

April 22nd : Sunday of the Myrrhbearers

Upcoming Services

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.’”

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!”

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.

Prokimen (Tone 6; Psalm 27:9,1): O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance!

v: To You, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

Epistle: Acts 6:1-7

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (Psalm 84:1,10)

v: O Lord, You have been gracious to Your land; You have turned back the captivity of Jacob.

v: Mercy and truth have met, righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Gospel: St. Mark 15:43-16:8

Changes to the Liturgy during the Paschal Season:

At the beginning, after “Blessed is the Kingdom” - Priest: Paschal Tropar. Choir: Paschal Tropar. Then Priest does the first half of the Paschal Tropar and that the Choir finishes it.

Towards the end of the service:

Priest: “In the fear of God ...” Choir: “Blessed is He that comes in the Name ...”

Priest: “O Lord, save Your people ...” Choir: “Christ is risen from the dead ...” (*once*)

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; or it can be done as at the beginning*).

*** *Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service!* ***

Sunday	4/22	9AM	Divine Liturgy & Mem. Litya for George Fedok
Saturday	4/28	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	4/29	9AM	Divine Liturgy & Mem. Litya for Layton A.
Saturday	5/5	4PM	Great Vespers, Service of Repentance
Sunday	5/6	9AM	Divine Liturgy, Spiritually Speaking (w/Cyril J)
Saturday	5/12	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	5/13	9AM	Divine Liturgy (Mother's Day!)
Wednesday	5/16	4PM	Parish Vigil of the Ascension
Thursday	5/17	10AM	Divine Liturgy of the Ascension
Saturday	5/19	4PM	Parish Vigil
Sunday	5/20	8:30AM	First Confession
		9AM	Divine Liturgy & Presentation (First Confession)
Saturday	5/26	4PM	Parish Vigil of Pentecost
Sunday	5/27	9AM	Divine Liturgy of Pentecost w/Kneeling Prayers
Saturday	6/2	4PM	Great Vespers, Service of Repentance
Sunday	6/3	9AM	Divine Liturgy; BBQ (Fundraiser for a Furnace)

Parish News and Events

We are still accepting applications for custodian. See John Maly for a job description and details. We will accept applications until May 6th.

The Parish Board asks that, when possible, please take cemetery trash home with you.

Our **St Mary's Seniors:** Hoagies are on 4/25. Next meeting is 11:30AM (note change) on 5/7 at the Flaming Grill & Supreme Buffet.

On the first Saturday of each month, we will be having the “Service of Forgiveness” at the end of Vespers. This service is similar to the one service in Northampton and is designed to make confession more natural and less intimidating.

Next Spiritually Speaking 5/6. Prof. Cyril Jenkins will speak on Orthodoxy in Higher Ed.

Our next **Parish Board Meeting:** Monday, 5/21 @ 6:30PM.

Our (not boring!) Old Testament **Bible Study** series meets Tuesdays at 7PM in the Church.

Something new! A second Grief Support series now meets on Mondays at 10AM. Tuesday evening sessions meet at 6:30PM. Both meet in the Library. See Joe Truchan for details.

Reader Schedule: 4/22 Rdr. James; 4/29 John Sokalsky; 5/6 Robert Noecker

Greeter Schedule: 4/22 Eleanor Fox; 4/29 Judy Miller & Vera Muzychka; 5/6 PM Tina Perkins

Grief is not a disorder, a disease or a sign of weakness. It is an emotional, physical and spiritual necessity; the price we pay for love. - Earl Grollman

Welcome to the God-loving and God-protected Orthodox Christian parish of *Pokrova* (“St. Mary Protection of the Holy Theotokos” or “St. Mary’s”)!

It is a blessing to have you with us today and we encourage you to come back as often as you are able. Like us, you may find that you have found your spiritual home here (and a wonderful home, it is)!

We are a parish of the Ukrainian Orthodox Church of the USA under the Ecumenical Patriarch of Constantinople and our doors and hearts are open to you, your family, and your friends!

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