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Vol. 79 No. 1812 **Sunday, April 24th, 2022**



The Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom- 9:00 am

Epistle: Acts 1: 1 - 8 Tropar & Kondak: pages 193 - 196 Gospel: John 1:1 - 17

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April 25 - Bright Monday

Resurrection Matins – 8:15 am
Divine Liturgy – After Matins (Approximately 9:00 am)
Epistle: Acts 1:12-17, 21-26 Gospel: John 1:18-28

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April 26- Bright Tuesday

Resurrection Matins – 8:15 am
Divine Liturgy – After Matins (Approximately 9:00 am)
Epistle: Acts 2:14-21 Gospel: Luke 24:12-35

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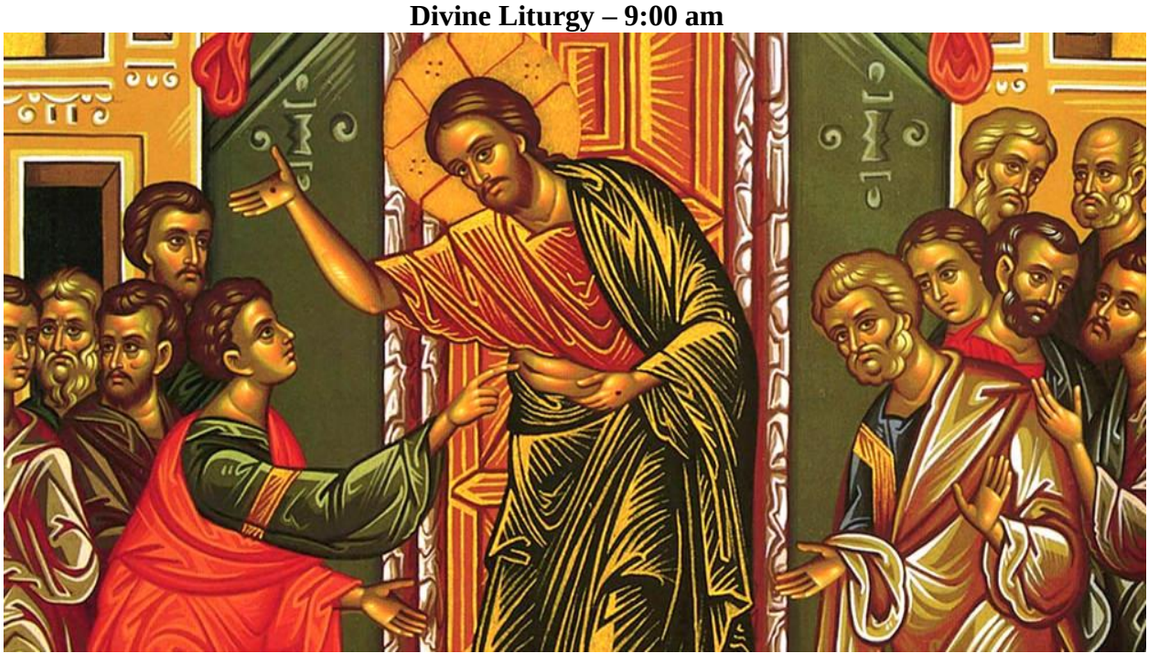
Sat. 4/30 … Great Vespers……..……..……6:00 pm

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Sunday, May 1st, 2022

The Second Sunday of Pascha
St. Thomas Sunday

Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am



Resurrection Tone 1
Epistle: Acts 5:12-20 Tropar & Kondak: pages 193 & 199 Gospel: John 20:19-31

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Priests Convocation at Camp Nazareth Tuesday May 3rd – Friday May 6th

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Friday May 6, 2022

Feast of the Great Martyr George

Divine Liturgy - 9:00 am

Remembered in Proskomedia - + Departed members of the Yurcisin & Popovich Families offered by Ann Melanie Yurcisin;
+***John Sr., Michael, John Jr. & Mary*** offered by Mary Yech;
+***Anna Jovorka-Knaze*** offered by grandson Steve Knaze
+***George and Pauline Stegura*** offered by Pauline Stegura
+***Anna Dzura*** offered by Pani Kathy Buczak; and
+***Mark DeCoske*** (Birthday Remembrance) offered by wife, Rose Ann, son Eric, and grandson Milo

Tropar & Kondak: pages 158
Epistle: Acts 12:1-11 Gospel: John 15:17-16:2

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Sat. 5/07 … Great Vespers……..……..……6:00 pm

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Sunday, May 8th, 2022

Third Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women – Mother's Day

Divine Liturgy/Choir Sunday – 9:00 am **Sunday School –10:20 am**



Panachida for ***+Katherine Rogel and Pani Patsy Joseph*** offered by Father Robert and Pani Kathy Buczak; ***+Leonard F. Messner*** offered by his wife, Julie; ***+Ann Homyak*** offered by Mary Tavalsky; ***+Margaret "Peg" Ryan*** offered by Carol Skrack;

Resurrection Tone 2

Tropar & Kondak: pages 193 & 200

Epistle: Acts 6:1-7 Gospel: Mark 15:17-27; 16:1-2

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Services for the week of May 8th

Tue. 5/10 … +Fr. Peter Pavlinchak; +Helen and Vasil Chopey offered by Anna Smider; +George and Helen Pazuchanics; +Helen Krett offered by Edward and Rita Hanechak; +Joseph Bearjar and +Mary and Michael Burcha (Perpetual)……8:00 am

Thur. 5/12 … +Stella Matola offered by Linda Matolya, Barbara, Mary and Melanie Gribb; and +Anna Repischak (Birthday Remembrance) offered by Mary Maka……8:00 am

Sat. 5/22 … Great Vespers……..……..……6:00 pm

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Sunday, May 15th, 2022



Fourth Sunday of Pascha

Sunday of the Paralytic

Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am Sunday School – 10:20 am

Panachida for ***+Fr. Michael Rosko*** offered by Father Robert and Pani Kathy ***+Elsie Arendas*** offered by Sue Deitle and Family; ***+Michael J. Hanak*** offered by Kimberly & Jeff Granito; ***Xenia Myria; +Frank Anthony Rolley 3rd*** offered by Frank and Evelyn Rolley; ***+Bishop Methodius Kancuha***; ***+Father Andrew Korinko*** offered by Pani Emily Molchany; ***+Bishop Peter Shymansky***; and ***+Richard Nitkulinec***

Resurrection Tone 3 - Tropar & Kondak pages 193 & 202

Epistle: Acts 9:32-42 Gospel: John 5:1-15

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CAMP NAZARETH SUMMER CAMP 2022
REGISTRATION NOW OPEN
Don't delay – the weeks will fill up quickly

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BIBLE STUDY - Tuesday, May 11th, 2022 @6:30 pm

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BIRTHDAY PRAYERS – are offered ***Joey Sally (4/24), Jonah Strenski (4/24), Jillian Billetdeaux (4/25), John Barley (4/27), Barry Gilchrist (5/1), Pani Betty Jean Baranik (5/5), Donald Bodnar (5/6), Helen Krenisky (5/7), Veronica Buczak (5/7), Anastasia Benc (5/8), Michael Miller (5/8), Abigail Barley (5/8), David Kovalik (5/9), Stephen Knaze II (5/9), Stephen Machik (5/10), Lukas R. Miller (5/11), and Gregory Horbal (5/12).***

You were remembered in Proskomedia!

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BULLETIN SPONSOR – The Cathedral Jottings Bulletin is sponsored on April 24th in memory of +***Daniel Tvarozna and +Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dutko offered by the Tvarozna family***

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ALTAR CANDLES – The Altar Candles are offered on the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord (April 24th) in memory of ***+Michael Pysh by Anne Pysh and Dave and Melanie Dudak.***

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ALTAR CANDLES – The Altar Candles are offered on May 8th in memory of +***Greta Horbal offered by the family as a Birthday Remembrance.***

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ALTAR FLOWERS – the Altar is beatified with flowers on May 15th in memory of ***+Ann Kalcik by Susan Kalcik and Ann Fischbach.***

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ETERNAL LAMP – The Eternal Lamp is offered the week of April 24th in memory of +***Daniel Tvarozna by wife, Dee and sons Zachary and Luke***; the week of May 8th in memory of ***+Ann Homyak by Carol Devine***; and the week of May 15th in memory of +***Peg Ryan by Kris Bunda***.

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INCENSE OFFERINGS - Thank you!

The Incense is offered on the Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord in memory of ***husband, Leonard and parents, Michael and Anastasia Pirich by Julie Messner.***

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SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

The Easter Candy sell went well. Thank you to all who bought or sold candy. Special Thanks to Amanda Dutko who chaired the project. Kurtis Dutko was the top seller.

We collected 90 pairs of socks during our sock collection for the homeless. They were delivered to a shelter on Bedford Street.

There is no class on Sunday, May 1st, 2022.

The last day of Sunday School is May 22nd, 2022.

Graduate Sunday is June 5th, 2022.

The Sunday School wishes all a blessed and glorious Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

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DAY WITHOUT EVENING

To the Orthodox, the celebration of Pascha reveals the mystery of the eighth day. It is not merely an historical reenactment of the event of Christ's Resurrection. It is a way to experience the new creation of the world, a taste of the new and unending day of the Kingdom of God.

This new day is conveyed to the faithful in the length of the paschal services, in the repetition of the paschal order for all the services of Bright Week, and in the special paschal features retained in the services for the forty days until Ascension. Forty days are, as it were, treated as one day.

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Belief in the Resurrection

We believe in the Resurrection of the dead. For there will be in truth, there will be, a resurrection of the dead, and by resurrection we mean resurrection of bodies. For resurrection is the second state of that which is fallen. For the souls are immortal by grace, and hence how can they arise again? For if they define death as separation as the separation of soul and body, resurrection is surely a reunion of soul and body, and the second state of the living creature that has suffered dissolution and downfall. It is, then, this very body, which is incorruptible and liable to dissolution, that will rise again incorruptible.

Saint John Damascene

Moreover, even the Lord in the holy Gospels clearly allows that there is a resurrection of the bodies. ‘For an hour is coming in which all those in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall go forth – they who did good things to a resurrection of life, but those who practiced bad things to a resurrection of condemnation (John 5:28-29_. Now no one in his senses would ever say that the souls are in the graves.

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CUSTOMS OF THE RESURRECTION

ROYAL DOORS – The Royal Doors (Center Doors) remain open throughout Bright Week. This symbolizes that through the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Paradise is opened for mankind to enter. They are closed at the end of Bright Week when we hear on St. Thomas Sunday that the Lord came through the closed doors and appeared to his Disciples.

DEACON'S DOORS – The "Deacon's Doors (the doors through which the deacon goes in and out) remain open for forty days. This symbolizes that the Resurrected Lord spent forty days teaching and instructing his Disciples. They are closed after the fortieth day on the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord into Heaven.

STANDING IN PRAYER – NO KNEELING – After entering the Nave of the Church and venerating the icon on the Sacramental Table, we "stand" to pray in the pew. There is no kneeling anytime until the Feast of Pentecost as the priest prays for the Descent of the Holy Spirit to come upon the Faithful of the Church.

"CHRIST IS RISEN" – For the next forty days, we greet each other with the Paschal Tiding "Christ is Risen". Try it out. Instead of good morning or hello, greet each other by proclaiming the Risen Lord; you may be surprised with the reaction you receive; "Christ is Risen!"

MALES ENTER FIRST – This one may cause grief to our "politically correct" society. It is customary during the Paschal Season for the male member of the family to enter the house first when visiting relatives or friends. As he enters the home, he proclaims the greeting "Christ is Risen".

THE HOLY SHROUD (PLASCHANITSA) – The Holy Shroud of Our Lord is taken from the tomb and placed on the Holy Altar Table. The Divine Liturgy is served on it for the next forty days.

SPECIAL BLESSINGS FROM THE PRIEST – In our Tradition, During Bright Week, the priest blesses with the Troytsa (the Triple Candle) which also has the Icon of the Resurrection attached. The priest blesses with the Hand Cross for the remaining days of the Feast.

RED EGGS – Holy Tradition says that after the Resurrection of Our Lord, Mary Magdalene went to Pontius Pilate and gave him a red dyed egg and told him "Christ is Risen!" The egg which was colored red symbolized the blood of the Crucified Lord; but after you remove its shell, it appears as white as the light! (What a shock for him).

These are but a few of our traditions; you may have many more in your household. Never let them die out! Christ is Risen!

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Feast of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ

Holy Week comes to an end at sunset of Great and Holy Saturday, as the Church prepares to celebrate her most ancient and preeminent festival, Pascha, the feast of feasts. The time of preparation will give way to a time of fulfillment. The glorious and resplendent light emanating from the empty Tomb will dispel the darkness. Christ, risen from the dead, cracks the fortress of death and takes "captivity captive" (Psalm 67:19). All the limitations of our createdness are torn asunder. Death is swallowed up in victory and life is liberated. "For as by a man came death, by a man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive" (I Corinthians 15:21-22). Pascha is the dawn of the new and unending day. The Resurrection constitutes the most radical and decisive deliverance of humankind.

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is the fundamental truth and absolute fact of the Christian faith. It is the central experience and essential kerygma of the Church. It confirms the authenticity of Christ's remarkable earthly life and vindicates the truth of His teaching. It seals all His redemptive work: His life, the model of a holy life; His compelling and unique teaching; His extraordinary works; and His awesome, life-creating death. Christ's Resurrection is the guarantee of our salvation. Together with His Ascension it brings to perfection God's union with us for all eternity.

The Resurrection made possible the miracle of the Church, which in every age and generation proclaims and affirms "God's plan for the universe, the ultimate divinization of man and the created order." The profound experience of and the unshakable belief in the risen Lord enabled the Apostles to evangelize the world and empowered the Church to overcome paganism. The Resurrection discloses the indestructible power and inscrutable wisdom of God. It disposes of the illusory myths and belief systems by which people, bereft of divine knowledge, strain to affirm the meaning and purpose of their existence. Christ, risen and glorified, releases humanity from the delusions of idolatry. In Him grave-bound humanity discovers and is filled with incomparable hope. The Resurrection bestows illumination, energizes souls, brings forgiveness, transfigures lives, creates saints, and gives joy.

The Resurrection has not yet abolished the reality of death. But it has revealed its powerlessness (Hebrews 2:14-15). We continue to die as a result of the Fall. Our bodies decay and fall away. "God allows death to exist but turns it against corruption and its cause, sin, and sets a boundary both to corruption and sin." Thus, physical death does not destroy our life of communion with God. Rather, we move from death to life - from this fallen world to God's reign.



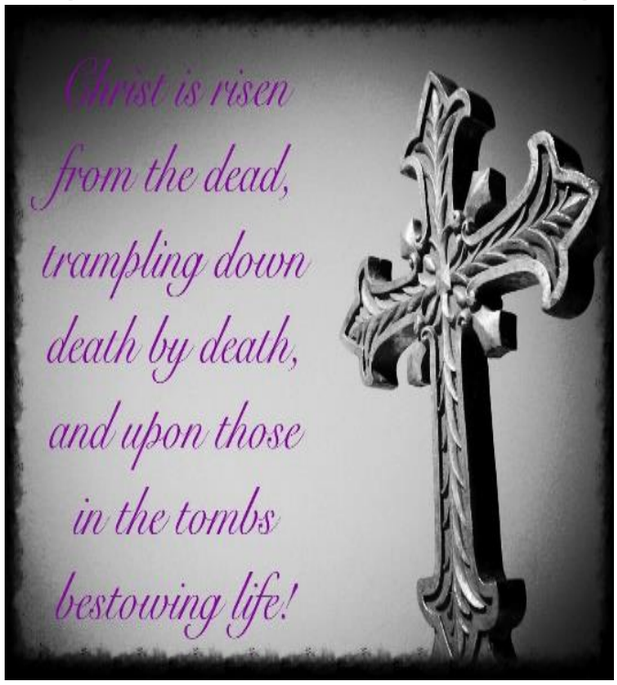
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Resurrection Homily of John Chrysostom

Let all pious men and all lovers of God rejoice in the splendor of this feast; let the wise servants blissfully enter into the joy of their Lord; let those who have borne the burden of Lent now receive their pay, and those who have toiled since the first hour, let them now receive their due reward; let any who came after the third hour be grateful to join in the feast, and those who may have come after the sixth, let them not be afraid of being too late, for the Lord is gracious and He receives the last even as the first.

He gives rest to him who comes in the eleventh hour as well as to him who has toiled since the first: yes, He has pity on the last and He serves the first; He rewards the one and is generous to the other; He repays the deed and praises the effort. Come all: enter into the joy of your Lord. You the first and you the last, receive alike your reward; you rich and you poor, dance together; you sober and you weaklings, celebrate the day; you who have kept the fast and you who have not, rejoice today. The table is richly laden: enjoy its royal banquet. The calf is a fatted one: let no one go away hungry. All of you enjoy the banquet of faith; all of you receive the riches of His goodness. Let no one grieve over his poverty, for the universal kingdom has been revealed; let no one fear death; for the death of our Saviour has set us free: He has destroyed it by enduring it, He has despoiled Hades by going down into its kingdom, He has angered it by allowing it to taste of His flesh.

When Isaiah foresaw all this, he cried out: “O Hades, you have been angered by encountering Him in the nether world.” Hades is angered because it has been destroyed, it is angered because it has been reduced to naught, it is angered because it is now captive. It seized a body, and lo! It discovered God: it seized earth, and behold! It encountered heaven, it seized the visible, and was overcome by the invisible. O death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory? Christ is risen and you are abolished, Christ is risen and the demons are cast down, Christ is risen and the angels rejoice, Christ is risen and life is freed, Christ is risen and the tomb is emptied of the dead: for Christ, being risen from the dead, has become the Leader and Reviver of those who had fallen asleep. To Him be Glory and power unto the ages of ages amen.



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