



Saints Peter and Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church Bulletin

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HOLY MYSTERIES

VISITATIONS OF THE SICK AND INFIRM – If you are going into the hospital for any reason, please inform Father Stephen at the Rectory. Our hospitalization code for Christiana and Wilmington Hospitals is **UKR**.

EMERGENCY CALLS – Please call the Rectory anytime (day or night) in an Emergency!

BAPTISMS – Celebrated by appointment.

CROWNING IN MARRIAGE – Please discuss timing with Father prior to setting a date. At least six months notice is needed. There are three 2-hour courses that must be attended prior to the Wedding.

BULLETIN DEADLINE – The deadline for getting information printed in the Weekly Bulletin is Wednesday.

SUNDAY COLLECTIONS – For the Needs of the Parish; 2nd Youth Ministry

April 23, 2023
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Schedule of Services and Activities
Week of April 23 - 30, 2023
Celebrating our 96th year of Service to the Lord

Sunday, April 23 – St. Thomas Sunday

8:30 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful – Baptism: Ava Vesper
Coffee Hour

12:00 Noon – Riverview Cemetery

1:00 PM – Silverbrook Cemetery

2:00 PM – Lawncroft Cemetery

3:00 PM – Gracelawn Cemetery

4:30 PM – Veteran’s Cemetery

Saturday, April 29

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy (Holy Trinity - Whaleyville, MD)

Sunday, April 30 – Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

8:30 AM – Confessions

9:15 AM – Hours

9:30 AM – Divine Liturgy for the Faithful

Panakhyda:

Coffee Hour

SCRIPTURAL READINGS

St. Thomas Sunday – Matins: Matthew 28:16-20; Liturgy: Acts 5:12-20; John 20:19-31

Monday – Acts of the Apostles 3:19-26; John 2:1-11

Tuesday - Acts of the Apostles 4:1-10; John 3:16-21

Wednesday - Acts of the Apostles 4:13-22; John 5:17—24

Thursday - Acts of the Apostles 4:23-31; John 5:24-30

Friday –Acts of the Apostles 5:1-11; John 5:30-6:2

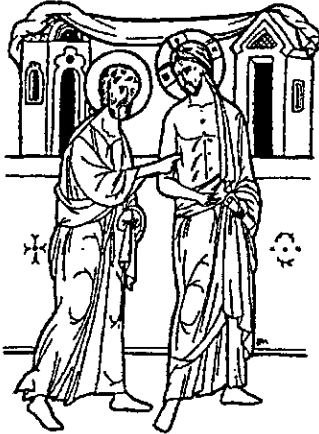
Saturday - Acts of the Apostles 5:21-33; John 6:14-27

Sunday of the Myrrh Bearers – Matins: Mark 16:9-20; Liturgy: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7; Mark 15:43-16:8

ST. THOMAS SUNDAY

The Sunday following Easter Sunday has several names including The Sunday of St. Thomas.

•THE DOUBTING THOMAS•



In church services the stress is on the Apostle Thomas' vision of Christ and the significance of the day comes to us in the words of the gospel. "Then he said to Thomas "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, " have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." (John 20: 27-29)

We have not seen Christ with our physical eyes nor touched his risen body with our physical hands, yet in the Holy Spirit we have seen and touched and tasted the word of life (I John 1:1-4), and so we believe. St. John Chrysostom eulogizes St. Thomas in one of his homilies thus: " Of all the other Apostles he was, at one time, the weakest in faith but with God's grace, he became more courageous and more untiring than the rest. He traversed almost the whole known world, preaching the word of God fearlessly to nations that were fierce, savage and blood thirsty." St. Thomas is believed to have died a martyr's death for the Christian faith in India.

Among our people there exists a custom of commemorating the dead with a special memorial repast and praying for their souls at the cemetery.

Other names --**The Sunday of the Anti-Pasch** -- Anti-pasch is a Greek word signifying " in place of, instead of the Pasch". For to the Christians, this Sunday was so to speak a repetition of the feast of the Resurrection. The Gospel relating to the conversion of St. Thomas was read on this day. **The New Sunday or the Sunday of Renewal** -- On this day says the Synaxry of the Sunday, " the first Sunday after the Resurrection, we celebrate the renewal of Christ's resurrection and the touching of His wounds by St. Thomas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY - is expressed to Nancy Bahr, 4/23; Laura Walsh, 4/24; Joyce Belles, 4/25; Ksenia Kaliakin, 4/25; Nathaniel Krauthauser, 4/26; Andrea Hoffman, 4/26; Mykola Udud, 4/26; Mariya Moldavanova, 4/27 & Kathy Duncan, 4/29. May God grant them a very happy birthday and keep them for many, happy and blessed years!

SCHEDULING FOR THE PARISH – Please remember that all events, work parties, use of the hall must be cleared through the calendar kept by Father Stephen so that dueling events can be avoided.

DONATIONS (CREDIT CARDS) ACCEPTED – for those who are interested, we can accept donations to the Church through credit cards. See Mark Andreas or Lorraine Neff for details.

MEETINGS

PARISH BOARD – Wednesday, May 10 @ 6:30 PM

UOL Meeting – Sunday, May 21 after Church

TENTATIVE CALENDER OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 23 – St. Thomas Sunday – Cemetery Visitations

Sunday, April 30 – 1:00 PM Prayers for Ukraine – St. David Episcopal Church

May 7 – 2:00 – 4:00 PM – Eagle Scout Ceremony

Saturday, May 13 – 2:00 – 4:00 PM – Eagle Scout Ceremony

Sunday, May 14 – Mother's Day Dinner

Sunday, June 18 – Father's Day Dinner

Sunday, July 9 – Patronal Feast Day

Saturday, August 5 – UOL Flea Market

Saturday, October 7 – UOL Sponsored Retreat – Archbishop Daniel

Saturday, November 4 – Fall Bazaar

Tuesday, November 21 – Community Thanksgiving Service – Holly Oak Calvary
Methodist Church 7PM

Sunday, December 10 – UOL Cookie Sale

GREETER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 23 - Sandy Cramer

April 30 - Lorraine Neff, Sonya Patronik

May 7 - David and Eve Lazaration

May 14 - Zina Twardus and Nancy Tur

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

(Please find a substitute if you cannot make a given week)

April 23 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow

April 30 – John Plachuta and Linda Hnatow

May 7 – Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin,

May 14 - Matthew Andreas and Victor Kaliakin

May 21 - Lorraine Neff and John Plachuta

May 28 – Lorraine Neff and John Plachuta

READER MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 23 - Pani Elizabeth Hutnick

April 30 - Jean Roeth

May 7 - John Plachuta

May 14 - Andrew Duncan

May 21 - Linda Hnatow

May 28 - Thomas Sulpizi

CLEANING OF THE CHURCH MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Week of April 24 - Michael Tilson & Linda Hnatow, Irene Maskaly

Week of April 30 – John Plachuta and David Lazaration

Week of May 8 - Mark & Laura Andreas

Week of May 15 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

Week of May 22 – Thomas and Lynn Sulpizi

Week of May 29 - Nancy Hlywiak, Jean Roeth, Zina Twardus

Week of June 3 - Earle and Jennifer Robinson

PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE – Our friends at ST. David Episcopal Church (2320 Grubb Road) is sponsoring a day of prayer for Ukraine on Sunday, April 30 beginning at 1:00 PM. Please plan to attend.



REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL – Metropolitan Antony, Archimandrite Raphael, Father Vasili Andrejuk, Father George Bazylevsky, father Constantine Christo, Father Vasyl Dovhan, Father Oleh Hucul, Father Andrew Molewski, Father John Nakonechney, Father James Norton, Father Volodymyr Wronskyj, Matushka Andrejuk, Matushka Laura Odell, Matushka Lisa Weremedic, Alicia, Nerry, Mykola, Brennan, Deborah, Galina, Dolores, Julian, Madison, Maria, Matt, Michele, Mykola, Penelope, Rita, Ryan, Randy Allen, Carolyn Angelo, Colby Atkinson, Shannon Austin, Stephania Bacha, Joyce Belles, Neil Belles, Ethel Bernhard, Yaroslav Bilinsky, Irene Billon, Maria Borowenski Betty Bosland, Becky Bosley, Angie Brengle, Paul Brengle, Patricia Bringle, Richard Bringle, Thomas Bringle, John Brick, Fedir Bukacz, Christine Cain, Mark Cello, Mildred (Myrophora) Christo, Erik Colazo, Alex Czernik, Sharon Dalaski, Stephen Dalecki, David Dalldorf, Peter DiVirgilio, James Dudrick, Kathleen Dugan, Margaret Durell, Mary Eagleton, Rose Eldridge, Thomas Fagan, Archantula Fanjoy, James Garrett, Lisa Gee, Peter Glenn, Ivan Golovnirov, Kathleen Gortva, Staci Gray, Charles Gunther, David Hamilton, Richard Haslam, Rick Hastings, Celeste Heiser, Victoria Herrschaft, Carla Hitchings, Greg Hitchings, Alicia Hlywak, John Hlywak, John Hnatow, Michael Hnatow, Daniel Holoviak, Jennifer Huertes, Sally Hutnick, Joette Jago, Stephen Johnson, Linda Josepinson, Rosalie Ann Kane, Michael Kapelus, Charles Kaszytski, Julia Kaszytski, Walter Katolik, Diane Keyser, Wendy Klinedinst, Judith Kocinski, Lorissa Kozakova, Ludmyla Krawchenko, Mykola Krawchenko, Volodymyr Krasnopera, Sue Kreisa-Christian, Marlene Kuhar, Ron Lazaration, Karen Livick, Charles Lontor, Alla Lysenko, Jeremy Madea, Andrew Makolynyk, Jean Marano, Frederick McCarthy, Beth McKirachan, Fred McKirachan, Stephen McNulty, Ronald Michel, Mary Ann Michalcewicz, Michelle Michalcewiz, Lisa Miller, Matthew Miller, Mary Elizabeth Moran, Barry Morris, Elsie Moroz, Karen Needham, Julie Neff, Lorraine Neff, Ann Nester, Laurie Newman, Betty Painter, Anastasios Pantelopulos, Anthony Pantelopulos, Linda Phillips, Joseph Pierson, Barry Pinkowicz, Bernice Pinkowicz, Ryan Pinkowicz, Daphne Pantelopulos, Joseph Porini, Robert Powers, Joanne Procak, Joseph Ptak, Carol Purse, Sharon Reigh, Christopher Riehl, Arlene Roginski, Wyatt Roland, Andrea Roman, Jeff Rozwadowski, John Ruczhak, Glenn Runyan, Carol Rusk, Isaac Schmidt, Joella Seale, Clay Seman, John Serth, Larissa Serth, Dawn Sheets, Justin Sheets, Emily Smitheman, Kimberly Smitheman, Georgie Smolyar, Natalia Stanford, Rich Steinman, Joseph Stevens, Noel Strobino, Charles Joseph Sweeney, Evelyn Synczyszyn, Michael Synczyszyn, Pavlo Tabak, Nicholas Taylor, Sue Taylor, Elenora Thomas, Alexandra Sparco, Lydia Thomas, Brysen Tomei, Dominic Tomei, Mark Tomei, Violet Tomei, Aria Tonner, Mariel Trimble, Martha Vignali, Jack Vognetz, Margaret Vognetz, Marilyn Wagner, Olena Wasylevska, James Watts, Chris Way, Leah Way, Barbara Weeks, Peter Weremedic, Laura Worley, Jack Ziegler & James Zook.

FROM HOPELESSNESS TO CELEBRATION

Almost immediately after our Lord's Resurrection, stories of Him appearing to some of His followers began to surface. He appeared to Mary Magdalene, who, at first, thought she was speaking to a gardener rather than Christ Himself. He appeared to His Apostles on the evening of His Resurrection in the same Upper Room where they had shared the Last Supper. Without a doubt, however, the most dramatic post-Resurrection encounter occurred along the road from Jerusalem to Emmaus.

Emmaus was a small town approximately 7 miles from Jerusalem. St. Luke's Gospel details a late afternoon journey between the two cities by two disciples: Cleopas and Luke. As they were walking, engrossed in conversation about recent events in the Holy City, Cleopas and Luke were suddenly joined by a "stranger" whom they did not recognize as their Savior! When questioned by Him concerning their apparent sadness, the disciples told their new companion about Christ's death and rumored Resurrection. They spoke about their pain, grief and mourning.

Upon hearing this, our Lord goes into a comprehensive explanation of all of the prophecies concerning Himself. Enlightened and encouraged by His words, the disciples invite Jesus to remain with them for the evening after reaching Emmaus. As He breaks bread with them at supper and blesses it, the disciples realize that this "stranger" is their beloved Master. After Christ vanishes before their eyes, Cleopas and Luke quickly return to Jerusalem to share their astonishing experience with the Apostles.