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2ND SUNDAY OF PASCHA

April 23, 2023

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Acts 5:12-20 (Epistle)

John 20:19-31 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship.

If you are without a spiritual home, please make OUR HOME, YOUR HOME.

TODAY Antipascha; St Thomas Sunday; Holy Glorious Greatmartyr, Victorybearer, and Wonder worker George (†303); Martyr Alexandra the Empress, wife of Diocletian (†303); Martyrs Anatolius and Protoleon, soldiers converted by witnessing the martyrdom of St. George (†303).

READERS: Hours: Sevasti BERGSTROM

Epistle: George KLEINERT

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours; Confession

10:00 am **Divine Liturgy**, - **LIVE STREAM ON ST. NICHOLAS FACEBOOK PAGE**

11:40 am **Pot Luck**

Saturday, April 29

10:00 am **Church Grounds Clean UP**

5:00 pm **Great Vespers**

Sunday, April 30 **3rd Sunday of Pascha; Myrrhbearing Women;** Holy Apostle James, the brother of St.

John the Theologian (†44 AD); Uncovering of the Relics of St. Nikéas, Bishop of Novgorod (†1558); St. Donatus, Bishop of Euroea in Epirus (ca. †387); Uncovering of the Relics of St. Basil, Bishop of Amasea (†4TH c.); Martyr Maximus of Ephesus. St. Ignatius Brianchaninov, Bishop of the Caucasus and Stavropol (†1867); The "Passion" Icon of the Mother of God.

READERS: Hours: Anna VILCHIS

Epistle: Maria LLAMAS

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours; Confession

10:00 am **Divine Liturgy**, - **LIVE STREAM ON ST. NICHOLAS FACEBOOK PAGE**

11:20 am **Sunday School; Pussy Willow Planting Ceremony**

11:40 am **Fellowship**

12:15 pm **First Confession Lesson**

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Sunday, April 16TH, 2023

Pascha — Collection

\$3,637.00

Vespers — Collection

\$2,050.00

ARTOS — THE BREAD OF EASTER will be distributed this Sunday, April 30TH. Artos is the name for leavened bread that is blessed during Paschal services in the Orthodox Churches. The tradition dates to the time of the apostles when Jesus said "I am the bread of life. He who comes to Me shall never hunger, and he who believes in Me shall never thirst." (John 6:35). Like all other sacred items, Artos should be treated with reverence and piety. Traditionally, this blessed bread is saved for a time of need or illness, at which time it is then consumed.

MANY THANKS TO Matushka Olga for baking the Artos.

Kathy HANNEMAN and our Choir members for your beautiful singing.

Sean LENCKUS for LIVE Streaming at Passion Week and Pascha services.

All who donated Easter Flowers that adorn our church.

All our volunteers who came together for Easter Cabbage Roll & Pierogi Sale.

CHURCH GROUNDS CLEAN UP We will be conducting a clean-up of our church grounds on Saturday, April 29TH at 10am. Please make sure to dress appropriately and bring gloves to ensure safety. We encourage you to invite a friend to join us and bring any tools you may have such as gloves, rakes, hand pruners, soil knives, hedge shears, yard waste bags, electric chainsaws, extension cords, and any other tools you think may be helpful. Let's make this a fun and productive day!

PASSION WEEK / PASCHA Thank you to all who made this years Passion Week and Pascha services so prayerful and triumphant. Especially Dn. Dave, altar servers, flower arrangers, those who set-up and took down our Lord's tomb, choir singers and readers, as well as all the attendees.

May God bless your faithful stewardship at our parish!

MANY YEARS... Happy Birthday to Jovan HAUG on April 23RD and Robert SRYGLER on April 29TH

May God grant all our celebrants Many Happy and Healthy Years!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following people, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

Dn. David HANNEMAN	Tom KOMPARE	Joseph ORLOVICH	Elena PAVLOV	Soldier Sergij MARTYNUK
Kathy HANNEMAN	Susan NICKLAS	Josephine ORLOVICH	Tetiana MAZUR	Stefan KARADJOV
Sevasti BERGSTROM	Sue UNDERWOOD		Jose FELIX	Toma ANDREEV
Zachary MISSEN	Stevan LUNICH	Emily ROUSONELOS	Alice PISTILLI	Laurie COSBY

Today Epistle (Acts 5:12-20)

Brethren... And through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch. Yet none of the rest dared join them, but the people esteemed them highly. And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid them on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed. Then the high priest rose up, and all those who were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with indignation, and laid their hands on 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, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life."

Апостол Дня (Деяния 5:12-20)

Братия... Руками же Апостолов совершались в народе многие знамения и чудеса; и все единодушно пребывали в притворе Соломоновом. Из посторонних же никто не смел пристать к ним, а народ прославлял их. Верующих же более и более присоединялось к Господу, множество мужчин и женщин, так что выносили больных на улицы и полагали на постелях и кроватях, дабы хотя тень проходящего Петра осеняла кого из них. Сходились также в Иерусалим многие из окрестных городов, неся больных и нечистыми духами одержимых, которые и исцелялись все. Первосвященник же и с ним все, принадлежавшие к ереси саддукейской, исполнились зависти, и наложили руки свои на Апостолов, и заключили их в народную темницу. Но Ангел Господень ночью отворил двери темницы и, выведя их, сказал: "идите и, став в храме, говорите народу все сии слова жизни."

Today Gospel (John 20:19-31)

Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, 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. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also 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 them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His 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.

Евангелие Дня (Иоанна 20:19-31)

В тот же первый день недели вечером, когда двери дома, где собирались ученики Его, были заперты из опасения от Иудеев, пришел Иисус, и стал посреди, и говорит им: "Мир вам!" Сказав это, Он показал им руки и ноги и ребра Свои. Ученики обрадовались, увидев Господа. Иисус же сказал им вторично: "Мир вам! как послал Меня Отец, так и Я посылаю вас." Сказав это, дунул, и говорит им: "Примите Духа Святаго. Кому простите грехи, тому простятся; на ком оставите, на том останутся." Фома же, один из двенадцати, называемый Близнец, не был тут с ними, когда приходил Иисус. Другие ученики сказали ему: "Мы видели Господа." Но он сказал им: "Если не увижу на руках Его ран от гвоздей, и не вложу перста моего в раны от гвоздей, и не вложу руки моей в ребра Его, не поверю." После восьми дней опять были в доме ученики Его, и Фома с ними. Пришел Иисус, когда двери были заперты, стал посреди них и сказал: "Мир вам!" Потом говорит Фоме: "Поддай перст твой сюда и посмотри руки Мои; подай руку твою и вложи в ребра Мои; и не будь неверующим, но верующим." Фома сказал Ему в ответ: "Господь мой и Бог мой!" Иисус говорит ему: "Ты поверил, потому что увидел Меня; блаженны невидевшие и уверовавшие." Много сотворил Иисус пред учениками Своими и других чудес, о которых не писано в книге сей. Сие же написано, дабы вы уверовали, что Иисус есть Христос, Сын Божий, и, веруя, имели жизнь во имя Его.

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