

## Martyr Quadratus & those with him at Corinth (Mar 10)

During a persecution against Christians (in the third century) a certain pious woman named Rufina fled from Corinth to a mountain, to escape from her pursuers. There she gave birth to a son Quadratus, and died soon afterward. By the Providence of God the infant remained alive and was nourished in miraculous manner: a cloud appeared over him, dropping a sweet dew into his mouth.



The childhood and youth of Saint Quadratus were spent in the wilderness. When he was a young man, he chanced upon Christians, who enlightened him with the light of the true Faith. Quadratus studied grammar, and later learned the physician's art and attained great success in it. But most of all, Quadratus loved the wilderness solitude and he spent the greater part of his time in the hills, in prayer and meditation upon God. Many years passed, and his friends and followers frequently came to the saint to hear his instruction. Among them were Cyprian, Dionysius, Anectus, Paul, Crescens and many others.

By order of the impious emperor Decius (249-251), the military prefect Jason arrived at Corinth to torture and slay Christians. Since Quadratus was the eldest, he spoke for the rest. The saint bravely defended his faith in Christ the Savior, then they began the torture. Saint Quadratus, despite inhuman suffering, encouraged the others, urging them not to be afraid and to stand firmly for the Faith.

Unable to persuade any of them to deny Christ, Jason ordered the martyrs to be thrown to wild beasts to be torn apart. But the beasts did not touch them. They tied the saints to chariots by their feet and dragged them through the city, and many of the crowd threw stones at them. Finally, they condemned the martyrs to beheading by the sword. At the place of execution the martyrs requested for a certain time to pray, and then one after the other they bent their necks beneath the sword.

The remaining disciples of Saint Quadratus also suffered for Christ: Dionysius (another one) was stabbed in the night; Victorinus, Victor and Nikēphoros were crushed in a large stone press; Claudius's hands and feet were cut off; Diodorus was thrown into a fire prepared for him; Serapion was decapitated; Papias and Leonidas were drowned in the sea. Many holy women also went voluntarily to suffer for Christ: Saints Chariessa, Nunechia, Basilissa, Nike, Galla, Galina, and Theodora were among them.

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## March 10, 2024

## SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGMENT (MEATFARE)

### COMMEMORATIONS:

QUADRATUS THE MARTYR & HIS COMPANIONS  
ANASTASIA OF ALEXANDRIA  
MICHAEL MAUROUDES THE NEW-MARTYR

**Tone 7 - Eothion 7**

**Orthros Gospel:** St. John 20:1-10

**Epistle:** 2 Corinthians 8:8-9:2

**Liturgy Gospel:** St. Matthew 25:31-46

**TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION - Tone 7 -** Thou didst shatter death by thy Cross, thou didst open Paradise to the thief; thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment bearing women into joy, and didst bid thine Apostles proclaim a warning that thou hast risen, O Christ, granting to the world the great mercy!

**KONTAKION FOR SUNDAY OF THE LAST JUDGMENT - Tone 1 -** When Thou comest, O God, to earth with glory, and all creatures tremble before Thee, and the river of fire floweth before the Altar, and the books are opened and sins revealed, deliver me then from that unquenchable fire, and make me worthy to stand at Thy right hand, O righteous Judge.

**TODAY:** *Liturgy at Fort Washington Mission 9am*

ORTHROS 8:45 a.m.

Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.

Sunday School & Coffee Hour

Choir Rehearsal

***Meatfare Donation Luncheon for  
Widowed Clergy-Wives Endowment Fund***

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**Office Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 3:30pm

Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. Please contact them directly or call the church office.

## Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

	This Week:	Next Week (Mar 17):
COFFEE HOUR:	WoSM Donation Luncheon	Gambashidze/Acevedo families
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Gabriela P. & Rachel C.	Kristi Moore
ALTAR CANDLES:	----	----
USHERS:	Steve K. & Chris H.	Sdn John & Rdr Nick M.
CLEANING TEAM:	The Muzekaris; Chris H.	Phil K; Evan R; Zach W; Beraki H
COFFEE HOUR TEAM:	Mariya S.; Laura S.; Eric M.	Calvin S.; Dale Y.; Felicia S.

### Mark Your Calendar:

**Lenten Triodion:**  
 Mar 17 – *Forgiveness Sunday*  
 (Cheesefare)  
 Mar 24 – *Sunday of Orthodoxy*

**Feast of Annunciation**  
 Monday, Mar 25

**Lenten Retreat @ St. Philip**  
 April 5-6

**Pascha 2024**  
 May 5, 2024

We live from Pascha to Pascha!

*Save the Date!*  
**2024 Parish Life Conference**  
 June 27-30, 2024

**MARCH OUTREACH  
 COLLECTION:**  
 Baby Care Items

### Pray For:

Living	Departed
N.I. Hazel Elizabeth	Nicole
N.I. Noah	Christina
Met. Sergei	Constantine
Abess Dimitria & Sisters	Nugzari
Faithful of the Holy Land	AP Moses
Met. Onuphy and faithful of Ukraine	Pr. Ivan
Faithful of Ethiopia & Eritrea	(March Parish
Pr. Andrew, family, & parishioners	Diptychs)
Kh. Joyce	+Najib
Mary	+Lorraine
Child Timothy	+Julia
Xenia	+Helen
George	+Dina
Ephrem	+Robert
Maria	+Adele
Patrick	
Doris	
John	
James	
Helen	
Wadieh	
Mary	
Victoria	
Steve	
Lasha	
Otari	
John	
Tatiana	
Anesia	
Linda	
Daria	
Pavlo	
Elena	
Xenia	
Derek	
Michael	
Leah	
Stefan	
David	
Yianni	
Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary, & all Missionaries	
Nathan & family, John, & all seminarians	
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, Jalit, Mark, Joel, Eric	

### Catechumens

Lucretia  
 Ryan  
 Alina  
 Nicholas,  
 Rachel, Luka,  
 & Leo  
 Michael  
 Caden  
 Keith, Maggie,  
 & Eli  
 Andrew  
 Daniel  
 Kassandra  
 Christian  
 David, Darby,  
 & Easton  
 Rose  
 Jasper  
 Bryson

### Giving Opportunities at St. Philip

- + The **NEEDY FUND** is depleted. Please consider making a special offering to replenish it!
  - + Our supply of (**classic**) **OLIVE OIL** is running very low. Donations are greatly appreciated! Place under icon of St. Thekla.
- Thank you and may God bless your generosity!

### This Week:

- Mon, Mar 11:** Office open
- Tues, Mar 12:** Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.
- Wed, Mar 13:** Office open  
 Little Compline & Patristic Reading 6:30 p.m.
- Thur, Mar 14:** Vespers (Slavic Tones) 6:30 p.m.  
 Bible Study: Romans 7:30 p.m.
- Fri, Mar 15:** Office open  
 Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.
- Sat, Mar 16:** Catechumen Class 5 p.m.  
 Book Study: “Bad Religion” 5:15 p.m.  
 Youth Choir Rehearsal 5:30 p.m.  
**Great VESPERS 6:30 p.m.**  
 Confessions 7:30 p.m.
- Sun, Mar 17:** **FORGIVENESS SUNDAY**  
**ORTHROS 8:45 a.m.**  
**Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.**  
 Coffee Hour & Sunday School  
 Forgiveness Vespers 1 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Vespers 3/2: 62      Liturgy 3/3: 257  
**OFFERINGS 3/3:** Candles, \$437.      Collections, \$397.      Book Shelf Ministry, \$112.      Camping Fund, \$20.      Needy Fund, \$65.      Pastoral Discretion, \$97.52.      Women’s Fund, \$50.      Stewardship, \$10,710.      Total received: \$11,888.52.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!