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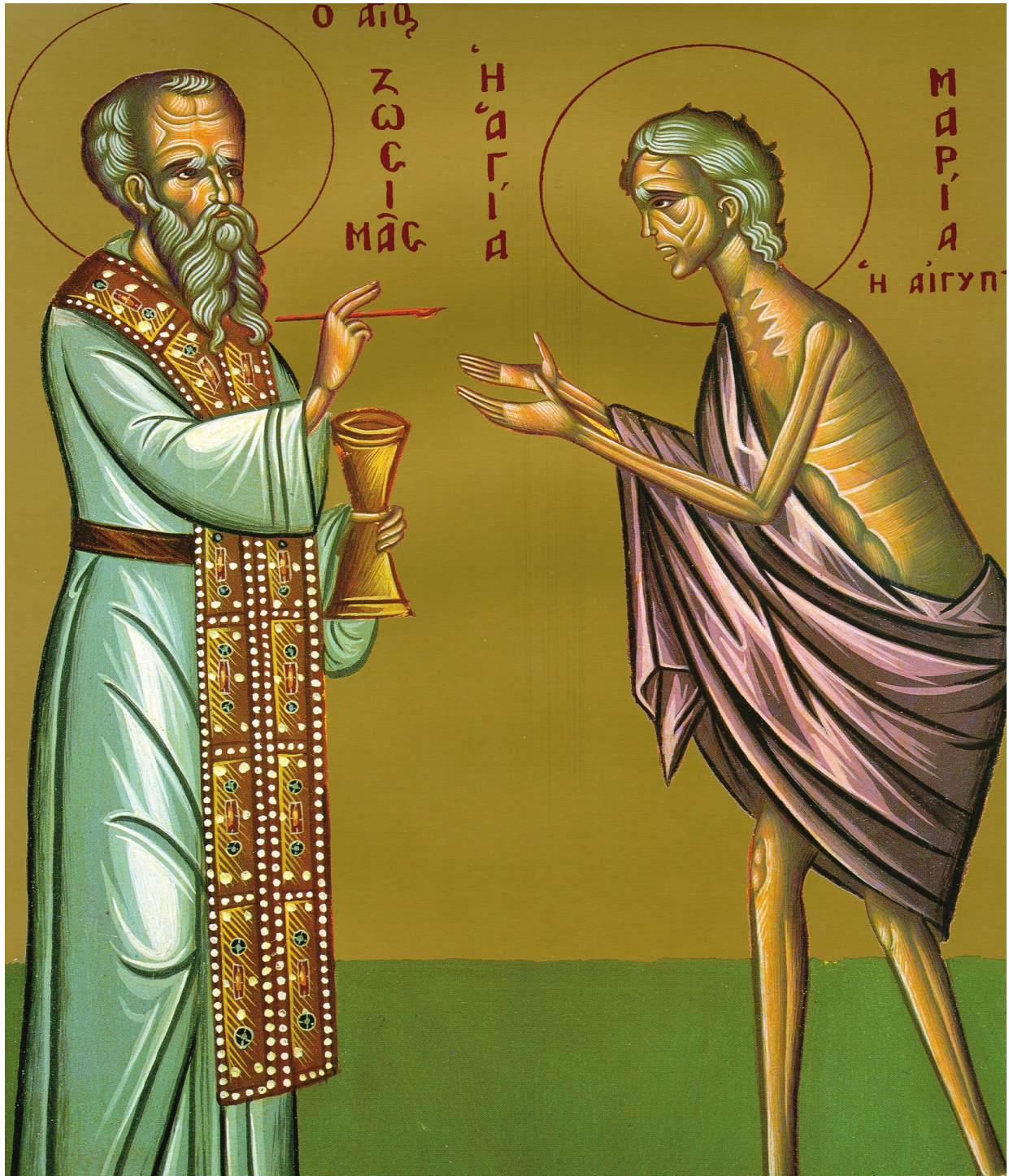
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### Divine Liturgy

**Intention:** Health, peace and salvation of JUDY Wendtlandt (req. by Jan Taylor)

#### Hymns

**Troparion of the Resurrection (tone 1):**

While the stone was sealed by the Jews and soldiers were watching your sacred body, You rose, O Savior, on the third day, giving life to the world. Wherefore, O Giver of life, the powers of heaven cried out: Glory to your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to your kingdom, glory to your Plan of redemption, O You who alone are the Lover of mankind.

**Troparion of our Mother Mary of Egypt:**

In you, O Mother Mary, was restored the likeness of God, for you carried your cross and followed Christ. You taught by your deeds how to spurn the body, for it passes away and how to value the soul, for it is immortal. Wherefore your soul is forever in happiness with the angels.

**Troparion of Annunciation:** Today is the beginning of our salvation and the revelation of the mystery that was planned from all eternity. The Son of God becomes the

Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel announces this grace. Let us join him in crying out to the Mother of God: "Hail, O full of grace, the Lord is with you!"

**Kontakion of the Annunciation:** Triumphant leader to you belongs our prize of victory! And since you saved us from adversity, we offer you our thanks. We are your people O Mother of God! So, as you have that invincible power, continue to deliver us from danger that we may cry out to you: Hail, O Virgin and bride ever pure.

**Hirmos:** In you, O full of grace, all creation rejoices, the orders of angels and the human race as well. O sanctified Temple, spiritual Paradise and glory of virgins from whom our God who exists before all eternity, took flesh and became a little Child. He has taken your womb as his throne making it more spacious than the heavens. Therefore O full of grace, in you all creation rejoices. Glory to you!

**Prokimenon:** Make vows to the Lord your God and fulfill them; let all round about bring gifts to the awesome God.

*Stichon:* God is renowned in Judah; in Israel great is his name.

**Apostolic Reading:** Hebrews 9:11-14

BRETHREN, when Christ appeared as the high priest of the good things to come, he entered once for all through the greater

and more perfect tabernacle, not made by hands (that is, not as a part of the present creation), nor again by virtue of blood of

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goats and calves, but by virtue of his own blood, into the sanctuary, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls and the sprinkled ashes of a heifer sanctify the unclean for the cleans-

ing of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the Holy Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God!

**Alleluia:** Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord; let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.

*Stichon:* Let us greet him with thanksgiving; let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

**Gospel:** "The son of man will be betrayed", Mark 10:32-45

At that time Jesus took the Twelve, and began to tell them what would happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and the Scribes; and they will condemn him to death, and will deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him and scourge him, and put him to death; and on the third day he will rise again." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to him, saying, "Master, we want thee to do for us whatever we ask." But he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said, "Grant to us that we may sit, one at thy right hand and the other at thy left hand, in thy glory." But Jesus said to them,

"You do not know what you are asking for. Can you drink of the cup of which I drink, or be baptized with the baptism

with which I am to be baptized?" And they said to him, "We can." And Jesus said to them "Of the cup that I drink, you shall drink; and with the baptism with which I am to be baptized, you shall be baptized; but as for sitting at my right hand or at my left, that is not mine to give, but it belongs to those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard this, they were at first indignant at James and John. But Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers among the Gentiles, I lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it is not so among you. On the contrary, whoever wishes to become great shall be your servant; and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be the slave of all; for the Son of Man also has not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

**Next Week: Palm Sunday Breakfast**

Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, noon-1:30pm

Adults: \$12; Children (under 12): \$6

Pancakes, Eggs, Ham, Fresh Fruit, Juice, Coffee, Pastries and More

**Stewardship**

Last Sunday: candles=\$24.00; ordinary collections=\$339.00. Thanks for your generosity!

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Owed to eparchy (assessment, retirement and medical insurance; last updated January 29, 2023): \$37,136.

Want to automate donations? One-time or monthly payments via **PayPal**: [byzantinemilwaukee.com/donate](https://byzantinemilwaukee.com/donate). Use your bank's **online billpay** (payee information): St. George's Syrian Congregation · 1617 W State St · Milwaukee, WI 53233-1246; phone: (414) 342-1543; email: [info@byzantinemilwaukee.com](mailto:info@byzantinemilwaukee.com).

*Today: Second Collection for Earthquake Relief*

It has been customary for us during Great Lent to offer an opportunity for charitable giving through the eparchial Shepherd's Care. This year, all money donated through Shepherd's Care will be given for earthquake relief.

Donations can also be made directly to the eparchy by check or credit card: <https://melkite.org/eparchy/bishops-appeal-for-the-syria-relief-fund>

### **Prayer List**

Please remember—All those who are sick and in need: Nick Langenfeld, Barb Moden (sister of Jan Taylor), Eva Nora (niece of the Noras), Bob Peterson, Joe Radanovich, the Rebholz family, Eva Saseen (Theresa and Janelle Herro's niece), Jan Taylor, Kathy Tomaz, John Zambo and Kathy Zambo. For those we have been asked to pray for: Justin & Krysten Hager (Jan Taylor). For those who have died: Alice Herro, Carl Wallenmeyer (Jan Taylor) and George Baho. For all those living and deceased who have suffered in the recent earthquakes.

### **Schedule for This Week**

**Wednesday:** *6pm Presanctified Liturgy*

**Friday:** 6pm Great Vespers

**Saturday:** *Lazarus Saturday*

**Sunday:** *Palm Sunday*

10:30am Divine Liturgy

### **Holy Week Services**

**Monday:** 6pm Bridegroom Service

**Wednesday:** 6pm Vespers Divine Liturgy (St. Basil) for the Mystical Supper

**Friday:** 6pm Eulogy Service ("Lamentations")

Additional dates/times may be announced.

### **COVID-19**

According to the Milwaukee Health Department, the best way to stop the community spread of COVID-19 is to take preventative action to protect yourself and others:

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- Get a COVID-19 vaccine as soon as you can ([city.milwaukee.gov/CovidVax](https://city.milwaukee.gov/CovidVax)). Vaccines are safe and readily available at walk-in clinics throughout the community for anyone over the age of six months old.
- Wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth to help protect yourself and others, and stay at least 6 feet apart from others who don't live with you.
- Avoid crowds and poorly ventilated indoor spaces, and improve ventilation whenever possible.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available.

More information is available from the health department: [city.milwaukee.gov/coronavirus](https://city.milwaukee.gov/coronavirus)

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### Whoever Wishes to be Great

Blessed is he who, dwelling amidst many people, does not turn towards the many, but directs his whole heart to God. Blessed is he who purchases Christ with all his belongings and has, as his only possession, the cross, which he raises on high. Blessed is he who, administering his legal possessions, extends God's hand to those who are in need ...

Blessed is he who, having authority over the people, by holy and great sacrifices brings Christ to earthly folk. Blessed is the one, who, being a child of the flock, a most perfect nursling, keeps the place of the heavenly Christ. Blessed is he who, by his pure mind's forceful movements, beholds the brilliance of the heavenly lights. Blessed is he who honors the Lord by much-toiling hands: and, for many people,

this is the law of life. All these things fill up the heavenly receptacles in which are stored the fruit of our souls, while every individual virtue leads to a different place. For many are the mansions pertaining to different lives.

Blessed is he, whom the mighty Spirit has shown to be poor in passions, whoever leads a life of repentance; who can never get his fill of celestial food; who, by kindness, becomes inheritor of great things; who, by bowels of mercy, draws down God's great compassion, being a friend of peace and pure in heart; who, for the sake of the renowned Christ, has endured many sufferings, and will find great honor. Keep to the way of these people, whichever you prefer.

*St. Gregory the Theologian*

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