

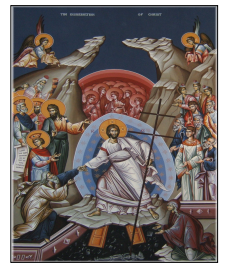


Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia

ST. SPYRIDON PARISH

Programme of Services

HOLY WEEK 2017



PALM SUNDAY 9 th April	Morning.....	Matins and Divine Liturgy 7.30 – 10.30 a.m. (HOLY COMMUNION and distribution of Palm Crosses)
	Evening.....	The Service of the BRIDEGROOM 7.00 – 8.30 p.m. (Procession of the Lord's Holy Icon)
HOLY MONDAY 10 th April	Morning.....	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 7.30 – 9.00 a.m. (HOLY COMMUNION)
	Evening.....	The Service of the BRIDEGROOM 7.00 – 8.30 p.m.
HOLY TUESDAY 11 th April	Morning.....	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 7.30 – 9.00 a.m. (HOLY COMMUNION)
	Evening.....	The Service of the BRIDEGROOM 7.00 – 8.30 p.m.
HOLY WEDNESDAY 12 th April	Morning.....	Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 7.30 – 9.00 a.m. (HOLY COMMUNION)
	Afternoon...	The Sacrament of Healing (HOLY UNCTION) 2.30 – 4.30 p.m. (Anointing with HOLY OIL)
	Evening.....	Matins of Holy Thursday 7.00 – 8.30 p.m.
HOLY THURSDAY 13 th April	Morning.....	Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St Basil the Great 5.00 – 7.00 a.m. (HOLY COMMUNION)
	Evening.....	Service of the HOLY PASSION OF CHRIST 7.00 – 10.30 p.m. (12 GOSPEL READINGS and Procession of HOLY CRUCIFIX)
HOLY FRIDAY 14 th April	Morning.....	The Service of the Great and Imperial Hours 7.30 – 9.30 a.m. (Decoration of Holy Epitaph)
	Afternoon....	Vespers – REMOVAL OF THE LORD FROM THE CROSS 3.00 – 5.00 p.m.
	Evening.....	The LAMENTATION Service 7.00 – 11.00 p.m. (The Lamentation Hymns and the Procession of the HOLY EPITAPH)
HOLY SATURDAY 15 th April	Morning.....	Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great 5.30 – 7.30 a.m. (HOLY COMMUNION with THREE PRIESTS)
	Evening.....	The Preparatory Service for the Holy Resurrection at 11.00 p.m. (Sharing of the HOLY LIGHT)
EASTER SUNDAY 16 th April	Midnight.....	The Service of the Life-giving and Glorious RESURRECTION of our Lord, followed by the Paschal Matins and the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom 12.00 - 2.15 a.m. (HOLY COMMUNION and distribution of EASTER EGGS)
	Morning.....	The Vespers of LOVE (during which the Holy Gospel will be read in several languages) will be held at the Cathedral of "The Annunciation of our Lady", 242 Cleveland Street, Redfern, <i>celebrated by His Eminence Archbishop Stylianos of Australia</i> , with the participation of His Grace, and all the reverend Clergy of Sydney 11.00 a.m. Our devout Parishioners are encouraged to participate in this JOYFUL Easter Service.

- **Holy Communion** is always administered just before the end of each Divine Liturgy Service. We are all encouraged to **come to Church much earlier** for our spiritual edification before receiving the Holy Eucharist.
- Our faithful are reminded that during all Holy Services **the Collection Trays** are situated mindfully at the Entrance of our Church. We all **give cheerfully** to the Church because the Church also helps **those who are in need and in pain**.
- Let us all please be **considerate of the neighbours** at all times when parking our car in the vicinity of the church.
- For the **visual participation** in the worship Services by the more than ten thousand faithful who will gather outside our church on Holy Friday and Holy Saturday, an appropriate **screen** will be positioned externally. Modern **technology** makes this possible. And the Church blesses its use.
- The **ANZAC Day** Service will be held at our War Memorial Church of St. Spyridon on Saturday 22nd at 9.00 in the morning. It is a very moving Service honouring Australia's fallen. Please wear your family's medals and come! It will be an honour.