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**Sunday May 17, 2020** 5th SUNDAY OF PASCHA –  
Tone 4. Samaritan Woman. Apostle Andronicus of the  
Seventy and his fellow-laborer, Junia (1st c.). St.  
Euphrosyne (Princess Eudocia) of Moscow (1407).  
Martyrs Solochon, Pamphamer, and Pamphalon, at  
Chalcedon (284-305). St. Stephen, Archbishop of  
Constantinople (893).

### **This Week's Online Schedule**

**Today 5/17** Church School (ages 7 to 10) 1:00 p.m.

**Monday 5/18** Re-opening Committee Meeting 8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday 5/20** Little Angels 5:30 p.m.

Parish Council Meeting 8:30 p.m.

**Friday 5/22** Little Angels 10:00 a.m.

**Saturday 5/23** Vespers 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday 5/24** 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

*\*Please Note all Services and Groups will meet Online\**

## 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 4 Troparion** (Resurrection)

When the women disciples of the Lord  
learned from the angel the joyous message of Your Resurrection,  
they cast away the ancestral curse  
and elatedly told the apostles:

"Death is overthrown!

Christ God is risen,//

granting the world great mercy!"

### **Tone 8 Troparion** (Midfeast)

In the middle of the feast, O Savior,  
fill my thirsting soul with the waters of piety as You cried to all:

"If anyone thirst, let him come to Me and drink!"//

O Christ God, Fountain of our life, glory to You!

### **Tone 8 Kontakion** (Pentecostarion)

The Samaritan Woman came to the well in faith;  
she saw You, the Water of wisdom and drank abundantly.//  
She inherited the Kingdom on high, and is ever glorified!

### **Tone 4 Kontakion** (Midfeast)

Christ God, the Creator and Master of all,  
cried to all in the midst of the feast of the Law:

"Come and draw the water of immortality!"

We fall before You and faithfully cry://

"Grant us Your mercies, for You are the Fountain of our life!"

### **Tone 3 Prokeimenon**

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! / Sing praises to our King, sing praises! (*Ps 46/47:6*)

*v: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! (Ps 46/47:1)*

### **Epistle Acts 11:19-26, 29-30**

*Now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only.*

*But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord.*

*Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch.*

*When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord.*

*For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.*

*Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul.*

*And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch. Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea.*

*This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.*

### **Tone 4**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*v: Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth! (Ps 44/45:5)*

*v: For You love righteousness, and hate iniquity. (Ps 44/45:8)*

## **Gospel John 4:5-42**

*So He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph.*

*Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.*

*A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink."*

*For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.*

*Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.*

*Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."*

*The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water?"*

*Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?"*

*Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again,*

*but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."*

*The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."*

*Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here."*

*The woman answered and said, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You have well said, 'I have no husband,'*

*for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly."*

*The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet.*

*Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship."*

*Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father.*

*You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews.*

*But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.*

*God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."*

*The woman said to Him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When He comes, He will tell us all things."*

*Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He."*

*And at this point His disciples came, and they marveled that He talked with a woman; yet no one said, "What do You seek?" or, "Why are You talking with her?"*

*The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men,*

*Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ?*

*Then they went out of the city and came to Him.*

*In the meantime His disciples urged Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat."*

*But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know."*

*Therefore the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought Him anything to eat?"*

*Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.*

*Do you not say, 'There are still four months and then comes the harvest'? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!*

*And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.*

*For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.'*

*I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors."*

*And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me all that I ever did."*

*So when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days.*

*And many more believed because of His own word.*

*Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."*

***(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!

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

***Update on St. Michael's Liturgical Life*** The Holy Synod of Bishops has offered guidelines and requirements for the re-opening of our parishes. The parish council has from a sub-committee that will organize and implement St. Michael's re-opening. There is a lot to do in preparation for re-opening, we ask your patience and understanding. Next week will begin serving the Divine Liturgy on Sunday's. All services will still be streamed online. Please look to your email or our parish web site for ongoing updates.

***Re-opening Committee*** Our re-opening committee will meet again this Monday at 8:30 p.m. on Zoom. Last week our committee discussed the synodal requirements. We discussed further the opening the church for individual visitation with access to the priest. We hope to have a final plan in place and approval from the Bishop. One issue we continue to face is the issue of supplies. We have located many items but will need more in place to accommodate our large community. In the mean time we hope that serving of the Divine Liturgy on Sundays will bring our liturgical life back to a more normal rhythm. We also are working on the long-term plan, for about 40 people at a time, to attend a Divine Liturgy. We hope to see that in the coming weeks. The committee will continue to discuss our plans this Monday. Please continue to pray for and support our committee as they face these challenging decisions.

***Parish Council Meeting*** The parish council will meet again this Wednesday evening May 20<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 p.m. via video conference. Please check your emails for any changes.

***Email Apologies*** During the last 10 weeks Fr. Barnabas' has received an incredible increase in emails. The emails range from the national church,

the diocese, parish council, parishioners, as well as many searchers who are looking for help. Please forgive emails that have gone unanswered. It is near impossible to keep up with all the correspondence. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

***Little Angels & Church School*** Our Little Angels & Church School Groups will also meet online during this time. Please check your emails for Meeting times.

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

*"For when a man rules his own self--and that counts for more than to govern others--his heart is in the hand of God, and God turns it, where He wills. If He turns it to good, perfect goodness is His. And so let us be in the hand of God that we may seek the good...that you may live, and so the Lord God Almighty will be with you."*

- St. Ambrose of Milan, 340-397 AD

***Prayers for the Departed:*** Fr. Jozef Petranin, Barbara Hicks, Peter Melnik, David Rex

***Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:*** Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Daniel Kovalak, Fr. John Nightingale, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Lemlem Resat, Olga Riley, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Mary Anne Farrell, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, , Stephanie Hojnicky, Laura Cristina Najemy, Harry Kutch, Dimitrios Jim Petrides, Albert Shock, Elizabeth Melnik, Alexandra Grishin, Sam Sylvest, Jamie Clause, Paula Flynn, Michael Telep, Paula Daubert

***Prayers for Catechmens*** Kristin Mackenzie, Edward Jones. Cole McElmurry, Sean & Jennifer Vojasek

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

Ascension Thursday May 28<sup>th</sup>

Pentecost Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup>

Ss. Peter & Paul Fast June 15-29<sup>th</sup>

Ss. Peter & Paul Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>