

Holy Week ~ Schedule of Services

Sunday April 13, 8 AM and 10:30 AM ~ The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday
Liturgy of the Palms, Procession, and Holy Eucharist.
(both services begin outside and process to the Nave)

Thursday April 17, 6:30 AM ~ Holy Eucharist

Thursday April 17, 7 PM ~ Maundy Thursday: Foot Washing, Holy Eucharist, and The Stripping of the Altar

Thursday night thru Friday Noon ~ Silent Vigil at the Altar of Repose

Friday April 18, 12 Noon and 7 PM ~ Good Friday: The Solemn Collects and Homily

*[Please note, there is no Holy Eucharist or music at either service on this day. Having no communion on Good Friday is the most ancient tradition. In the early church, receiving communion would have been regarded as breaking the fast that lasted from Good Friday until the Easter Eucharist. Among the Orthodox, during Lent the Eucharist is only celebrated on Saturdays, Sundays, and Feast days. On other days, the liturgy of the presanctified (receiving from the reserved Sacrament) may be celebrated but never on Good Friday, unless this falls on March 25, the Feast of the Annunciation. The custom of receiving communion from the reserved Sacrament from Maundy Thursday developed in the West fairly recently, dating roughly from the 7th century CE.]*¹

Saturday April 19, 8 PM ~ The Great Vigil of Easter: The Lighting of the New Fire, the Exsultet, the Renewal of Baptismal Vows, and the First Eucharist of Easter

Sunday April 20, 8 AM and 10:30 AM ~ The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

¹ c. Boscov Peters (www.liturgy.co.nz), 2010.