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Divine Liturgy at 9:00 A.M.
Church School Every Sunday at 10:45 A.M.
(During the Months of September thru May)

Vespers - Every Saturday - 5:00 P.M.
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HOLY PASCHA **THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR** **JESUS CHRIST**

*Apostles Jason and Sosipater of the Seventy, the Virgin Cercyra, and those with them;
Martyrs Saturninus, Jakischolus, Faustianus, Januarius, Marsalius, Euphrasius, Mammius,
Zeno, Eusebius, Neon, and Vitalis, who were converted by Apostles Jason and Sosipater;
Martyrs Dada, Maximus, and Quinctilian, at Dorostolum; St. Cyril, Bishop of Túrov*

“O Jason, source of healing, and Sosipater, glory of the martyrs of Christ: You were enlightened by the preaching of Paul, both becoming a great consolation to the world through your miracles. Thrice-holy and God-bearing apostles and defenders of those who suffer, intercede with Christ God that He may save our souls.”

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TODAY'S EPISTLE: ACTS 1:1-8

TODAY'S GOSPEL: JOHN 1:1-17

HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK:

Monday, April 29 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Saturday, May 4 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, April 29 (St. George)	Acts 1:12-17,21-26 Acts 12:1-11	John 1:18-28 John 15:17-16:2
Tuesday, April 30 (St. James)	Acts 2:14-21 Acts 12:1-11	Luke 24:12-35 Luke 5:1-11
Wednesday, May 1	Acts 2:22-36	John 1:35-51
Thursday, May 2	Acts 2:38-43	John 3:1-15
Friday, May 3 (Theotokos)	Acts 3:1-8 Philippians 2:5-11	John 2:12-22 Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28
Saturday, May 4	Acts 3:11-16	John 3:22-33

THIS IS A FAST-FREE WEEK.
HOLY PASCHA WILL BE ON APRIL 19 IN 2020 (one week after western Easter).

COMING EVENTS

MAY:

- 3, Friday 6:00 p.m. HTOC Bright Friday Celebration
- 5, Sunday 12:30 p.m. Grave Blessings at St. Theodosius Cemetery
- 13, Monday 12:30 p.m. St. Elizabeth Book Circle
- 17, 18 Rummage Sale
- EOWG Picnic Luncheon
- 19, Sunday IOCC Banquet

RUMMAGE SALE:

We need about 12 people to help set up tables from May 13-16, starting at about 5:00 p.m. each day. We will also need 12 people to help out on the days of the sale, May 17 and May 18. Contact Alex Cundik (440-877-1980; ajcundik@cox.net) with any questions or to volunteer.

Items can be brought to the church beginning May 4. NO computers, exercise equipment or furniture, please!

IOCC BANQUET:

Plan now for the Annual IOCC Banquet on Sunday, May 19, at St. Sava Church in Broadview Hts. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased from Paula Svilar, Popadija Kathy Babich, or Diane Hastings.

TRINITARIAN COVERS:

The covers today are offered by the Bellack Family.

EASTERN ORTHODOX WOMEN'S GUILD:

The EOWG will have a Picnic Luncheon on Saturday, May 18, at St. Michael's Shanty. Doors open at noon; lunch is at 12:30. Raffle baskets and door prizes will be offered. Tickets are \$15; contact Dianna Kall (216-741-2888) or Joanne Stoyka (440-665-5884).

ST. ELIZABETH BOOK CIRCLE:

The St. Elizabeth Book Circle will meet Monday, May 13, at 12:30 p.m. We are reading pages 158-180 in Wounded by Love.

GRAVE BLESSINGS:

Please sign up in the Fellowship Hall if you would like Father Alexander to bless the grave of a family member on St. Thomas Sunday. Grave blessings will begin at 12:30 at St. Theodosius Cemetery.

BRIGHT FRIDAY CELEBRATION

We will have our annual Bright Friday Dinner on May 3; doors open at 6:00.

Family-style dinner, with appetizers and dessert included.

Baked Ham, Meatballs, Penne Pasta, Salad, Vegetable Medley, Garlic Bread Sticks

BLJOB - beer, wine and mix included.

There will be live music and dancing, with Fred Ziwich and Band.

Please see Jewelann Stefanar to purchase tickets.

Adults - \$25

Ages 7-17 - \$10; Ages 6 & under - Free

THE GIFTS WE OFFER TO THE LORD WE LOVE

REGULAR COLLECTION, APRIL 21	\$ 4089.00
CHURCH ADMINISTRATION ASSESSMENT	955.00
BUILDING FUND	165.00
MORTGAGE FUND	65.00
CANDLES	144.00
PASCHA FLOWERS	95.00
ST. MARY OF EGYPT MISSION	430.00
DEANERY	5.00
4/17 SOUP SUPPER	100.00
4/14 COFFEE HOUR	72.00

THE 2019 PASCHAL MESSAGE OF HIS GRACE, BISHOP PAUL

Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the scriptures: ‘The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?’” (Matthew 21:42)

As we come to Pascha, these words from Isaiah and Matthew have been on my mind. The following commentary has helped me to clarify what I wish to share with you.

For the Savior, although He was a chosen stone, was rejected by those whose duty it was to build up the synagogue of the Jews in everything that was edifying; and yet He became the head of the corner. Now the sacred Scripture compares to a corner the gathering together, or joining of two people, Israel I mean, and the Gentiles. For the Savior has built the two people into one new man, by making peace and reconciling the two in one body to the Father (Ephesians 2:15). And the so doing resembles a corner, which unites two walls, and binds them together. This – that is, the corner – was the Lord’s doing, it is marvelous in our eyes (Psalm 118:22). (St. Cyril of Alexandria)

Our Lord Jesus Christ unites in Himself two people into one, creating a new man. He is that new Man Himself, the new Adam risen from the dead; “the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep” (I Corinthians 15:20).

How important it is for us to understand that this cornerstone is the way to uniting ourselves in the bond of love and joining together the dualities that exist even in our Orthodox parishes today. There seems to be an increasing tension among our parishes over issues on sexual morality, sanctity of life issues, fears for safety (and how are we to address it), issues of how to deal with immigrants and refugees. But as a bishop once said, “If we start with issues and not Christ, we won’t get anywhere.”

Let us encourage one another to enter into this relationship with the “new Man” Who has united two people into one. Let the Newly-Risen Lord be our guide to navigating the challenging waters of life in this world we live in. Who is the God-Man? What does He tell us about ourselves and who we are? What can He tell us about what it means to be male and female? What can He tell us about what it means to be stewards over the world we live in? What can He tell us about what it means to be in the world but not of the world? What can He tell us about how to live in the world, especially when we find ourselves at odds with that same world we live in? What is to be our witness?

Let us not attempt to address any of the above “issues” in isolation from this cornerstone; once we do, we will only become a “party” or a “faction.” Let us seek to promote a spirit of good will and mutual understanding in our parishes. Let us not be so quick to judge. We have Good News to share: Christ is risen from the dead!

I wish all of you a glorious, joyful celebration of our Lord’s Pascha. May we come to more deeply know the Eternal Well-Spring of Life, leaving us forever quenched in our thirst for Him. May we come to realize that “He has given all things to us,” and that we need nothing else.

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

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MAY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 6:00 p.m. HTOC Bright Friday Celebration	4 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers
5 Antipascha 2nd Sunday of Pascha St. Thomas 12:30 p.m. Grave blessings St. Theodius Cemetery	6	7	8	9	10	11 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions
12 3rd Sunday of Pascha Holy Myrrhbearing Women	13 12:30 p.m. St. Elizabeth Book Circle 5:00 p.m. Rummage Sale set-up	14 5:00 p.m. Rummage Sale set-up	15 5:00 p.m. Rummage Sale set-up	16 5:00 p.m. Rummage Sale set-up	17 R U M M A G E S A L E	18 EOWG Picnic Luncheon 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers
19 4th Sunday of Pascha Paralytic 11:15 a.m. Parish Council meeting IOCC Banquet St. Sava Church	20	21 6:00 p.m. Vespers	22 Midpentecost 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy	23	24	25 5:00 p.m. Great Vespers; Confessions
26 5th Sunday of Pascha Samaritan Woman	27 Memorial Day	28	29	30	31	