



**New Sunday or “Anti-Pascha”—
Sunday of St. Thomas the Apostle**

May 5, 2019

Saints of the Day:

Great-martyr Irene of Thessalonica;
Venerable Euthymios, Bishop of Maditos in Thrace

****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, alleluia!**

After the Little Entrance, sing these Apolytikia in the following order.

APOLYTIKION FOR THOMAS SUNDAY IN TONE SEVEN

From the sealed tomb, You shone forth, O Life! Through closed doors You came to Your disciples, O Christ God! Renew in us, through them, an upright spirit, by the greatness of Your mercy, O Resurrection of all!

KONTAKION OF PASCHA IN TONE EIGHT

You descended into the tome, O Immortal one. You destroyed 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

Great is the Lord, and great is His power. Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.

Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (5:12-20)

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the Apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the Apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

THE GOSPEL

Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (20:19-31)

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the Disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the Disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other Disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe."

Eight days later, His Disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the Disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His Name.

St. George Terre Haute—PARISH UPDATES

"Days of Rejoicing" (Monday & Tuesday, May 6 & 7): Radonitsa ("Day of Rejoicing") is a commemoration in the Orthodox Church which falls on the Monday or (more commonly) Tuesday of Saint Thomas Week—eight or nine days, respectively, after Pascha(Easter). **These days are a general memorial for the departed.** It may seem strange call a memorial for the departed "joyful," but the Christian belief that lies behind this joy is the remembrance of Christ's Resurrection and the hope it brings to all. One of the customs is to visit the graves of departed loved ones at the cemetery for a memorial service to share in the "joy" of the Resurrection season!

Fr. Paul will be available on these two days (May 6 & 7) to visit departed loved ones at their gravesides with family and friends—please contact him (502-592-9981) to schedule a visit!

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.

PARISH UPDATES

Ladies' Society Meeting (Sunday, May 19): Join us after Fellowship Hour, gathering 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 towards some liturgical & parish items that are in need; please discuss with Fr. Paul.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Q&A SESSIONS

2ND SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH
AFTER COFFEE HOUR
FOR 30 MINS

BE INFORMED &
GROW IN YOUR FAITH

Adult
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Formation

SUMMARY – April 28, 2019

WEEKLY INCOME

Pledges & Assessments	\$ 1,605.00
Candles/Cash	\$ 413.00
Food for Hungry People	\$ 100.00
Donations	\$ 1,145.00
Total	\$ 3,263.00

Divine Liturgy Attendance: 130

HOLY OBLATION & FELLOWSHIP HOUR

TODAY—May 5, 2019

Holy Oblation and Fellowship Hour offered by the Ladies' Society, in honor of all the women of St. George for Mother's Day.

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

AVAILABLE—Graduation Recognition Day

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

Jordan Shahadey	9th
Christ Milienu	9th
Amy Issa	11th



LITURGICAL SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Monday & Tuesday, May 6-7	Days of Rejoicing (Cemetery Visits)	
Wednesday, May 8	Vespers	6:00p
Saturday, May 11	Great Vespers	6:00p
Sunday, May 12	Matins	9:00a
	Divine Liturgy	10:00a

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