

Christ is Risen!

Χριστός Воскресе!

Χριστός ἀνέστη!

St. Mary ~ Holy Protection

Byzantine Catholic Church

4480 Route 981 Latrobe, PA 15650

Indeed He is Risen!

Воистину Воскресе!

Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη!

Administrator: Fr. Paul-Alexander Shutt, OSB

Confession Schedule: Saturday 16:00 – 16:30,

Parish email: st.marytrauger@gmail.com

Parish Office: 724-423-3 673 Hall: 724-423-8838

Sunday 9:00 – 9:30, or by appointment

Website: www.stmarybyzantinecatholic.org

18 May 2025 / 7533 - FIFTH PASCHAL SUNDAY SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMEN

The Holy Martyr Theodotus of Ancyra. The Holy Seven Virgins.

The Holy Martyrs Peter, Dionysius and their Companions.



LITURGY SCHEDULE:

Sat. May 17 17:00 Vigil: **SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMEN**

Suffrages for +Anna Sliz – Fr. Regis Dusecina

Sun. May 18 10:30 **SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMEN**

Suffrages pro populo

Sat. May 24 17:00 Vigil: **SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND**

Suffrages for +Jane Smail – James & Barbara (Chirdon) Snitzer

Sun. May 25 10:30 **SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND**

Suffrages pro populo



05 / 11 / 2025

COLLECTION

ATTENDANCE:



Adults: \$1054

Holy Day: \$145

Sat. 11 + 4



Candles: \$88

TOTAL: \$1312

Sun. 31 + 5





Seminary: \$25





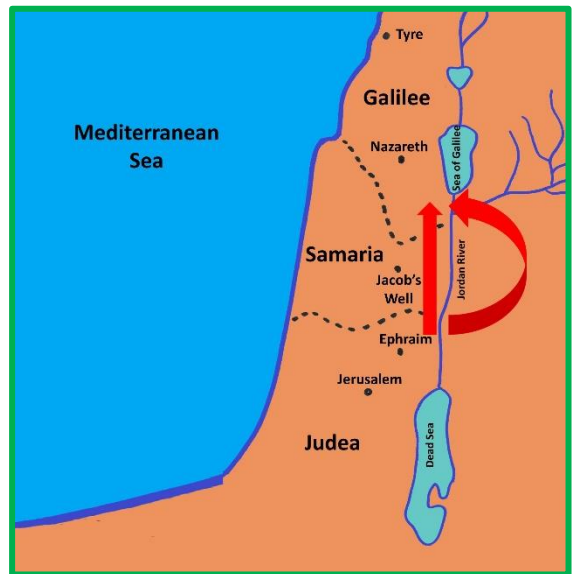
AMBON PRAYER FOR SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN

 Lord Jesus Christ our God, [...] You revealed the mystery of baptism to Your holy apostles, sending them out to reap the harvest of faith. In this way You fulfilled the promise made to the Samaritan woman that *«the water You shall give will become a spring of water welling up to eternal life.»* You have revealed to us the mystery of worship in Spirit and truth, coming to us more closely than to the people of Sychar, through Your precious gifts of Your holy Body and pure Blood. Having tasted Your goodness, may we always hear Your words and proclaim them to all who are thirsty for the living water of faith. For all glory is due to You, and to Your eternal Father, and to Your all-holy, good, and life-creating Spirit, now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

 Once at the sixth hour [noon], O Master, our first mother Eve saw You walking in Paradise. Now her daughter, at the same hour, sees You, O Fountain of Life, sitting at the well, asking her for water to drink. You are the Fountain of living water. Her thirst was quenched by drinking of Your life-bearing streams. She proclaimed to those in the town: Come! Drink from the river of abundance.

At the sixth hour, You came to the well, O Fountain of Wonders, to ensnare the fruit of Eve; for at that same hour, she [Eve] had been driven from Paradise by the guile of the serpent. When the Samaritan woman came to draw water, You said to her, O Savior: *Give Me water to drink, and I will give you waters of eternal life.* And the woman hastened to the city and proclaimed to the people: *Come and see Christ the Lord, the Savior of our souls!*

SAMARIA is the region to the north of Jerusalem, between Judea and Galilee. Wells were significant because of their rarity and their value in desert life. They, therefore, came to symbolize life itself (Ps 35:9, 10; 45:4; Is. 55:1). This particular well is maintained as a shrine to this day, and pilgrims can drink from it. The Samaritan woman became an early evangelist, testifying to the advent of Christ and bringing others to Him. According to an early tradition, after the Resurrection she was baptized with the name **Photini**, *«the enlightened one,»* Along with her two sons and five daughters, she went to the city of Carthage (in modern day Libya) to spread the gospel. She was later martyred with her family during the reign of the emperor Nero by being thrown into a well. Equal to the Apostles, **St. Photini**, (*Svetlana* in Russian; *Claire* in the West) is also remembered on 26 February in our liturgical calendar.



A MEMORIAL DAY PANACHIDA will take place at **10:00 am** at the parish cemetery (weather permitting) followed by the blessing of veterans' graves. In the event of inclement weather, the Memorial Service will be held in our parish church.

