

Sunday of the Holy Myrrhbearing Women with the Noble Joseph (April 30)

The Myrrh-bearing women are those women who followed the Lord, along with His Mother. They remained with her during the time of the saving Passion, and anointed the Lord's body with myrrh. Joseph and Nikódēmos asked for and received the Lord's body from Pilate. They took it down from the Cross, wrapped it in linen cloths and spices, then they laid it in a tomb, and then they placed a great stone over the entrance of the tomb.

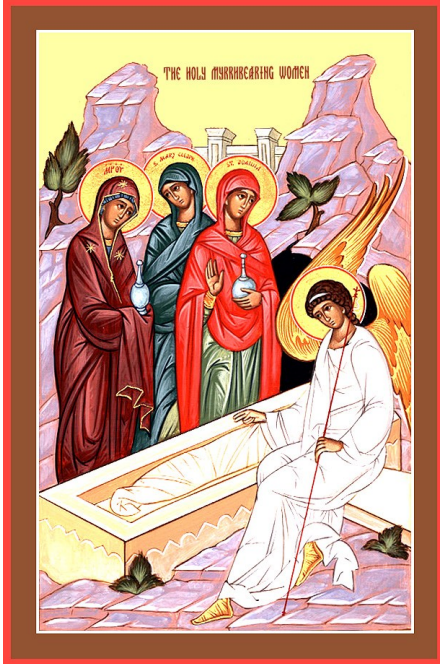
According to the Evangelist Matthew (27:57-61) Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joses (Mark 15:40) were there sitting opposite the sepulchre, and they saw where He had been laid. This other Mary was the Mother of God. Not only were these present, but also many other women, as Saint Luke says (24:10).

Today the Church honors Saints Mary Magdalene (July 22), Mary the wife of Cleopas (May 23), Joanna (June 27), Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee (August 3), Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus (June 4), and the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, who was the stepmother of her husband Joseph's sons James (October 23) and Joses (October 30). Today we also remember Saint Joseph of Arimathea (July 31), who was a secret disciple (John 19:38), and Saint Nikódēmos, who was a disciple by night (John 3:3; 19:38).

The holy right-believing Queen Tamara of Georgia is honored twice during the year: on May 1, the day of her repose, and also on the Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women.

On this day the Church also remembers All Saints of Thessalonica, Saint Seraphim Bishop of Phanar (December 4, 1610), the New Martyr Elias Arduinis (January 31, 1686), and the New Martyr Demetrios of the Peloponnesos (April 13, 1803).

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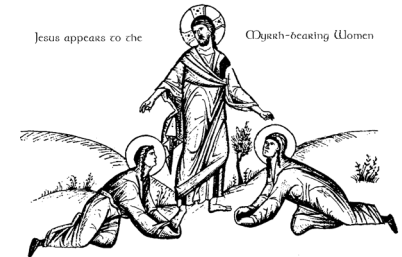


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April 30, 2023 SUNDAY OF THE MYRRHBEARING WOMEN AND SAINTS JOSEPH AND NICODEMUS



CHRIST IS RISEN!

Orthros Gospel:

Eothinon 4: St. Luke 24:1-12

Epistle: 1 John 1:1-7

Gospel: St. Mark 15:43-16:8

RESURRECTION TROPARION - TONE 2 - When thou didst submit thyself unto death, O thou deathless and immortal One, then thou didst destroy hell with thy godly power; and when thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of heaven did cry aloud unto thee, O Christ, thou Giver of Life, "Glory to thee!"

TONE 2 - Pious Joseph, having brought down thy pure Body from the tree, and wrapped it in fine linen, embalmed it with ointment, prepared it, and laid it in a new tomb. But thou didst verily rise after three days, O Lord, granting to the world the great mercy!

TONE 2 - Verily the angel came to the tomb and said to the ointment bearing women: "The ointment is meet for the dead, but Christ has been shown to be remote from corruption. But cry ye, 'The Lord is risen, granting to the world the great mercy!'"

TODAY: Orthros, 8:45 am
Divine Liturgy, 10 am
Sunday School & Coffee Hour 11:45 am

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Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. If you or anyone you know is in the hospital or homebound and would like a visit, please call the church office.

Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

	This Week:	Next Week (May 7):
COFFEE HOUR	L-Mo - BAKED POT. BAR	J-K - BAGELS/DONUTS
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Sdn Justin	Kristi Moore
ALTAR CANDLES:	Gambles — Anastasios B-day Ken Hedrick — Father's Remembrance 3 Years	Chebeleu — Radu's Birthday
USHERS:	Dan M. & Tom A.	Steve K. & Rdr Nick
CLEANING TEAM:	Gohls; Olena; Midena	Serge, Alex, Sarah K.
COFFEE HOUR TEAM:	Myriam; Conon; Jekels/Teens	Chris; Mariya; Abraham

* IT IS TIME TO RETURN OUR FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE OFFERINGS. Thank you for remembering the needs of others.

This Week:

Monday, May 1:	Church open
Tuesday, May 2:	Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.
Wednesday, May 3:	Church open Little COMPLINE & Patristic Reading, 6:30 p.m.
Thursday, May 4:	----
Friday, May 5:	Church open Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 6:	Cleaning/Work Day 7:30 a.m. Great VESPERS at 6:30 p.m. Confession 7:30 p.m. Parish Bonfire Fellowship after Vespers
Sunday, May 7:	SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC ORTHROS 8:45 a.m. Divine LITURGY 10 a.m. Sunday School & Coffee Hour Women of St. Mariamne 12:45 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Vespers for Apr 22: 51 Divine Services Apr 23: 231
OFFERINGS 4/23: Candles, \$896.75. Collections, \$352. Youth, \$1.
Book Shelf Ministry, \$11. Classical School Fund, \$48.76. Food for Hungry, \$258. Honorarium Fund, \$3,500. Mortgage Reduction, \$125.
Needy Fund, \$48.76. Teen Fund, \$472. Stewardship, \$2,682. Total received: \$7,793.52.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

DURING THE PASCHAL SEASON:

- ✦ We say or sing the Resurrection Troparion every day with our devotions.
- ✦ We continue to share the good news with the greeting, "Christ is risen!"
- ✦ We read the Book of Acts and the Gospel of John in our family Bibles.
- ✦ There is a relaxed fast on Wednesdays and Fridays. (Communion fast continues as usual.)
- ✦ In honor of the Resurrection, there is no kneeling, in Church or at home, until the Pentecost Kneeling Prayers.

Mark Your Calendar:

Mid-Pentecost
Wednesday, May 10

Ascension
Thursday, May 25

Pentecost
Sunday, June 4

All Saints
Sunday, June 11

Apostles' Fast & Sts. Peter & Paul
June 12-29

PLC Conference 2023:
"A Vision for an Orthodox America"
June 28-July 2

VCS 2023
July 31-Aug 4

**APRIL OUTREACH
COLLECTION:**
Cleaning Supplies

**CHALLENGE
FOR 2023:**
**"You are the Salt
of the Earth"**

Pray For:

<i>Living</i>	<i>Departed</i>
N.I. Peter, Sarah, William N.I. Timothy N.I. Christian-Moses Our Metropolitan-Elect SABA	(April Parish Diptychs) +Vasilios +Frederick
Met. Onuphry and faithful of Ukraine Faithful in Ethiopia and Eritrea	+Mary +Vaseleka +Carl
Archpriest Marc Kh. Joyce Diakonissa Anna	+Niemeh +Mary +Haydieh
George Linda Tadessa Nicole Raymond	+Justin +Calin +Stavros
Patrick Doris John John James James Lasha B Otari B Tatiana Helen Wadieh Anesia Mary Mary Sophia Elias Victoria Alexandra	Catechumens Christina Alina, Elsa Kate Ryan Zachary, Brandy, Nora, Gavinn, Lorelei, & Otto Taylor & Bethany Denis Nicholas, Rachel, Luka, Leo Michael Evan Lucretia Tiffany Timothy & Kristen
Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, & all Missionaries New & Expectant Mothers & their children For the people of our land, and their repentance, healing & unity The 12 Baskets Full team asks for prayers for our homeless Philly friends – George, Bill, Jim, Jalil, Mark, Joel, Eric	

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts II:26)