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FIFTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA
The Samaritan Woman

THE VOICE

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2024 Parish Council

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Scheduled Readers - 2024

Sunday, June 2 - Daniel Slife
Sunday, June 9 - Bud Graham
Sunday, June 16 - Sandy Graham
Sunday, June 23 - Reader Michael Luc
Sunday, June 30 - Reader Nicholas Morelli

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

FIFTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Tone 4

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman
Saturday, June 1
5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions
Sunday, June 2
9:10 am 3rd and 6th Hours: Daniel Slife
9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
Epistle Reader: Daniel Slife
Epistle: Acts 11:19-26, 29-30 Gospel: John 4:5-42

SIXTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Tone 5

Sunday of the Man Born Blind
Saturday, June 8
5:00 pm Great Vespers and Confessions
Sunday, June 9
9:10 am 3rd and 6th Hours: Bud Graham
9:30 am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom
Epistle Reader: Bud Graham
Epistle: Acts 16:16-34 Gospel: John 9:1-38

THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

Wednesday, June 12
6:00 pm Vesperal Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA. Tone 6

Saturday, Ju1y 15 - 5:00 pm Great Vespers
Sunday, June 16
9:10 am 3rd and 6th Hours: Sandy Graham
9:30 am Typica Service with the Presanctified Gifts
Epistle Reader: Sandy Graham
Epistle: Acts 20:16-18, 28-36 Gospel: John 17:1-13

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

Epistle: Acts 11:19-26, 29-30

Barnabas and Saul at Antioch

19 Now those who were scattered after the persecution
that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia,
Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but
the Jews only. **20** But some of them were men from Cyprus
and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke
to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. **21** And the
hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number
believed and turned to the Lord. **22** Then news of these
things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and
they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. **23** When he
came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad,
and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they
should continue with the Lord. **24** For he was a good
man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many
people were added to the Lord.

25 Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul. **26** And
when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it
was that for a whole year they assembled with the church
and taught a great many people. And the disciples were
first called Christians in Antioch.

Relief to Judea **29** Then the disciples, each according to
his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren
dwelling in Judea. **30** This they also did and sent it to the 5
elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

Gospel: 4:5-42

5 So He (Jesus) came to a city of Samaria which is called
Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son
Joseph. **6** Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore,
being wearied from *His* journey, sat thus by the well. It
was about the sixth hour.

7 A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to
her, "Give Me a drink." **8** For His disciples had gone away
into the city to buy food.

9 Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that
You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan
woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.

10 Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of
God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you
would have asked Him, and He would have given
you living water."

11 The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw
with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that
living water? **12** Are You greater than our father Jacob, who
gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his
sons and his livestock?"

13 Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this
water will thirst again, **14** but whoever drinks of the water
that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I
shall give him will become in him a fountain of water
springing up into everlasting life."

15 The woman said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw.”

16 Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.”**17** The woman answered and said, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You have well said, ‘I have no husband,’ **18** for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly.” **19** The woman said to Him, “Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet. **20** Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you *Jews* say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.”

21 Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. **22** You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. **23** But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. **24** God *is* Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

25 The woman said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When He comes, He will tell us all things.” **26** Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am *He*.”

The Whitened Harvest

27 And at this *point* His disciples came, and they marveled that He talked with a woman; yet no one said, “What do You seek?” or, “Why are You talking with her?”

28 The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into
the city, and said to the men, **29** "Come, see a Man who
told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the
Christ?" **30** Then they went out of the city and came to
Him.

31 In the meantime His disciples urged Him, saying, "Rabbi,
eat." **32** But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which
you do not know." **33** Therefore the disciples said to one
another, "Has anyone brought Him *anything* to eat?"
34 Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of Him
who sent Me, and to finish His work. **35** Do you not say,
'There are still four months and *then* comes the harvest'?
Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the
fields, for they are already white for harvest! **36** And he
who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal
life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice
together. **37** For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and
another reaps.' **38** I sent you to reap that for which you
have not labored; others have labored, and you have
entered into their labor.**39** And many of the Samaritans of
that city believed in Him because of the word of the
woman who testified, "He told me all that I *ever* did." **40** So
when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to
stay with them; and He stayed there two days. **41** And
many more believe because of His own word.

42 Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not
because of what you said, for we ourselves have
heard *Him* and we know that this is indeed [a]the Christ, the
Savior of the world."

SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

Pentecostarion, for Midfeast

The middle of the days has come,
beginning with the Savior's Resurrection,
and sealed by the holy Pentecost.
The first and the last glisten with splendor.
We rejoice in the union of both feasts,
as we draw near to the Lord's Ascension:
the sign of our coming glorification.

The middle day between Pascha and Pentecost is solemnly celebrated and is called the **Midfeast of Pentecost**, at which Christ, ***"in the middle of the feast"***, teaches men of His saving mission and offers to all the ***"waters of immortality***:" ***"If anyone is thirsty let him come to me and drink"*** (John 7:37.

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And now, the Fifth Sunday of Pascha brings us to the woman of Samaria with whom Christ spoke at Jacob's well. Jesus said to her: ***"Whoever drinks of this water from the well will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."***

The Holy Martyr Photina was the Samaritan woman who had the rare fortune to speak with the Lord Christ Himself at Jacob's well in Sychar. Coming to faith in the Lord, she then came to believe in His Gospel with her two sons, Victor and Josiah and five sisters who were called Anatolia, Phota, Photida, Paraskeva and Kyriake. They went to Carthage in Africa. But they were arrested and taken to Rome in the time of the Emperor Nero and thrown into prison. By the providence of God, Domnina, Nero's daughter, came into contact with Photina and was brought by her to the Christian faith. After imprisonment, they all suffered for Christ. Photina, who first encountered the light of truth by a well, was thrown into a well, where she died and entered into the immortal Kingdom of Christ.

Prologue of Ochrid, St .Nikolai Velimirovich

Pentecostarion of the Samaritan Woman

The Lord of compassion came to the well
and conversed with a woman of Samaria.
She said: "Give me Your water that I may never thirst again! I will drink from the fountain of joy and redemption." O Life-giving Lord, glory to You!

REMEMBERING THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

Subdeacon Anthony Freude, son of Fr Don and Popadia Donna Freude
Egor Cravcenco, son of Serghei and Ludmila Cravcenco

REMEMBER OUR SICK AND SHUT-INS

Archbishop Alexander
Archbishop Benjamin
Archbishop Nathaniel
Archpriest Emil Huntyan
Florence Lambo
Martin Vronick
Pani Dolores Zuder
Mitered Archpriest Daniel Kovalak
Matushka Myra Kovalak
Matushka Christine Zebren
Matushka Laryssa Huntyan
Subdeacon Martin Paluch
Sarah Nigilo
Melissa Trace
Halina Woroncow
Louis Hakim
Mary Elizabeth Marcin
Carl Nickoloff
Joseph Taylor (nephew of DiPuccio Family)

This is the day of resurrection!
Let us be illumined by the feast!
Let us embrace each other!
Let us call Brothers even those that hate us,
and forgive all by the resurrection,
and so let us cry:
"Christ is risen from the dead,
trampling down death by death,
and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!"

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED, HE IS RISEN!
Christos Voskrese! Al Masseh Qam!
Hristos a Inviat! Cristo ha resucitado!
Krishti U Ngjail! Hristos Vaskrese!
Christo e'resorto! Krisztus Feltamadt!
Christus ist Aufrsandent! Kriste aghsdga!
Le Christ est Ressucite! Christus Resurrexit!

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Monday, June 10 at 6:30 pm

OUR STEWARDSHIP, May 26, 2024	
Candles:	**$ 73.00**
Tray Offerings:	**210.00**
TOTAL:	**$283.00**
Tithely Donations:	**$441.01**
PayPal Donation:	**81.69**
TOTAL:	**$522.70**

TOTAL OFFERINGS: $805.70