

# 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 8, 2016 Happy Mother's Day

ANTIPASCHA. 2nd SUNDAY OF PASCHA — Tone 1. Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian. St. Thomas Sunday. Ven. Arsenius the Great. Ven. Arseny the Lover-of-Labor and Pimen the Ascetic, of the Kiev Caves.

Epistle: Acts 5:12-20

Gospel: John 20:19-31

### UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

- 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:* 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour: **Lydia Mantle** • 6<sup>th</sup> Hour: **Eleanor Herman**  
Epistle: **John Shingara** • Post-Communion: **Larry Smith**
- May 9, Mon:** Fr. Stephen at all-day Clergy Retreat; Altar Guild Meeting – 7pm
- May 10, Tue:** APOSTLE SIMON THE ZEALOT
- May 11, Wed:** SS. CYRIL & METHODIUS. Bible Study (33 N 2<sup>nd</sup> St) –noon; Prospora Baking - 4pm; **Compline -6:30pm**; Parish Education: *The Icon Corner & Home Prayer w/John Barns -following (Parish Hall)*
- May 12, Thu:** ST. EPIPHANIUS. "O" Club Meeting -7pm
- May 14, Sat:** "Orthodox Perspective on Islam" @ Holy Apostles (Mech.) - noon; *First Holy Confessions; Vespers & Confession -5pm*
- May 15, Sun:** MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN. **Proskomedie - 8:30am; Divine Liturgy - 9:30am;** Church School, Confession Class Breakfast, & fellowship –*following*; **Grave Blessings;** Softball Games -7:30pm  
*Readers:* 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour: **Sophia Kellachow** • 6<sup>th</sup> Hour: **Vladimir Kellachow**  
Epistle: **Larry Smith** • Post-Communion: **Janice Zuro**

**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:** Edna Pashke, Marilyn Schawk, Denny Bupp (family & friends of the Kushlans); **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); **Olga Zuzulock, & 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); **Paul Semanco; Harry & Rita Demopoulos** (family of Sam Lopez); **Elaine Callihan** (friend of Bob Drozd); **Karen Osuch** (John's sister-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; Sophia Kellachow; Bahliby Kidane; Cathi Kemp; Madeleine Kushlan; Christina Martin, Evan McGreevy, Timothy Monko; Alex Pankiw, DJ Pawlush, Molly Pylypciw, Sophia Resselar, Jessica Shingara, Stephanie Stine **MILITARY:** Evangelos; Stephanie; Matthew; David; Thomas; Michael; PJ & Peter; **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Yohannes Tesfai (Maaza husband); Tsehay Gingrich, Nema Garza, Paulos Touc (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 [40<sup>TH</sup> DAY]:** Jean Demchak (Sue's brother) – May 5; Katie McGarrity (friend of the Lenker's & Zart's) – May 2 [6/10]; John Kasevich (Bill Kantor's nephew) – Apr 30 [6/8]; Kris Conforti (friend of the Pawlush's) – April 29 [6/7]; **infant Lily Rodrigo** (family of the Leers) Apr 29 [6/7]; **John Schilling Sr.** (John's father) –Apr 27 [6/5]; **William Harter** (cousin of Kathy Pankiw) – Apr 23 [6/1]; **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];

**ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED:** Alexander Awale, May 8 -5<sup>th</sup>; Stella Delewski, grandmother of George Hatalowich, May 8 -41<sup>st</sup>; Anna Yatko, Adam Mallick's sister, May 8 – 8<sup>th</sup>; Anne Zerbe, Cathy Kemp's godmother, May 9 - 6<sup>th</sup>; Michael Yannone, May 9 -36<sup>th</sup>; Luke Mosser, infant son of Eric & Elise, May 9 - 9<sup>th</sup>; Nicholas Philapovich, grandfather of Sue Wolfe, May 10 -58<sup>th</sup>; Anna (Dolly) Mallick, wife of Adam & mother of Michael, May 10 -17<sup>th</sup>; Charles Edwards, father of Lorrie Pawlush, May 10 -31<sup>st</sup>; Sister Paula Kiersey, friend of John Barns, May 11 -7<sup>th</sup>; Peter Fatula, May 12 – 7<sup>th</sup>; Ed Baker, friend of Joshua DiFlorio, May 12 -10<sup>th</sup>; Archpriest Nicholas Yuschak, May 12 – 7<sup>th</sup>; Elizabeth Schilling, John's mother, May 13 - 6<sup>th</sup>; Lou DiNafo, Moe's son-in-law, May 13- 4<sup>th</sup>;

**CANDLE OFFERINGS:** To purchase please speak with one of the vestrymen. Note: notify the office by Wednesday.

❖ Seven Day Votive is offered in Memory of Anna "Dolly" Mallick, mother of Michael

**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; Peter & Patti Taleff - May 8;

**BIRTHDAYS:** Robel Kesete – May 2; Jacob Herman – May 3; Roman Lentz – May 5; Danielle Zuro – May 7; Paul Drebot Jr. - May 10; Asier Araya –May 10; Brendan Zeppuhar - May 11; Bob Drozd - May 11; Arun Gopinath - May 11; Jessica Taleff - May 14

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

## **Parish Feast Day (St. Thomas Sunday) – TODAY May 8<sup>th</sup>:**

- **Archpastoral Visit:** Welcome to **His Eminence Archbishop Mark** - Eis Polla Eti Dhespota! Also Dn. Mikel Hill, who is a student at St. Tikhons; as well as Frs. John Maxwell & Paul Fetsko (a "parish son") who are both visiting from Ft. Smith Arkansas.
- **Festal Luncheon:** Following Liturgy sponsored and prepared by our Men's Club. **\$8** suggested donation.

**Happy Mother's Day:** The Sr. "O" Club will hand out gifts to honor all the women of the parish. *May God grant them many years!* A special "Thanks" to the "O" Club for providing the Mother's Day gifts each year!

**Baby Bottle Blast:** For the 8<sup>th</sup> year in a row, we are participating in the Capital Area Pregnancy Center's annual Baby Bottle Blast fundraiser running from **Mother's Day (5/8)** to **Father's Day (6/19)**. Following today's Liturgy you will receive your baby bottle that can be filled with change, bills/checks. We are encouraged to pray for moms, dads, and their unborn children while we fill our bottles. Our church community has been extremely generous in the past and we thank you in advance for your contributions! With any further questions, please see **Christina Yerke**.

**Grave Blessings:** On **Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>** following Divine Liturgy & fellowship Father Stephen will be blessing graves. Please contact him for arrangements, pastor@ctshbg.org or (717) 652-1825

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

**Notes from Parish Council:** John Shingara is chair of the newly formed Adult Education Committee. ◇ New windows will be installed in the Hall Basement/Sunday School Rooms. ◇ Gutters and down spouting on the Hall will be replaced in the next month ◇ Tithes to the following charities for the month of April: Mission trip for Sub deacon Vlashi Gallagher, St. Tikhon's Seminary, Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry, St. Vladimir's Seminary, Mission of Mercy, and to Holy Transfiguration Monastery. ◇ Axios ("Worthy") to Father Stephen on being elevated to the rank of Archpriest by the Holy Synod of Bishops

**St. Tikhon's Monastery 112<sup>th</sup> Pilgrimage:** Will be held Memorial Day Weekend, **May 27<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>** the full schedule is located in the vestibule, hall and at [www.oca.org](http://www.oca.org).

- **Update:** A bus will be chartered by the Frackville Deanery for the **Annual Pilgrimage** to St Tikhon Orthodox Monastery on May 30<sup>th</sup>. It will leave the parking lot at Christ the Saviour at **6:30 a.m.** and it will leave for home at **4:30 p.m.** The fare is \$30 per seat and RSVPs are due **May 23<sup>rd</sup>**. Call Fr Dan Ressetar at 717-545-5054 for RSVPs. Checks should be made payable to Christ the Saviour Orthodox Church.

**Attention High School & College Graduates:** On **Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto:office@ctshbg.org) before **Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**. **NOTE:** Photos and information will also be shared with our Diocese for a special edition of the "Alive in Christ" magazine.

**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](mailto:jwevodau@verizon.net)

<b>May 8:</b>	<b>Salina Kidane</b>	<b>Sammy Kidane</b>
May 15:	Nicole Zart	Benjamin Zart
May 22:	Gabby Yerke	Eden Araya

**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

<b>May 8:</b>	<b>Parish Feast Day Luncheon</b>		
May 15:	Raissa Merdiuszew	Olga Womer	Cindy Shortall
May 22:	Larissa Shuga	Janice Zuro	Mary White

**PASCHA MATINS & DIVINE LITURGY: 267**

## EVENTS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

**St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church:** Will host their Annual Picnic on **Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup>** from noon to 8pm @ Serb Park (off Eisenhower Blvd). Please see the flyer in the church hall.

**Pan-Orthodox Christian Singles:** Will host a Hike and/or Dine event on **Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>**. For more information please see the flyer in the church hall or contact V. Rev. Gregory Safchuk at 301-320-0739 or [gsafchuk@hotmail.com](mailto:gsafchuk@hotmail.com)

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

**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.

### **Agia Sophia Coffeehouse & Bookstore**

- **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](mailto:jwevodau@verizon.net)