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3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA - Tone 2. Holy Myrrhbearing Women. Commemorating Saint Theodore the Sykeote, Bishop of Anastasiopolis, Translation of the Relics of Bl. Vsevolod (in holy Baptism Gabriel), Prince of Pskov, Apostles Nathaniel, Luke and Clement, and Venerable Vitalis of Gaza.

Readings:

Epistle: Acts 6:1-7

Gospel: Mark 15:43-16:8

8:00 a.m.—Orthodox Radio on AM 720 WW II

9:00 a.m.—Church School Classes for Students & Adults; Prayers of Repentance; Confessions

9:30 a.m.—Prayers of Repentance; Confessions

10:00 a.m.—Divine Liturgy, Sermon, Student and Senior A cappella Choirs

11:45 a.m.—Fellowship

1:00 p.m.—Baptism

Calendar:

Apr 24, Tue: General Session Orthodox Christian Academy at the "Y: in Camp Hill—7-8:30 p.m.; Church Choir rehearsal—7 p.m.

Apr 26, Thu: Pan-Orthodox Bible Study in Camp Hill—7 p.m.

Apr 28, Sat: Baptism—3 p.m.; Vespers—7 p.m.

Apr 29, Sun: *Sunday of the Paralytic*; 720 AM Radio—8:00 a.m.; Church School—9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy—10:00 a.m.; Fellowship—11:45 a.m. Spaghetti Dinner—12 Noon

Apr 30, Mon: Men's Club meeting—7:30 p.m.

May 1, Tue: St. Mary's Altar Guild Pirohi making—8:30 a.m.

May 3, Thu: Parish Softball Team plays—6:00 p.m.; St. Mary's Altar Guild meeting—6:30 p.m.; Pan-Orthodox Bible Study in Camp Hill—7 p.m.

May 5, Sat: Sight and Sound Event—1 p.m.; Vespers—7 p.m.

May 6, Sun: *5th Sunday of Pascha* 720 AM Radio—8:00 a.m.; Church School—9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy—10:00 a.m.; Fellowship—11:45 a.m.; Parish Softball Team plays—5:30 p.m.

May 8, Tue: Dr. Maria Khoury lecture at our church—7:30 p.m.

May 10, Thu: Pan-Orthodox Bible Study in Camp Hill—7 p.m.

May 12, Sat: Vespers—7 p.m.

May 13, Sun: *6th Sunday of Pascha/Mother's Day*: 720 AM Radio—8:00 a.m.; Church School—9:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy (St. Tikhon Choir to sing)—10:00 a.m.; Fellowship—11:45 a.m.

May 15, Mon: St. Mary's Altar Guild Pirohi making—8:30 a.m.; Parish Softball Team plays—6:00 p.m.

May 16, Wed: Great Vespers

Today's Prayers: *Please remember those mentioned here in your daily prayers in the morning and in the evening, at home and in church. The detailed prayer list is published once a month in the parish mailing. However, the names will be mentioned during the Liturgy of Preparation every Sunday. Parishioners are urged to update or delete their prayer listings.*

Those Ailing: **Marlene Kalenak**, Dr. Alexander Kalenak's daughter-in-law, in Washington D.C.; **Mary Essock**, sister of George Krempasky; **Archpriest Igor Soroka, Daria Kostylev; John Pusey; Tony Macinanti** friend of Lydia Mantle; **Steve Fecho; Joseph Parson; Stanley Seitzinger; Fr. John Onofrey; Mary Guise**, friend of John R. Barns; **Ruth Rogoff**, friend of Katharine Macut; **Anastasia Volk**, niece of Evelyn Krempasky **and her son William Nicholas; Helen Osuch; Lucy Koloski; Barbara Toporcer**, aunt of Dorothy Sysak; **Margaret Yawkey; Robert Michael**

Snyder, brother of Evelyn & George Krempasky; **Nancy Sheaffer and William Sheaffer; Mary Hoffman; John Fatich; Roberta Cona; John Caba; Carol Boyer; Nina Shvartsakh; Joe Krajsa; Eva Kondratick; Tanner Carmen; Alexander Galvin; Gregory Burch;**

Health and well-being of: **SSG Kevin Leonhard** in Iraq, friend of the Hancher's; **Andrea Atkins, Brianna Atkins, Anna Thompson; Michael Egan**, (in Iraq) Anna Doray's son-in-law; **Nicholas Serio**, in Iraq; **Katherine Pilc; Russ Sass;**

RECOVERING from a surgical procedure is Harry Sysak, Dotty's husband. He is at Carlisle Regional Medical Center, 361 Alexander Spring Road, Carlisle PA 17015; Phone: 960-3586.

Remember Harry in your prayers. His home address is: 845 Alexander Spring Rd., Carlisle, PA 17013

Newly Departed from This Life:

Alex Kuzupas—Apr 18th; **Elizabeth Conco, 83**—Apr 9th; **Margaret Olaf**—Apr 2nd; **Peter King; Eugene Telep; John Oleska**—Mar 14th;

DEPARTING this life on Bright Monday, April 9th at a hospital in Baltimore was Elizabeth Conco, 83. She was the mother of Mrs. Dee Jubb, 227 Reba Drive, New Oxford, PA 18350.

Funeral services were served by Theodore Boback at St. Andrew's Church in Baltimore.

We sing Eternal Memory to Elizabeth, newly departed this life.

DEPARTING this life on Tue., April 18th at home was Alex Kuzupas, the husband of Janet, 5790 Locust Lane, Harrisburg, PA 17109.

Funeral services were held at our church yesterday; serving was Fr. Seraphim Majmudar.

We sing Eternal Memory to Alex, newly departed this life.

Anniversaries of Those Departed from This Life:

Michael Kuchta, Bill Kuchta's Godfather & uncle, April 11th was the 34th anniversary;

George Spaseff, April 25th is the 26th anniversary;

John Mensky, uncle of Sue Brown, April 25th is the 4th anniversary;

Mary Demchak, mother of Suzanne Demchak, April 26th is the 38th anniversary;

Child Sebastian Bishop, great grandson of Father Claude Vinyard, April 26th is the 2nd anniversary;

Helen Neff, Pat Drebot's sister, April 26th is the 1st anniversary;

Theodore Yewisiak, brother of Wilma Sutovich, April 28th is the 2nd anniversary;

Candle Offerings:

Seven Day Eternal Lamp Votive Candles are offered for **Father Dan and Matushka Ressetar's** 49th Wedding Anniversary.

Many Years (Names for the singing of "MANY YEARS" after the Sunday Divine Liturgy will be accepted for publication in the weekly bulletin. Please email ctsocahbg@aol.com with the information.)

Teodora Sandu will celebrate her birthday on **April 22nd**.

Johnna McGreevy will celebrate her birthday on **April 23rd**.

TODAYS NEWS

AN INFORMAL Parish meeting will take place today after Divine Liturgy (during the Fellowship Hour) to discuss the ongoing OCA crisis.

SPAGHETTI AND MEATBALL DINNER: The Men's Club is sponsoring a Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner on next Sunday following the Divine Liturgy. The cost will be \$6.00 per person, with children 12 yrs. and younger free. Please plan to attend.



PARISH NEWS

THE MEN'S SOFTBALL TEAM defends its championship on **Thursday, May 3** against Capital Baptist/Calvary Independent at 6 p.m. and **Sunday, May 6** against Crosspoint United Methodist at 5:30 pm. Games are played at Veterans' Park in Susquehanna Township.

celebrating the Divine Liturgy this morning at St. Alexander Nevsky Church with Archpriest Paul Suda.

KNOW OF A STUDENT GRADUATING? If you know of any students graduating from high school or college, please contact the church office at **652-1825** or email ctsocahbg@aol.com. We do not want to forget anyone. The parish would like to recognize its graduates.

CHAPERONING the Junior "O" Club basketball team this weekend in Pittsburgh is Fr. Dan Ressetar. He is co-

COME RECEIVE THE LIGHT will broadcast the following program Sunday 8-8:30 am on AM 720—Tune in...

04/29/2007 Topic: The Orthodox Study Bible—Guest: Fr. Bob Sanford

Fr. Bob Sanford of Thomas Nelson Publishing, publisher of the *Orthodox Study Bible – New Testament*, joins Fr. Chris to discuss the status of the long-awaited release of the *Orthodox Study Bible – The Old Testament* in the Spring of 2008. Fr. Bob highlights how the study bible will be of particular service to the community of people within the "emerging church" movement, who are willing to explore the depths of the Christian faith in order to reclaim their lost heritage in the ancient Church.

MIRACLE IN THE ORTHODOX CHURCH: The Ceremony of the Holy Light in Jerusalem

This ceremony takes place in the Orthodox Church of the Resurrection (Holy Sepulchre) in the Holy city of Jerusalem in such a way that bewilders the soul of the Christians. It takes place every single year, at the same time, in the same manner, and on the same spot. **Watch a video of last year's miracle at:** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ys8hNr7BZ70>

FUTURE EVENTS

APRIL 29th, Sun: Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner at Noon

APRIL 30th, Mon: Men's Club meeting at 7:30 p.m.

MAY 1st, Tue: St. Mary's Altar Guild Pirogi making at 8:30 a.m.

MAY 3rd, Thu: St. Mary's Altar Guild meeting at 6:30 p.m.

MAY 8th, Tues: Dr. Maria Khoury Lecture at 7:30 p.m.

MAY 15th, Tue: St. Mary's Altar Guild Pirogi making at 8:30 a.m.

MAY 30th, Wed: St. Mary's Altar Guild Nut roll and kiefli baking at 8:30 a.m.

JUNE 1st, Fri: Food Festival Preparation at 8:30 a.m.

JUNE 2nd, Sat: Food Festival Preparation at 8:00 a.m.

JUNE 3rd, Sun: Mark your calendar for the Annual Ethic Food Festival from 12 to 7 p.m.

JULY 14th, Sat: Annual Parish Yard Sale. (Please bring all marked items by **Sunday July 9th**.)

Stewardship Prayer:

O merciful Creator, whose hand is open wide to satisfy the needs of every living creature: Make us, we beseech thee, ever thankful for thy loving providence; and grant that we, remembering the account that we must one day give, may be faithful stewards of thy bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

We must never lose sight of the whole Orthodox Church. We must embrace the Orthodox Church to which we belong and be stewards of our dear Christ the Saviour Church. We must love our Church and be zealous for her. How can we do this consistently, not just in times of stress or tribulation? One way is to put into practice the words of the Apostle in 2 Peter 5-7 where he instructs us to be " **...giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge, to knowledge self-control, to self-control perseverance, to perseverance godliness, to godliness brotherly kindness and to brotherly kindness love**" Peter observed that those who are saved base their character on faith and crown it with love. I encourage you to think about the whole list of Christian attributes the Apostle gives us.

Liturgical Music Chatroom topics: All chat discussions begin at 8:30pm EDT on the days listed.

Tuesday, May 8: The Monk Sergius [Bowyer] will offer a presentation on commitment to Christ through liturgical participation.

Tuesday, May 22: Composing methodology will be the topic of a presentation by Ivan Moody.

Tuesday, June 5: Rev. Sergius Halvorsen will lead a discussion on techniques for training Church readers.

Tuesday, June 19: Dr. Nicolas Schidlovsky will offer a unique presentation on the Old Believer musical tradition.

The Chatroom provides a setting for choir directors, singers, and others interested in liturgical music to discuss liturgical hymnology, repertoire selection, liturgical chants, church rubrics, vocal techniques, the choir and congregational singing, music and liturgy, and related issues. To access the chat room, log on to www.oca.org and follow the links.

MEET DR. MARIA KHOURY

Dr. Khoury will lecture in Annunciation Church (64 Hershey Avenue, Lancaster, PA 17603) on **Saturday May 5 at 1:30 p.m.; Saturday May 5, 6:00 p.m.** at Holy Apostles Orthodox Mission (5006 East Trindle Road, Suite 101, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055); **Tuesday, May 8 at 7:30 p.m.** at **Christ the Saviour** (Colonial Park) and **Sunday May 6, 9—12:30 p.m.** at Orthos/Sunday School/Liturgy/Coffee Fellowship at Sts. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, Reading, PA 19604. Dr. Khoury's visit to our area Orthodox churches is sponsored by the OCCSCP and blessed by Metropolitan Maximos.

Her topic will be: "*CHRISTIAN PRESENCE IN THE HOLY LAND: UNDER MILITARY OCCUPATION AND ISLAMIC RULE*" A question and answer period will follow the lecture.

Who is Dr. Maria Khoury? Dr. Maria (Kouremenou) Khoury is an author, who has written books and personal experiences about life for Christians living in the village of **Taybeh** in the West Bank of the Holy Land. Her writings have been published in many countries.

Dr. Khoury holds earned degrees from the Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, Harvard University and Boston University with a doctorate in education degree.

She and her husband, Dr. David C. Khoury, the Mayor of Taybeh, live under military occupation with their family.

They could be living in America since Dr. Khoury is an American citizen. However, the Khourys have stayed in Taybeh to perpetuate the Orthodox Christian presence through their the St. George Greek Orthodox Church, despite the harsh circumstances of their politically troubled area.

Taybeh, a scenic village in the olive grove hills of north of Jerusalem and Ramallah, is considered the last all-Christian village of the West Bank. The residents face daily curfews, closures, roadblocks and checkpoints that make life a daily struggle for survival.

Dr. Khoury will tell us about programs she and her husband have operated to help the Christians of the area become self-sufficient. For example, through the efforts of Dr. Khoury, the IOCC (Interantional Orthodox Christian Charities) has enabled the women of Taybeh master a honey production project that has expanded education and needs of children through the village's Orthodox school. This program has simultaneously assisted the school's library and computer center. ~Fr. Alexander Veronis

OCA organizational task force begins third phase of its work

The Task Force chartered to improve the management structure of the Orthodox Church in America's Chancery here will complete the second phase of its work in May-June 2007, when Chancery personnel changes will be effected. The third and final phase will put in place written policies and procedures for future operations.

The work of this Task Force, as approved and encouraged by His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman, the Metropolitan Council, and the Holy Synod of Bishops, has addressed the Church's headquarters, its financial management, and its efficiency.

Metropolitan Herman chartered the OCA Organizational Task Force in September 2007 to improve the organizational structure of the Church's central administrative offices. In its Phase 1 report to the Metropolitan Council and Holy Synod, the Task Force said the existing management structure of the Chancery deviated from the OCA Statute and from accepted management practices by concentrating administrative and financial authority and responsibility in a single position, the Chancellor. Among other things, the structure lacked "checks and balances," a basic and necessary element in all organizations. The Task Force recommended the immediate recruitment of the three positions required by the Statute -- Chancellor, Secretary, and Treasurer - as well as a fourth position to manage the Church's ministries and external communications activities, identifying this as a major priority of the Church.

After receiving approval and support from the Metropolitan Council and Holy Synod in December 2006, the Task Force mobilized selection teams to recruit and recommend candidates for the four top Chancery positions. The selection teams comprised Metropolitan Council members who volunteered for the assignment, as well as others with subject-matter knowledge of the positions. These volunteers, from widely differing geographic locations, worked together to design measurement criteria, conduct interviews, and rate the job candidates. With Metropolitan Herman's approval and encouragement, the selection process was unprecedented in the OCA; it was openly competitive and based exclusively on quantifiable job-related requirements. Twenty-five candidates responded to the call of the Church for the new administrative leadership positions.

The Holy Synod and Metropolitan Council also approved in December 2006 the establishment of a temporary Transition Officer position to put in place the Task Force's streamlined Chancery structure with its reduced administrative costs and clarified lines of responsibility and authority. Deacon John Zarras accepted the appointment to the position as an unpaid volunteer and began work at the Chancery in January 2007. His role includes both implementing the revised structure and assisting the staff in understanding how every job relates to the overall vision and needs of the Church, its parish communities, and its volunteer ministerial departments.

At the March 2007 meetings of the Metropolitan Council and Holy Synod, those bodies approved appointments based on the successful work of the selection teams: the Very Rev. Alexander Garklavs as Chancellor, Mr. Kevin Kovalycsik as Treasurer, and the Rev. Andrew Jarmus as Director of Ministries and Communication. The Task Force expects to propose a candidate for Secretary of the Church by mid-May 2007. The Transition Officer and the Task Force will assist the new managers, as needed, as they assume their roles.

In its Phase 3, the Task Force will develop personnel policies and procedures for such areas as salary and wage administration, job descriptions, performance reviews, pay setting and adjustments, vacations, holidays, and sick time. Its end product will include a "Human Resource Handbook" for the Chancery.

Another major accomplishment has been the purchase and implementation of a new financial accounting system. Mandated by the Metropolitan Council, the new software and hardware have been purchased and installed at the Chancery, and training for affected personnel is being scheduled. This new technology will enable more timely and accurate financial reports, as well as regular public disclosure of Church finances. Its implementation also enables the elimination of the position of Comptroller, for further administrative cost savings.