

FOR YOUR INFORMATION...

Passion Services (Passias), or the Sufferings of Christ, are conducted solemnly throughout Ukraine on the first four Fridays of the Great Fast, but where it is difficult to gather on that day, they are conducted on Sundays after the Divine Liturgy or after vespers.

A “Golgotha” (a tall icon of the crucified Christ) is placed in the center of the Church, and in front but to the sides are placed tall candle holders. A pulpit with the Holy Gospel placed on it is set behind the Golgotha. When a separate Golgotha is not available, then a larger cross, draped in black cloth, is set in its place.

Passion services were introduced into the Holy Ukrainian Orthodox Church first during the leadership of the Metropolitan of Kyiv, Petro Mohyla (+1647 AD), in remembrance of the sufferings of Christ and the sufferings of the Ukrainian Church under her oppressors. The people stand with lit tapers...

The Three Aspects of Fasting...

Prayer



Abstinence



Almsgiving



The Fast — is a period of spiritual strengthening. If we are not able to give God all our life, then let us dedicate the times of fasting to Him, without compromise — let us intensify our prayer, let us increase our charity, let us tame our passions, let us make peace with our enemies.

Fr. Alexander Elchaninov

Message from the Dean

Dear brothers & sisters in Christ of the
Ukrainian Orthodox Community in Edmonton!

On behalf of our Ukrainian Orthodox clergy, who serve the congregations of this God-saved city faithfully, I wish to convey our sincere & fervent prayers for a blessed & edifying fast.

With the blessing of His Eminence Ilarion, Metropolitan, of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of Canada, we are pleased to invite you to our Lenten services which serve to turn our focus to communion with God & to increase our knowledge of the Orthodox faith through interesting & interactive lectures.

We look forward to worshipping with you!

In Christ, the Saviour,
*Archpriest Cornell Zubritsky, Dean
Edmonton Ukrainian Orthodox Deanery*



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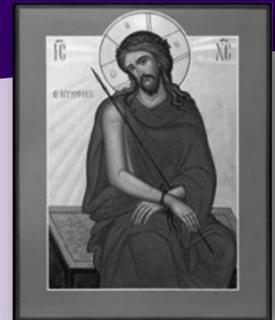
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Invites you & your
family to attend...

Lenten
Services 2025



The Holy &
Great Fast &
Holy Week

*“O Lord & Master
of my life... ”*

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES
THE HOLY & GREAT FAST
2025**

**THE FIRST WEEK OF THE
HOLY & GREAT FAST:**

**“FORGIVENESS” VESPERS
(6:00 PM)**

SUNDAY, 02 March

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist
(10951 — 107 Street)

**GREAT COMPLINE WITH THE READING
OF THE GREAT PENITENTIAL CANON
OF ST. ANDREW OF CRETE
(6:00 PM EACH EVENING)**

MONDAY, 03 March

St. Andrew Sobor
(9831 — 75 Street)

TUESDAY, 04 March

St. Elia Church
(11833 — 66 Street)

WEDNESDAY, 05 March

St. Michael Church
(12104 — 129 Avenue)

THURSDAY, 06 March

Ven. Anthony of Kyiv Church
(6103 — 172 Street)

**LITURGY OF THE PRESANCTIFIED
GIFTS
(6:00 PM)**

FRIDAY, 07 March

Cathedral of St. John the Baptist
(10951 — 107 Street)

**THE TRIUMPH OF
ORTHODOXY
(1st Sunday of the Fast)**



VESPERS

Sunday, 09 MARCH at 6:00 PM

**Cathedral of St. John the Baptist
(10951 — 107 Street)**

- Celebration with clergy & faithful of local Orthodox communities
- Cross Procession of icons with participation of children & youth from local Orthodox communities
- Light lunch & fellowship in the church hall, following Vespers

Come to proclaim & celebrate the truths of the Orthodox Faith with your brothers & sisters of the Orthodox communities in Edmonton & area!

(If you would like your child to participate in the Cross Procession, please speak with your priest.)

**HOLY MYSTERY OF UNCTION
(«Soboruvannya»)**

Wednesday, 16 APRIL at 6:00 PM

**St. Andrew Sobor
(9831 — 75 Street)**

**PASSIA SERVICES
(6:00 PM EACH SUNDAY)**

16 March

**2nd Sunday of the Fast
(St. Gregory Palamas)**

St. Elia Church
(11833 — 66 Street)

**Lecture:
Priest Yuriy Sucheuan**

23 March

**3rd Sunday of the Fast
(Cross Veneration)**

Ven. Anthony of Kyiv Church
(6103 — 172 Street)

**Lecture:
Archpriest Cornell Zubritsky**

30 March

**4th Sunday of the Fast
(St. John Climacus)**

St. Michael Church
(12104 — 129 Avenue)

**Lecture:
Protodeacon Anton Lakusta**

06 April

**5th Sunday of the Fast
(St. Mary of Egypt)**

St. Andrew Sobor
(9831 — 75 Street)

**Lecture:
Archpriest Dr. Timothy Chrapko**

All faithful are invited to enjoy a light lunch & coffee after each Passia & are encouraged to participate in the lectures. We look forward to your questions & the discussion of vital aspects of our common inheritance—the Holy Orthodox Faith!