



**Sunday May 15, 2016 3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA — Tone 2.** *Myrrhbearing Women, Ven. Pachomius the Great, Founder of Cœnobitic Monasticism (348 A.D.). St. Isaiah, Bishop and Wonderworker of Rostov (1090). The slain Crown Prince Dimitry of Uglich and Moscow (1591). Ven. Isaiah, Wonderworker of the Kiev Caves (1115). Ven. Pachomius—Abbot, and Silvanus, of Nerekhta (1384).*

**This Week's Schedule**

*Saturday 5/21 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.*

*Sunday 5/28 Hours 8:40 a.m.*

*Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m*

*followed by coffee hour*

**Reader Schedule**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>3<sup>RD</sup> HOUR</b>	<b>6<sup>TH</sup> HOUR</b>	<b>EPISTLE</b>
May-22	SULPIZI, L	PECK	BRASOWSKI
May-29	SOUDER, C.	RILEY, A	RILEY, J.
Jun-5	CARPENTER	BUNITSKY, K	WALES
<i>June 9</i>	<i>ASCENSION</i>		
Jun-12	RILEY, J	RILEY, A	BRASOWSKI
<i>June 19</i>	<i>PENTECOST</i>		
Jun-19	BUNITSKY, S	BUNITSKY, K	BUNITSKY, S
Jun-26	SOUDER, C	SULPIZI, L	CAREY

## Hymns and Prayers

*Priest: "Blessed is the Kingdom ... "*

*Choir: "Amen."*

*Priest: "Christ is risen from the dead ..." (2 ½ times)*

*Choir: "and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!"*

*(The Divine Liturgy is begun in this manner until the Leavetaking of Pascha.)*

### **Tone 2 Troparion**      *(Resurrection)*

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal,  
You destroyed hell with the splendor of Your Godhead.  
And when from the depths You raised the dead,  
all the powers of heaven cried out://  
"O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!"

### **Tone 2 Troparion**      *(from the Pentecostarion)*

The noble Joseph,  
when he had taken down Your most pure Body from the Tree,  
wrapped it in fine linen and anointed it with spices,  
and placed it in a new tomb.  
But You rose on the third day, O Lord, //  
granting the world great mercy.

### **Tone 2 Troparion**      *(from the Pentecostarion)*

The Angel came to the Myrrhbearing Women at the tomb and  
said:  
"Myrrh is fitting for the dead;  
but Christ has shown Himself a stranger to corruption!  
So proclaim: 'The Lord is risen, //  
granting the world great mercy.'"

### **Tone 2 Kontakion**      *(from the Pentecostarion)*

You commanded the Myrrhbearers to rejoice, O Christ God.  
By Your Resurrection, You stopped the lamentation of Eve, the  
first mother.  
You commanded them to preach to Your Apostles://  
"The Savior is risen from the tomb!"

### **Tone 8 Kontakion** *(Pascha)*

You descended into the tomb, O Immortal,  
You destroyed the power of death.  
In victory You arose, O Christ God,  
proclaiming: “Rejoice!” to the Myrrhbearing Women,//  
granting peace to Your Apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the  
fallen.

**Tone 6 Prokeimenon** (*Resurrection*)

O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance! (*Ps 27/28:9*)

*v: To You, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me! (Ps 27/28:1)*

**Epistle** Acts 6:1-7

*Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution.*

*Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, “It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables.*

*Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word.*

*And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch, whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them.*

*Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.*

**Tone 8**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*v: O Lord, You have been gracious to Your land; You have turned back the captivity of Jacob. (Ps 84/85:1)*

*v: Mercy and truth have met, righteousness and peace have kissed each other. (Ps 84/85:10)*

### **Gospel Mark 15:43-16:8**

*Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.*

*Pilate marveled that He was already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him if He had been dead for some time.*

*So when he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph. Then he bought fine linen, took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen. And he laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock, and rolled a stone against the door of the tomb.*

*And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses observed where He was laid.*

*Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen.*

*And they said among themselves, “Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?”*

*But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away – for it was very large.*

*And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.*

*But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples – and Peter – that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you.*

*So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.*

***(Instead of “It is truly meet ...,” we sing:)***

The Angel cried to the Lady, full of grace:  
“Rejoice, O pure Virgin! Again, I say: ‘Rejoice,  
your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb!  
With Himself He has raised all the dead.’”  
Rejoice, O ye people!

Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem!  
The glory of the Lord has shone on you!  
Exult now, and be glad, O Zion!  
Be radiant, O pure Theotokos,  
in the Resurrection of your Son!

## Communion Hymns

Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality!

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! (*Ps 148:1*)  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

*Priest: "In the fear of God ..."*

*Choir: "Blessed is He that comes in the Name of the Lord ..."*

*Priest: "O Lord, save Your people ..."*

*Choir: "Christ is risen from the dead ..."* (sung once, instead of "We have seen the True Light ...")

*Priest: "Always, now and ever ..."*

*Choir: "Let our mouths be filled ..."*

(At the Dismissal, the Priest says: "Glory to You, O Christ....," and the choir sings "Christ is risen from the dead...." (thrice).

And unto us He has given eternal life.

### ***This Week's Announcements***

***Vacation Church School Meeting*** We will have a Vacation Church School Meeting on Sunday May 15<sup>th</sup> prior to coffee hour. We are asking all parents who are interested in having a Late June VCS to attend and share in this work.

***Rummage Sale Update*** - Our Rummage Sale will be held on ***Saturday, May 21st from 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.*** Alice Morjana is coordinating a bake table and we are asking for donations of homemade baked goods. We will also be selling hot dog platters and other goodies during the sale so please stop by to browse the sale items and to have lunch. We can also use help on ***Sunday, May 15th,*** after coffee hour, to stack and move chairs to the sides of the hall. Also, during the week of the 16th to prepare and set up the hall for the sale and to unbox, sort, and price donated items. Help is also needed on the day of the sale and during the week of 5/22 to box up leftovers that will then go to a charitable organization. If you can help any of these times, please coordinate with Susan Skomorucha.

***Rummage sale item donations can be brought to and left in the church hall.*** Please place donated items in the rear right side of the hall

so as not to interfere with our use of the fellowship hall and bookstore during our coffee hours. Thank you.

***Perogie Making for Rummage Sale*** On Tuesday May 17<sup>th</sup> we will be making perogies for our Rummage Sale. Any and all help would be welcome. We will start at 9:00 a.m. See you there!

***Study Group*** Our study group continued this past Thursday. Seven of us continued with 2nd Corinthians chapter 11. Study group will meet again this Thursday at 10 a.m. Join us!

***Grave Blessing*** Fr. Barnabas is available for the traditional grave blessings during the Paschal season. Anyone who would like to have the graves of their loved ones blessed please see Fr. Barnabas.

***Parish Health Survey*** In another week or so we will be asking the parish at large to participate in a “Parish Health Survey”. Before we do this we are in need of a few volunteers to help with administration and collection of the surveys. Anyone interested in helping please see Maryanne Farrell.

***Clause Family Baptism*** Please join the Clause family for the baptism of James Phillip Saturday, June 4, 2016 at 11:00 am St. Michael’s. Luncheon Following at the Courtyard Marriott at University of Delaware RSVP to 302.465.7676 or [elizabeth.clause@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth.clause@gmail.com) by May 29<sup>th</sup>.

### ***Saints in Secret***

The Holy Martyr Theodotus is commemorated on May 18. He was an innkeeper, and lived during the reign of the emperor Diocletian, whose persecution of Christians was the bloodiest of all, in the late third century.

Theodotus' inn was a secret refuge for Christians fleeing arrest and probable torture and death. It also served as a kind of way station, from which Theodotus guided his secret guests to safe places in the mountains. Then he provided food and the other basic necessities. He also secretly retrieved the bodies of martyred Christians so he could bury them decently.

In the roll of martyred saints, Theodotus is associated with seven other martyrs, all young women: Tecusa, Alexandra, Claudia, Favina,

Euphrasia, Matrona and Julia. They were tried and executed, and their bodies were thrown into a lake.

Saint Tecusa appeared to Theodotus in a vision, directing him to take her body from the water and bury it. Late at night, guided by an angel and with the help of a companion, Theodotus managed to find all seven bodies, and buried them.

But the companion turned out to be no friend. Theodotus was betrayed to the authorities, and suffered the horrible tortures reserved for those who would not deny Christ and revere the gods. As he was taken to be beheaded, other Christians standing by prayed, and wept for him. But he said calmly, "Don't weep, dear friends, but glorify Christ. With His help I am finishing my course and overcoming the enemy." Theodotus was martyred in 303.

The book "Dimitri's Cross" (Conciliar Press Ministries, Inc., 2008) is about a modern saint, Fr. Dimitri Klepinin. He worked closely with Mother Maria Skobtsova during the Nazi occupation of Paris, secretly saving many Jews by creating baptismal certificates for them, and sheltering endangered people in a house on the Rue Lourmel. He served as a priest in the house chapel. Someone betrayed them, and he and Mother Maria were arrested in 1943.

Fr. Dimitri's daughter, Helene Arjakovsky-Klepinine, has written this account of his life, and has collected letters he wrote to his wife from the Nazi prison camps in which he suffered and finally died. We see him as having from childhood extraordinary compassion for people and animals. A friend wrote that he had "that quality we call holiness...When he spoke with you it was as if a ray of light shone over your life."

After his arrest Fr. Dimitri was detained, but not forced to work, in a prison camp in France. He was able to serve the Liturgy and hear confessions. His wife managed to send liturgical items, Bibles, family photos and some food.

But when Fr. Dimitri was sent to the Buchenwald concentration camp in Germany, he soon died from the inhuman treatment and the exhaustion of forced labor.

Another prisoner wept at seeing Fr. Dimitri humiliated, beaten, and nearly starved. Fr. Dimitri gently told him, in words reminiscent of those uttered by Saint Theodotus, "Don't cry. Think about what Jesus suffered during His Passion."

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**Prayers for the Departed:** Lily Nassif

**Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:** Fr. Vladimir Petorak, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Josef Petranin, Mat Julia Petranin, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Mat. Jennifer Franchak, Mat. Lisa Weremedic, Lemlem Resat, Harry Wujcik, , Alfred Mokhiber, Peter Melnik, Agnes Timchak, Olga Riley, Anna Hotrovich, Marie Holowatch, Marie Karawulan, Barbara Hicks, Maria Current, Anna Herko, Zack Bajuyo, Luke Wales, Nona Carey, Joseph Wojciechowski, Mona Elia, Lydia Kendall, , Maria and Doug Dozier, Mary Anne Farrell, Caiton Tompkins, Michael Vannello, Catalina(Mary) & Jeremy (John) Fink, Alma, Rae, Mat. Joanna Bohush, Carson

**Prayers for Women and the Children to be Born of Them:** Maria Peck,, Matushka Anastasia Hojnicky

***Service Ministries***

<b>Date</b>	<b><u>Coffee Hour</u></b>	<b><u>Service Duty</u></b>	<b><u>Church Cleaner</u></b>	<b><u>Library</u></b>
<b>15-May</b>	Conover/ Daubert/ George	Elia/Morjana	Whalen/Fink	Gundersen
<b>22-May</b>	Sulpizi/ Skomorucha	Riley	Farrell	Farell
<b>5-June</b>	Peck/ Wales	Hojnicki/ Souder	Baldychev/ Shatley	Maloney
<b>12-June</b>	Hojinicki/Flynn/ Roberts	Sheeler/ Baldychev	Sulpizi	Roberts

**ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE**

**DATE**

**VESPERS and LITURGY**

May-15

Team Gabriel

May-22

Team George

May-29

Team Conover

June-05

Team Gabriel

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