



# THE FORERUNNER

The Nativity of St. John the Baptist  
Orthodox Church O.C.A.  
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<http://nativityofstjohn-oca.org>

April 2017

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

~~April 1~~

~~Vespers @ 5:00 PM~~

**April 2 – Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt**

Sunday School @ 9:00 AM

**Reader Service @ 10:00 AM**

**Council Meeting**

**Fellowship Hour – Donovan’s & Everly**

**April 7**

Presanctified @ 6:00 PM

**April 8 - Lazarus Saturday**

Divine Liturgy @ 9:00 AM

Vespers @ 5:00 PM

**Fellowship Hour – St. Anne’s Guild**

**April 9 – Palm Sunday**

Sunday School @ 9:00 AM

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

**Fellowship Hour – St. Anne’s Guild**

**Bridegroom Matins @ 6:00 PM**

**April 13**

Holy Thursday Liturgy @ 9:00 AM

Matins with 12 Gospels @ 6:00 PM

**April 14**

Unnailing Vespers @ 4:00 PM

Lamentations @ 6:00 PM

**April 15**

Holy Saturday Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

Nocturn – Paschal Liturgy @ 11:00 PM

Blessing of the Baskets after Liturgy

**April 16 - Pascha**

Agape Vespers @ 10:00 AM

**April 23**

Sunday School @ 9:00 AM

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

**Fellowship Hour – Children of St. John’s**

All donations go to a local charity,

**April 30**

Sunday School @ 9:00 AM

Hours @ 9:30 AM

Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 AM

**Fellowship Hour – Foster’s and Conkey’s**

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**Reader’s Schedule**

	<i>Hours</i>	<i>Epistle</i>
4/2	Reader Service	
4/9	Tom Demchak	Tom Demchak
4/16	Agape Vespers	
4/23	Mark Ammerman	Mark Ammerman
4/30	John Conkey	John Conkey

**April 12 - Bridegroom Matins @ 6:00 PM**

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**Feast & Saints**

4/2	Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt
4/8	Lazarus Saturday
4/9	Palm Sunday
4/12	Great & Holy Wednesday
4/13	Great & Holy Thursday
4/14	Great & Holy Friday
4/15	Great & Holy Saturday
4/16	Pascha
4/23	St. Thomas
4/23	St. George
4/30	Myrrh Bearing Women



**Remember in your prayers:** Archbishop MELCHISEDEK, Father John, Father Adam, Father Ted, Father Paul, Father Michael, Father Andrew, Father John, Matushka Judy Horosky, Matushka Ksenia Batchko, Larry Ammerman, Mary Ann Ammerman, Jen Ammerman and Victor, Alexis Blackburn, Karen Blackburn, Chris Conkey, John Conkey, James Crites, Helen Czar, Joe Demchak, Mike Demchak, Steve Demchak, Kari Donovan, Matthew Donovan, Michael Evans, Bonnie Fetcenko, Randy Fetcenko, Rose Marie Fetcenko, Olga Finlayson, Kenneth Finlayson, Jack Foster, Mary Foster, Harry Horosky, Alexandra Mamrak, Eugene Minarich, Evan Morgan, Richard Nakles, Gloria Rice, John Saupp, Mary Sura Saupp, Harry Socie, Alexandra Stine, Karen Stine, Eleanor Sura, Andrew Tocimak, Irene Tocimak, Louise Tocimak, Walter Varagea, Delores Varagea, Patricia Wood

*“O Master, the all-sustainer, and Holy King, Who punishes, but reduces not to death, Who strengthens the failing and raises the outcast, Who remedies the bodily sorrows of men, we pray unto Thee, O Our Lord, visit Thine infirm servants with Thy mercy; forgive them every transgression, voluntary and involuntary. Verily O Lord, send down from Heaven Thy healing power, touch the body, extinguish the fever, lessen the suffering and every infirmity of Thy servants, raise them decumbent, from sickness, and from the bed of evilness, make them whole and all-restored, return them to Thy Church well-pleasing and fulfilling Thy will. For it is of Thine own, to be merciful and to save us, O Lord, and unto Thee we send glory, to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen*

*God has a purpose for your pain,  
A reason for your struggles,  
And a reward for your faithfulness.  
Don't give up!*

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*The Hanging Vigil above the Royal Doors of the iconostasis is supported by Irene Pollock in loving memory of her sister and brother-in-law Margaret and Robert Stefanko.*

*The Vigils on the Tetrapod are supported by Irene Pollock in loving memory of her parents, sisters, brothers, husband, nephew and stepfather.*

*The votives in front of the iconostasis, on the candle stands and in front of the icons in the nave are supported by Andrew & Louise Tocimak in loving memory of the Tocimak family.*

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## Birthdays

**Jack Foster – April 2**

**George Biberdorf – April 4**

**V. Rev. John Horosky – April 17**

**Elaine Cardinal – April 24**

**Ivan Switala – April 24**