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Divine Liturgy Schedule
April 7, 2024, A. D.
Christ is Risen! Indeed, He Is Risen!
Christos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!



Saturday, April 6
6:00 PM

THOMAS SUNDAY

†Thomas & Catherine Bukoski-Thomas Bukoski

Sunday, April 7
10:30AM

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†John Skordy- Helen Lipowski

Thursday, April 11
10:00AM

†John Matthews-John J. Cienki

Friday, April 12
10:00AM

God's Blessings for America-Tom & MaryAnn Potsko

Saturday, April 13
6:00 PM

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARNG WOMEN

†Ted Weron- Joan Skordy

Sunday, April 14
10:30AM

SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARNG WOMEN

†Dr. Michael Sawczuk- Gayle & Bob Miles



Petitions & Prayers for Our Parishioners: Please pray for our Parishioners: Assisted Living: Mary Hoolick. **At Home:** Geraldine Adamchak; Shirley Kozar, Dolores Miller, Rita Kurtz, Diane Petry, Mary Louise Bailey. **Away:** Leona Kobela. **Prayer Request:** Michelle Miller; Kerri; Ellen Kobela, Fr. Peter Waslo; Sister Evhenia Prusnay MSMG; Mary Oresick; Fr. Paul Wolensky, Pavlyk Motychka (baby in Ukraine with SMA); Joyce Kishbaugh, Ken Weber; Marie Slota; Fr. Gregory Maslak, Angel Ocasio, Elizabeth Biasci, Dolores Jennings, Barnett Kurtz, Mike Oresick., Debbie Schwartz, Ed Schwartz.

THOMAS SUNDAY

April 7, 2024

After the priest has exclaimed, **Blessed be the Kingdom... and the people have responded, Amen, the clergy sing the Paschal Troparion once and the people repeat it.**



Then, the clergy sing the first half, and the people conclude it.

PASCHAL TROPARION: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling death by death, and to those in the tombs giving life.

According to Galician usage, we continue to sing the First Antiphon of Pascha and the Third Antiphon, "Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord" with the refrain "Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death" until the eve of Ascension.

FIRST ANTIPHON:

Shout with joy to the Lord, all the earth; sing to his name, give glory to his praise! **Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us!**

Say to God: how awesome are your works. Because of the greatness of your strength your enemies will fall before you!

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us!

Let all the earth worship you and sing to you; let it sing to your name, O Most High!

Through the prayers of the Mother of God, O Savior, save us!

GLORY BE TO THE FATHER... O ONLY BEGOTTEN SON...

THIRD ANTIPHON:

Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God, our Savior.

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs, bestowing life.

Let us come before His face with praise, and acclaim Him in psalms.

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs, bestowing life.

For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth.

Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tombs, bestowing life.

TROPAR: While the tomb was sealed, O Christ God, You dawned as life from the sepulcher, and while the doors were shut, You came to Your disciples, the Resurrection of all, renewing a right spirit in us through them, according to Your great mercy.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

KONDAK: With his searching hand, Thomas explored Your life-giving side, O Christ God. For when You entered while the doors were shut, he called out to You with the rest of the Apostles: You are my Lord and my God!

PROKIMEN: Great is our Lord and great is His strength; and of His knowledge there is no end. Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good; may praise be sweet to our God. Great is our Lord and great is His strength; and of His knowledge there is no end.

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



Brethren, now many signs and wonders were regularly 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 esteem. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them, that they might be delivered from their infirmities. The people also gathered from the towns all 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 public prison. But during the 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."



ALLELUIA: Alleluia (3). Come, let us sing joyfully to the Lord, let us acclaim God our Savior. Alleluia (3). For God is the great Lord and the great king over all the earth. Alleluia (3).



PRAYER TO SAINT MICHAEL: Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do you, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Gospel of John 20:19-31



When it was late, that same day, the first of the week though the doors where the disciples gathered had been closed for the fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst and said to them "Peace be to you!" And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples therefore rejoiced at the sight of the Lord. Jesus therefore said to them again, "Peace be to you! As the Father has sent me, I also send you." When he had said this, he breathed upon them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit; whose sins you shall forgive, they are forgiven them; and whose sins you shall retain, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails and put my hand into his side I will not believe." And after eight days his disciples were again inside and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being closed and stood in their midst, and said "Peace be to you!" then he said to Thomas "Bring here your finger and see my hands; and bring here your hand and put it into my side; and be not unbelieving but believing." Thomas answered and said to him "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Because you have seen me, Thomas, you have believed. Blessed are they who have not seen, and yet have believed." Many other signs also Jesus worked in the sight of his 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.

IN PLACE OF "IT IS TRULY PROPER": The Angel cried out to the One full of Grace: O chaste Virgin, rejoice! And again, I say, "Rejoice." Your Son has risen from the tomb on the third day and raised the dead. Let all people rejoice! Shine, shine, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you! Exult now and be glad, O Sion! And you, O chaste Mother of God, take delight in the resurrection of your Son.



COMMUNION VERSE: Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem. Praise your God, O Sion. Alleluia (3).

IN PLACE OF: "Blessed is He"..., "We have seen the true light...", "May our mouths be filled...", "Blessed be the name...", "Glory be to the Father...": Christ is risen from the dead, conquering death by death, and to those in the tomb bestowing life. (3 times for each.)

Christós anésti! "Alithos Anesti!"

**Christós anésti ek nekrón, thanáto thánaton patísis, ké tíς en tíς mnímasi, zoín
charisámenos!**

**Χριστός ανέστη εκ νεκρών, θανάτω θάνατον πατήσας, και τοις εν τοις μνήμασι ζωήν
χαρισάμενος.**

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and to those in the tombs,
granting life.



April 2024

The **Altar Candles** are given by Tom & MaryAnn Potsko in
loving memory of Theodore Kulmatiski.

The **Eternal Light** is given by Brian & Joanne Kawczenski
In loving memory of Mary & Leo Kawczenski.

The **Candle Before the Theotokos** is given by
Lisa Placek in loving memory of Edward & Anna Kroll.

The **Candle before the Icon of Jesus Christ** is given by the
Father Walter for All the Sick & Homebound of the Parish.

The **Candle before St. Nicholas** is given by Ed & Mary Schwartz
For God's Blessings on their grandchildren, Christopher & Samantha.

**Please keep in mind that there are many open
Candle spots for the month of April.**

CHURCH NEWS Christ is Risen! Indeed He Is Risen! ХРИСТОС БОКРЕЦЕ !



THERE SHOULD BE NO KNEELING DURING THE PASCHAL SEASON UNTIL PENTECOST SUNDAY. This regulation is mentioned by the Council of Nicaea, which met in the year 325, and also set the date for Pascha. Our Father, Saint Basil the Great, explains that this symbolizes our personal resurrection as well as our calling to higher, heavenly things.

FLEA MARKET & FOOD SALE PROFITS: Our deepest gratitude to all the Parishioners who worked, donated & made these events possible! It was a tremendous effort! Words are not effective to express our gratitude!

PYROHY FOR SALE: We have potato pyrohy for sale in the church basement for \$10.00 a dozen.

SOROKOUSTY SERVICE: The fifth Sorokousty is Saturday, May 18 at 8:00 am.

EARTH DAY CLEANUP: The Nanticoke Conservation Club will have it's City Wide Earth Day Clean-up on Saturday, April 20th. Please come out and help. Further information is on the website for the City of Nanticoke or the sign in back of the church.

ZONING VARIANCE: Please note that on Thursday, May 23, the City of Nanticoke will hold a meeting at 6:00PM to discuss an application for a zoning variance which is required to establish 4 apartment buildings (12 Units each) "behind Birchwood Nursing," which is the general location of this apartment complex. (See the pink sign outside out Parking Lot.) Keep in mind that this is Phase I – they are considering Phase II.

MOTHER'S DAY: Mother's Day is Sunday, May 12th this year. Don't forget to remember your mother!



CHURCH USE LIBRARY: The library will be in the back of the church for meditation and use during the Period prior to Pentecost. Please sign out books if you take them home.

I'D LIKE TO SHARE A NOTE ANONYMOUSLY THAT WAS RECEIVED IN THE RECTORY BECAUSE I AM CERTAIN THIS PARISHIONER IS NOT THE ONLY ONE WHOM HAD THIS EXPERIENCE - "I found the Vespereal Liturgy on Holy Saturday incredibly beautiful and the Verses quite profound. I was deeply moved. I never realized."