

Christ is Risen!  
Χριστός Воскресе!  
Χριστός ἀνέστη!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection  
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Indeed He is Risen!  
Воистину Воскресе!  
Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!

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## 16 APRIL 2023 / 7531 ~ THOMAS SUNDAY

### Antipascha ~ Second Paschal Sunday



#### LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. Apr. 15 17:00 Vigil: **THOMAS SUNDAY** Antipascha  
*Suffrages for + Edmund Davis – Thomas Whitman*

Sun. Apr. 16 10:30 **THOMAS SUNDAY** Antipascha, Breaking of the Artos,  
*Mirovanije Suffrages pro populo*

Sat. Apr. 22 17:00 Vigil: **SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN**  
The Holy and Victorious Great Martyr George the Wonderworker  
*Suffrages for + Kelly Papier - Family*

## Sun. Apr. 23 10:30 **SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN**

The Holy and Victorious Great Martyr George the Wonderworker  
*Suffrages pro populo*

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| <b>04 / 09 / 2023</b> | Adults: \$2002   | Candles: \$95  | Lenten Off.: \$25   | Pascha: \$1706       |   |
| <b>COLLECTION</b>     | Holy Week: \$691 | Memorial: \$50 | Special Off.: \$100 | <b>TOTAL: \$4669</b> |   |



The Sunday after Easter is the **SUNDAY OF SAINT THOMAS**. Historically, in the early Church, this was the day newly-baptized Christians removed their robes and entered once again into the life of this world. This day is also known as **ANTIPASCHA**. This doesn't mean «**opposed to**» Pascha, but «**opposite**» Pascha, *i.e.*, at the **opposite** end or **other end** of Bright Week. More importantly, beginning on this first Sunday after Pascha, the Church dedicates every Sunday of the year to the Lord's Resurrection – a little Pascha. In fact, Sunday is called **Resurrection Day** / **Воскресенье** in modern Russian, and **the Lord's Day** / **Κυριακή** in Greek. The Church dedicates every Sunday to the Lord's Resurrection starting on this Sunday, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of the paschal celebration, the last day of Bright Week. That is also why the Church, from day one, has always considered it a grave sin to deliberately, willfully, intentionally choose not attend the Sunday Divine Liturgy!!!



**HEBREW FOR CHRISTIANS:** שְׁלוֹם עֲלֵיכֶם – **SHALOM ALEICHEM** – **Peace be upon you!** *Shalom* means *peace, harmony, wholeness, completeness, prosperity, welfare and tranquility*. On the eve of Shabbat, Jews have a custom of singing a song which is called *Shalom Aleichem*, before the Kiddush over wine of the Shabbat dinner is recited. In the Gospels, Jesus often uses the greeting "**Peace be unto you**", a translation of *Shalom aleichem*.

**W**hen the doors were closed and the disciples were gathered together, You suddenly appeared in their midst, O Jesus our Almighty God. **You granted them peace** and filled them with the Holy Spirit; You commanded them to wait and not depart from Jerusalem until they were clothed with power from on high. Therefore, we cry to You, O Lord: Glory be to You, our Light, our Resurrection, and **our Peace**.

**E**ight days after your Resurrection, O Lord, You appeared to Your disciples in the room where they were gathered; You greeted them, saying: **Peace be with you!** Then You showed Your hands and side to the doubting disciple. He, therefore, cried out in an act of faith: My Lord and my God, glory be to You!

**A**lthough the doors were locked, Jesus appeared to His disciples. He took away their fear and **granted them peace**. Then He called Thomas and said to him: Place your hand in My side; see My hands and My feet. Through your lack of faith everyone will come to know of My Passion and My Resurrection, and they will cry out with you: My Lord and My God, glory be to You.

## ~ Announcements ~

- ❖ **GOD WITH US – ONLINE** DEDICATED TO FELLOWSHIP: Serving Christ in One Another – **Wednesday, April 19th @ 8 - 9 PM ET**. Hosted by Rev. Michael O'Loughlin & Mother Natalia. Register at «God With Us», using the link below:  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_XciyXrMsTNCzwWP9UfjeIQ](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_XciyXrMsTNCzwWP9UfjeIQ)
- ❖ Our parish is having a big fundraiser – **A SUPER BINGO** – on **Sunday May 7<sup>th</sup>** and we need **EVERYONE'S** cooperation to make this event a big success. It will help to pay for the new propane boilers (\$35,100) urgently needed for the parish center!!! Please see the various flyers and volunteer sign-up sheets located in the Narthex.
- ❖ **CONSIDER THE LILIES OF THE FIELD** – The 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Day of Reflection will be held **Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 – 14:30** at the Cathedral of Saint John the Baptist in Munhall. The cost is \$40 which includes lunch (no refunds). Registration deadline is May 5<sup>th</sup>. Brochures with registration form are available in the Narthex.