

**Holy Archangels
 Orthodox Church**
 11126 Tuckahoe Rd., Denton, MD



2025 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

April 12	LAZARUS SATURDAY	WINE, OIL, AND CAVIAR
10AM	Divine Liturgy	Trapeza
<i>Right After Trapeza</i>	Festal Vespers for the Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem	<i>Blessing of Palms, Flowers, Willows</i>
April 13	PALM SUNDAY	FISH, WINE, AND OIL
10AM	Divine Liturgy, Entry of Our Lord into Jerusalem	<i>Procession of Palms, flowers, willows, Bridegroom Matins</i>
April 14	GREAT & HOLY MONDAY	STRICT FAST
6:00 PM	Bridegroom Matins	
April 15	GREAT & HOLY TUESDAY	STRICT FAST
6:00 PM	Bridegroom Matins	Hymn of Kasiana
April 16	GREAT & HOLY WEDNESDAY	STRICT FAST
6:00 PM	UNCTION, Bridegroom Matins, Great & Holy Thursday	<i>Betrayal of Judas, Hymnody of St. Kosmas</i>
April 17	GREAT & HOLY THURSDAY	WINE & OIL ALLOWED
10 AM	Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil – The Mystical Supper	<i>Rite of foot-washing</i>
6:00 PM	Passion Gospels – Matins of Great & Holy Friday	<i>Christ nailed to the cross, procession; bring something for kneeling</i>
April 18	GREAT & HOLY FRIDAY	Strictest Fasting Day (nothing cooked); nothing until after Vespers
3:30 PM	Vespers of the Taking Down from the Cross	<i>The beautiful Funeral Bier is decorated with flowers before services begin</i>
6:30 PM	Lamentations Service with Procession of the Bier	Blessing with Rose Water, Veneration
April 19	GREAT & HOLY SATURDAY	STRICT FAST - Wine, nuts and fruit (no oil)
10 AM	Divine Liturgy of St. Basil with the 15 Old Testament Readings	<i>Vestments changed to white for Pascha, first reading of the resurrection</i>
9:30 PM	HOLY PASCHA (Nocturnes, Procession, Divine Liturgy) FEAST OF FEASTS!	<i>Midnight RUSH Service; Blessing of Pascha baskets after service! Pascha Meal!</i>
April 20	GREAT and HOLY PASCHA day	No Fasting permitted!
3:00 PM	Joy-filled <u>Agape Vespers</u> with the Gospel Read in Many Languages	<i>Paschal Feast following the service—please bring a leftover dish, other to share!</i>

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