



Weekly E-News from Grace Episcopal Church

March 31, 2023

HOLY WEEK & EASTER 2023

THE SUNDAY OF THE PASSION; PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 2ND

Spoken Holy Eucharist with The Blessing of Palms 8:00 AM Festal Sung Eucharist with The Blessing & Procession of Palms 10:00 AM

> **SPY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5**TH The Office of Tenebrae: A Service of Shadows

8:00 PM

MAUNDY THURSDAY, APRIL 6TH

Choral Holy Eucharist *with* The Washing of Feet, Procession to the Altar of Repose, & Stripping of the Altar **7:00 PM** The Garden Watch *in* The Chapel of the Messiah

8:00 PM - 12:00 Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH The Solemn Liturgy of The Passion 12:00 Noon

The Way (Stations) of the Cross with Music 6:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH

The Great Vigil, Holy Baptism, & The First Eucharist of Easter 8:00 PM

THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION: EASTER DAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 9TH

Spoken Holy Eucharist 8:00 AM Festal Choral Eucharist *with* Brass & Timpani 10:00 AM



On Easter Day, all children are most welcome to participate in <u>The Easter Egg Hunt</u> during Coffee Hour following the 10 AM Eucharist!

Easter Lilies and Music Dedications

Please Support Easter Flowers and Music! To make a donation towards flowers and/ or music for Easter Day (April 9) please fill out one of the Easter Lilly/ Music Dedication Cards which are located in the pews. Legibly printed dedications can include: *In memory of... in honor of... in thanksgiving for...* Submissions are collected by placing your card and gift in the green flower envelopes provided, and return in the offering plate or by mail to the Parish Office. Dedications received before **April 4** will be printed in the service bulletins for Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday.





Food Pantry Easter Baskets

From our friends at the Food Pantry of Sts. Peter & Andrew Church: We are hoping to fill Easter baskets for the children and families of the Food Pantry. We will give the baskets out on Saturday, April 8th, so please bring donations to Grace by Palm Sunday. The following is a list of helpful ideas: wrapped candies, sidewalk chalk, jump ropes, whiffle ball & bat, coloring books & crayons, gel pens, bubbles, card games.

Parking for Specific Holy Week Services

Free parking will be available for the Maundy Thursday and Easter Vigil services at the lot on Snow Street between Westminster and Chapel Streets (opposite the church's lot, which is always available for parishioners!).



Easter Vigil Champagne Reception!

Join us for The Great Vigil & First Eucharist of Easter on **Saturday**, **April 8 at 8:00 PM**. The Vigil takes place the evening before Easter morning, and is the first celebration of Christ's triumph over death. Following the service a festive reception with champagne and sweets will be held in The Pavilion. **Please bring a dessert - chocolate or otherwise - to share.** We hope you join us!



Holy Week & Easter 2023

Holy Week is around the corner! You can see all our additional worship services listed in our Holy Week & Easter 2023 Brochure found on the tables in the rear of the church. We hope that you will be moved to join us for the various unique services as we trace Christ's journey from his entry to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, to his Resurrection on Easter Day!





Our Guest Preacher for the Triduum: The Right Reverend Andrew St. John

Bishop Andrew St. John was formerly Assistant Bishop of Melbourne, Australia before relocating to New York City in 2003. After two years as Interim Rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity on East 88th Street he was appointed Rector of the Church of the Transfiguration on East 29th Street until his retirement in 2016. At present he acts as an

Assisting Bishop in the Diocese of New York and serves as Bishop-in-Residence at Saint Thomas Church, Fifth Avenue. Bishop St. John will preach on Maundy Thursday, and Good Friday. He is a friend and mentor of Fr. Jonathan's, and was the Officiant at the marriage ceremony of Fr. Jonathan and his wife Anne.



Thursdays @ Noon Concerts

<u>There will be no concerts on April 6 and 13 due to Holy Week and Easter.</u> The next concert will be on April 20 featuring organist Steven Young.

To view upcoming concerts, please click here!

The Thursdays @ Noon Concert Series serves as a form of outreach to the greater metropolitan area of Providence by providing diverse programs of music, free of charge for the enjoyment of the community and any visitors to the city.

Sunday Morning Worship: The Sunday of the Passion - Palm Sunday April 2, 2023

Every Sunday Morning, Grace Church offers a 'live-stream' broadcast of our Sunday morning 10:00 AM Eucharist service. We hope this experience allows those who are not able to join us in person on Sundays to participate in the worship life at Grace.

Sunday Morning YouTube Link: Click here!

This service will be live-streamed to the **Grace Church YouTube Channel**. Please use the link provided above to watch. The service will also be archived on the <u>Grace Church website</u> for 'on-demand' viewing after Sunday morning. We hope this experience allows those who are not able to join us in person on Sunday to participate in the worship.

To view the Order of Service for The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday, please <u>CLICK HERE!</u>

Regardless of how you choose to participate in our worship life together, ALL ARE WELCOME at Grace Church!

April 2, 2023 **The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday**

Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.



For the texts of the readings for **Palm Sunday**, <u>please click here</u>. <u>Click here</u> for the latest from the Episcopal News Service. And for current news from the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, <u>please click here</u>.

