

CHRIST THE SAVIOUR ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you. *Mark 5:19*

SUNDAY May 1, 2016

HOLY PASCHA — THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. [Beginning of the Pentecostarion]. Prophet Jeremiah. Ven. Paphnutius, Abbot of Boróvsk. New Martyrs Euthymius, Ignatius, and Acacius, of Mt. Athos. Hieromartyr Makáry (Macarius), Metropolitan of Kiev. Martyr Bata the Persian. Rt. Blv. Tamára, Queen of Georgia. Ven. Nicephoros of Chios. Icon of the Most-holy Theotokos, "UNEXPECTED JOY."

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8

Gospel: John 1:1-17

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

- May 1, Sun:** PASCHA, RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, GOD, AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST. *Procession, Matins, Hours & Divine Liturgy -12am; Blessing of the Baskets -following; Agape Vespers (Gospel in many Languages) – noon*
- May 2, Mon:** BRIGHT MONDAY. *Pan-Orthodox Divine Liturgy -9:30am;* Festive Pot-luck (Parish Hall) – *following; Paschal Vespers -6:30pm;* Men's Club Meeting – *following*
- May 3, Tue:** BRIGHT TUESDAY, VEN. THEODOSIUS OF THE KIEV CAVES. *Paschal Vespers - 6:30pm;* Softball Games -8pm
- May 4, Wed:** BRIGHT WEDNESDAY. *Paschal Vespers -6:30pm*
- May 5, Thu:** BRIGHT THURSDAY, GREAT MARTYR IRENE
- May 6, Fri:** BRIGHT FRIDAY, LIFE-GIVING SPRING. *Pan-Orthodox Divine Liturgy -9am (Matins 8am) @ St. Nicholas (Oberlin)*
- May 7, Sat:** BRIGHT SATURDAY, ST. ALEXIS TOTH. Egg Hunt -3pm; *Vespers-5pm with Archbishop MARK*
- May 8, Sun:** ST. THOMAS SUNDAY, MOTHERS DAY, PARISH FEAST DAY. *Hours -9:10am; Divine Liturgy -9:30am with Archbishop MARK;* Feast Day Luncheon –*following*
Readers: 3rd Hour: Lydia Mantle • 6th Hour: Eleanor Herman
Epistle: **John Shingara** • Post-Communion: **Larry Smith**

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: Kevin Herman; Mike Mallick **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Martha Rapso (cousin of M. Theodora); Catherine O'Shinski (sister of Dotty Fedetz); Emil Bolha, Felicia Rodrigo (family of the Leer's); Dennis Madeira (friend of the Dupkanick's); Robert Rosso (nephew of Bill Kuchta); Sloan Nesbit (cousin of Jason Zeppuhar); M. Janet Koczak; Olga Zuzulock, William Harter & Ron Hassinger (family & friend of Kathy Pankiw); Sally Sauserman (aunt of Jean Dotsey); Milt Lambertson; Fred & Joan Rice, Rick & Tanya Rice (friends of Samantha Lopez); Jim Walters & David Roberts (friends of John R. Barns); Katie McGarrity (friend of the Lenker's & Zart's); Paul Semanco (cousin of M. Mallick); Harry & Rita Demopoulos (family of Sam Lopez); Elaine Callihan (friend of Bob Drozd); Karen Osuch (John's sister-in-law); Irene (Tom Drebot's mother-in-law); Kathy Fedetz (Craig's wife); Ed Cales (friend of the Lopez's); Raymond & Evelyn Anderson, Paul Anderson, Amanda Somerville, Kerry Snell & Family (Debbie Hisiro's family & friends); Gladys Barns (John's mother); Jim Tessier (family of Gloria Maliniak); Luke Spaseff; Emily Campbell & Natalie Coles (Jerry's cousins); Diane Chambers (Anna Doray's family); Keturah Faust (J. Barns & L. Shuga's friend); John Fatich (Janet Kuzupas brother); Joseph & Steven Demchak, (Suzanne's brothers);

HEALTH & WELL-BEING: Victims of Terror, War, and Strife throughout the world. Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo held hostage by Syrian Terrorists; **PARISHIONERS:** Ron Hancher Sr.; June Taleff; George (Leavitt) Keener; Joseph (Moe) Mazurek; Kathryn Kellachow; Andy Fedetz; Gloria Maliniak; Sue Wolfe; Ghebremichael Habtegeorghis; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas. **HOME-BOUND & IN-CARE FACILITIES:** Betty Danko; Nicholas Demopoulos (Sam's cousin); Nicholas Essis; Katharine Macut; Adam Mallick; Ann Pusey; Millicent Russell; **EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** M. Anastasia Hojnicky; Kyra Lentz; Elizabeth (Alison) Latimer; Danielle Zuro and the children to be born of them; **COLLEGE STUDENTS:** Yerusalem Arefe, Thomas Asfaha, Masha Cameron, Jessica Drebot, Matthew Hadginske, Shreya Jacob, Bahliby Kidane, Cathi Kemp; Madeleine Kushlan; Christina Martin, Evan McGreevy, Timothy Monko; Alex Pankiw, DJ Pawlush, Molly Pylypciw, Sophia Ressetar, Jessica Shingara, Stephanie Stine **MILITARY:** Evangelos; Stephanie; Matthew; David; Thomas; Michael; PJ & Peter **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Tsehay Gingrich, Nema Garza, Paulos Tcuc (friends of Yorusalem Tesfazion); Paul & Kay Maliniak (family of Gloria); Fr. Michael Hatrak; Mat. Joanne Bohush (Natalia Seewalds aunt); Fr. John Nightingale; Vera Zbicki, Olga Angelo, & Pauline Fecho (family of the Hancher's); Michael Bell (Michele Gopinath's father); Walter & Gloria Onufrak; Nese Family (friends of the Zeppuhars); Willard Brown; Cindy Stewart (friend of Debbie Hisiro); Christine Eshelman (sister of Patty Taleff); David Roberts, William Schaeffer, Shirley Glade & Nancy Sheaffer (family & friends of John R Barns); Linda Shue (Sharon Shingara's mother); Nancy Coles (John & Chris' mother); Ben Morgan (Sally Marasco's son); Marie Cini; Cecilia Hunt (Larry Smith's cousin); **SEMINARY FAMILY:** Joseph & Rachel Frangipani - Anthony **CATECHUMENS:** Matthew & Rachel Brubaker - Anastasia; Bette Keener; Katherine Sager;

NEWLY DEPARTED [40TH DAY]: Kris Conforti (friend of the Pawlusch's) - April 29; *infant* Lily Rodrigo - April 29 (family of the Leers); John Schilling Sr. (John's father) - Apr 27 [6/5]; Agnes Risser - Apr 2 [5/11]; Joseph Reid (neighbor of Pat & Tom Drebot - Apr 1 [5/10]; Anna Antonio (Jim's mother) - Apr 1 [5/10]; Tori Brackbill - Mar 27 [5/7]; Gebrekristos (Gabe) Gebre - Mar 23 [5/1];

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED: Evelyn Bacha, sister of Andy Fedetz & mother of Lydia Mantle & Cathy Kemp, May 1 - 45th; James Wolfe, father of Sue, May 1 - 27th; Randall Paules, Patty Taleff's nephew, May 2 - 5th; Elisha Avery Lentz, infant of Jacob & Kyra, May 2 - 7th; Bernard Kozuck, +George Krempasky's brother-in-law, May 4 - 55th; Brian Ribarro, cousin of Paul Hadginske, May 5 - 6th; Mary Essok, May 6 - 9th; Daniel Radonovic, Dotsey family godfather, May 7 - 7th;

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 offered in Memory of Evelyn Krempasky, from Joan & Metro Kondratick

MANY YEARS: Please submit to <mailto:office@ctshbg.org> by the preceding Wednesday.

ANNIVERSARIES: James & Heidi Kushlan - May 4; Jacob & Kyra Lentz - May 5; Richard & Sandra Wood - May 6;

BIRTHDAYS: Robel Kesete - May 2; Jacob Herman - May 3; Roman Lentz - May 5; Danielle Zuro - May 7;

NEWLY CHRISMATED: Ronald (Peter) Miller

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Basket Blessing and Fellowship: Immediately following the Dismissal, please gather next door at the parish hall, where we will bless Pascha baskets and enjoy a time together in fellowship "breaking" the fast.

Agape Vespers: Later today, **Sunday, May 1st at noon** we will gather again to celebrate the Paschal Vespers. This is the first service of "Renewal Week" – we look forward to continuing our celebration of Holy Pascha with all of you!

2nd Annual Community Easter Egg Hunt: Will be held on **Saturday, May 7th @ 3pm!** This will be a community Easter Egg hunt for all ages, and even a special scavenger hunt for 10-12 year olds! We encourage everyone to **bring a friend**; if you do - you'll get an "egg-stra" treat! Any questions please see **Sophia Kellachow-Katerman** or email her at jmkellachow@hotmail.com.

Grave Blessings: On **Sunday, May 15th** following Divine Liturgy & parish breakfast Father Stephen will be blessing graves. Please contact him for arrangements, pastor@ctshbg.org or 652-1825

Parish Feast Day (St. Thomas) – Next Sunday, May 8th:

- **Archpastoral Visit:** Welcome to His Eminence Archbishop Mark! Eis Polla Eti Dhespota!
- **Festal Luncheon:** Following Liturgy sponsored and prepared by our Men's Club – No charge!

Special Intention List UPDATE: Mrs. Dotty Barbu address is 1207 Logan Blvd. Altoona, PA 16602

Gift Card Program: The latest gift card order forms are in the vestibule.

St. Tikhon's Monastery 112th Pilgrimage: Will be held Memorial Day Weekend, **May 27th -30th** the full schedule is located in the vestibule, hall and at www.oca.org

Softball Season is HERE! The 2016 Schedule is posted in the church hall; the first games are on **Tuesday, May 3rd @ 8pm @ Veterans Park**, off Elmerton Ave. All games are double-headers. Come out and root for our 5-time defending league CHAMPS!

Attention High School & College Graduates: On **Sunday, June 12th** we will hold our annual *Graduate Recognition*, please submit a jpeg photo, a brief bio on the school you graduated from, and future plans to office@ctshbg.org before **Sunday, June 5th**.

Vestry Youth Mentoring Program: Teens will be pairing up with Vestry Members to enrich their church experience (as well as train them for adult roles). If a youth is unable for their assigned Sunday or if you wish to be added to the schedule please see or email **Joanne Wevodau** at jwevodau@verizon.net

May 1:

PASCHA

May 8: Salina Kidane

Sammy Kidane

May 15: Nicole Zart

Benjamin Zart

St. Mary's Altar Guild 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 1:

Pascha

May 8: Parish Feast Day Luncheon

May 15: Raissa Merdiuszew

Olga Womer

Cindy Shortall

LAST SATURDAY VESPERS: 48 • LAST SUNDAY LITURGY: 247

EVENTS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

St. Tikhon's Summer Camp: Registration is now open for "campers"; Camp will be held **July 3rd - 9th**. Registration forms can be downloaded at www.sttikhonscamp.org - deadline is **May 28th**.

St. Tikhon's Seminary Century Association - Hospitality A La Russe VII: Will be held on **Sunday, May 15th** at St. John's Orthodox Cathedral in Mayfield, PA. Tickets \$40.00, children under 12 is \$10.00. RSVP by **Sunday, May 8th**. For more information please see the flyer in the church hall.

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) if you are interested in joining a rotation or have any questions.

Agia Sophia Coffeehouse & Bookstore

- **Fourth Annual Lenten Book Drive:** Collection bin is in the vestibule. We especially are looking for Bibles and books on Orthodox Theology and Spirituality.
- **Volunteers needed** to cook (flexible hours) on Wednesday and Friday. Also needed are counter volunteers Wednesday mornings 8am to 1 pm. In house Training! Contact Joanne Wevodau at 717-580-4833 or jwevodau@verizon.net