Following the Risen Lord in All Things

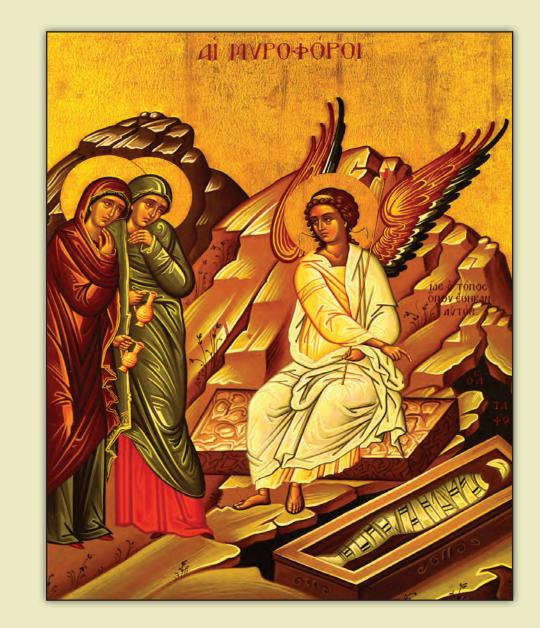
Christ has redeemed us by giving Himself as our ransom; He is the price paid for every soul, and by redeeming us from death and giving us immortality He has made us His own. So now that we belong to the Lord we must follow His will in all things, not living for ourselves anymore but only for Him who has purchased us with His life. We are no longer autonomous but belong to the One who has bought us, and we must be ruled by His will. As long as death had power over us we were ruled by sin, but now that we belong to the Lord of life we must give our allegiance to our new Master. Sin must never again make us disobey Him, for that would bring us once more under the domination of the evil one and of death.

We feel bound to Christ when we know that He is, as Paul tells us, both victim and priest, that He was actually offered for us as our paschal sacrifice, and that He Himself was the priest who made this offering to God. He gave himself up, says Paul, as a sacrifice to us. Those who realize that Christ gave himself up and became our Passover will in their turn offer themselves to God as living sacrifices, holy and acceptable. They will become spiritual oblations. Refusing to conform to the standards of the world, they will change their whole outlook so as to know the will of God, what is good, pleasing to Him, and best in every way ...

While our minds remain subject to our lower nature we are at enmity with God and refuse to obey His law ... Meditating on Christ's offering of His own blood in atonement for our sins should teach us to imitate Him and to make atonement for our own sins, mortifying our bodies in order to purify our souls.

St. Gregory of Nyssa

SUNDAY OF THE OINTMENT-BEARING WOMEN



Icon of the Ointment-Bearing Women

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Sunday – May 4, 2025 Христос Воскрес – Воістину Воскрес Christ is Risen – Truly He is Risen Confessions are available before the Divine Liturgies

All Services will be Live Streamed at 9:00 AM and 11:30 AM Platform: <u>https://www.facebook.com/holyfamilyshrine/</u>

Saturday May 3	Great Vespers
5:30 p.m.	
Sunday May 4	Sunday of the Myrrh Bearers
9:00 a.m.	(For the Parish)
11:30 a.m.	(+Yaroslav and +Maria from Maria Lupiy)
Thursday May 8	
9:00 a.m.	(+Pauline Fedak from Ruth)
Friday May 9	
9:00 a.m.	(Deceased of the Nagurney-Medwid Family from Irene)
Saturday May 10	Great Vespers
5:30 p.m.	
Sunday May 11	Sunday of the Paralytic – Mother's Day
9:00 a.m.	(For the Parish)
11:30 a.m.	(Living and Deceased Mothers)

CATECHISM CLASSES FOR CHILDREN AGES 3-5

Catechism classes will be held from 10:15-11:15 am on Sunday. Please mark these dates for the first semester: May 4, 18.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST PARISHIONER, ROCHELLE SAYEH MARYAM KEYHAN

We welcome our newest parishioner, Rochelle Sayeh Maryam Keyhan. Rochelle has elected to be baptized a Ukrainian Catholic as an adult. She was baptized, chrismated, and received the Holy Eucharist on Sunday, May 4. May God grant Rochelle many happy years – Mnohaya Lita – Christ Is Risen Христос Воскрес!

Prayer List

Our prayer list of the sick or elderly and friends of our parish: Theresa Aranda, Liana Arnold, Valarie Balthis, Charles Belanger, Barbara Blendy, Bluey Family, Yevhenia Borys, Terry Boyle, Taisia Bullard, Mary Connors, Veronica Cosio, Darlene Dossick, Robert Dulaine, Solomia Dutkewych and Theresa, Ruth Fedack, Bernard F, Ferne Fisanich, Myroslava Futey, Lilian Garland, Thomas Gutmann, H.H., Josie Hacker, Catherine Hetmansky, Vanessa Hetmansky, Bernadell Rita Higgins, Ellen Hitchens, Janet Hitchens, Daniel Horeczko, Boris Hlynsky, Nila Iwaskiw, Sarah Kelt, LTJG Lydia Kowalskyj USN, Dorothy Kozmoski, Suzanne Krumpelman, Mr. Marko, Melissa Martin, Paul Marynowych, Michele Pretka Litvak, Yaroslava L., Mufada and Family, Sallie Miller, John Moeller, Deborah Pickering, Alexandra Pohorecka, Patricia Pylypec, Ron#119, Michael Joseph Radigan, Roman Rusynko, Lisa Schaible, Christopher Sell, Teresa Sherwood, Shliakhta Bogdana, Shliakhta Mark, Shliakhta, Andrew, Larry Sosnowich, Lindsey Sydnor, Thomas Sydnor, Stefania Szahaj, Lisa Pretka Turner, Gloria and Luis Vega, Anne Woroniak, Rose Wilson, Fr. George Worschak, and Paul Yarrish. If you know of someone who should be on this list, please email or call with the name of the individual. Our intercessory prayer for the sick and the aged is truly helpful and comforting. In your Christian Charity, kindly remember our sick parishioners in your prayers and perhaps a card or note.