Wednesday, April 24
⇒ 6:00 p.m. Presanctified Liturgy followed by meal and Q&A (children’s activity available)

Thursday, April 25
⇒ 9:00 a.m. St. Panteleimon Home School
⇒ 11:30 a.m. ARE-Lent, Lunch and Learn –virtual & in person Click here to join Zoom ID 880-334-8094
⇒ 6:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

Friday, April 26
⇒ 10:00 a.m. Shut-In Elderly Care Pascha Easter Basket assembling-Sponsored by Life & Family Ministry & Philoptochos
⇒ Noon, Presanctified Liturgy followed by meal
⇒ 4:30 p.m. Greek Language School

Saturday, 27 | Saturday of Lazarus
⇒ 7:30 a.m. Matins — 8:30 a.m. Teaching Proskimide | Divine Liturgy
⇒ Breakfast | Palm-Cross Making | Philoptochos-Palm Sunday Community Luncheon setup
⇒ 5:00 p.m. Vespers

Sunday, April 28 | Palm Sunday
⇒ 7:30 a.m. Matins with Blessing of Palm Crosses followed by Divine Liturgy and Procession
⇒ Philoptochos Sales- Palm Sunday Community Luncheon tickets | Luminaries | Koulourakia
⇒ Palm Sunday Community Luncheon
⇒ 5:00 p.m. ARE “Christ Final Hours” Presentation (see insert) Click here to join Zoom ID 880-334-8094
⇒ 7:00 p.m. “Bridegroom” Matins of Holy Monday

Holy and Great Monday, April 29
⇒ 7:00 p.m. “Bridegroom” Matins of Holy Tuesday

Holy and Great Tuesday, April 30
⇒ 10:00 a.m. Philoptochos egg-dyeing
⇒ 7:00 p.m. “Bridegroom” Matins of Holy Wednesday

Holy and Great Wednesday, May 1
⇒ 5:00 p.m. Holy Unction
⇒ 7:00 p.m. “Bridegroom” Matins of Holy Thursday

Holy and Great Thursday, May 2
⇒ 8:30 a.m. Vesperal Divine Liturgy
⇒ 7:00 p.m. Matins of Holy Friday “Passion Service” with twelve Gospel lessons
### 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 23RD 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)*

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.

\( \text{# candles} \times \$10.00 \text{ suggested donation} = \$ \text{ total enclosed with this form} \)

Additional donations welcomed to benefit Philoptochos Charities & Commitments

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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 "PHILOPTOCHEOS" and return to
Attn: Philoptochos-Luminaries, 5108 Kuykendall Rd., Charlotte, NC 28270

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### 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)**

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

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**PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE CHURCH’S ST. NICHOLAS BENEVOLENT (ALTAR) FUND**

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### Palm Sunday Luncheon

### Volunteer Sign-up

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### St. Nektarios Philoptochos Membership Information

**WE LOVE 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](http://stnektarios.org/philoptochos)
- **OR COMPLETE THE COUPON**
  - available at the church.

**Questions:**

5046philoptochos@gmail.com
# 2024 Services and Event Schedule

**April 27**  
**Lazaros Saturday**  
7:30 a.m. — Matins & “Teaching” Proskomide, followed by Divine Liturgy  
Relic of St. Lazaros present for veneration.  
11:00 a.m. — Breakfast · Palm-Cross Making · Philoptychos Palm Sunday setup

**April 28**  
**Palm Sunday**  
7:30 a.m. — Matins w/ blessing of Palm Crosses, followed by Divine Liturgy and Philoptychos Luncheon  
5:00 p.m. — Adult Religious Education: “Christ’s Final Hours”  
7:00 p.m. — “Bridegroom” Matins of Holy Monday

**April 29**  
**Holy & Great Monday**  
7:00 p.m. — “Bridegroom” Matins of Holy Tuesday

**April 30**  
**Holy & Great Tuesday**  
10:00 a.m. — Philoptychos egg-dyeing  
7:00 p.m. — “Bridegroom” Matins of Holy Wednesday

**May 1**  
**Holy & Great Wednesday**  
5:00 p.m. — Holy Unction*  
7:00 p.m. — Matins of Holy Thursday  
*Anointing for those unable to be present for Holy Unction will resume at the Praises of Matins.

**May 2**  
**Holy & Great Thursday**  
8:30 a.m. — Vespersal Divine Liturgy  
7:00 p.m. — Matins of Holy Friday ("Passion Service" with twelve Gospel lessons)

**May 3**  
**Holy & Great Friday**  
8:30 a.m. — Great Hours  
11:00 a.m. — Decorating of the Kowouklion (funeral bier) with flowers  
2:00 p.m. — Vespers of Apokathelosiss (removing Christ from the Cross)  
7:00 p.m. — Matins of Holy Saturday (with the Encomia or “Lamentations”)

**May 4**  
**Holy & Great Saturday**  
8:00 a.m. — Vespersal Baptismal Liturgy of Pascha  
Followed by blessing of Pascha food baskets in anticipation of the feast.  
11:00 p.m. — Pre-resurrection Service/ Paschal Vigil (doors open at 10:15)

**May 5**  
**Holy & Great Pascha**  
12:00 a.m. — Resurrectional Matins & Divine Liturgy  
*ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΘΗ! CHRIST IS RISEN!*  
Followed by fellowship in the Spiritual Life Center  
11:00 a.m. — Vespers of Agape (“Love”) with the proclamation of the Gospel in a multitude of languages, followed by our Agape Picnic

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*Holy Unction* (anointing with holy oil) is a distinct *Mysterion*, or Sacrament, of the Orthodox Church approached with contrition, preparation, and great hope. It is offered to Orthodox Christians for physical and/or spiritual healing and preparation of our breach of the Communion that God has established with us in his Son, Jesus Christ, by the operation of the Holy Spirit. Not originally part of Holy Week, it has become a much-loved component of the faithful’s preparation for Pascha.

**The holy oil is not sent home with the faithful.** Visits to the homebound by our priests may be arranged through the church office.

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ST. NEKTARIOS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

AGAPE PICNIC
Sharing our
Bountiful Table
PASCHA SUNDAY
MAY 5, 2024 | NOON-3 PM
Following the 11 AM Agape Vespers Service

EGG HUNT  INFLATABLES  PINATAS
MUSIC AND DANCING

Sampler Plate of Greek Specialties
Whole Lamb on the Rotisserie
BBQ, Hot Dogs, Desserts
Coffee/Frappes, Beverages
(Home Brew Beer Sampling & wine cash bar)

Proceeds will benefit

ROOF ABOVE

Free will offerings will be accepted.
Kindly consider a donation of
$30 per adult or $75 per family.
Your generosity will help our homeless neighbors.

Thank you to our sponsors!
To become a sponsor or to help at the picnic,
contact the office at 704-708-4669.
Visit the Narrow Path Bookstore for your Liturgical gifts shopping. Open on Sundays for 30 minutes after the Divine Liturgy.

Hand decorated Lambades (Pascha Candles) by the Greek Language School moms are available for sale each Sunday during Palm Sunday. $20 each while they last.
THE LIFE-GIVING SPRING

REDEDICTION
Sunday, May 12, 2024
Following the Divine Liturgy

As we honor our Mother the Theotokos
on Mother’s Day

Our beautiful Life-giving Spring Garden is being renewed and
rededicated on the occasion of its tenth anniversary.

The Feast of the Life-giving Spring is celebrated on the
Friday of Bright Week, May 10, 2024

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SPECIAL PRESENTATION
AS WE FOLLOW OUR LORD WITH HIS...

TRIALS THROUGH HOLY WEEK AND THE FINAL HOURS
Palm Sunday, April 28 | 5:00 To 6:45 PM
PRESENTED BY GERRY CLONARIS
ST. NEKTARIOS CHURCH
INCLUDING EXPERTS FROM THE SHROUD OF TURIN
(RECOMMENDED ALSO FOR CHILDREN 12 YEARS AND OLDER)
in-person and Via Zoom  Click here to join  Zoom ID 880-334-8094

BLOOD DRIVE
SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024
10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
on premises
Oneblood will give donors
a $20 eGift Card
and a Oneblood T-shirt.

Donating blood is an impactful way to contribute to your
community and is a potentially life-saving act that can make a
significant difference in the lives of those in need.

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

Spread the word to your Friends,
Neighbors, and Employers.

Shredding for Charity
Saturday, May 18
8:00 am to 1:00 pm

St. Nektarios Greek Orthodox Church
5108 Kuykendall Rd -- Charlotte, NC

Suggested donation of $35.00 per 95 gallon bin
(a $95.00 value)
Certificate of Destruction is included.

Any donation will benefit
St. Nektarios’ Missions and Philanthropy Ministry.

Start cleaning out your files!

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