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**Sunday April 28, 2019** HOLY PASCHA – THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. [Beginning of the Pentecostarion]. Apostles Jason and Sospater of the Seventy, the Virgin Kerkyra, and those with them (1st c.). Martyrs Dada, Maximus, and Quinctilian, at Dorostolum (286). St. Cyril, Bishop of Túrov (1183).

## **Bright Week Schedule**

***Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!***

*Today 4/28 Paschal Vespers 1:00 p.m.*

*Bright Monday 4/29 Paschal Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.*

*Saturday 5/4 Great Vespers 5: 00 p.m.*

*Sunday 5/5 St. Thomas Sunday Hours 8:40 a.m.*

*Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.*

*Followed by Coffee Hour*

## **Reader Schedule**

<b><u>DATE</u></b>	<b><u>3<sup>RD</sup> HOUR</u></b>	<b><u>6<sup>TH</sup> HOUR</u></b>	<b><u>EPISTLE</u></b>
Apr-28	PASCHA		WALES
May-5	SOUDER	PECK	PECK
May-12	BUNITSKY	BUNITSKY	FINCK
May-19	RILEY	RILEY	RILEY
May-26	SOUDER	SULPIZI	CAREY

## **Hymns and Prayers**

*(at the Divine Liturgy) (After “Blessed is the Kingdom...” and “Amen.”:)  
Clergy: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death,  
and upon those in the tombs bestowing life! (thrice)*

*Choir: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death,  
and upon those in the tombs bestowing life! (thrice)*

*v: Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him  
flee from before His face!*

*(The clergy then chant the Paschal verses with the choir singing the  
Troparion “Christ is risen...” after each verse.)*

*v: As smoke vanishes so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire!*

*Troparion “Christ is risen...”*

*v: So the sinners will perish before the face of God. But let the righteous  
be glad! Troparion “Christ is risen...”*

*v: This is the day which the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in  
it! Troparion “Christ is risen...”*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Troparion  
“Christ is risen...”*

*Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen. Troparion “Christ is  
risen...”*

*Clergy: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death...*

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

### ***The First Antiphon***

*Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth! Sing of His name, give glory to  
His praise! (Ps 65/66:1-2)*

*Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us!*

*Say to God: “How awesome are Thy deeds! So great is Thy power that  
Thine enemies cringe before Thee!” (Ps 65/66:3) (Refrain)*

*Let all the earth worship Thee and praise Thee! Let it praise Thy name,  
O most High! (Ps 65/66:4) (Refrain)*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever  
and unto ages of ages. Amen. (Refrain)*

***The Second Antiphon***

*God be bountiful and bless us! Show the light of Thy countenance upon  
us and have mercy on us! (Ps 65/66:1)*

*Refrain: O Son of God Who arose from the dead, save us who sing to  
Thee: Alleluia!*

*That we may know Thy way upon the earth, and Thy salvation among all  
nations. (Ps 65/66:2) (Refrain)*

*Let the people give thanks to Thee, O God! Let all the people give thanks  
to Thee! (Ps 65/66:5) (Refrain)*

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever,  
and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

*(“Only-begotten Son and immortal Word of God ... “)*

***The Third Antiphon***

*v: Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him  
flee from before His face! (Ps 67/68:1)*

*Troparion: “Christ is risen from the dead ...”*

*v: As smoke vanishes so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire! (Ps  
67/68:2) Troparion: “Christ is risen from the dead ...”*

*v: So the sinners will perish before the face of God. But let the righteous  
be glad! (Ps 67/68:2b-3a)*

*Troparion: “Christ is risen from the dead ...”*

*(After the Entrance)*

***Troparion (Pascha)*** *Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death  
by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!*

**Tone 8 Hypakoe (Pascha)**

*Before the dawn Mary and the women came and found the stone rolled away from the tomb. They heard the angelic voice: "Why do ye seek among the dead as a Man the One Who is everlasting Light? Behold the clothes in the grave; go and proclaim to the world: 'The Lord is risen; He has slain death, as He is the Son of God, saving the race of man.'"*

**Tone 8 Kontakion (Pascha)** *Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, Thou didst destroy the power of death. In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming, "Rejoice!" to the Myrrhbearing Women, granting peace to Thine Apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the fallen.*

*(Instead of the Trisagion, we sing:)*

*"As many as have been baptized into Christ, have put on Christ Alleluia.*

**Epistle Acts 1:1-8**

*The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now. Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.*

**Gospel John 1:1-17**

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear*

witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.' " And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

**(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, thy 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 thee. Exult now, and be glad, O Zion! Be radiant, O pure Theotokos, in the Resurrection of thy Son!

**Communion Hymn** Receive the Body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### **This Week's Announcement**

**Blessed Pascha** A joyous and blessed Pascha to all! Welcome to our guests and visitors. Please join us following Liturgy for the blessing and sharing of baskets. Enjoy the Feast of Feasts! Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

**Agape Vespers** Set your Sunday afternoon alarm to wake for Agape Vespers at 1:00 PM Join us for continued celebration and to hear the Gospel in all the languages of our parish!

**Paschal Celebration Continues** Our Paschal celebration on Monday morning April 9th at 9 a.m. with Paschal Divine Liturgy. Join us!

***Newly Illumined*** Welcome to the newly illumined Rob Jaquette baptized Holy Saturday morning. May God grant him long life, health, salvation, and many blessed years!

***Pascha Flowers*** We are still accepting Paschal flower donations with or without memorials for Holy Pascha. The slips are in the narthex (or see Jim Riley). Those who give donations may choose a plant to take home after Pascha. Plants will also be delivered to shut-ins and any left will be available for planting in the church flower beds.

***Blessing of Baskets*** The ancient Christian practice of blessing food before it is eaten took on a new dimension in Slavic Orthodox lands at the celebration of the great Feast of Pascha. Customarily, foods from which one was fasting would be brought to the Church for blessing by the priest after Paschal Liturgy. We continue this tradition and encourage everyone to prepare a basket of Paschal foods for blessing. Traditionally, this includes bread with a candle, eggs, butter, cheese, kielbasa and other meats. Cultural variations (such as chocolates or other foods and breads) are also most suitable for Pascha baskets. Food baskets should be brought to the parish hall before services begin on Pascha night to be blessed immediately following Paschal Liturgy.

***Study Group Pascha Break*** Our study group will break for Holy week and Bright week. We will return to meet on Thursday May 9th at 10:00 a.m.

***Cupola Project Completed!*** During the Lenten season Lindsay Construction has been working on several projects around the church building. The project included dome reconstruction and new cross, new siding for the church (which matches the hall), new spouting and gutters, new windows in the Nave, and our electric moved underground. We would like to thank Jeff Kendall, Tom Sulpizi, our parish council, our donors, and all who continued to offer themselves to the building up Christ's Holy Church. "...for the founders, benefactors, and beautifiers of this holy house, may our Lord remember in His Kingdom always now and ever..."(Great Entrance)

April 27, 2019



*Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life. We celebrate the abolition of death, the destruction of Hades and the first fruit of everlasting life.*

*And as we leap with joy, we praise the Cause of these good gifts, the God of our fathers who is alone blessed and mostly gloried.*

*Beloved of God,*

*Christ is Risen! Truly, He is Risen! El Messieh kahm! Hakken kahm! Khristos voskrese! Voistinu voskrese! Let us embrace one another and forgive all things for the sake of Christ's Holy Resurrection. May Christ's Holy Resurrection strengthen us for a life of purity and Holiness. Let us say with St. Paul "I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me." (Gal. 2: 20) Let us guard this gift of eternal life so freely bestowed! Forgiving as Christ forgives. Let us love as Christ loves. Christos anesti! Alithos anesti! Cristos vaskres! Vaistinu vaskres! Cristos a inviat! Adevarat a inviat!*



*Your unworthy father in Christ,*

*+ Mark*

*+MARK, Archbishop of Philadelphia and the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania*

**Prayers for the Departed:** Mat Julia Petranin Michael Sinovich, Marie Karawulan, Virginia Sekerak Marie Holowatch, Maria Proch, Mark Gundersen, John Berket, George Sarmousakis, Alfred Mokhiber

**Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:** Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Josef Petranin, Fr. John Nightingale, Fr. Deacon James Carpenter, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Lemlem Resat, Peter Melnik, Olga Riley, Barbara Hicks, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Mary Anne Farrell, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, Lubov Baldychev, Stephanie Hojnicky, Laura Cristina Najemy, Harry Kutch, Dimitrios Jim Petrides, Albert Shock, David Rex

**Prayers for Catechumen:** Sue D’Orazio

**Prayers for Women and the Child to be born:** Ruth Kendall

<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>28-Apr</b>	<b>Pascha</b>	Sulpizi/Finck	Riley	No Library
<b>5-May</b>	Najemy/Kendall	Hojnicky/Souder	Bunitsky/Finck	Gundersen
<b>12-May</b>	MOTHER'S DAY	Telep/Baldychev	Farrell	Farrell
<b>19-May</b>	Riley/Souder	Bunitsky/Morjana	Clause/Whalen	Skomorucha

***Upcoming Dates to Keep in Mind***

Pascha Vespers April 28<sup>th</sup> 1:00 p.m.

Bright Monday Paschal Liturgy April 29<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.

The Ascension of our Lord June 6<sup>th</sup>

Holy Pentecost June 16<sup>th</sup>