



April 3, 2024

E-BULLETIN

NOTICES AND REMINDERS FOR THE NEXT 10 DAYS

Wednesday, April 3

⇒ **6:00 p.m.** *Ninth Hour and Presanctified Liturgy followed by meal and reflection-children's activity available*

Thursday, April 4

⇒ **9:00 a.m.** St. Panteleimon Home School

⇒ **11:30 a.m.** ARE-Lent, Lunch and Learn - (see insert) virtual & in person- [Click here to join](#)
Zoom ID 880-334-8094 (PRESENTATION-NOON)

Friday, April 5

⇒ **Noon**, *Ninth Hour and Presanctified Liturgy followed by meal*

⇒ **5:30 p.m.** JOY/HOPE First Fridays (see insert)

⇒ **7:00 p.m.** *Small Compline with Salutations to the Theotokos*

Saturday, April 6

⇒ **5:00 p.m.** *Vespers and reflection*

Sunday, April 7 | Third Sunday of Lent | Sunday of the Holy Cross | Almsgiving Sunday

⇒ **7:30 a.m.** *Matins and the Procession of the Holy Cross followed by Divine Liturgy*

⇒ Almsgiving Sunday- 2nd Tray by Philoptochos supporting Hellenic College & Holy Cross (see insert)

⇒ Youth Catechism

⇒ Philoptochos Sales- Palm Sunday Community Luncheon ticket | Luminaries | Koulourakia

⇒ **5:00 p.m.** *Vespers*

Monday, April 8

⇒ **7:00 p.m.** *Great Compline*

Wednesday, April 10

⇒ **6:00 p.m.** *Ninth Hour and Presanctified Liturgy followed by meal and reflection*

Thursday, April 11

⇒ **9:00 a.m.** St. Panteleimon Home School

⇒ **11:30 a.m.** ARE-Lent, Lunch and Learn - hosted by Young at Heart (see insert) virtual & in person

[Click here to join](#) **Zoom ID 880-334-8094 (PRESENTATION-NOON)**

Friday, April 12

⇒ **Noon**, *Ninth Hour and Presanctified Liturgy followed by Lenten*

⇒ **4:30 p.m.** Greek Language School

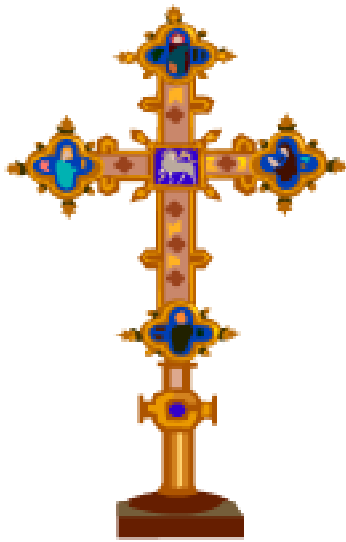
⇒ **7:00 p.m.** *Small Compline with Salutations to the Theotokos*

Saturday, April 13

⇒ **5:00 p.m.** *Vespers and reflection*

[Click here for
this Sunday's
Worship Missal](#)

*Scroll down for details and more information. Visit our website for full Calendar of Events or any update at www.stnektarios.org ~ 5108 Kuykendall Rd. Charlotte, NC 28270
office@stnektarios.org ~ 704-708-4669*



THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Veneration of the Holy Cross

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

7:30 a.m. Matins

The Procession of the Holy Cross will take place at the end of the Doxology before Divine Liturgy.

Sundays of Almsgiving

“Come, let us purify ourselves by acts of charity...”

At St. Nektarios Church, the five Sundays of the Great Fast have served as focal points, harnessing the collective giving spirit of our faithful parishioners. Each Sunday has been dedicated to the collection of funds to support a particular philanthropic ministry. This is an effective way to funnel our resources to those in need.

“Come, let us purify ourselves by acts of charity and tender mercy to the poor, not sounding our trumpet or making public the good that we have done.

Let the left hand not know the right hand's deed; let not self-esteem scatter the fruit of charity.

*But in secret let us cry to Him who knows all secrets:
‘Father, forgive us our trespasses,
in Your love for humanity.’”*

Aposticha Idiomelon, Sunday of Orthodoxy Evening

March 24
March 31
April 7
April 14
April 21

Beneficiaries

Shelter Health
Services-Charlotte

SAMA
St. Anastasia Medical Assistance

Hellenic College
Holy Cross School of Theology

Orthodoxy in Kenya

Caring for Seniors

PREPARING FOR PASCHA
WAYS TO SERVE

KOUVOUKLION
BEARERS FOR HOLY
FRIDAY, MAY 3RD



Anyone who is interested in bearing the Kouvouklion which holds the Epitaphion during the Lamentations service, beginning at 7:00 p.m. is welcome to participate.

Please contact
Silva Awaimrin at
sawaimrin@stnektarios.org
by April 26th or, call the office
at 704-708-4669.

ST. NEKTARIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
2024 LENT SERVICES AND ACTIVITIES

Weekday Services

Great Compline and Canon of St. Andrew

.Monday, March 18; Tuesday, March 19; & Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 p.m. Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew
.Wednesday, March 20 at 9:00 p.m. Canon of St. Andrew following the Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts
.Every Monday, March 25 through April 22 at 7:00 p.m. Great Compline
.Thursday, April 18 at 6:00 p.m. Small Compline with Canon of St. Andrew

During the Great Forty Days, we offer up the Great Compline. "Compline" is derived from the Latin term from which we get the word "complete"; the compline service marks the end, or completion, of a calendar day. The Greek term is apodipnon, which means "after supper". In other words, these are prayers said before retiring for sleep. "Small" Compline is part of the daily cycle of services throughout the year. During the Great Fast, we begin to use the "Great" Compline, which is characterized by its greater length and multitude of psalm readings and hymns. Each evening of the first week of the Fast, different sections of the Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete are chanted in Great Compline as well. As with the other nighttime services, the theme of Compline has to do with trusting in God's providence and seeking forgiveness for our offenses.

Ninth Hour and Presanctified Liturgy

.Wednesdays, March 20 through April 24 at 6:00 p.m.
.Fridays, March 22, through April 29 at Noon

On Wednesdays and Fridays, we offer a Presanctified Liturgy. It is "Presanctified" because the Holy Gifts (bread and wine) were sanctified at the previous Sunday's Divine Liturgy and saved for later. This is because the centuries-long practice of the Church is to not permit the celebration of the Divine Liturgy on weekdays during the Fast (with the exception of the Feast of the Annunciation). The Presanctified service is preceded by the Ninth Hour, consists of the first part of Vespers, and the parts of the Divine Liturgy that follow the consecration of the Holy Gifts. This service is offered as a way for the faithful, who are maintaining their fast, to partake of the Bread of Life—that is, of Holy Communion—during this season of intensified spiritual struggle.

Small Compline with Akathist Hymn to the Theotokos

.Fridays, March 22 through April 19 at 7p.m.

On Fridays, we offer the Small Compline with the Akathist Hymn to the Theotokos. The Akathist is broken down into four sections that are chanted in sequence over the first four Fridays of the fast. On the fifth Friday, it is chanted in its entirety. The popular name for this service is "Salutations", as the Akathist Hymn stanzas are replete with the salutation to Mary, «Χαίρε!» ("Hail" or "Rejoice!"). This splendid work of poetry, which explores and expresses the great miracle of the Annunciation and its implications, comes to us from perhaps as far back as the fifth century, but gained prominence when Constantinople was saved by a miracle of the Virgin Mary in the seventh century.



Registration required for all participants & volunteers by Wednesday, April 3

JOY & HOPE
(Grades K-5)

FIRST

FRIDAYS



Parents & children in grades K-5, come spend the first Friday of each month at the Church...

Dinner is served from 5:30-6PM, with a rotation of chaperoned activities for each age group to follow: arts & crafts • games • chant lesson • devotional
Parents are invited to attend a talk with Fr. Andreas as children enjoy activities.



4/5/24
5:30 - 7:30PM



SLC
Fellowship Hall

2024 First Fridays: February 2 • March 1 • April 5 • May 17

ADULT RELIGIOUS
EDUCATION



2024

A.R.E
COMING UP
DURING LENT

Wednesdays of Lent

Catechetical Lecture after Presanctified Liturgy

Lent, Lunch, and Learn

Zoom ID
880-334-8094

Thursdays, Noon // Virtual and in Person

March 28 : Fr. Steve Dalber
April 4 : Fr. Robert Lawrence
April 11 : Fr. Steven Klund
April 18 : Peter Reinhart
April 25 : Sam Heron, Protopsalti

Saturdays of Lent

6PM Catechetical Lecture following Vespers

Palm Sunday Presentation

April 28 at 5PM *Christ's Final Hours*

Orthodox Film Club

- Nicholas & Alexandra
To be announced
- Short Subjects - Saint Paisios: Fr. Farasa to Heaven
Sat., Mar. 2 Episode 1 // Sat. Mar. 23, Episode 2 at 6:30PM
- Smyrna: My Beloved
Sat., May. 11 at 6:30PM



St. Nektarios Greek Orthodox Church

Young at Heart

Offering a social and supportive network, fostering relationship among our senior members 55 and older.

And Adult Religious Education Ministry
Present

Lent Lunch and Learn

THURSDAY, APRIL 11, 2024 | NOON



LENTEN REFLECTION

OFFERED BY

FR. STEVEN KLUND

ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX
CHURCH, WILMINGTON, NC

Questions, Please contact

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OR Steve Panteliodis, Co-chair
ddstevpe@yahoo.com or 704-400-8041

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR SPOT TO THE ST. NEKTARIOS
CHURCH OFFICE — BY April 8th | 704-708-4669

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Flower Sponsorship for Lenten and Paschal Season

During the upcoming Lenten and Paschal season there are special opportunities to remember your loved ones with an offering of flowers. See list below. For more information and to reserve your spot, contact the office at 704-702-1663.

A Weekly Lenten Sponsorship for the Shrines, soles, and Harthex arrangements. The flowers are used for the weekly Compline, Presanctified Liturgy Salutation services and Sundays Liturgy.

- April 7th, Veneration of the Holy Cross flowers
- Palm Sunday Sanctuary Arrangements
- Palms for Palm Sunday Crosses
- Holy Thursday Cross wreath and arrangement at base
- Holy Friday Kouvoulion dome
- Resurrection Sanctuary arrangements

- March 22nd + April 12th
- March 29th + April 19th
- April 5th

HAND DECORATED LAMBADES



Hand decorated Lambades (Pascha Candles) by the Greek Language School moms are available for sale each Sunday during Coffee Hour. \$20 each while they last.

LENTEN SOUP MEALS



Beginning Wednesday, March 20

*Lenten meal will be provided
after every
Wednesday & Friday*

PRESANCTIFIED LITURGIES

*Please bring
a lenten side dish to share*

Visit the Narrow Path Bookstore for your Liturgical gifts shopping. Open on Sundays for 30 minutes after the Divine Liturgy.



ST. NEKTARIOS PHILOPTOCHOS

Give a Helping Hand. Show Generosity. Please God.

MEMORIAL LUMINARIES IN MEMORY OF YOUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES TO LIGHT THE PROCESSION PATH ON HOLY FRIDAY

\$10.00 SUGGESTED DONATION PER LUMINARY
Proceeds to benefit Philoptochos Charities & Commitments

TO PARTICIPATE AND REGISTER YOUR NAMES,
1. COMPLETE THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN IT
TO CHURCH BY SUNDAY, APRIL 28TH or
2. SCAN THIS QR CODE TO COMPLETE ONLINE FORM

(NOTE: Not part of the names for commemoration on Holy Friday ready by the priests)



SCAN ME

St. Nektarios Philoptochos - 2024 Memorial Luminaries

Sponsor Name: _____

Phone: _____



Print first names only, IN ENGLISH, for each candle.
Please no more than three names per candle.

_____ candles x \$10.00 suggested donation = \$ _____ total enclosed with this form

Additional donations welcomed to benefit Philoptochos Charities & Commitments

Candle 1	Candle 2
Candle 3	Candle 4

For additional candles attach sheet with names

Questions? Contact the Philoptochos Board at philoptochos@stnektarios.org or
call the church office at 704-708-4669
MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "PHILOPTOCHOS" and return to
Attn: Philoptochos-Luminaries, 5108 Kuykendall Rd., Charlotte, NC 28270

PHILOPTOCHOS PRESENTS

24TH ANNUAL PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON FUNDRAISER



April 28, 2024

following the Divine Liturgy

Preorders begin
Sunday, March 31st
Online sales at
[www.stnektarios.org/
philoptochos](http://www.stnektarios.org/philoptochos)

Scan
to
order
online



\$25 Adult Plate
(\$30 after April 21st)
\$8 Youth Plate

Menu

**Adult Plate: Braided Baked Cod,
Greek-Style Potato Salad,
Coleslaw, Dessert & Beverage**

**Youth Plate: Fish Sticks, Mac & Cheese,
Applesauce, Dessert & Beverage**

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE CHURCH'S
ST. NICHOLAS BENEVOLENCE (ALTAR) FUND**

For more information, email philoptochos@stnektarios.org or
call the church office at 704-708-4669



ST. NEKTARIOS
PHILOPTOCHOS

*Membership
Information*



WE
OUR MEMBERS
Thank You

for your past membership
in our chapter.

Your generosity is crucial in
making a difference in the
lives of those in need.

*We are stronger when we come together
to give a helping hand.*

RENEW OR JOIN NOW

ONLINE -
Go to: stnektarios.org/philoptochos,
or scan the QR code.

OR COMPLETE THE COUPON
available at the church.

Questions:

5046philoptochos@gmail.com

SCAN ME



COLLECTED BY **Donate Now**



- To make your donation:
- Scan the QR Code here
 - Use the PayPal link on the Philoptochos webpage, www.stnektarios.org/philoptochos
 - Make your check payable to Philoptochos with "HCHC" in the memo line.
 - Mail to the church, attn. Philoptochos—HCHC
 - Bring to church on Apr. 7th to place in the Second Tray

2ND TRAY

April 7, 2024
supporting

HCHC Lenten Event Fund



**Thank you for
your support!**

St. Nektarios Endowment

Cockinos Family
Scholarships
2024



Accepting Applications
FEB 18 to APR 7

Guidelines and Application
available on
www.stnektarios.org
or at the church office

For Students
25 years and younger

Awards Announced
on Endowment Sunday
May 19 after
Divine Liturgy

One (1) \$2000 Award
Scholar of Distinction

Five (5) \$1000 Awards
from random drawing

Additional Grant Opportunities
available for Youth 18 or Younger
Contact Church office for more information.

ELECTRONIC GIVING

Bill Pay

Use your bank's on-line Bill Pay Service.
Just list the church as one of your
single or recurring payments.
There is no charge to you or to the church.

Website Giving

- Visit our website at
www.stnektarios.org
- Select the "Online Giving" tab
- Follow the prompts



SCAN TO
GIVE NOW

Mobile App

Use your smartphone to make convenient
one-time or recurring donations in a few
easy steps after you download
the free app:

 **Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement**
on the App Store and Google Play

- Search Organization and select
St. Nektarios
- Log in if you have an established
profile (on our website online giving)
- OR create your profile
- Follow the prompts to make your
offering

Come and Join the Choir

Saint Nektarios Parish Choir is looking for more members!
The choir is looking to expand, so if you have interest in
participating in the choir, please reach out.

TO FIND OUT MORE, PLEASE EMAIL
PARISH MUSIC DIRECTOR
SAMUEL HERRON AT
PROTOPSALTIS@STNEKTARIOS.ORG



CHURCH  MOUSE
RESALE STORE

9010-D Monroe Rd.
Charlotte, NC 28270
704-443-7083

STORE HOURS

Monday, Thursday | 10:00 am — 5:00 pm
Saturday, 10:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

Church Mouse Resale Store has an urgent need of
one or two volunteers to work the store at least 1/2 or
1 day a week. Volunteer (s) will need to be
comfortable to learn our cashier POS system which
is very easy to operate. Some retail experience
helpful but not necessary.

DAYS AND TIMES ARE FLEXIBLE

Please contact **Dee Drobonick**
by phone, text or email.
704-641-5960 or deedrob519@gmail.com.