Stewardship 2021
Please support our parish with your time, talent and treasure. Stewardship packets have been mailed. See Ruxandra Georgescu for more information.

Potted Lilies
As the potted lilies are shedding their flowers, we usually give them away for those who would like to plant the bulbs at your homes. Feel free to take them today.

Bookstore and Library
Visit our Bookstore for many books and items that can be given as gifts for upcoming graduations. Please see Olga Sonnenburg.

Important Dates to Remember
- **Ascension**: 40 days after the resurrection and it always falls on a Thursday: June 10.
- **Pentecost**: 50 days after the resurrection and it always falls on a Sunday: June 20.
- **Saints Peter and Paul Fast** begins on June 28 and ends on their feast day, June 29.

**Saints of the Day**
The Paralytic: Close to the Sheep’s in Jerusalem, there was a pool, which was called the Sheep’s Pool. It had round about it five porches, that is, five sets of pillars supporting a domed roof. Under this roof there lay very many sick people with various maladies, awaiting the moving of the water. The first to step in after the troubling of the water was healed immediately of whatever malady he had.

It was there that the paralytic of today’s Gospel way lying, tormented by his infirmity of thirty-eight years. When Christ beheld him, He asked him, “Wilt thou be made whole?” And he answered with a quiet and meek voice, “Sir, I have no man, when the water is troubled, to put me into the pool.” The Lord said unto him, “Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.” And straightway the man was made whole and took up his bed. Walking in the presence of all, he departed rejoicing to his own house. According to the expounders of the Gospels, the Lord Jesus healed this paralytic during the days of the Passover, when He had gone to Jerusalem for the Feast, and dwelt there teaching and working miracles. According to Saint John the Evangelist, this miracle took place on the Sabbath.

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May 23, 2021

Sunday Holy Scripture Reading
Apostolic Reading: Acts 9:32-42
Gospel: St. John 5:1-15

Services: Sunday—8 a.m. Orthros and 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy, Weekdays 8 a.m. Orthros and 9 a.m. Divine Liturgy when scheduled.


Order of Service
Antiphons: From Pascha

Small Entrance we chant the Paschal verses and Christ is Risen

Instead of Come let us worship we chant:
In the congregations • bless God, • the Lord from the well-springs of Israel; • save us O Son of God, • who are risen from the dead, • we sing to You: alleluia.

Εν Ἐκκλησίαις εὐλογεῖτε τόν Θεόν, Κύριον ἐκ πηγῶν Ἰσραήλ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς, ὁ ἀναστάς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

After the Entrance
Apolytikion of the Resurrection Tone 3
Let all things above in heaven rejoice and let all things below on earth be glad. With all the might and strength of His arm, an eternal deed the Lord did perform. Beneath His feet He has trampled down death by death and first born of the dead has He become. From the womb of Hades has He delivered us and to all the world has granted His great redeeming mercy. Page 83 in the green book.

Apolytikion of the Archangels Tone 4
Supreme Commanders of the Hosts of the Heavens, we, the unworthy, implore and beseech You that by Your supplications You encircle us in the shelter of the wings of Your immaterial glory, guarding us who now fall down and cry to You with fervor: Deliver us from dangers of all kinds, as the great marshals of the heavenly hosts on high.
Kontakion for Pascha Tone 8

Though You did descend into the grave, O Immortal One, yet did You destroy the power of Hades, and did arise as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women, Rejoice, and giving peace unto Your Apostles O You Who does grant resurrection to the fallen.

Instead of “Axion Estin” Tone 1

The angel cried unto her that is full of grace: O pure Virgin, rejoice, and again, I say: Rejoice; for your Son has risen from the grave on the third day.

Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord, has arisen upon you; dance now and be glad O Sion, and do you exult, O pure Theotokos, in the arising of Him Whom You did bear.

Communion Hymn and during Communion of the Faithful

Receive the Body of Christ, and taste the source of Immortality. Alleluia.

Instead of We have seen the true light . . .

Christ is Risen 1x

Divine Services

Wed. May 26: Orthros 8am and Liturgy for Mid-Pentecost 9am. Small Paraklesis 6pm
Sat. May 29: NO SERVICE

Paschal Greetings to All!

Fr. Dennis and the Parish Council extend their best wishes and prayers to all of the faithful and friends of our community for a joyous celebration of our Lord's Holy Resurrection. May our Lord bless all who have prepared our church by cleaning, decorating, cooking or donated toward the ongoing work at Archangel Michael. Christ is Risen!

During the Paschal Season

- We do not kneel during church services from Pascha until Pentecost and the prayer of “Heavenly King...” is not said until Pentecost as it is replaced with triple singing of Christ is Risen for the forty days.
- Tradition relates that in Italy Mary Magdalene visited Emperor Tiberias (14-37 A.D.) and proclaimed to him Christ's Resurrection. According to Tradition, she took him a red egg as a symbol of the Resurrection, a symbol of new life with the words: “Christ is Risen!” Then she told the emperor that in his Province of Judea the unjustly condemned Jesus the Galilean, a holy man, a miracle worker, powerful before God and all mankind, had been executed at the instigation of the Jewish High Priests, and the sentence confirmed by the procurator appointed by Tiberias, Pontius Pilate.
- Other saints of our Orthodox Church not named in the Gospels or writings of the Scriptures are: The wife of Pontius Pilate is St. Prokla (feast day Oct. 27) and the soldier at the foot of the cross who said: “Truly this was the Son of God” the martyr Longinus (feast day Oct. 16).

Holy Communion in the Orthodox Church

Holy Communion of the Orthodox Church is the Holy Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is “With the fear of God, faith and love” that we approach the Divine Mysteries. Therefore, Holy Communion is reserved only for those baptized and chrismated Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves by prayer and fasting, as prescribed by the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Church. We ask that women, before approaching to receive from the Holy Cup, in respect of our Lord, to please remove lipstick.

Coffee Hour Signup

Please consider sponsoring a coffee hour. Donations are welcome!
May 23: Ranson-Meister/Topakas
May 30: Sponsor Needed

Congratulations!

Please submit your family member graduation information so that we may publish it in the upcoming bulletins.
- Anna Elizabeth Neumann will be graduating with a BS in Nursing. She is the daughter of John and Leslie Neumann.
- Natalie Dabeet graduated from Doherty High School on May 18. She is the daughter of Botros and Suha Dabeet.

Christians Around the World

Please remember to keep Christians around the world in your prayers. Many are being persecuted and even killed for their faith in Jesus Christ. Remember also the two kidnapped Orthodox bishops from Syria.

Capital Campaign

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