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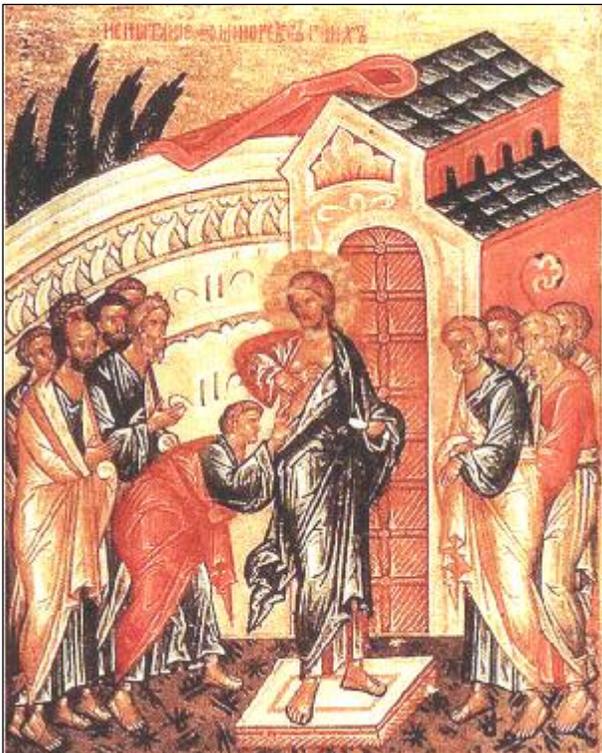
Every **Saturday** in our Cathedral there is a *Vigil* at 5:00 PM (English and Slavonic). *Divine Liturgy* in English is at 9:00 AM and in Church Slavonic – at 10:45 AM on **Sunday**. We also have Akathist in Georgian at 1:00 PM.

A warm **welcome** to St. Nicholas Cathedral! We are glad to have you worship with us today.

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.

St. Thomas Sunday

May 12, 2002 r. SUNDAY.



Readings

Matins Gospel: **Matthew 28:16-20;**

Liturgy: Epistle: **Acts: 5:12-20;**

Gospel: **John 20:19-31.**

Schedule of Services

Next Week *

- 14 Tuesday 10:00 Liturgy & Panekhida (E. S.)
- 18 Saturday 17:00 Vigil (E. S. G.)
- 19 Sunday 9:00 Divine Liturgy (E.)
- 19 Sunday 10:45 Divine Liturgy (S.)
- 19 Sunday 13:00 Akathist (G.)

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Fast Days

**Wednesday, April 15 and
Friday, April 17.**



Many Thanks to the clergy, staff, altar servers, choir and all our parishioners who worked hard to make our Paschal celebration so glorious! Christ is Risen!

GOD, SAVE THY PEOPLE!

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

Troparions & Kontakions

Priest: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and the Son, and the Holy Spirit now and ever and unto ages of ages. Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death. And upon those in the tombs bestowing life (2 ½ times).

Choir/Congregation: And upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

(Liturgy begins this way until the Leavetaking of Pascha.)

St. Thomas (Tone 7): From the sealed tomb, Thou didst shine forth, O Life! Through closed doors Thou didst come to Thy disciples, O Christ God! Renew in us, through them, an upright spirit, by the greatness of Thy mercy, O Resurrection of all!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

St. Thomas (Tone 8): Thomas touched Thy life-giving side with an eager hand, O Christ God, when Thou didst come to Thy apostles through closed doors. He cried out with all: Thou art my Lord and my God!

Prokeimenon (Tone 3): Great is our God and great is His power. His understanding is beyond measure.

Verse: Praise the Lord, for a psalm is good: let our praise be sweet to our God.

Alleluia (Tone 8): Come let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us shout in jubilation to God our Savior!

Verse: For the Lord is a great God, and a great king over all the earth.

Hymn to the Theotokos: The angel cried to the Lady Full of Grace: Rejoice, O Pure Virgin! Again I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb! With Himself He has raised all the dead! Rejoice, all ye people! Shine! Shine! O New Jerusalem! The glory of the Lord has shone on you! Exult now and be glad, O Zion! Be radiant, O Pure Theotokos, in the Resurrection of your Son!

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion! Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Instead of “We have seen the true light...”: Christ is risen from the dead. Trampling down death by death. And upon those in the tombs bestowing light. (once)

After “Glory to Thee, O Christ, ...”: Christ is risen... (three times).



Acts: 5:12-20

Now many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sad'ducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

John 20:19-31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in his side, I will not believe." Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

Announcements

Congratulations to the Very Reverend Constantine White on receiving his Jeweled Cross, and to the Very Reverend George Kokhno on receiving his Archpriest title and Gold Cross! Father Constantine and Father George were bestowed these awards by His Beatitude Metropolitan Theodosius on Holy Saturday at Liturgy.

Many Years! Axios! Axios! Axios!

Congratulations and Many Years to all our Mothers and Grandmothers!

This month's bulletin is sponsored in loving memory of Father Arkady and Matushka Lubov Moiseyev and Vera Kunscaak by Galina Tolliver.

Memory Eternal to our departed Mothers and Grandmothers.

Thank you: Heartfelt thanks are extended to all those who helped out with the preparations for this year's Paschal Celebration and at the Clergy Luncheon on Bright Monday. Christ is Risen!

Dormition Guild: Apollo and Elizabeth Manchuk have donated an altar cloth in commemoration of their 55th wedding anniversary on May 4, 2002!

Parents: There will be a meeting of all parents of youth between the ages of 10 and 18 years to help plan and revitalize the Junior O Club of the Fellowship of Orthodox Christians in America on May 19th following the English Divine liturgy. For more information please contact Lisa Morris at 703-924-1919 or office@stnicholasdc.org. Please plan to attend – we need your input!

Flowers: The flowers today are distributed by the Nation's Capitol R Club to honor all mothers on Mother's Day.

Parishioners: Do you know of a *graduating senior* from the Cathedral Parish? High School and College *graduates* will be honored by the Cathedral in June. Please contact the church office 202-333-5060 or Michael Shandor 301-421-9467 with the following information: name of graduate; school of matriculation, major (if college) and date of graduation if known. If your high school senior has decided on a college or university to attend in the fall please include this also!

General Confession will not be held between Pascha and Pentecost