. **4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent: St. John of the Ladder.**

Sun. Apr. 11          5 pm            Vespers.

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Wed. Apr. 14          9 am            Hours, Typica, Vespers, and Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts.

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Wed. Apr. 14          **5 pm**            Matins with the reading of the Canon of St. Andrew of Crete.

*Note: Out of caution, both services on Wednesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> will be held behind closed doors. The services can be viewed via live stream on our website ([www.omophor.org](http://www.omophor.org)).*

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Fri. Apr. 16          6 pm            Matins with the Akathist Hymn to the Most Holy Theotokos.  
Sat. Apr. 17          9 am            Hours and Divine Liturgy.  
**5<sup>th</sup> Saturday of Lent: The Laudation of the Theotokos.**

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Sat. Apr. 17          5 pm            All-night Vigil.  
Sun. Apr. 18          9:30 am        Hours and Divine Liturgy. **5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent: St. Mary of Egypt.**

*Immediately after the Liturgy, Peter Fekula will give a talk on the subject of the rubrics of Orthodox services. Vespers will be served at the conclusion of the talk. All are welcome – please come and ask any questions you may have!*

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Fri. Apr. 23          9 am            Hours, Typica, Vespers, and Pre-Sanctified Liturgy.

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES FOR MARCH-APRIL – PG. 5**

Fri. Apr. 23      6 pm      Matins.  
Sat. April 24      9 am      Hours and Divine Liturgy. **Lazarus Saturday**

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Sat. Apr. 24      5 pm      All-night Vigil with Litia and Blessing of the Loaves and pussy willow.

Sun. Apr. 25      9:30 am      Hours and Divine Liturgy.

**PALM SUNDAY: THE ENTRANCE OF THE LORD INTO JERUSALEM.**

*Fish is allowed on this day.*

**Note: The entire parish will stay after the service to clean the church for Pascha. Everyone is encouraged to help!**

Sun. April 25      5 pm      Vespers.

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Wed. Apr. 28      9 am      Hours, Typica, Vespers and Presanctified Liturgy.

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Wed. Apr. 28      6 pm      Matins.  
Thurs. Apr. 29      9 am      Hours, Vespers, and Divine Liturgy. **Holy and Great Thursday.**

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Thurs. Apr. 29      **5 pm**      Matins with the reading of the 12 Passion Gospels.  
Fri. Apr. 30      9 am      Royal Hours. **Holy and Great Friday.**

Fri. Apr. 30      2 pm      Vespers with the bringing out of the Epitaphion (Winding-sheet), and Small Compline. *General confession and reading of preparatory prayers.*

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Fri. Apr. 30      6 pm      Matins and procession symbolizing the Descent of Christ into Hades.  
Sat. May 1      9 am      Hours, Vespers, and Divine Liturgy. **Holy and Great Saturday.**

6 pm      *Blessing of Kulich and Pascha. Remember not to partake of this food until after the Paschal Divine Liturgy.*

Sat. May 1 11:30 pm Midnight Office...

**THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST. THE PASCHA OF THE LORD.**

**– Beginning of the Festal Triodion –**

**Sun. May 2 12 mid. Paschal Matins with the procession around the church,  
Paschal Hours and Divine Liturgy.  
*After the Liturgy: Blessing of Kulich and Pascha.***

**Sun. May 2 4 pm Paschal Vespers.**

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Mon. May 3 9 am Paschal Matins, Paschal Hours and Divine Liturgy  
with the children's procession. **Bright Monday; Second Day of Pascha.**

*Note: The traditional children's Easter egg hunt will take place immediately after the service.*

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Wed. May 5 6 pm Paschal Vespers and Matins.  
Thurs. May 6 9 am Paschal Hours and Divine Liturgy. **Bright Thursday;  
Great-Martyr George the Victory-bearer, Martyr Alexandra  
the Empress, Martyr Anatolius.**

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Sat. May 8 5 pm All-night Vigil.  
Sun. May 9 9:30 am Hours and Divine Liturgy. **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Pascha: Antipascha, or  
St. Thomas Sunday.**

*At the conclusion of the Liturgy a Panikhida according to the Paschal order will be served  
for all of our reposed relatives and parishioners.*

*Father Alexander will also serve panikhidas at the Roslyn Cemetery on this day. If you would like to serve  
a panikhida at the cemetery, please schedule one with Father Alexander ahead of time.*