



St. John Chrysostom Church

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April 2015 SJCC News

My Joy in the Lord,

Christ is risen!

Χριστός ἠέστη!

المسيح قام!

Христос Воскресе!

Hristos a înviat!

Cristo ha resucitado!

May you all have a blessed Pascha!

As we enter that last part of the Fast and prepare for Pascha I wanted to ask your opinion about the layout of the church. I do not mind the way we have had it, but have heard from some that the left side is not working out as well as we would like. What do you think? Should we remove most of the chairs and just have some around the outside? Should the processions with the children be shortened to just in front and add chairs to that outside aisle? Or, leave things as they are? Or? Please let me know what you think!!!

After Great Lent, please continue to take time to come and help with our efforts to fix up our home. We still have work that needs to be done – particularly for our children, making the Sunday School room better for them.

Also, please come on Sunday, May 3 for the Vespers and be the wonderful hosts that you are. I am getting more and more RSVPs from people around the state who want to see our new home. (We're also going to have a nice dinner as well...)

With love, in Christ,
Fr. Seraphim

Agape Vespers will be at noon for the sake of the children and their egg hunt. All children are welcome – bring some friends.

You are invited: to Masha's and my house following Bright Monday Liturgy to break the Fast (AGAIN) with us. 5514 S. Ward Way, Littleton, CO 80127

On Sunday, May 3, we will have Vespers at 5 pm for the Clergy and faithful of the other Orthodox churches, followed by a BBQ dinner. There will be one more signup sheet though mostly for various duties as well as salads and desserts.

Parish Picnic: We have been having our Parish Picnic on Pentecost for several years. But because of the lengthy service with the Kneeling Prayers, not everyone has stayed. It has been proposed that we switch to All-Saints Sunday. Personally, I think it's a great idea but want your input. There has also been a proposal floated about having a Parish festal meal before each Fast. In this case, since the Apostles Fast begins on the day after All-Saints, it would combine these two ideas. What are your thoughts? This might also be a good time to invite our neighbors to get to know us?

A Different Bible Study will continue after Pascha, beginning with Tuesday, April 21.

Prayer Circle: If you wish to be part of the Prayer Circle or would like more information, please contact Rebecca Ogden at r.braaten@comcast.net.

Parishioner Celebrations

**NOTE: If you don't see your day listed OR see your day listed on the wrong day
PLEASE let Fr. Seraphim know – as soon as possible**

April

04/01	Birthday	Alexandra Gisetti
04/01	Namesday	Masha Gisetti
04/23	Namesday	Alexandra Gisetti
04/25	Namesday	Robert Kinsey

May

05/03	Birthday	Anna Gisetti
05/05	Birthday	Matthew Pullos
05/08	Anniversary	Bert & Margo Waisanen
05/08	Birthday	Paul Saieg
05/13	Birthday	Xavier Ogden
05/14	Birthday	Kylee Gisetti
05/15	Birthday	Alexander Watson
05/17	Birthday	Hannah Fox
05/19	Ordination	Fr. Seraphim Gisetti
05/23	Repose	Charlene Kinsey
05/31	Anniversary	Andrei & Jacque Gisetti

PROSPHORA Baking Schedule

REMINDER: PLEASE make sure that you bring ONE (and only one) prosphora with names for commemoration -this includes both living and departed, if some of the living or departed are not Orthodox, I want them anyway - to church at least the night before the date on which it is due. You can bring it up to three weeks before and we'll freeze it until the date, but don't try to bring it that morning. I usually start the Proskomedie early and need the prosphora to be there. If it's not there by the night before, I will defrost a spare to use. Thank you for your consideration.

April

5	Parish
12	PASCCHA
19	Alexandra Gisetti
26	Robert Kinsey

May

3	Anna Gisetti
10	Miriam Fox (for Hanna)
17	Fr. Seraphim
24	Open
31	Andrei Gisetti

We will always need prosphora. I will be happy to come to your house and bake them with you if you're not sure how to do it.

Schedule of Services and Events

April

1	Wed	6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy Lenten Potluck Dinner & Discussion	
4	Sat	9:00 am	Teaching Liturgy Church cleaning for Holy Week and Pascha	Lazarus Saturday
		5:00 pm	Vespers	
5	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy Coffee Hour	Entrance into Jerusalem – Palm Sunday
6	Mon	7:00 pm	Bridegroom Matins	Holy Monday
7	Tue	7:00 pm	Bridegroom Matins	Holy Tuesday
8	Wed	5:00 pm	Presanctified Liturgy	Holy Wednesday
		7:00 pm	Matins of Holy Thursday and Unction Service	
9	Thu	4:00 pm	Vesperal Liturgy of the Last Supper	Holy Thursday
		7:00 pm	Matins of Holy Friday (12 Gospels)	
10	Fri	9:00 am	Royal Hours	Holy Friday
		3:00 pm	Vespers of Holy Friday (Burial) Compline	
		7:00 pm	Matins of Holy Saturday (Lamentations)	
11	Sat	10:00 am	Vesperal Liturgy	Holy Saturday
		11:30 pm	Nocturne	
12	Sun	midnight	Paschal Procession Paschal Matins Paschal Liturgy Paschal Meal	PASCHA
		noon	Agape Vespers	
13	Mon	9:00 am	Bright Monday Liturgy	Bright Monday
18	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
19	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy Coffee Hour	Thomas Sunday
21	Tue	7:00 pm	Bible Study	
25	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
26	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy Coffee Hour	Sunday of the Myrrhbearing Women
28	Tue	7:00 pm	Bible Study	

May

2	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
3	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy Coffee Hour	Sunday of the Paralytic
		5:00 pm	Vespers & Open House & BBQ	
5	Tue	7:00 pm	Bible Study	
9	Sat	noon	<u>Parish Work Party</u>	
		5:00 pm	Vespers	
10	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy Coffee Hour	Sunday of the Samaritan Woman
12	Tue	7:00 pm	Bible Study	
16	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
17	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	Sunday of the Blind Man

19	Tue	7:00 pm	Coffee Hour Bible Study	
21	Thu	6:30 pm	Liturgy	Ascension of our Lord
23	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
24	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	Sunday of the Fathers
			Coffee Hour	
26	Tue	7:00 pm	Bible Study	
30	Sat	5:00 pm	Vespers	
31	Sun	9:00 am	Liturgy	Pentecost
			Vespers with the Kneeling Prayers	
			Parish Picnic ?	