

Christ is Risen!
Χριστός Βοσκρεσε!
Χριστός ἀνέστη!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection
Byzantine Catholic Church
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Indeed He is Risen!
Βοιστίνη Βοσκρεσε!
Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!

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8 MAY 2022 / 7530 ~ SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN THE APOSTLE AND EVANGELIST JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. May 07 17:00 **SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN**
Suffrages for living and deceased Mothers

Sun. May 08 10:30 **SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN**
Suffrages pro populo; esp. for living and deceased Mothers

Wed. May 11 18:30 **MID-PENTECOST** w/ Lesser Blessing of Water

Sat. May 14 17:00 **SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN**
Suffrages for +Richard Reagan – The Davis Family

Sun. May 15 10:30 **SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN**
Suffrages pro populo.

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05/ 01 / 2022	Adults: \$1207	Children: \$10	Candles: \$37	
COLLECTION	Holy Days: \$60	Pascha: \$40	Seminary: \$25	
TOTAL: \$1404	Cemetery: \$25			



BETHSEDA: HOUSE OF "HESED", HOUSE OF MERCY, STEADFAST LOVE

"What tongue can describe the heart of the divine mercy? What mind is not amazed by the riches of such great love? The psalmist was thinking of these riches of divine love when he said: My helper; I will sing a psalm to You. It is You, O God, Who are my protector; my God my mercy. Carefully weighing the labors surrounding our humanity, he called God his helper. He calls his "protector" the One Who protects us in the midst of our present distress until we come to eternal rest. But bearing in mind that God sees our evil deeds and bears with them, that He puts up with our sins and still preserves us for His rewards because of repentance, he could not just speak of God as being merciful but called Him mercy itself, saying: My God, my mercy. Let us then recall before our eyes the evil deeds we have done, let us consider with how much goodness God puts up with us, let us bear in mind the depth of His love. He is not only lenient toward our sins, but He even promises the heavenly kingdom to those who repent after sinning. Let each of us say from the very depths of our hearts, let us all say, My God, my mercy."

St. Gregory The Great



The Northern and Southern Pools of Bethesda

It was in the southern (lower) pool that the healings would occur and where Jesus healed the paralytic man in this Sunday's Gospel.

The upper or northern pool served as a reservoir that would continually replenish the water of the lower pool.

It was here that the sheep were washed, purified before being sent to the Temple to be sacrificed.

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Sonnets are full of love, and this my tome  
Has many sonnets: so here now shall be  
One sonnet more, a love sonnet, from me  
To her whose heart is my heart's quiet home,

And so because you love me, and because  
I love you, Mother, I have woven a wreath  
Of rhymes wherewith to crown your honored name:

To my first Love, my Mother, on whose knee  
I learnt love-lore that is not troublesome;  
Whose service is my special dignity,  
And she my loadstar while I go and come

In you not fourscore years can dim the flame  
Of love, whose blessed glow transcends the laws  
Of time and change and mortal life and death.

*Christina Rossetti, 1830 – 1894*

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You can't define a mother's love
It's faith and hope and power.
It's wisdom and unselfishness,
Protection hour by hour.

It's tenderness and sympathy,
A smile, a dream, a tear.



You can't define a mother's love
It's prayers, true and sincere,

You can't define a mother's love:
It's faith that never grows dim.
And through a mother's love is found
The path that leads to Him.

Anonymous



~ Announcements ~

- ❖ **Happy Mother's Day to all mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, and spiritual mothers!** May our Holy Mother Mary, the Blessed Theotokos of the Protecting Veil, watch over you, guide you, and protect you always! **Многая літа!**
- ❖ **THANK YOU** to all who helped in any way to make our Ethnic Dinner Fund Raiser such a great success!
- ❖ The annual **Saints Cyril and Methodius Byzantine Catholic Seminary Collection** will be taken up next weekend of **May 14th – 15th**. Please be generous in your support for our men in priestly and diaconal formation!
- ❖ **POTLUCK LUNCH!** Our next fellowship luncheon will be after the Divine Liturgy on Sunday, 15 May. A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex to indicate what food item you will be bringing.