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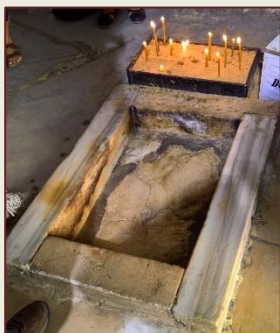
TONE 6

MAY 20, 2018

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POST FEAST OF THE ASCENSION: SUNDAY OF THE 318 HOLY FATHERS OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

*MARTYRS THALLELAIOS THE UNMERCENARY HEALER OF PHOENICIA,
AND HIS DISCIPLES ALEXANDER AND ASTERIOS OF CILICIA;
MARTYR ASKELLAS OF EGYPT • VENERABLE NIKITAS, JOHN AND JOSEPH OF CHIOS
LYDIA 'THE SELLER OF PURPLE' OF THYATIRA AND PHILIPPI
ALEXIS THE WONDERWORKER, METROPOLITAN OF MOSCOW
VENERABLE STEPHEN OF PIPERI IN SERBIA*



This is what remains of the Church of the Ascension on the Mount of Olives. This octagonal church, built by St. Helen in the 4th century, inspired our octagonal church design. The shrine in the center marks the spot whence our Lord Jesus ascended to heaven, leaving his footprint in the rock (see inset, upper left).

LITURGY VARIATIONS

1ST ANTIPHON

O clap your hands, all ye peoples; shout unto God with the voice of exultation.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

For the Lord Most High is terrible; He is a great King over all the earth. He hath subdued the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet. *Refrain*

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



Schedule of Regular Weekly Services

Sundays: Matins, 8:50 AM
Divine Liturgy, 10 AM

Wednesdays: Vespers, 6:30 PM

Saturdays: Great Vespers, 5 PM

Confession: After Saturday Vespers
During Sunday Matins
Or by Appointment

See Calendar for Feast Days and Other Weekday Services Scheduled



Remember to turn cell phones off!

Order for Holy Communion

Members of the Orthodox Church age seven and above must prepare for Holy Communion with a recent confession, prayer, fasting from all food and drink from midnight (unless medical condition preclude it), being in church *before* the Epistle and Gospel readings, and being at peace with everyone.

As there are NO CHURCH SCHOOL classes today, children should sit with their parents and come to Communion with them. An usher will dismiss your row from the center aisle. Then return to your place by a side aisle for the prayers of thanksgiving and the final blessing and dismissal. Please let choir members pass when they come down for Communion.

A Warm Welcome to Our Guests

We are glad you are worshipping with us. Please note that participation in **Holy Communion is limited to members of the Orthodox Church** in good standing, who have prepared with prayer, fasting and confession.

For all others: though we cannot share Communion with you—since it is an expression of membership and full unity in faith—you are welcome to come forward after the dismissal, receive a blessing and partake of the blessed bread (from the large bowls). Please also sign our guest book, and introduce yourself to Fr. Nabil during the coffee hour. You may inquire with him how you can become a member.

2ND ANTIPHON (PSALM 47.1, 3, 4 LXX)

Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised in the city of our God, in His holy mountain.

Refrain: O Son of God, *Who didst rise from us in glory to the heavens, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia.*

God is known in her palaces when He cometh to our aid. *Refrain*

For lo, the kings of the earth were assembled; they came together. *Refrain*

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

O only-begotten Son....

3RD ANTIPHON: TROPARION OF ASCENSION (PSALM 48.1, 3, 4 LXX; TONE 4)

Hear this, all ye people; give ear, all ye inhabitants of the earth.

Refrain: Thou has ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, making them confident through the blessing: that Thou art the Son of God and Deliverer of the world.

My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. *Refrain*

I will incline mine ear to a parable; I will open my dark saying upon the harp. *Refrain*

ENTRANCE HYMN (TONE 2)

Clergy: Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who *art risen from the dead;* **People:** [save us] who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

APOLYTIKIA AFTER THE ENTRANCE

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 6)

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb. And the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou ledest Hades captive and wast

not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Troparion for the Ascension (Tone 4)

Thou has ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit, making them confident through the blessing: that Thou art the Son of God and Deliverer of the world.

Troparion of the Holy Fathers (Tone 8)

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.



Troparion of St. George (Tone 4; Russian)

As Deliverer of captives and Defender of the poor, Healer of the infirm, Champion of kings, victorious Great-Martyr George, intercede with Christ, our God, for our souls' salvation.

Kontakion of the Ascension (Tone 6)

When Thou didst fulfill thy dispensation for our sakes, uniting the terrestrials with the celestials, Thou didst ascend in glory, O Christ our God, inseparable in space, but constant without separation, and crying unto thy beloved: I am with you, and no one shall be against you.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Prokeimenon (Tone 4; Daniel 3.26-27)

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers.
Verse: For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done to us!

Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (20.16-18, 28-36; Fathers 1st Council)

IN THOSE DAYS, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them.

Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that

these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

Holy Gospel according to St. John (17.1-13; Holy Fathers 1st Council)

AT THAT TIME, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify thy Son that the Son may glorify Thee, since Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, Whom Thou hast sent. I glorified Thee on earth, having accomplished the work which Thou gavest Me to do; and now, Father, glorify Thou Me in thine own presence with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was made.

"I have manifested thy Name to the men whom Thou gavest Me out of the world; thine they were, and Thou gavest them to Me, and they have kept thy word. Now they know that everything that Thou hast given Me is from Thee; for I have given them the

words which Thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from Thee; and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom Thou hast given Me, for they are thine; all mine are thine, and thine are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in thy Name, which thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in thy Name, which Thou hast given me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves."

MEGALYNARION

It is truly meet....

REFRAIN OF THE COMMUNION HYMN (TONE 8)

Praise ye the Lord from the heavens.... Alleluia.

POST COMMUNION

Instead of "We have seen the true Light..., sing the Apolytikion of the Ascension.

HOLY OBLATIONS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

- By Delores George for the health of Gregory, Sara, Taylor, Trevor, Sheila, Phillip, Conner, Cameron and Annabelle, and in memory of Emory John George (20-year memorial), Emory, Freida, Isaac, Henry, Jean, William and Leo.
- By Sheila George Moyer, for the health of Delores, Annabelle, Phillip, Conner, Cameron, Greg, Sara, Taylor, Trevor and all the parishioners of St. George, and in memory of Emory George (20-year memorial), Freida, Isaac, Leo, Henry, William and James.
- By Natasha Osinnie, in memory of Dmitriy.
- By Doug Fadel, in memory of John Dalack and John Huff.

A sign-up sheet for baking and offering the prosphora (altar bread) is posted on the bulletin board, next to the elevator. You can also contact Thelma Hoover at (317) 782-1633.

FATHERS OF THE 1ST COUNCIL

READING FROM THE SYNAXARION:

The heresiarch Arius was a Libyan by race and a protopresbyter of the Church of Alexandria. In 315, he began to blaspheme against the Son and Word of God, saying that He is not true God, consubstantial with the Father, but is rather a work and creation, alien to the essence and glory of the Father, and that there was a time when He was not. This frightful blasphemy shook the faithful of Alexandria. Alexander, his Archbishop, after trying in vain to correct him through admonitions, cut him off from communion and finally in a local council deposed him in the year 321. Yet neither did the blasphemer wish to be corrected, nor did he cease sowing the deadly tares of his heretical teachings; but writing to the bishops of other cities, Arius and his followers requested that his doctrine be examined, and if it were unsound, that the correct teaching be declared to him. By this means, his heresy became universally known and won many supporters, so that the whole Church was soon in an uproar.

Therefore, moved by divine zeal, the first Christian Sovereign, Saint Constantine the Great, the equal to the Apostles, summoned the renowned First Ecumenical Council in Nicaea, a city of Bithynia. It was there that the shepherds and teachers of the Church of Christ gathered from all regions in the year 325. All of them, with one mouth and one voice, declared that the Son and Word of God is one in essence with the Father, true God of true God, and they composed the holy Symbol of Faith up to the seventh article (since the remainder, beginning with "And in the Holy Spirit," was completed by the Second Ecumenical Council). Thus they anathematized the impious Arius of evil belief and those of like mind with him, and cut them off as rotten members from the whole body of the faithful.

Therefore, recognizing the divine Fathers as heralds of the Faith after the divine Apostles, the Church of Christ has appointed this present Sunday for their annual commemoration, in thanksgiving and unto the glory of God, unto their praise and honor, and unto the strengthening of the true Faith.

MEMORIAL LITURGY

We will celebrate the memorial Liturgy at **10 a.m. Saturday, May 26**, at our pan-Orthodox outdoor shrine at **Oaklawn Cemetery** (9700 Allisonville Road).

Bring with you a list of the names of all the departed you wish to have remembered, and we will also bless the graves of all those “who lie asleep in the Lord” there.



ABOUT THE ALL-SOULS MEMORIAL ON THE DAY BEFORE PENTECOST

READING FROM THE SYNAXARION:

On this day in the Holy Orthodox Church, the day before Pentecost, the divine Fathers ordained a memorial for all those who have fallen asleep throughout the ages in true worship and in hope of life everlasting.

We commemorate all of our parents, brothers, sisters, and all those of true worship who have fallen asleep in the Lord from time immemorial. The Church of Christ conducts funeral services for all of her departed children. Since many have died at sea, in the mountains or wilderness, in the air, or, because of their poverty have died without the prescribed services, the divine Fathers, moved by their zeal and love for mankind, instituted a universal funeral liturgy in their honor. Further, in remembrance of the Second Coming of Christ on the Day of Judgment, the Church performs these funerary services today for the souls who have fallen asleep, remembering them, and imploring God to have compassion on them. Finally, in remembering all those who have gone before us, this Saturday of the Souls will remind us also of our own mortality, arousing us to remorse and repentance.

Grant repose, O Christ our Master, to the souls of those who have preceded us in slumber, and have mercy upon us, for Thou alone art deathless. Amen.

Please Join Us for Fellowship after the Liturgy

The ushers will hand you the announcements bulletin as you exit via the north (side) doors of the nave, following the dismissal and verbal announcements.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please include in your daily prayers the following—those struggling with acute illness and those newly departed this life—from our parishioners and those for whom they have requested our prayers. (Names are kept for 40 days, the date indicated after the name, and may be renewed upon request of the patient/family.)

LIVING

Metropolitan Paul and **Archbishop John John** Robert Sylvester, 6/26
Nicholas Rick Gann, 6/26
Elias Al Tawil, Community North Rehab., 6/17
Robert Abraham, Carmel Health, 6/16
Martha Sleder, 5/30
Fouad Fred Musleh, Copper Trace Rehab., 5/28
Alexander Nebesny, hospice care, 5/24
Alan Schmidt, cousin of Carol Abraham, 6/28
Shannon, friend of Ludmila Woodward 6/26
Viorica, sister-in-law of Ludmila Woodward 6/26
Vada, grandmother of Mark Woodward 6/26
Lynda Burke, enquirer, 6/11
Mark Bonini, friend of Iman Kiritsis, 5/23
All those suffering from illness, violence or want throughout the world

DEPARTED

Metropolitan John of Latakia, 5/13
George Lanas, former parishioner, 6/20
Maximito Garcia, father of Paola Olas, 6/16
John Huff, Barbara's husband, 6/13
Adla Malola, Hane's sister, 6/4
The victims of violence in Texas, Gaza and throughout the world

ST. GEORGE PARISH CALENDAR

May 2018

Sun. 20	Matins , 8:50 am Choir practice , 9 am Divine Liturgy , 10 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church School Awards • Dinner in honor of graduates • Charity Ministry meeting Parish outing : musical at Schrott Center for the Arts, 3 pm
Wed. 23	Vespers , 6:30 pm
Thu. 24	Choir practice , 7 pm
Sat. 26	Outdoor Memorial Liturgy , 10 am at Oaklawn Cemetery, Garden of Anastasis (9700 Allisonville Rd) Great Vespers , 5 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confessions heard
Sun. 27	<p style="text-align: center;">Great Feast of Pentecost</p> Matins , 8:50 am Choir practice , 9 am Divine Liturgy , 10 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pentecost Prayers of "Kneeling"
Wed. 30	Vespers , 6:30 pm
June 2018	
Sat. 2	Great Vespers , 5 pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confessions heard
Sun. 3	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday of All Saints</p> Matins , 8:50 am Choir practice , 9 am Divine Liturgy , 10 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ladies of St. George meeting Teen SOYO meeting & Pool Party, 4 pm at the Sankeys' (1142 Linden Ln, Carmel)

See the full calendar and the latest additions and updates at www.stgindy.org/calendar