

# CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*“Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave,  
be strong. Let all that you do, be done with love.” 1 Corinthians 16:13-14*



## SUNDAY APRIL 26, 2015

**3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA — Tone 2. Myrrhbearing Women.** Hieromartyr Basil, Bishop of Amasea. St. Stephen, Bishop of Perm. Righteous Virgin Glaphyra. St. Joannicius of Devich in Serbia.

**Epistle:** Acts 6:1-7

**Gospel:** Mark 15:43-16

### UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

**April 26, Sun: MYRRBEARING WOMEN.** Adult Ed -8:30am; **Divine Liturgy -9:30am;** Church School & Fellowship –following; Demopoulos/Lopez Litya – following;

**Ft. Indiantown Gap Grave Blessing - 2pm**

**Readers:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour: **Sophia Kellachow** · 6<sup>th</sup> Hour: **Vladimer Kellachow**

**Epistle: Rdr. Peter (Scott) Staller** Post-Communion: **Rdr. Peter**

**April 27, Mon:** Men's Club Meeting -7pm

**April 29, Wed:** Bible Study (33 N 2<sup>nd</sup> St) –noon; **Vespers -6:30pm;** Choir Rehearsal –following

**April 30, Thu: APOSTLE JAMES. Matins -9am;** Bible Study -9:30am; Penn State OFC- 3:45pm

**May 1, Fri:** Parish Game Night -7pm

**May 2, Sat: Vespers & Confession -5pm**

**May 3, Sun: VEN. THEODOSIUS.** Adult Ed -8:30am; **Divine Liturgy -9:30am;** Church School & Fellowship –following; CPR Class - 1pm; Softball - 5:30pm

**Readers:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour: **John Shingara** · 6<sup>th</sup> Hour: **Leavitt Keener**

**Epistle: Rdr. Matthew (Chet) Lubecki** · Post-Communion: **Sunday School Teens**

**May 4, Mon:** St. Mary's Altar Guild Meeting -7pm

● **ANCIENTFAITHRADIO.COM** - 24 hour Orthodox Internet Radio

● **OrthodoxyinAmerica.org** (Traveling or Going on Vacation?) **check it out!**

**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!** Please join us for fellowship in the **church hall** following the service. If you are interested in becoming a part of our community please ask to speak to Fr. Stephen Vernak. Please note: Only those faithful who are Orthodox Christians and have properly prepared themselves by fasting (*from all food and drink*), prayer, and recent confession; and who were present for the reading of the Epistle and Gospel, should approach to receive the Holy Eucharist.

## PARISH PRAYER LIST:

Please remember the following persons during your daily morning and evening prayers. **Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless requested.** Submit names to the office by Wednesday for inclusion.

**AILING: PARISHIONERS:** Salwa Shunnara; Gloria Skirpan **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Sophia Krut (Jim's mother); James Rosso (Bill Kuchta's nephew); Michael Drozd, Sr. (Bobs father); Matt Findling, Janet Walsh, Paul Anderson (Debbie Hisiro's friends & family); Gladys Bams (John's mother); child Tori Brackbill & parents; Lois Tress, Jim Tessier (friend & family of Gloria Maliniak); Peggy Walker & Margaret Pellack (Kathy Pankiw's family); David Bacha (brother of Cathi & Lydia); Luke Spaseff; Emily Campbell & Carrie Faust (Jerry Cole's cousin & friend); Joan Conte & Marion Shortall (Cindy's family); Andrea Faber (cousin of Jean Dotsey); Jason Nesbit, (friend of the Cain's); Marsha Himic (Dana Watts mother); Paul Evans & Michalene Scheponik (Rapso), (M. Theodora godson & family); Mary & Frank Tonart (Sophia Kellachow's parents); Diane Chambers & Helen Lanwehr (Anna Doray's family); Keturah Faust (J. Bams & L. Shuga's friend); John Fatich (Kuzupas family); Joseph & Steven Demchak, (Suzanne's brothers);

**HEALTH & WELL-BEING:** Suffering Christians throughout the world, especially, the people of Syria, Iraq, Palestine, Israel; Egypt, & Ukraine; and Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo held hostage by Syrian Terrorists; **PARISHIONERS:** Lazarus (Manny) & Samantha Lopez; Ron & Libby Hancher; Rdr. Peter (Scott) Staller; Keith Leader; Thomas Drebot; Andy Fedetz; Nicholas Somple; Gloria Maliniak; Sue Wolfe; Ghebremichael Habtegeorghis; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas **HOME-BOUND & IN-CARE FACILITIES:** Betty Danko; Nicholas Demopoulos (Sam's cousin); Nicholas Essis; Ann Pusey; Agnes Risser; Millicent Russell; Shirley Sass; Salwa Shunnara; **EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** Aurika Vrabie; Natalia (Kovalak) Seewald; Meghan (McGinnes) Vickers; Kristen Iwancio, and the children to be born of them; **COLLEGE STUDENTS:** David Ambartsumian, Yerusalem Arefe, Thomas Asfaha, Masha Cameron, Jessica Drebot, Matthew Hadginske, Shreya Jacob, Cathi Kemp; Zachary Koss, Christina Martin, Joseph McClure, Alex Pankiw, DJ Pawlush, Molly Pylypciw, Sophia Ressetar, Jessica Shingara, Shane Staller, MaryAnn Wood. **MILITARY:** Jared Burgan; Patrick Hofmann; Evangelos Kanellakos; Stephanie King; Matthew Pylypciw; David Riesberg; Thomas Shingara; Michael Somple **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Yassin Alisheikh & Aaron Dayer (Eden Aray's friends); Georgia Demchak (sister-in-law of Suzanna); Susanne Stablum (relative of Eleanor Herman); Katie McGarrity (friend of the Lenker's & Zart's); Christine Eshelman (sister of Patty Taleff); William Schaeffer, Leonard Morris, Albert, Cathy, Seraphima Mattile & John Branht (family and friends of John R Bams); child Maksim Sysak; Faye Hake (Jesse's mother); Linda Shue (Sharon Shingara's mother); Nancy Coles (John & Chris' mother); Ginny Ranck & Mike Frizzi (Keener friends); Timothy Cooney (Anna Doray's nephew); Fr. John & M. Stephanie Onofrey; Ben Morgan (Sally Marasco's son); Marie Cini (Bob's mother); Christine Kihm, Charles Kline, Margaret & Cecilia Hunt (Larry Smith's family); Willard Brown. **SEMINARY FAMILY:** Joseph & Rachel Frangipani - Anthony **CATECHUMENS:** Jesse Hake; Matthew & Rachel Brubaker - Anastasia, Michael Loar; Bette Keener; Christine Lamb

**NEWLY DEPARTED:** Tommy Kerrigan (family friend of Bob Drozd) – April 20; 30 Ethiopian New Martyrs of Libya - April 17; Vera Radanovic (Godmother of John & Jean Dotsey) –April 11; 147 Christian students Martyred in Kenya – April 2; Protopresbyter Thomas Hopko – Mar 18

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED:** Mary Demchak, mother of Suzanne, Apr 26 -46<sup>th</sup>; Sebastian Bishop, great grandson of Father Claude, Apr 26 -10<sup>th</sup>; Helen Neff, Pat Drebot's sister, Apr 26 -9<sup>th</sup>; Bishop DANIEL, April 26 -5<sup>th</sup>; Dr. John S. Thomsen, uncle of Larry Smith, Apr 27 -5<sup>th</sup>; Frank Skirpan, Apr 28 – 1<sup>st</sup>; Frank Rodak, unde of Barbara Norato, Apr 30 -1<sup>st</sup>; Evelyn Bacha, sister of Andy Fedetz & mother of Lydia Mantle & Cathy Kemp, May 1 – 44<sup>th</sup>; James Wolfe, father of Sue, May 1 -26<sup>th</sup>; Randall Paules, Patty Taleff's nephew, May 2 - 4<sup>th</sup>

**CANDLE OFFERINGS:** To purchase commemoration candles, please go to the candle desk or speak with one of the vestrymen. Please note: offerings must be in the office by Wednesday for inclusion.

❖ Seven Day Votive is in Memory of Mary Demchak, mother of Suzanne

**MANY YEARS:** Please submit to [office@ctshbg.org](mailto:office@ctshbg.org) by the preceding Wednesday.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Fr. Stephen Vernak (ordination to Priesthood) – Apr 28

**BIRTHDAYS:** Molly Pylypciw – Apr 28; Fr. Stephen Vernak – Apr 29; Robel Kesete – May 2

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

**Special Thanks:** It was a joy to celebrate our parish feast this past weekend! We had a lot of visitors, and a beautiful Paschal Liturgy and procession. A special thanks to Josh DiFlorio and our parish Men's Club for preparing a delicious breakfast and to Sophia Kellachow and her "crew" for organizing an "egg-cellent" first annual egg hunt. Next year we will be asking you to use this event as an opportunity to invite family members and friends to church, and also as an outreach to our local community!!"

**Ft. Indiantown Gap Grave Blessings:** **TODAY, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 2pm** we will meet at the Visitor Center.

**Parish Board Game Night:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Parish Game Night will be held this **Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7pm**. All in attendance at the last game night had a wonderful time! If you have any questions please see Robbin Staller

**Opening Day 2015:** Last season's **Champions**, *Christ the Saviour Softball Team* will start the new season on **Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30pm**. All games are at Veterans Park off Elmerton Ave. All games will be listed on the monthly calendar and in the "Upcoming Services & Events" section of the bulletin. *Come out and support our team for another great chance of the Championship!!*



**Attention Class of 2015 Graduates:** CTS graduate recognition will be on **Sunday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**. We ask that all High School & College graduates and or their families should submit a photo and a brief bio which should include: Name, Graduated From, Future Plans, & Major. *Please email the information to [office@CTSHBG.org](mailto:office@CTSHBG.org) by May 25<sup>th</sup>.*

**CPR Class:** will be held at the parish hall on **Sunday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1pm**. Please contact **David Martin** at [dcmartin20014@aol.com](mailto:dcmartin20014@aol.com) for more information. Cost is \$30, and space is limited to 10.

**SAVE the DATE St. Jerome Book Club:** The St. Jerome Book Club will be kicking off its first meeting on Sunday, July 19 at 2 pm. We will be discussing Fr. Andrew Damick's new book, *An Introduction to God*. This book will be available to purchase from the bookstore. A few copies will be made available to borrow from the library. For more information, please contact Fr. Stephen ([svernak@hotmail.com](mailto:svernak@hotmail.com)) or Jacob Lentz ([jacob@jacoblentz.com](mailto:jacob@jacoblentz.com)).

**Seminary Scholarship:** We are looking to fund a half-scholarship (**\$3,750.00**) for the **Frangipani family** (*Joseph, Rachel, and their child Anthony*). Make checks payable to: Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church and write "**Seminary Scholarship**" on the memo line. • **UPDATE: \$1,770 raised. Thank you! May is our final month to collect donations – please consider making a donation in the next couple of weeks!**

**UPDATE Lost & Found:** Numerous items are being left in the vestibule such as hats, scarfs, jackets, and umbrellas just to name a few. A **Lost & Found Box** will be in the vestibule for you to see if any of the lost items are yours.

- **Please Note:** On **Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>** the items will be taken to charity.

**Fellowship Hour Schedule:** Parishioners are asked to help by bringing at least 48 servings of items, such as: soup, fresh fruit, vegetables, cheese, bagels or bread, baked goods and to serve them during their assigned fellowship hour. **\*Please observe a "strict fast" (no meat or dairy products) during the fasting seasons.** If you are unable to be at church on your scheduled date contact **Nadzia Schilling** at 652-2759

**May 3:**  
**May 10:**  
**May 17:**

**Denise Zullo**  
Sharon Shingara  
Sandy Wood

**Janice Zuro**  
Vicky Henry  
Jean Dotsey

**Donna Bretz**  
Dana Watt  
Ann Cole

**LAST SATURDAY VESPERS: 39 • LAST SUNDAY LITURGY: 149**

## EVENTS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

**A Christian Ending:** On **Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** from 9:30am to 5pm *Holy Apostles Mission* will host a workshop with **Dn. Mark & Mat. Elizabeth Barna** on *Preparing for Death & Burial in the Orthodox Christian Tradition*. Light snacks & lunch will be provided, *Great Vespers* will be held at 6pm. For more information please visit [www.holyapostleschurch.org](http://www.holyapostleschurch.org), [HAOMarimathean@gmail.com](mailto:HAOMarimathean@gmail.com) or call 717-691-1600

**St. Tikhon's Summer Camp:** Registration due **May 16<sup>th</sup>** - download your forms at [www.stikhonscamp.org](http://www.stikhonscamp.org). Email [info@stikhonscamp.org](mailto:info@stikhonscamp.org) or call 570-493-0108. The camp is **July 5 -11** at St. Tikhon Seminary.

**Panera Bread Pick-Up Volunteers:** Saturday evenings between 10:15-10:30 at the **Hummelstown Panera** (1178 Mae St., Hershey Square). Please contact **Sophia Kellachow at** ([jmkellachow@gmail.com](mailto:jmkellachow@gmail.com)) if you are interested in joining a rotation or have any questions.

- **Important Request:** we are asking for volunteers to take the remaining bread after fellowship on Sunday to the Bethesda Mission or another worthy charity on a weekly basis. More hands will help lighten the load! Thank you!

**Calling all volunteers!** Volunteers are needed to assist at the **Agia Sophia Coffee Shop**. We are looking for Monday morning and Friday morning especially! **In house training will be provided!** Please feel free to contact Joanne Wevodau at **717-580-4833** or e-mail [jwevodau@verizon.net](mailto:jwevodau@verizon.net)