



St. Alexander Nevsky Orthodox Cathedral

Holy Pascha – The Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior
Jesus Christ

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8

Gospel: St. John 1:1-17

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Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Today's Announcements

- We welcome all visitors and those who are entering an Orthodox Church for the first time. Please join us downstairs after the service for coffee, food and fellowship. We have a dedicated table for those who have questions about Orthodoxy or who just want to learn more by listening to and meeting others who are new to the church. Fr. John and the other clergy look forward to meeting you.
- Please continue to pray for the health of Sophia Radinsky, Daniel Casciato, Fr. Paul and Mat. Mary Suda, Vasily, Lindsey, Phyllis, and Fr. Joseph.
- Paschal Vespers – 2:00 pm
- Agape meal at Rectory – 3:00 pm

Monday – May 6

- Bright Monday Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

Tuesday – May 7

- Paschal Vespers – 7:00 pm

Wednesday – May 8

- Bright Wednesday Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

Thursday – May 9

- Paschal Vespers – 7:00 pm

Friday – May 10

- Bright Friday Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am
- Reader's Vespers – 7:00 pm

Saturday – May 11

- Panikhida – 4:00 pm
- Great Vespers – 5:00 pm, followed by Confessions

Next Sunday – May 12 – Antipascha/St. Thomas Sunday

- Hours – 9:40 am / Divine Liturgy – 10:00 am
- Easter Egg Hunt – following Liturgy
- Mother's Day Brunch - will be done as a potluck provided by the men of the parish, coordinated by Anne Ribar and Frank Namisnak.

Coming Events – Mark Your Calendar

- Parish Graduates – We will be honoring our parish graduates in June. If you or someone in your family is graduating this spring or summer, or graduated in December 2023, please contact Claudia Steeb (claudia9@consolidated.net or 412.496.5531) by May 12.
- Golf Outing – July 15 – Please see the flyer in the church hall or newsletter or see Alex Glisan for further details.

Let God Arise

Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee from before His face. Today, a sacred Pascha is revealed to us, a new and holy Pascha, a mystical Pascha, a Pascha worthy of veneration, a Pascha which is Christ the Redeemer, a blameless Pascha, a great Pascha, a Pascha of the faithful, a Pascha which has opened for us the gates of Paradise, a Pascha which sanctifies all the faithful.

As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire. Come from that scene, O women, bearers of glad tidings, and say to Zion: "Receive from us the glad tidings of joy, of Christ's resurrection. Exult and be glad, and rejoice, O Jerusalem, Seeing Christ the King, Who comes forth from the tomb like a bridegroom in procession."

So the sinners shall perish before the face of God; but let the righteous be glad. The myrrh-bearing women, at the break of dawn, drew near to the tomb of the Life-giver. There they found an angel sitting upon the stone. He greeted them with these words: "Why do you seek the living among the dead? Why do you mourn the incorrupt amid corruption? Go, proclaim the glad tidings to His disciples."

This is the day which the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it. Pascha of beauty, the Pascha of the Lord, a Pascha worthy of all honor has dawned for us. Pascha! Let us embrace each other joyously. Pascha, ransom from affliction! For today as from a bridal chamber Christ has shown forth from the tomb and filled the women with joy saying: "Proclaim the glad tidings to the apostles."

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

This is the day of resurrection. Let us be illumined by the feast. Let us embrace each other. Let us call "Brothers" even those that hate us, and forgive all by the resurrection, and so let us cry: Christ is risen from the dead, Trampling down death by death, And upon those in the tombs bestowing life.