

The Martyr

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Up-coming Services and Events

Today: Sunday of the Myrrhbearing Women

9:30 a.m. Church School
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy and Memorial Prayers for Helen Tallcouch

16: 7:00 a.m. Matins
17: 7:00 a.m. Matins
11: 6:30 p.m. Glory to God for All Things
19: 7:00 a.m. Matins
20: 7:00 a.m. Matins
7:00 p.m. The Inexhaustible Cup

22: Sunday of the Paralytic

9:30 a.m. Church School
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

23: 7:00 a.m. Matins
24: 7:00 a.m. Matins
25: 6:30 p.m. Glory to God for All Things
26: 7:00 a.m. Matins
27: 7:00 a.m. Matins
28: 4:00 p.m. Great Vespers

29: Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

9:30 a.m. Church School
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Prayers for Blessings and Health

Bishops Paul and John of Aleppo, *captive in Syria.*

Dimitri Ndini (*USMC*), *servng in our armed forces.*

Those who are sick: Archbishop Nikon; Fr. Daniel Montgomery; Christy Adams; Michael, Mildred & Michael Arendacs; Paul Betts; Eileen Bochino; Serge Bouteneff; Debi Broadus; Sharon Buzi; Jim Cerner; Joyce Chadwick; Florence Chala; Frank Chamberlain; Bobby Christo; Tara Coppola; Anthony Cordero; Renate Deer; Armando Dias; James Dionis; Mary Galich; Louise Karoli Gallagher; Lynn Graceski; Nancy Hurd; Kiril Ivanov; Sug Jones;

Donald & Shirley Jordan; Christy Lambert; June & Michael Lopen; Nicolas Lucas; Carole Lundquist; Steven Malandra; Albert Masek, Sr.; Thomas Matthews; Jaimie McCarvill; Theodore Morrison; Andy Nunn; Deborah Owen; James Pando; Violet Polena, Dena Soter Reardon; Linda Rich; Mason Ruzskowski; David Schutte; Andrea Snedegar; Angie Soter; Charles & Joann Soter; Priftëresha Vi Soter; Tessie Sotir; Thomas Spero; Richard Taylor, Jr.; Thomas Terzakis; Thalia Thomas; William Thomas; Poullette Todisco; Margaret Torre; Alice & William Vasil; Ann Vitale; Robert Volpe.

Prayers in Memoriam

40 Days

Helen Tallcouch; Pandeli Jordhamo

Other

Paul Adamcio; Eugene Geeza; Edward Sutyak

May

15 Athina Allani (1950)
Violet Nako Panoli (1983)
16 Angelina Thanas (1980)
19 Christy Kovachi (2014)
20 Sofia Dionis (1944)
21 Andrea Cotmil Chala (1967)
Limbjadha Kochi (1967)
Sotir Theodos (1991)
Pandora Buzi Polena (1996)

Coffee Hour

Today: The Tallcouch Family, in memory of Helen

22: The Nani Family, in honor of Kosta's Nameday

29: ??

June 5: ??

If you would like to sponsor Coffee Hour, please sign up on the poster in the Church Hall.

Thank you!

We extend our thanks to the **Commerce Hill Funeral Home** and *Ron Dougiello* for the Mother's Day flowers that they donated last Sunday.

Bible Study

This Wednesday, the Akathist Hymn, **Glory to God for All Things** and **Bible Study** will be held as usual. The *Akathist* will be celebrated at 6:30 p.m., followed by *Bible Study* at about 7:00 p.m., lasting until about 8:00 p.m.

Great Vespers

Saturday evening **Great Vespers** will not be celebrated this coming Saturday, May 21st, because Father Dennis will be travelling to *Saint Vladimir's Seminary* in Yonkers, NY, for their annual Commencement Exercises.

Focus Group scheduled

The next **Focus Group** meeting for our *Natural Church Development* program will be held in the Church Hall this Tuesday, May 17th, at 7:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served afterward.

Put your name on the sign-up sheet at the Candle Desk if you would like to participate.

Participate the CROP Hunger Walk

We plan to participate in the local **CROP Hunger Walk**, which will be held next Sunday, May 22nd, in Bridgeport. This Walk will help to end hunger in the United States and around the world.

Speak to *Laura Coughlin* if you are interested.

Lakror for sale

Order your **Lakrors**—**Leek, Spinach and Sauerkraut**—now. The cost is \$50.00 each.

See *Laura Denisevich* or *Laura Chadwick* to place your order.

Akathist and 12-Step Meeting

The next **12-Step Discussion Group** will be held this Friday, May 20th. We will celebrate the **Akathist to the Icon of the Virgin, "The Inexhaustible Cup"** at 7:00 p.m., followed by our group meeting.

The focus of this next meeting will be the *Fifth Step*.

Cemetery Visitations

On Saturday, May 28th, we will visit our local cemeteries to bless the graves. The schedule will be as follows:

- 10:00 a.m. Lakeview Cemetery, Bridgeport (starting at Fr. Kovachi's grave site)
- 1:00 p.m. Oaklawn Cemetery, Fairfield
- 2:30 p.m. Gate of Heaven, Trumbull

If there are other cemeteries you would like Father Dennis to visit for grave blessings, please contact him to make arrangements.

Summer Hours

We will be observing **Summer Hours** again this year. Beginning on Sunday, June 5th, the Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30 a.m. This will continue through Labor Day, September 4th. Weekday Liturgies will continue to be celebrated at 10:00 a.m.

Special Guest

On Sunday, June 5th, **Archimandrite Juvenaly (Repass)** will be with us to speak about the missionary work he will be doing in Guatemala.

Charity Collection

This month, our Charity Collection will help support the **CROP Hunger Walk** program of *Church World Service*. that raises funds to end hunger at home and around the world.

Christ is risen!

Indeed, He is risen!

Krishti u-ngjall!

Vërtet u-ngjall!

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη!

Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!

Христос воскрес!

Воскреснул воскрес!

Hristos a înviat!

Adevărat a înviat!

·THE MURKHEGERS·



Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

In those days, as the number of Disciples increased, there arose a complaint among the Greeks against the Hebrews, in that their widows were being neglected in the daily service. And so, the Twelve summoned the many Disciples and said, "It is not good that we give up the word of God and serve at tables. Therefore, brethren, select from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and of wisdom that we could put to this service, while we devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the Word." And the plan was pleasing to the whole crowd, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip and Prochorus and Nicanor and Timon and Parmenas and Nicholas, a recent convert from Antioch. These they presented to the Apostles, who then prayed and laid their hands upon them. And God's word was growing, and the number of the Disciples increased considerably in Jerusalem; and many of the priests also accepted the Faith.

Mark 15:43-16:8

At that time there came Joseph, the one from Arimathea, a councilor of high rank, who was himself looking for the Kingdom of God. And he went in boldly to Pilate and asked for the Body of Jesus. But Pilate wondered whether He had expired so soon. And sending for the centurion,

he asked him whether He was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that He was, he granted the Body to Joseph. And he bought a linen cloth, and took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen cloth, and laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock. Then he rolled a stone to the entrance of the tomb. But Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph were looking on and saw where He was laid. And when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the Mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, in order to go and anoint Him. And very early on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb, and the sun had just risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll the stone back from the entrance of the tomb for us?" And looking up they saw that the stone had been rolled back — now, it was very large. But on entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting at the right side, clothed in a white robe, and they were amazed. He said to them, "Do not be terrified. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, He is not here. Behold the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples and Peter that He goes before you into Galilee; there you shall see Him, as He told you." And they left and fled from the tomb, for trembling and fear had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Veprat e Apostujve 6:1-7

Në ato ditë kur po shumoheshin nxënësit, u bë një ankesë prej Greqishtarëve kundër Hebrenjve, se të vejat e tyre nuk shikoheshin në shërbesën e përditshme të ushqimeve. Atëherë të dymbëdhjetët thërritën grupin e nxënësve, e thanë: Nuk është e pëlqyeshme për ne të lëmë fjalën e Perëndisë, e të shërbejmë nëpër tryezat. Mendohuni pra, o vëllezër, e zgjidhni prej jush shtatë burra me dëshmi të mirë e të mbushur me Shpirt të Shenjtë e me urtësi, të cilët t'i vëmë në këtë punë. Kurse ne do të qëndrojmë në falje e në shërbesën e fjalës. Edhe kjo fjalë u pëlqye përpara gjithë grupit; dhe zgjodhën Stefanin, që ishte burrë plot me besim e me Shpirt të Shenjtë, dhe Filipin e Prohorin e Nikanorin e Timonin e Parmenain, dhe Nikollën që ishte proselit nga Antiokia; të cilët i vunë para apostujve; dhe pasi u falën, vunë duart mbi ata. Edhe fjala e Perëndisë shtohet, dhe numri i nxënësve shumohet fort në Jerusalem; dhe një shumicë e madhe nga priftërinjtë dëgjonin besimin.

Marku 15:43-16:8

Në atë kohë, erdhi Josifi që ishte nga Arimatea, këshilltar i nderuar, që edhe ai priste mbretërinë e Perëndisë; dhe guxoi e hyri tek Pilati dhe lyp

trupin e Jisuit. Edhe Pilati u çudit, në qoftë se kishte vdekur tani; dhe thërriti pranë kryeqindëshin, dhe e pyeti në ka kohë që vdiq. Edhe si mori vesh prej kryeqindëshit, i fali trupin Josifit. Edhe ky bleu pëlhurë, dhe e zbriti, dhe e mbështolli me pëlhurën, dhe e vuri në një varr, që ishte latuar prej shkëmbi; dhe rrokullisi një gur në derën e varrit. Edhe Maria Magdalena, edhe Maria, e ëma e Josiut, vinin re ku po vihet. Edhe si shkoi e shtuna, Maria Magdalena, dhe Maria, e ëma e Jakovit, dhe Saloma, blenë erëra, që të vijnë e ta lyejnë. Edhe shumë shpejt në mëngjes, të parën ditë të javës, vijnë në varr, ndërsa po lindte dielli. Edhe thoshin në mes tyre: "Cili do të na rrokullisë gurin prej derës së varrit?" Edhe kur hodhën sytë, shohin se guri ishte rrokullisur; sepse ishte fort i madh. Edhe si hynë në varr, panë një djalosh duke ndenjur në të djathtë, të veshur me rroba të bardha; dhe u trembën. Po ai u thotë atyre: "Mos u trembni; kërkoni Jisu Nazaretasin, që u kryqëzua? U ngjall, nuk është këtu. Ja vendi ku e vunë. Po shkoni, e u thoni nxënësve të tij dhe Pjetrit se ai shkon më përpara se ju në Galile. Atje do ta shihni, siç ju tha juve." Edhe ato dolën shpejt e ikën nga varri; sepse i kishte zënë të dridhur e habi; dhe asnjëri u s'i thanë gjë, sepse kishin frikë.