

**Venerable Constantine, (in baptism Yaroslav),
with his children Michael and Theodore,
Wonderworkers of Murom (May 21)**

The Holy Princes Constantine and his sons Michael and Theodore of Murom lived during the eleventh-twelfth centuries.

Prince Constantine, a descendant of Saint Vladimir, asked his father, Prince Svyatoslav of Chernigov, to give him the city of Murom, which was inhabited by pagans, so he might enlighten this land with the light of the Christian Faith.

The prince sent his son Michael as emissary to the Murom people, but the pagans murdered him. When Prince Constantine arrived in the city with his retinue, the people quieted down and accepted him, but for a long time they would not give up paganism.

Once, they went to the prince's home, intending to kill him, but the prince came out to the crowd holding the Murom Icon of the Mother of God (April 12). The mutinous people unexpectedly quieted down and agreed to accept holy Baptism at the River Oka.

At the place of the murder of his son Michael, Saint Constantine built a church in honor of the Annunciation, and later on another church named for the holy Passion-Bearers Boris and Gleb. Prince Constantine zealously assisted his son, Prince Theodore in spreading the Christian Faith among the people of Murom.

Saint Constantine died in 1129, and was buried in the church of the Annunciation beside his sons, Saints Michael and Theodore.

Text and Image from <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2023/05/21/101454-venerable-constantine-in-baptism-yaroslav-with-his-children-mich>



The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch (Acts 11:26)



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May 21, 2023
**SUNDAY OF THE
BLIND MAN**



**CHRIST IS
RISEN!**

Tone 5

Eothinon 8 - St. John 20:11-18

Epistle: Acts 16:16-34

Gospel: St. John 9:1-38

**CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD, TRAMPLING DOWN DEATH
BY DEATH, AND UPON THOSE IN THE TOMBS BESTOWING LIFE.**

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 5 - Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation; for He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh, to suffer death, and to raise the dead by his glorious resurrection!

TODAY:

- ◆ Orthros, 8:45 am
- ◆ Divine Liturgy, 10 am
- ◆ Donation Coffee Hour for SJA & Sunday School
- ◆ Parish Council
- ◆ SJA Play: "I-Ville to You-Ville" 1:30 pm

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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 28):
COFFEE HOUR	St. Justin Academy Donation	ALL - TOM/SPIN PIE & PIZZA
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Gabi & Catalin T.	John Child
ALTAR CANDLES:	Bushelli — Julian 23rd bday / Laura 23rd bday; Miriam 5th bday	Tinjala — Maria's bday
USHERS:	Bill H. & Sdn. John N.	Tom A. & Dan M.
CLEANING TEAM:	Hertzlars; Nick; Zach H.	Henrys & Chris/Lucretia H.
COFFEE HOUR TEAM:	Kendra; Felicia; Christian	Nancy; Sze; Zach/ Christian; Zach

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

Mark Your Calendar:

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

Dormition Fast - August 1-14
Daily Paraklesis

Transfiguration
August 5-6

Pray For:

Living	Departed
Infant Timothy	+Lucy
Met. Onuphry and faithful of Ukraine	+George
Pr. Andrew, family, & parishioners	(May Parish Diptychs)
Archpriest Mark	+Paul
Kh. Joyce	+Bahia
George	+Kh. Jane
Jonathan	+LuAnn
Ephrem	+Lida
Nicole	+Donna
Raymond	
Patrick	
Doris	
John	
John	
James	<u>Catechumens</u>
James	Zachary,
Lasha B	Brandy, Nora,
Otari B	Gavinn,
Helen	Lorelei, &
Wadieh	Otto,
Anesia	Taylor &
Mary	Bethany
Mary	Denis
Sophia	Lucretia
Elias	Ryan
Victoria	Christina
Alexandra	Alina & Elsa
Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, & all Missionaries	Kate
New & Expectant Mothers & their children	Nicholas,
For the people of our land, and their repentance, healing & unity	Rachel, Luka, & Leo
The 12 Baskets Full team asks for prayers for our homeless Philly friends —George, Bill, Jim, Jalil, Mark, Joel, Eric	Michael
	Evan
	Tiffany
	Caden

SPECIAL APPEAL for VCS

Three ways you can help as we are gearing up for another **Vacation Church School**, of growth in faith and love for God: 1) See Kate Gohl about volunteering; 2) Pray for Fr. Noah, leaders, and students; 3) Consider offering a financial gift to cover expenses.

This Week:

Monday, May 22: Church open

Tues, May 23: Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.
Paschal Vespers & Water Blessing 6:30 p.m.

Wed, May 24: **LEAVE-TAKING OF PASCHA**
Festal VESPERS & Artoklasia 6:30 p.m.

Thurs, May 25: **ASCENSION OF OUR LORD**
Festal Orthros 9 a.m.
Divine LITURGY, 10 a.m. w/ Festal Potluck

Friday, May 26: **Fast Day**
Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.

Sat, May 27: Catechism & Inquirer Class 5 p.m.
VESPERS at 6:30 p.m.
Confession 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 28: **THE FATHERS OF THE 1st ECUMENICAL
COUNCIL**
ORTHROS 8:45 a.m.
Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.
Coffee Hour (NO Sunday School)

MAY OUTREACH COLLECTION:
Skin Care Products

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

ATTENDANCE: Vespers for May 13: 67 Divine Services May 14: 184
OFFERINGS 5/14: Candles, \$286. Collections, \$296. Youth, \$1.
Book Shelf Ministry, \$20. Food for Hungry, \$55. Mission Chapel, \$178.
Stewardship, \$3,229.52. Total received: \$4,065.52.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!