



COPTIC ORTHODOX DIOCESE OF THE SOUTHERN UNITED STATES
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PASCHA WEEK 2015
SCHEDULE OF PRAYERS AND LITURGIES

*“For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing,
but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.” (1 Corinthians 1:18)*

Friday, April 3 END OF HOLY 40 DAYS	• Morning Raising of Incense and Unction of Sick • Liturgy	3:30–5:00 pm 5:00–7:00 pm
Saturday, April 4 LAZARUS SATURDAY	• Liturgy • Hosanna Sunday Vespers Praises and Vespers • Midnight Prayers and Praises	8:00–10:00 am 6:00–8:00 pm 8:00–10:30 pm
Sunday, April 5 HOSANNA SUNDAY 	• Procession and Matins (morning raising of incense)..... • Liturgy • General Funeral Prayers • Day of Sunday and Eve of Monday Pascha Prayers.....	7:00–8:30 am 8:30 am–Noon Noon–1:00 pm 5:00–8:00 pm
Monday, April 6	PASCHA PRAYERS	5:45–7:00 am
Tuesday, April 7	<i>three times</i>	11:00 am–1:00 (2:00 on Tues) pm
Wednesday, April 8	<i>each day</i>	6:30–9:30 pm
Thursday, April 9 COVENANT THURSDAY 	• First Hour of the Morning Pascha Prayers..... • Third, Sixth, and Ninth Hour Morning Pascha Prayers • Liturgy of the Water (laqqan)..... • Last Supper Liturgy • Eve of Friday Pascha Prayers	8:00–10:00 am 10:00–12:00 pm Noon–1:00 pm 1:00–2:30 pm 6:00–9:00 pm
Friday, April 10 GREAT FRIDAY 	• Great Friday Pascha Prayers	8:00 am–5:00 pm
Saturday, April 11 JOYOUS SATURDAY 	• Apocalypse Prayers (“Abu ghalamsis”) ❖ Joyous Saturday Liturgy • Midnight Praises • Feast of the Resurrection Liturgy ❖ Raising of Incense, Offering, and Readings ❖ Resurrection Enactment, Procession, and Sermon ❖ Liturgy and Communion	10:30 pm–4:30 am 4:30–6:30 am 5:00–7:00 pm 7:00 pm–12:30 am 7:00–9:00 pm 9:00–11:00 pm 11:00 pm–12:30 am
Sunday, April 12 FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION 	• Gathering at George Bush Park..... (Pavilion #3)	11:00 am–6:00 pm