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Every **Saturday** in our Cathedral there is a *Vigil* at 5:00 PM (English and Slavonic). *Divine Liturgy* in English is at 9:00 AM and in Church Slavonic – at 10:45 AM on **Sunday**. We also have Akathist in Georgian at 1:00 PM.

To place a notice in the church bulletin: Call Lisa Morris in the church office between 9:00-2:00 Tuesday-Friday (202)-333-5060, or to leave a message press 10 at menu, e-mail the church at office@stnicholasdc.org or pick up a form in the basement of the church on the bulletin board. Notices must be submitted no later than Thursday for the following Sunday.

April 21, 2002

St. Mary of Egypt

Tone 5

Readings

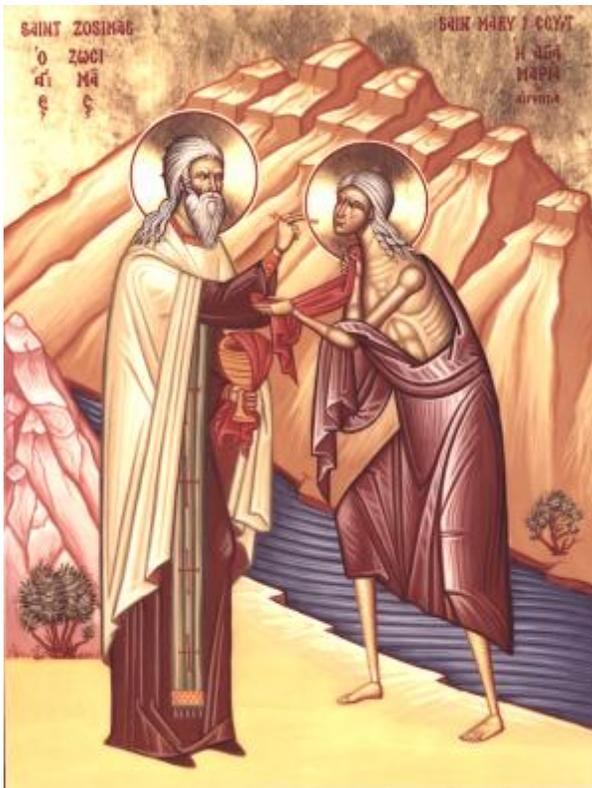
Matins Gospel: **Mark 16:1-8;**

Liturgy Epistle: **Hebrews 9:11-14;**
Gospel: **Mark 10:32-45.**

Schedule of Services

Next Week*

- 24 Wed. 19:00 Presanctified Liturgy [E]
- 26 Friday 10:00 Presanctified Liturgy [S]
- 26 Friday 19:00 Matins of Lazarus Saturday [S]
- 27 Saturday 10:00 Divine Liturgy [E, S]
- 27 Saturday 17:00 Vigil [E, S]
- 28 Sunday 17:00 Divine Liturgy [E]
- 28 Sunday 10:45 Divine Liturgy [S]
- 28 Sunday 13:00 Akathist [G]



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Fast Days

Great Lent until May 5th. According to the Church rules, during this period, we should abstain from meat, milk, eggs and sexual relations.

+++ VISITORS +++

A warm welcome to St. Nicholas Cathedral!

We are glad to have you worship with us today.
Please join us downstairs for our coffee hour.

* E=English, S=Church Slavonic, G=Georgian, O.C. – Old Calendar.

Troparions & Kontakions

Troparia: (Tone 5): Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

St. Mary (Tone 8): The image of God was truly preserved in you, O Mother, for you took up the Cross and followed Christ. By doing so, you taught us to disregard the flesh, for it passes away; but to care instead for the soul, since it is immortal. Therefore your spirit, O holy Mother Mary, rejoices with the angels.

Kontakia: (Tone 5): Thou didst descend into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as almighty; resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Man, and we all cry to Thee: O Lord, save us! Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

St. Mary (Tone 3): Having been a sinful woman, you became through repentance a Bride of Christ. Having attained angelic life, you defeated demons with the weapon of the Cross! Therefore, O most glorious Mary, you are a bride of the Kingdom!

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Theotokos (Tone 6): Steadfast Protectress of Christians, constant advocate before the Creator, despise not the cry of us sinners, but in your goodness come speedily to help us who call on you in faith, hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for always protect those who honor you.

Prokeimenon: Thou, O Lord, shall protect us and preserve us from this generation forever. Verse: Save me, O Lord, for a righteous man is no more.

Alleluia (Tone 5): I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation. Verse: Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever. Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.

Hymn to the Theotokos: All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace, the assembly of angels and the race of men. O sanctified temple and spiritual paradise, the glory of virgins, from whom God was incarnate and became a child – our God before the ages. He made your body into a throne, and your womb He made more spacious than the heavens. All of creation rejoices in you, O Full of Grace. Glory to you!

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lords from the Heavens. Praise Him in the highest. The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.



Hebrews 9:11-14

But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Mark 10:32-45

And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them; and they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it had been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Announcements

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS! The Parish wants to thank the Dormition Guild for vestments that have recently arrived from Russia. Received was a set of vestments in white and another in blue. Each set consists of vestments for one bishop, four priests, four deacons, six altar servers, altar covers, chalice veils, and curtains. May God bless the Guild for its good works.

All Night Vigil: On Holy Friday, May 3, 2002 we will have an all night vigil with reading of psalms. If you would be interested in reading there is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board at the bottom of the stairs. Please sign up for the two-hour shift you would be willing to help with. For more information please contact the coordinator Chris Rowe at 301-947-0599.

New Plaschenitsa: A Plaschenitsa was donated to the Cathedral in memory of the servant of God Walter Krisa, who fell asleep in the Lord three years ago last month. This Plaschenitsa will be used exclusively in the altar. It will be on display in the church hall this Sunday only, please stop off a take a look at it. (If you would like to make a Memorial donation to the Cathedral please contact a member of the Parish Council or the church office.)

PASCHAL BREAKFAST: Following the Paschal Divine Liturgy we will be having our Paschal Pot Luck Breakfast. A sign up sheet is posted in the church hall. For more information, please contact Daria Virvan at 301-262-5984 or Lisa Morris in the church office, 202-333-5060.

Workers Needed: Workers are needed to help serve and clean up at the Palm Sunday Luncheons. If you would be able to help after one or both of the Liturgies, please contact Lisa Morris at 703-924-1919.

Lenten Retreat: Thank you to Father Denis Bradley for a superb Retreat.

Dormition Guild Palm Sunday Bake Sale: Last chance to order! There are sign up sheets posted to order Babka, Cheese Pascha, Pascha Bread and Kulich. The orders are to be picked up *after* either Liturgy on Palm Sunday.

We need Bakers!: To supply the anticipated orders for Cheese Pascha, Pascha Bread and Kulich. Please contact Sarah Diligenti Pickup @ 301-984-5839 or 301-237-5839.

Easter Eggs for the Metropolitan: Please consider dyeing an extra dozen eggs (preferably red) for His Beatitude to hand out on Easter when preparing your Easter Basket this year. Eggs may be delivered to the Cathedral during Holy Week.

Schedule Changes: The following changes were made to the Paschal Schedule of services. On Holy Wednesday, May 1, 2002 the Matins service has been replaced by Holy Anointing in English, Church Slavonic and Georgian. On Bright Monday, May 6, 2002 the Divine Liturgy in English, Church Slavonic and Georgian will begin at 9:30 am. Please join us on Bright Monday to wish His Beatitude well on the 35th anniversary of his consecration as a priest.

Coffee Hour: Two to three volunteers are needed to setup and cleanup coffee hour after the Noon Vespers on Pascha. Please contact the church office as soon as possible if you would be able to help with this.

PASKHA PREPARATION DAY: The annual Sunday School Pascha Preparation activities will take place on Lazarus Saturday, April 27th. After Liturgy (10:00am) there will be a small luncheon downstairs with the activities taking place immediately afterwards and will continue until 2:30pm to allow time for cleanup before vespers. Father Constantine will be available to hear confessions during this time. We need six adult volunteers to help monitor the activities. We also need food contributions and volunteers for cleaning up. If you feel you could help us out, please call Mat. Nina White (301) 279-5586 or Kathy Siljegovic (703) 836-6165. This is open to everyone so please come and join us. Don't forget to bring your hardboiled eggs to decorate!