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Saturday: Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M. Sunday: Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.



May 11, 2014
The Sunday of the Paralytic
Tone: 3 ~ Eothinon: 5 ~ Ps. 109:8

CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!

Holy Communion is only open to those Orthodox Christians who are in good standing with the Church and have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting and a recent confession. If you are not in good standing with the Church or are not an Orthodox Christian please do not be offended by this. We welcome you to our church and invite you to receive a blessing and partake of the antidoron at the end of the Divine Liturgy

Saints du Jour (May 11)

Hieromartyr Mokios, priest in Macedonia; Cyril and Methodios, equals-to-the-Apostles and enlighteners of the Slavs; New-martyr Argyros of Thessalonica; Venerable Martyr Olympia of Karyes in Mytilene; Martyr Joseph of Astrakhan.

Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Tone 3: Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death and became the Firstborn from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the great mercy. Apolytikion of St. Basil the Great – Tone 1: Into all the world that received thy word went out thy voice; thereby didst thou divinely teach, explaining the nature of existing things and ordering the conduct of men. O venerable father, royal priesthood Basil, intercede with Christ our God for the salvation of our souls.

Kontakion of Pascha – Plagal Tone 4: When Thou didst descend into the grave, O Immortal, Thou didst destroy the power of hades. In victory Thou didst arise, O Christ God, proclaiming 'Rejoice' to the myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Thine apostles and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

Prokeimenon: Sing praises to our God, sing praises. **Verse:** Clap your hands, all you nations.

Epistle: The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles. (Chapter 9:32-42)

IN THOSE DAYS, as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years

and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments, which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa and many believed in the Lord.

Gospel: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (Chapter 5:1-15)

At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethzatha, which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water; for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first after the troubling of the water was healed

of whatever disease he had. One man was there who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet and walk." And at once the man was healed and he took up his pallet and walked. Now that day was the Sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the Sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet and walk." They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet and walk?" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more that nothing worse befall you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus Who had healed him.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 17th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, May 18th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, May 24th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, May 25th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Wednesday, May 28th – Vesperal Divine Liturgy, 6:30 P.M. (Ascension of our Lord)

Saturday, May 31st – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, June 1st – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee hour is hosted today by Sevin and Tania Russell. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Happy Mother's Day to all wives and mothers of the parish. May God grant you many years!

God willing, the **church bulletin** shall soon be available to members of the parish by email, in addition to having a printed copy available on Sunday mornings. Fr. Peter is compiling a list of names and email addresses for this purpose. Those persons or families interested in having the bulletin emailed to them should see Fr. Peter. Thank you.

The Ladies Guild shall have their monthly meeting today after Divine Liturgy. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

The **Parish Council** shall have their monthly meeting next Sunday after Divine Liturgy. All Council members please attend.

The **St. Basil Birthday Party** is scheduled for Sunday, June 1, after Divine Liturgy. Hamburgers and hotdogs shall be provided; members of the parish are encouraged to bring salads, chips, desserts, ice and drinks. A "birthday list" of items needed for the parish is posted on the bulletin board outside the kitchen for those persons who want to bring a "birthday gift." All food is available at no charge and everyone is welcome to attend.

A Reminder: Please remember to return your **lenten coin boxes** at the Great and Holy Feast of PASCHA. Next Sunday shall be the last day to return your coin boxes. Thank you.

The **Ladies Guild** is continuing the sale of frozen, ready-to-cook packages of Lebanese recipes - namely beef shawarma (\$12 a package) and chicken shish ta'ouk (\$10 a package). Simple cooking instructions are available in the parish hall.

As of April 27, 2014, 39 pledges were received totaling \$73,985.00. The budget approved at our Annual General Parish Meeting was for \$136,480.00. Approximately \$2,625/week is needed in donations to meet this obligation. The collection for May 4, 2014, totaled \$1,669 for a year-to-date total of \$45,586 (~\$2,533/week). We are approximately \$1,656 short of where we need to be at this time.

Spiritual Counsels...

"When virtuous men are in power, the people are joyful, when the wicked rule, the people groan." Proverbs 29:2

