

The Saint Nicholas Chronicle

Christ is Risen!

Indeed He is Risen!



Christos Voskrese!

Voistinnu Voskrese!

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SUNDAY APRIL 22, 2018 - THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN AND JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA

PARISH CALENDAR

Sunday April 22 – *Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women and Joseph of Arimathea* (Third Sunday of Pascha)

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) – pp. 200-201 (including the Antiphons from Pascha)

Epistle: Acts 6:1-7

Gospel:

Mark 15:42-47, 16:1-8

Panachida for Denise Sovitch given by Laurence Czibik.

Sunday April 29 – *Sunday of the Paralytic* (Fourth Sunday of Pascha)

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) – pp. 202-203 (including the Antiphons from Pascha)

Epistle: Acts 9:32-42

Gospel:

John 5:1-15

Panachida for Anna Rodino given by Family.

Confessions: (30 minutes) **Prior to** as well as **following scheduled services.** When you come for Confession, please prepare yourself and sit in the front pew. If you cannot make the scheduled service times, please let me know and we can set up a time that is convenient for you. Thank you!

Please Keep in Your Prayers

Living : Fr. Lawrence Barriger. Fr. Michael Polanichka. Fr. John Gido. Fr. Luke Mihaly. Fr. George Hutnyan. Fr. James Gleason. Fr. Tom Kadlec. Fr. George Dursa. Fr. Jonathan Tobias. Fr. Michael Rustick. Fr. John Baranik. Fr. Nicholas Wyborski. Fr. John Zboyovski. Fr. Robert E. Lucas. Deacon James Phifer. Pani Donna Smoley. Pani Linda Barriger. Pani Constance Miloro. Pani Amy George. Pani Peggy Teklinski. Reese: Eric, Tamsen, James, Gineva, Benjamin, and Thomas. Stephen Barnett. Ann Richardson. Joseph Kacaba. Lorraine Kacaba. Lovie Swingle. Stephanie Bonk. Bill Wassel. Owen Bonn. Gloria Bracey. Susan Danchak. Michael Danchak. Jada Eiden. Madelyn Hodanich. Margaret Skotlewski. John Hrywnak. Johnny Huniyack. Mary Phillips. Anna Mae Kuklis. Rose Markiewicz. Maryann Ludwig. Karen Rolka. JoyAnn Scarnato. Amy Shimo. Frank Shimo. Russell Spilka. Rita Sher. Jeff Thomas. Janet Pugh. Gary Wassel. Elizabeth Dutko. AnnMarie Tigue. Michael Coviello. Mary Kay Wroblewsky.

At home : Michael Andreosky. Ann Richardson. Anna Senich.

Assisted Living : Marion Sosnowski. Delores Naglak. Susan Danchak.

Eternal light : In memory of Donald Naglak given by Delores Naglak.

Parish Life

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND OUR CHURCH:

April 15, 2018

FILL UP THE BREADBASKETS OF NEPA!

Please remember those families who rely upon food donations to help make ends meet! We have a food donation container in the Church Hall, and ***we need your help*** to fill this container with non-perishable food items: cans, dry goods, etc.

"Then the King will say to those on His right hand, 'Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: for I was hungry and you gave Me food...'"

\$366.00	General Collection
\$74.00	7 Day Light
\$28.00	Holy Days
\$21.00	Eternal Light
\$10.00	Taper candles
\$25.00	Easter Offering
\$200.00	Memory of Denise Sovitch
\$7.00	<u>Patriarchal Pence</u>
\$731.00	Total Collection

PARISH NEWS

- The **Men's Club** will meet **this morning** immediately following Divine Liturgy.
- The **Altar Society** will meet **next Sunday, April 29**, immediately following Divine Liturgy.
- **Church School** will be held **next Sunday, April 29**, immediately following Divine Liturgy
- **Camp Nazareth Family Day** (Sunday, June 3, 2018 – part of Family Camp 2018) **Raffle Tickets** are available for purchase! If you are interested, please see Father Daniel or Jane Togher. They are \$20.00 each. The Grand Prize will be \$10,000 cash, and other prizes range from varying cash amounts to 1 Week Camping Sessions.
- **PLEASE REMEMBER** that we need to come to the Sacrament of Confession **AT LEAST ONCE** during the Liturgical Year. It is necessary to remain members in good standing!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday to **Anna Senich**, who celebrated her birthday yesterday, April 21, 2018, as well as to, Terri DiMichele, who will celebrate her birthday tomorrow, April 23, 2018! May God grant them many happy and blessed years! **Na M'nohaja i Blahaja L'ita! Christos Voskrese!**

NEWS AROUND THE DIOCESE / DEANERY

- **Young Adult Spring Retreat** – Friday May 4, 2018 to Sunday May 6, 2018 at Camp Nazareth in Mercer, PA. Topic: GOD'S PLAN...YOUR PLAN...WILL IT EVER MAKE SENSE? Keynote speakers: His Grace, Bishop Gregory of Nyssa, and Stephen Christoforou. Register online at: pittsburgh.goarch.org/ya. For questions or more info please visit youngadultsretreats@gmail.com or phone (724) 662-4840 or (412) 621-8543.
- **2018 Metropolitan Orestes Bowling Tournament!** This coming Memorial Day weekend, May 25-28, 2018, the 70th National A.C.R.Y. Metropolitan Orestes Memorial Bowling Tournament will take place in Perth Amboy, NJ hosted by Jr. ACRY Chapter #45. Come join them for an enjoyable weekend of bowling, Christian Fellowship and worship in Perth Amboy, NJ! All are welcome and need not be ACRY members to participate! Sign up today! For more information and to sign up, visit www.acrod.org.
- JOHNSTOWN, PA -- [Diocesan Chancery] - Plans are now in place for the **FIFTH Annual Diocesan Young Women's Encounter** which will take place from Sunday, July 1st to Wednesday, July 4th, 2018 at Saints Peter and Paul Church in Windber, PA. We encourage our young women, ages 12 to 18 to attend. This engaging experience will highlight how young women can live our Orthodox Faith and serve the Church with their own unique gifts. This year we will particularly be focusing on prayer, with the Mother of God as a model for all Orthodox Christians, and the verse Romans 12:12, "... rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation and continuing steadfastly in prayer..."

Registration will be primarily online like last year and will be open soon. A link will be placed on the home page at www.acrod.org when registration opens. Space will be limited to the first thirty respondents, so participants are urged to register in a timely manner. Registration Deadline is Friday, June 8, 2018. All parishes of the Diocese are urged to underwrite the \$100.00 participation fee for their young women in recognition of all the ways that these young women serve their parishes. Kindly have registration fees paid by the registration deadline. Questions about the event may be directed to Pani Eleni Stagon at acrodywe@gmail.com or by calling (973) 627-1462.

Checks can be sent to:

Young Women's Encounter
66 Beach Street
Rockaway, NJ 07866

- **2018 Diocesan Altar Boy Retreat** – July 1, 2018 – July 4, 2018 in Johnstown, PA. **SAVE THE DATE!**

- The first ever **Camp Nazareth Classic Golf Tournament** will take place on Sunday afternoon, June 10, 2018 at the Traditions at the Glen Resort in Johnson City, NY. All parish golfers welcome to participate! Checks should be made payable to "St. Michael's," with "CNC Golf Tournament" in the memo line. Please send them to the tournament chairman, Dr. Nicholas Seketa, 1104 Tamara Lane, Johnson City, NY 13790. (Telephone is: (607) 798-9455; E-mail: 2018camperclassic@gmail.com.)

THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN, JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA, AND NICODEMUS



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“ About the beginning of His thirty-second year, when the Lord Jesus was going throughout Galilee, preaching and working miracles, many women who had received of His beneficence left their own homeland and from then on followed after Him. They ministered unto Him out of their own possessions, even until His crucifixion and entombment; and afterwards, neither losing faith in Him after His death, nor fearing the wrath of the Jewish rulers, they came to the sepulchre, bearing the myrrh-oils they had prepared to anoint His body.

It is because of the myrrh-oils that these God-loving women brought to the tomb of Jesus that they are called the Myrrh-bearers. Of those whose names are known are the following: first of all, the most holy Virgin Mary, who in Matthew 27:56 and Mark 15:40 is called "the mother of James and Joses" (these are the sons of Joseph by a previous marriage, and she was therefore their step-mother); Mary Magdalene; Mary, the wife of Clopas; Joanna, wife of Chouza, a steward of Herod Antipas; Salome, the mother of the sons of Zebedee, Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus; and Susanna. As for the names of the rest of them, the evangelists have kept silence (Matt 27:55-56; 28:1-10. Mark 15:40-41. Luke 8:1-3; 23:55-24:11, 22-24. John 19:25; 20:11-18. Acts 1:14).

Together with them we celebrate also the secret disciples of the Savior, Joseph and Nicodemus. Of these, Nicodemus was probably a Jerusalemite, a prominent leader among the Jews and of the order of the Pharisees, learned in the Law and instructed in the Holy Scriptures. He had believed in Christ when, at the beginning of our Savior's preaching of salvation, he came to Him by night. Furthermore, he brought some one hundred pounds of myrrh-oils and an aromatic mixture of aloes and spices out of reverence and love for the divine Teacher (John 19:39).

Joseph, who was from the city of Arimathea, was a wealthy and noble man, and one of the counselors who were in Jerusalem. He went boldly unto Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus, and together with Nicodemus he gave Him burial. Since time did not permit the preparation of another tomb, he placed the Lord's body in his own tomb which was hewn out of rock, as the Evangelist says (Matt. 27:60). ”

TEXT from: <https://www.goarch.org>

Tropar (Tone 2)

The noble Joseph, * having taken Your most pure body down from the Cross, * wrapped it in a clean shroud * and anointed it with fragrant spices * and laid it in a new tomb. * But You, O Lord, arose on the third day, * granting Your great mercy to the world.

Kondak (Tone 2)

By Your Resurrection, O Christ our God, * You told the women bringing ointment to rejoice; * and You stilled the weeping of Eve, the first mother. * You instructed the women to announce to Your Apostles: * "The Savior has risen from the tomb."