

Third Sunday of Pascha— Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women, Pious Joseph of Arimathaea, & Righteous Nicodemus

May 12, 2019

# \*\*Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom\*\*

Priest: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down Death by death; and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

Choir then sings this twice, and Liturgy continues with the Great Litany.

#### THE FIRST ANTIPHON

Shout with joy to God, all the earth; sing to His Name, give glory to His praises.

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!

Say to God: How awesome are Thy works; let all the earth worship Thee, and sing to Thee. Let it sing a song to Thy Name, O Most High. (*Refrain*)

Glory... Both now... (*Refrain*)

#### THE SECOND ANTIPHON

May God have mercy upon us, and bless us, and may He cause His face to shine upon us, and have mercy upon us.

Refrain: O Son of God Who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy salvation among all nations; let the peoples give thanks to Thee, O God, let all the peoples give thanks to Thee. (*Refrain*)

May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear Him. (*Refrain*)

Glory... Both now... O, Only-begotten Son and Word of God...

#### THE THIRD ANTIPHON

• Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered, and let them that hate Him flee from before His face.

*Refrain:* Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death; and upon those in the tombs, bestowing life!

- As smoke vanisheth, so let them vanish; as wax melteth before the fire. (*Refrain*)
- So let sinners perish at the presence of God, and let the righteous be glad. (*Refrain*)
- This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad therein. (*Refrain*)
- \* After the verses of the Third Antiphon, chant the following:

#### **ENTRANCE HYMN OF PASCHA**

In the gathering places bless God the Lord, from the springs of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, for now we sing unto Thee: Alleluia, alleluia!

Now sing these Apolytikia in the following order.

#### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

# APOLYTIKION OF JOSEPH OF ARIMATHAEA IN TONE TWO

The noble Joseph, when he had taken down Your most pure body from the Tree, wrapped it in fine linen and anointed it with spices, and placed it in a new tomb. But You rose on the third day, O Lord, granting the world great mercy.

#### APOLYTIKION OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN (TONE 2)

The angel came to the myrrh-bearing women at the tomb and said: Myrrh is fitting for the dead; but Christ has shown Himself a stranger to corruption! So proclaim: the Lord is risen, granting the world great mercy.

#### TROPARION OF ST. GEORGE IN TONE FOUR

As deliverer of captives and defender of the poor, healer of the infirm and champion of kings, victorious Great-martyr George, intercede with Christ our God that our souls may be saved.

#### KONTAKION OF PASCHA IN TONE EIGHT

You descended into the tome, O Immortal one. You destroy'd the pow'r of death. In victory You arose, O Christ God, proclaiming "Rejoice!" to the Myrrh-bearing Women, granting peace to Your apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

# THE EPISTLE

The Lord is my strength and my song. The Lord has chastened me severely.

# Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (6:1-7)

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the Twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch.

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These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

# THE GOSPEL

# Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark (15:43-16:8)

At that time, Joseph of Arimathaea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the Kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if He were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether Jesus was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that He was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking Him down, wrapped Him in the linen shroud, and laid Him in a tomb, which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where He was laid. And when the Sabbath was passed, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices so that they might go and anoint Him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, Who was crucified. He has risen, He is not here; see the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His Disciples and Peter that He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him, as He told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

## PARISH UPDATES

**Adult Education Class (Q&A)**—Join us after Coffee Hour in the Church for a 30-minute session.

Bethesda Gardens visitation with the residents at 2:00p TODAY.

**Graduation & Church School Recognition Day (Sunday, May 19):** We will make a special recognition of our youth and young adults in our parish community that are graduating from school, as well as those who participated in our Church School program this past year. If your graduate would like to be recognized, please fill out and return the form inserted in the Sunday bulletin.

**Ladies' Society Meeting (Sunday, May 19):** Join us after Coffee Hour, includes a Security Awareness Seminar led by Steven Ellis.

**Paschal Donations:** It is a pious custom to make a special offering in thanksgiving for our Lord's saving Resurrection during this time of year. If you would like to do so, please consider donating toward some liturgical & parish items that are in need; please discuss with Fr. Paul.

Congratulations and "welcome home" to the newly-illumined Lueke Family (Matthew, Alisha, Phoebe, Chloe, & Athan) as they entered into the Orthodox Church through the Sacrament of Chrismation this past Sunday during Divine Liturgy. May God grant the Lueke Family and their sponsors (George & Cathy Azar) many years!

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Wednesday, May 15	Vespers	6:00p
Saturday, May 18	<b>Great Vespers</b>	6:00p
Sunday, May 19	Matins	9:00a
	Divine Liturgy	10:00a

## **HOLY OBLATION & FELLOWSHIP HOUR**

## TODAY – May 12, 2019

**Holy Oblation and Fellowship Hour** offered and sponsored by Rosemary T. Kassis, for the health and well-being of her family and in memory of her husband, +Mose Kassis, and his brothers, +George and +Charlie. We will offer a memorial service for them.

# May 19, 2019

**Holy Oblation and Fellowship Hour** offered and sponsored by the Bocard Family and Joanna Dailey, for the health and well-being of their families and on the occasion of the Chrismation of Joanna into the Orthodox Church and for all the graduates of this parish.

## May 26, 2019

**Holy Oblation and Fellowship Hour** offered and sponsored by Michael & Nancy Ellis, for the health and well being of their family and on the occasion of Katherine's birthday.

#### HAPPY MAY BIRTHDAYS

ADAM AZAR	12TH
LINDA TANOOS	15TH
PDN. ELIAS COREY	18TH



## **SUMMARY**—**MAY** 5, 2019

#### **WEEKLY INCOME**

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Pledges & Assessments	\$ 2,561.00
Candles/Cash	\$ 172.00
Food for Hungry People	\$ 10.00
Bookstore	\$ 100.00
Donations	\$ 2,025.00
Total	\$ 4,768.00

Divine Liturgy Attendance: 95

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## **Parish Council**

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# **Parish Organizations & Ministries**

Ladies' SocietySociety of St. GeorgeMaintenanceEsther SimbolZack Kassis

<u>Choir</u> <u>Teen SOYO</u> <u>Stewardship</u> Jaimie Ellis Jillian Turner, President Michael C. Ellis Joanna Dailey Jennifer Turner, Advisor Zack Kassis

Social Center Coordinator
Michael C. Ellis

#### **Church School Teachers**

Pre-K & K1st & 2nd3rd-5thMaria StraubPaula PowellGina WhiteAdrian PolitSandy KassisTricia Tanoos

Middle School
Stacey Bocard
Adam Azar

High School
Christy Ellis