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**Sunday May 12, 2019** 3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA –  
Tone 2. Myrrhbearing Women. St. Epiphanius, Bishop of  
Cyprus (403). St. Germanus (Herman), Patriarch of  
Constantinople (740). Glorification of Hieromartyr  
Germogén (Hermogenes), Patriarch of Moscow and All  
Russia (1913). Ven. Dionisii, Archimandrite of St.  
Sergius' Monastery (1633).

## **This Week Schedule**

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

Wednesday 5/15 Little Angels 9:30 a.m.

Thursday 5/16 Study Group 10:00 a.m.

Saturday 5/18 Great Vespers 5: 00 p.m.

Sunday 5/19 Hours 8:40 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

followed by Coffee Hour

## **Reader Schedule**

<u><b>DATE</b></u>	<u><b>3<sup>RD</sup> HOUR</b></u>	<u><b>6<sup>TH</sup> HOUR</b></u>	<u><b>EPISTLE</b></u>
May-12	BUNITSKY	BUNITSKY	FINCK
May-19	RILEY	RILEY	RILEY
May-26	SOUDER	SULPIZI	CAREY
Jun-2	LEWIS	SOUDER	LEWIS
Jun-6	ASCENSION		
Jun-9	SULPIZI	PECK	PECK

## 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.'"

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*

### **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!”  
*now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

**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.  
Let us worship His Resurrection on the third day.

### **This Week’s Announcement**

**Happy Mother’s Day** A blessed Mother’s Day to all! We would like to invite you to stay with us for a special Mother’s Day coffee hour. Many years to all our mothers, grandmothers, godmothers!

**Study Group to Resume** Our Study group will resume this Thursday May 16th at 10 am. We will continue with the Gospel of St. Matthew chapter 6. All are welcome to join us.

***Vacation Church School Meeting*** We will have a Vacation Church School Meeting on Sunday May 19th during coffee hour. We are asking all parents who are interested in having VCS to attend and share in this work.

***Council Meeting*** All parish council members please see Jeff Kendall about scheduling a collective date for our next council meeting. Thank you, council, for your ongoing work!

***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 continue 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)

***Grave Blessings*** 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.

***Sacrament of Holy Baptism*** Please join us on Sunday, May 24th at 8:00 am for the baptism of baby Rae Dawit Gabriel, daughter of Bisrat Gabriel. May God bless and keep her and her family as we welcome her into the Church!

### ***Christ is Risen!***

*On the day of the Resurrection of Our Lord, we have a special duty to the world around us. We need to help other people come to a true understanding of what Christ's rising from the dead means for the world. This is needed because there is so much misunderstanding of God's plan and intention. And that misunderstanding is often expressed with great certainty by people who are sure they know the "facts" about God, and what He does.*

*For example, in an article published in the New Yorker Magazine, Adam Gopnik has written that Jesus's cry on the cross, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" indicates failure. Gopnik states: "His father let him down, and the promise wasn't kept."*

*But this is the exact opposite of what God did. The truth about His plan and work are well expressed in the Prayer of Commemoration in the Liturgy of Saint Basil, which we have heard all through Great Lent. That prayer reminds us that man(kind) was "set in a paradise of delight" but lost it through "his own transgressions." So God sent man forth from paradise, "returning [him] to the earth from which he was taken, yet providing for him the salvation of regeneration in Christ Himself." The prayer goes on to say that "it pleased Thine only-begotten Son...to condemn sin in His flesh, so that those who were dead in Adam might be made alive by Thy Christ Himself." Christ "made for all flesh a path to the resurrection from the dead."*

*These words mean that the Father and the Son agreed that Christ should come into the world, and should suffer, be crucified and raised. It was the only way He could once and for all defeat the power of death.*

*In Luke 24: 12-35 Jesus Himself gives the reason for His agonizing death. It is the story of the two travelers on the road to Emmaeus who meet the risen Jesus but do not recognize Him. As they walk along together, Jesus reminds them of all the prophecies of the Old Testament. He asks them, "Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?" (24: 26).*

*That word "necessary" is significant. It surely wasn't necessary for the Son of God, as God, to suffer and die. He is alive forever with His Father. But His creatures transgressed and could not save themselves from the deadly consequences of what they had done. To save them, it became necessary. We are the children of a God who refuses, as Saint Basil's prayer says, to "turn His face away from His creatures forever." No matter what we do, He will never forget us, because we are "the work of His hands." His love is so great, His determination not to let us perish is so absolute, that He will do anything for us. On this day of Pascha we celebrate that love and the eternal life it brings us.*

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### **Wisdom from the Holy Fathers**

*'He who patiently endures unsought trials becomes humble, full of hope and spiritually mature.'*

*St. Thalassios the Libyan*

**Prayers for the Departed:** Mat Julia Petranin Michael Sinovich, Marie Karawulan, Virginia Sekerak Marie Holowatch,

**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>12-May</b>	MOTHER'S DAY	Telep/Baldychev	Farrell	Farrell
<b>19-May</b>	Riley/Souder	Bunitsky/Morjana	Clause/Whalen	Skomorucha
<b>26-May</b>	Pacienza/George/ Grishin	Riley/Riley	Skomorucha/Lewis Kiflemarian	Maloney
<b>2-Jun</b>	J. Peck/Weins	Sulpizi/Finck	S. Peck	Gundersen
<b>9-Jun</b>	Hojnicki/Flynn/Roberts	Hojnicki/ Souder	Carey	Farrell

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

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

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

Ss. Peter and Paul Fast June 24<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>