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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.

Holy Myrrhbearing Women

May 19, 2002 r. SUNDAY.



Readings

Matins Gospel: (3) **Mark 16:9-20;**

Liturgy: Epistle: **Acts 6:1-7;**

Gospel: **Mark 15:43-16:8.**

Schedule of Services

Next Week *

25 Saturday 17:00 Vigil (E. S. G.)

26 Sunday 9:00 Divine Liturgy (E.)

26 Sunday 10:45 Divine Liturgy (S.)

26 Sunday 13:00 Akathist (G.)

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Fast Days

Wednesday, May 22 and

Friday, May 24.



Let us be like Christ, for He was like unto us. Let us become divine because of Him, since He became man for our sake.

St. Gregory Nazianzen

CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

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

Troparions & Kontakions

Troparion (Tone 2)

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, / Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead! / And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, / all the powers of heaven cried out: // O Giver of Life! Christ our God! Glory to Thee!

Troparion for Righteous Joseph (Tone 2)

The noble Joseph, taking Thine immaculate Body down from the Tree, / and having wrapped It in pure linen and spices, / laid It in a new tomb. / But on the third day Thou didst arise, O Lord, // granting to the world great mercy.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion for the Myrrhbearers (Tone 2)

When Thou didst cry, Rejoice, unto the myrrh-bearers, / Thou didst make the lamentation of Eve the first mother to cease by Thy Resurrection, O Christ God. / And Thou didst bid Thine apostles to preach: // The Saviour is risen from the grave.

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Kontakion of Pascha (Tone 8)

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, / Thou didst destroy the power of death. / In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, / proclaiming "Rejoice," to the myrrhbearing women, // granting peace to Thy apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

Prokeimenon (Tone 6): Save, O Lord, Thy people and bless Thine inheritance..

Verse: Unto Thee, O Lord, will I cry; O my God, be not silent unto me.

Alleluia (Tone 8): Thou hast been gracious, O Lord, unto Thy land; Thou hast turned back the captivity of Jacob.

Verse: Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

Hymn to the Theotokos: The angel cried to the Lady Full of Grace: Rejoice, O Pure Virgin! Again I say: Rejoice! You 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 from the Heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.



Acts 6:1-7

Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Proch'orus, and Nica'nor, and Ti'mon, and Par'menas, and Nicola'us, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Mark 15:43-16:8

Joseph of Arimathe'a, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Mag'dalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Mag'dalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salo'me, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; --it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to any one, for they were afraid.

Announcements

PILGRIMAGE: The History of icon of Our Lady of Pochaev begins in XVI century. The Holy icon was presented by Greek Metropolitan Neophyte to god-fearing squire Anna Erofeevna Goyskaya. It suddenly showed its miraculous power in a small town Pochaev by healing Anne Goyskaya's brother Philip Kozinskiy who was blind from birth. After this miracle grateful Anne donated the icon to monks of the Pochaev monastery. Since that time in the length of four centuries monks have been guarding the Great Shrine.

Great number of the miracles accompanied icon during fourth century period. Today, Divine grace is continuing to come from Holy icon. There are numerous evidences of the wonder-working deriving from image in our days. One of them (in my opinion - ed.) – is arriving of the icon of Our Lady of Pochaev in the United States of America. Yes, this the most great shrine will be in USA here in our midst and each believer will be able to venerate it in the 98th Annual Pilgrimage at the Monastery of Saint Tikhon of Zadonsk in South Canaan, Pennsylvania, this Memorial Day Weekend, May 24-27, 2002.

On Saturday May 25, Embassy of Russian Federation is sending a bus from our Cathedral with group of pilgrims. One day trip is scheduled from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Please, register with matushka Elena.