

The Saint Nicholas Chronicle

Christ is Risen!

Indeed He is Risen!



Christos Voskrese!

Voistinnu Voskrese!

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SUNDAY APRIL 29, 2018 - SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC

PARISH CALENDAR

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

Paranachida for Anna Rodino given by Family.

Wednesday May 2 – *Mid-Pentecost Wednesday*

9:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) – pp. 203-204 (including the Antiphons from Pascha)

Epistle: Acts 14:6-18

Gospel: John 7:14-30

Sunday May 6 – *Sunday of the Samaritan Woman, Saint Photini (Fifth Sunday of Pascha) / Feast of Saint George*

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy

Hymns (Blue Pew Book) – pp. 200-201 (includes the Antiphons from Pascha / Tropar, Kondak, Prokimen, and Alleluia verses of Saint George the Glorious Martyr and Wonderworker p. 158)

Epistle: Acts 11:19-26, 29-30

Gospel: John 4:5-42

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. John Baranik. Fr. Jonathan Tobias. Fr. Michael Rustick. 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. 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. Dorothy Bentler. Anna Mae Kuklis. Rose Markiewicz. 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 Anna Rodino given by Family.

Parish Life

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...**”*

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND OUR CHURCH:

April 22, 2018

\$384.00	General Collection
\$64.00	7 Day Light
\$9.00	Holy Days
\$12.00	Taper candles
\$10.00	Christmas Offering
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\$479.00	Total Collection

PARISH NEWS

- The **Altar Society** will meet **this morning** immediately following Divine Liturgy.
- **Church School** will be held **this morning** 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!**

NEWS AROUND THE DIOCESE / SCRANTON COMMUNITY

- **Young Adult Spring Retreat** – this 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 – July 4, 2018. SAVE THE DATE! For more info, please see the flyer posted in the Church Hall.
- 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 .)

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

TO ALL THE PIROHI WORKERS,

Thank you, not only for making our pirohi sales such a success, but also very enjoyable. We work very hard, but we have a good time as well.

We would also like to let you know that the word is spreading far and wide about our delicious pirohi. Our customers have told us that they have sent them to their families in Washington, California, Florida, Massachusetts, North Carolina and even overseas to China.

We are truly grateful for your thoughtfulness and kind words. It is much appreciated. Take a well-deserved rest and we look forward to seeing you in September!

WITH LOVE IN THE RISEN CHRIST,

Nick and Maryann Polanichka

- **Barvinok Ukrainian Dance Ensemble** - Scranton's St. Vladimir Ukrainian Greek Catholic parish is sponsoring a performance by the Ukrainian Folkdance group "Barvinok" [Periwinkle in Ukrainian] on Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 4:00pm at its parish center 428 North Seventh Avenue. The highly acclaimed dance group which hails from the Metropolitan New Jersey/New York City area has appeared in numerous venues on the East Coast and in Ukraine where they took first place in an international folk dance competition.

Under the direction of Mr. Gregory Momot, the troupe performs traditional dances from various regions of Ukraine while attired in colorful embroidered costumes. Mr. Momot was trained at the Kyiv Cultural University and danced with the world renowned Virsky Ukrainian National Dance Company. His energetic and intricate choreography along with beautiful regional costumes bring alive the electrifying spirit of Ukrainian dance. Tickets are \$10.00 in advance - \$12.00 at the door and can be purchased by phoning 570 241-1223.

THE HEALING OF THE PARALYTIC



IMAGE from: www.google.com

“ The fourth Sunday of Holy Pascha is observed by the Orthodox Church as the Sunday of the Paralytic. The day commemorates the miracle of Christ healing a man who had been paralyzed for thirty-eight years. The biblical story of the event is found in the Gospel of Saint John 5:1-15.

Close to the Sheep's Gate in Jerusalem, there was a pool, which was called the Sheep's Pool. It had five porches, that is, five sets of pillars supporting a domed roof. Under this roof there lay very many sick people with various maladies awaiting the moving of the water. The first person to step in after the troubling of the water was healed immediately of whatever malady he had.

It was there that the paralytic of today's Gospel was lying, tormented by his infirmity of thirty-eight years. When Christ beheld him, He asked him, "Do you wish to be made whole?" And he answered with a quiet and meek voice, "Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool." The Lord said unto him, "Rise, take up your bed, and walk." And straightaway the man was made well, rose, and took up his bed. Walking in the presence of all, he departed rejoicing to his own house.

According to the expounders of the Gospels, the Lord Jesus healed this paralytic during the days of the Passover, when He had gone to Jerusalem for the Feast, and dwelt there teaching and working miracles. According to Saint John the Evangelist, this miracle took place on the Sabbath. ”

TEXT from: <https://www.goarch.org/sunday-of-the-paralytic>

Kondak of the Paralytic (Tone 3)

With Your divine protection, O Lord, * as You once raised the paralytic, now lift up my soul * paralyzed with all kinds of sin and evil deeds of wickedness, * so that, as saved, I may cry out to You: * “Glory to Your Might, O Merciful Christ!”