

Our Journey to Pascha - 2019 Readings

<p>January 27 <i>(Normal Fast Week)</i></p>	<p>36th Sunday After Pentecost Reading: 1 Tim 1:15-17 Gospel: Luke 18:35-43</p>	<p>28: Great Lent Introduction - Lent: Journey to Pascha 29: Great Lent Ch. 5 - Participation in Services & Appx. (9) - Total Rediscovery 30: Thirty Steps to Heaven Intro & Step 1 31: Great Lent Ch. 1 - The Desire (Zacchaeus) February 1: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 2</p>
<p>February 3 <i>(Normal Fast Week)</i></p>	<p>Zacchaeus Reading: 1 Tim 4:9-15 Gospel: Luke 19:1-10</p>	<p>4: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 3 5: Great Lent Ch. 5 - "Taking It Seriously..." & A Lenten "Style of Life" 6: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 4 7: Great Lent Ch. 1 - Humility (The Publican and the Pharisee) 8: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 5</p>
<p>February 10 <i>(Fast-Free Week)</i></p>	<p>The Publican and the Pharisee Reading: 2 Tim 3:10-15 Gospel: Luke 18:10-14</p>	<p>11: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 6 12: Great Lent Ch. 2 - The Triodion & Ch. 5 – "But By Prayer and Fasting" 13: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 7 14: Great Lent Ch. 1 - Return From Exile (Prodigal Son) 15: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 8 16: Great Lent Ch. 4 - Saturdays of Lent & Sundays of Lent</p>
<p>February 17 <i>(Normal Fast Week)</i></p>	<p>The Prodigal Son Returns Reading: 1 Cor 6:12-20 Gospel: Luke 15:11-32</p>	<p>18: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 9 19: Great Lent Appx. (1) - Urgent Essential Question & Appx. (2) - "Religionless Religion" 20: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 10 21: Great Lent Ch. 1 - The Last Judgment & Ch. 2 - The Holy Scriptures 22: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 11</p>
<p>February 24 Meatfare <i>(Farewell to Meat)</i></p>	<p>The Last Judgment Reading: 1 Cor 8:8-9:2 Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46</p>	<p>25: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 12 26: Great Lent Appx. (6) - The Meaning of Communion & Appx. (7) - The Meaning of Preparation for Communion & Appx. (8) - Confession and Communion 27: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 13 28: Great Lent Ch. 1 - Forgiveness (Cheese-fare Sunday) March 1: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 14</p>
<p>March 3 Forgiveness Sunday Cheese-fare <i>(Farewell to Cheese & to Eggs)</i></p>	<p>Adam & Eve Cast from Paradise Reading: Rom 13:11-14:4 Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21</p>	<p>4: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 15 5: Great Lent Ch. 2 – The Lenten Prayer of St. Ephrem 6: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 16 7: Great Lent Ch. 4 - The Beginning: The Great Canon 8: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 17</p>
<p>March 10 1st Sunday of Lent <i>(Strict Fast)</i></p>	<p>Sunday of Orthodoxy Reading: Heb 11:24-26, 32-12:2 Gospel: John 1:43-51</p>	<p>11: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 18 12: Great Lent Ch. 3 - The Evening Communion & Ch. 3 - The Order of Service 13: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 19 14: Great Lent Appx. (3) - Why Sacraments? & Appx. (4) - The Norm & Appx. (5) - The Decay: Its Causes And Its Excuses 15: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 20</p>
<p>March 17 2nd Sunday of Lent</p>	<p>Gregory Palamas Reading: Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Gospel: Mark 2:1-12</p>	<p>18: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 21 19: A Short Story of the Anti-Christ (first half) 20: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 22 21: Great Lent Ch. 4 - Mid-Lent: The Holy Cross 22: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 23</p>
<p>March 24 3rd Sunday of Lent</p>	<p>Veneration of the Holy Cross Reading: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1</p>	<p>25: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 24 26: A Short Story of the Anti-Christ (second half) 27: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 25 28: The Way of a Pilgrim 1 29: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 26</p>
<p>March 31 4th Sunday of Lent</p>	<p>John of the Ladder Reading: Hebrews 6:13-20 Gospel: Mark 9:17-31</p>	<p>April 1: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 27 2: The Way of a Pilgrim 2 (first half) 3: The Way of a Pilgrim 2 (second half) 4: The Way of a Pilgrim 3 5: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 28</p>
<p>April 7 5th Sunday of Lent</p>	<p>Mary of Egypt Reading: Heb 9:11-14; Heb 2:11-18 Gospel: Mark 10:32-45; Luke 1:24-38</p>	<p>8: The Way of a Pilgrim 4 (first half) 9: The Way of a Pilgrim 4 (second half) 10: Thirty Steps to Heaven Step 29 11: Great Lent Ch. 4 - On The Way to Bethany and Jerusalem 12: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - Beginning of the Cross: Lazarus Saturday</p>
<p>April 15-20 Flowery/Willow/ Palm Sunday Great and Holy Week <i>(Strict Fast)</i></p>	<p>Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem Reading: Philippians 4:4-9 Gospel: John 12:1-18 Great and Holy Week Check at church for schedule</p>	<p>14: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - Palm Sunday 15: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - The End & On Monday 16: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - The Ultimate Passage & On Tuesday 17: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - On Wednesday 18: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - Holy Thursday 19: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - Great and Holy Friday 20: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - Great and Holy Saturday</p>

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April 21 Feast of Feasts! (No Fasting in Bright Week)	Holy Pascha Reading: Acts 1:1-8 Gospel: John 1:1-17	21: Paschal Homily of St John Chrysostom 22: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - Holy Pascha 23: Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week - Pentecost and Pascha 24: Practice of the Presence of God - Intro and Preface 25: Practice of the Presence of God - First Conversation 26: Practice of the Presence of God - Second Conversation
April 28 (Normal Fast Week)	Thomas Sunday Epistle: Acts 5:12-20 Gospel: John 20:19-31	29: Practice of the Presence of God - Third Conversation 30: Practice of the Presence of God - Fourth Conversation May 1: Practice of the Presence of God - First Letter 2: Practice of the Presence of God - Second Letter 3: Practice of the Presence of God - Third Letter
May 5 (Normal Fast Week)	Myrrh-Bearing Women Epistle: Acts 6:1-7 Gospel: Mark 15:43-16:8	6: Practice of the Presence of God - Fourth Letter 7: Practice of the Presence of God - Fifth Letter 8: Practice of the Presence of God - Sixth Letter 9: Practice of the Presence of God - Seventh Letter 10: Practice of the Presence of God - Eighth Letter
May 12 (Normal Fast Week)	Paralytic Man Epistle: Acts 9:32-42 Gospel: John 5:1-15	13: Practice of the Presence of God - Ninth Letter 14: Practice of the Presence of God - Tenth Letter 15: Practice of the Presence of God - Eleventh Letter 16: Practice of the Presence of God - Twelfth Letter 17: Practice of the Presence of God - Thirteenth Letter 18
May 19 (Normal Fast Week)	Samaritan Woman Epistle: Acts 11:19-26, 29-30 Gospel: John 4:5-42	20: Practice of the Presence of God - Fourteenth Letter 21: Practice of the Presence of God - Fifteenth Letter 22: Sobornost - A Strange New World & Experienced at Pentecost 23: Sobornost - One in Mind and Heart & An Exchange of Hearts 24: Sobornost - The Fiat of a Jewish Maiden
May 26 (Normal Fast Week)	Man Born Blind Epistle: Acts 16:16-34 Gospel: John 9:1-38	27: Sobornost - Trinity: Fire, Flame, Motion 28: Sobornost - A New Creation 29: Sobornost - An Inner Pilgrimage 30: Sobornost - Becoming a Contemplative 31: Sobornost - Forging a Chain of Hearts
June 2 (Normal Fast Week)	1st Nicaean Council Fathers Epistle: Acts 20:16-18a,28-36 Gospel: John 17:1-13	3: Sobornost - Unity in Eucharist 4: Sobornost - Service in Christ 5: Sobornost - The Little Mandate 6: Sobornost - Obstacles to Sobornost 7: Sobornost - We Have a Father
June 9 (No Fasting in Trinity Week)	Pentecost Epistle: Acts 2:1-11 Gospel: John 7:37-52; 8:12	

Lenten and Paschal Reading Plan 2019

- Alexander Schmemmann's *Great Lent: A Journey to Pascha*
- Alexander Schmemmann's *Liturgical Explanation of Holy Week*
 (free online) https://www.stnicholasdc.org/files/Holy_Week/A-Liturgical-Explanation-of-Holy-Week.pdf
- Vassilios Papavassiliou's *Thirty Steps to Heaven: The Ladder of Divine Ascent*
- Vladimir Soloviev's *A Short Story of the Anti-Christ*
 (free online) <https://www.goodcatholicbooks.org/antichrist.html>
- *The Way of a Pilgrim*
 (free online) http://jburnett.com/resources/french_way_of_a_pilgrim.pdf
- Brother Lawrence's *Practice of the Presence of God*
 (free online) <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OCcTI3rPdDssGN0RBYmmw8Bwq6ieUIBw/view?usp=sharing>
- Catherine Doherty's *Sobornost: Experiencing Unity of Mind, Heart, and Soul*