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# **CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!**

**ON THE MEND:** Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Metropolitan Constantine, Bishop Robert, Father Jakiw Norton, Father Dragan Filipović, Father Stevo Rocknage, Father Paul Stoll, Father Igor Soroka, Father Michael Mihalick [MS], Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Cuthbert Jack, Father Elias Warnke, Father Nestor Kowal, Father Paul Bigelow, Father Emilian Balan, Deacon Dennis Lapushanski, Joshua Agosto and his family, Mike Holupka, Eva Malesnick, Stella Peanoske, Joe Nezolyk, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Virginia Bryan, Joseph Sliwinsky, Linda Mechtly, Mary Mochnick, Evelyn Misko, Jeanne Boehing, Alex Drobot, Rachelle, Jane Golofski, Doug Diller, Harry Krewsun, Mary Alice Babcock, Dorie Kunkle, Andrea, & Melissa [Betty O'Masta's relatives], Mary Evelyn King, Stella Cherepko, Sam Wadrose, Isabella Olivia Lindgren, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Erin, Michael Miller, Dave May, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Alverta, Michael Horvath, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Michael Miller, Liz Stumpf, Theodore Nixon, Michelle Corba Kapeluck, Robert Hippert & family, Margaret Vladimir, Luke Emmerling, John Sheliga, George & Mika Rocknage, Robert McKivitz, Liz Obradovich, Liz, Halyna Zelinska [Bishop Daniel's mother], Charlotte, Andrew Mark Olynyk, Deborah Finley, Claire Senita, Eleanor Kelly, Bryan, Doris Artman, Nancy Barylak, Patrick Keenan, Khrystyna Chorniy, Anthony Cormier, Nathan Forbeck, Sarah Doyle, Samuel Peters, Jean Stutchell, Charles & Esther Holupka, Wanda Mefford, Lynn (Bush) Gill, David Vallor, Henry Faraly, Betty O'Masta, Julie Eiler, Glenn Miller, Vince Ferro, Michael Pawlyshyn, Dorothy Lednovich, Bob C., Allie— young girl with leukemia, Heather Kramer, Jane Wartinbee, Matthew—21-year-old with cancer, Nicholas Orlando, Mary Ann Kuznik, Michael Woloschak, Michael Pryhodzenko, Sonia Luciw, Nellie Patsko, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Mary Pelino, Yvonne Christy, Myron & Barbara Spak, Pete Niederberger, Julia Duda, Lisa Pandle, Kris & Julie Hanczar, John Kennedy, Lloyd Sheakley, Diane McDaniel, Loretta, Nancy, Carol, & Michael

Sheliga, Gaelle Kelly, Irma McDivitt, Robin Young, Mckayla, Rachel, Tony Butecoff, Carl & Margaret Reed, Theodore Demopoulos, Jillian Bowman, Lydia Wilson, Robert Pointon, Walter Cecelia, John Persico, Karen & Peter Special, Jeff Miller, Mary Kernick, Glenn Miller, Jean Marie, Donna & Walter McCrackin, Doug Smith [Millie Kerr's son-in-law], Bonnie & Eugene Blair [Pani Gina's parents], Mel & Charlotte Malik, Paula Pasquinelli, David Hoenshell, Barbara Macino, Shelley Hill, Mikaela Kapeluck, Linda Cawley, Gerald Cogley, Helen Bozo, June Miller, Corey Guich, Monica Salvatore, Glenda Tickerhoof, Robert Vangrin, Juliana Leis, and Daria Masur. ARNOLD: Stefania Lucci, Steve Sakal, and Homer Paul Kline. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY to our May babies:** Pani Gina on the 9<sup>th</sup>, Nathaniel Scott on the 16<sup>th</sup>, Martha Persico on the 19<sup>th</sup>, Christine Shirley on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Jim Weiser on the 24<sup>th</sup>. May God grant them all Many Happy, Healthy, Prosperous, and Blessed Years! Christ is Risen!

**REMINDER: NO KNEELING until the Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost!**

**Please remember James John Logue, George Senita, John Kirkowski, Matthew Machak, Michael Repasky, and ALL American service men and women in your prayers. May God watch over them and all American service men and women—and bring them all home safely!**

**PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR "BOXTOPS FOR EDUCATION" AND CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS TO CHURCH. There is a shoebox in the basement for Debbie Paouncic's class. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HELP!**

**REMEMBER—PRAYERS ARE ALWAYS FREE!**

Communion Fasting: nothing to eat or drink after midnight, EXCEPT in cases where your doctor tells you to eat or drink something for medical reasons: medication, diabetes, etc. If you have a question, please call Father Bob.

**AT ANY TIME—if there is an emergency, if you have questions, or if you just need to talk, please CALL FATHER BOB at [412] 279-5640.**

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

**Sunday, May 6**                      **Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom 10:30 AM**  
**FOURTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA, SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC; RIGHTEOUS**  
**TABITHA; TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF MARTYR ABRAMIUS OF BULGARIA;**  
**HOLY GLORIOUS GREAT-MARTYR, VICTORY-BEARER, AND WONDERWORKER**  
**GEORGE; MARTYR ALEXANDRIA THE EMPRESS-WIFE OF EMPEROR DIOCLETIAN;**  
**MARTYRS ANATOLIUS & PROTOLEON-SOLDIERS CONVERTED BY WITNESSING**  
**THE MARTYRDOM OF SAINT GEORGE**

*Tone 3*

Acts 9:32-42, Acts 12:1-11  
John 5:1-15, John 15:17-16:2

***Litany in Blessed Memory of Charles Cherepko, Anna Metrick, Bogdan Mural,***  
***Khoria Joanne Abdalla, Katherine Tomson, Walter Golofski, Jr., Joseph Baloga,***  
***Anna Vangrin, Anthony Notaro, Esther Tylavsky, Evdokia "Josephine" Repa—Fr.***  
***Bob***

***Parastas in Blessed Memory of John Batch—Harry Batch***

**+++++A SPECIAL WELCOME TODAY TO HIS GRACE, BISHOP DANIEL AND OUR**  
**SEMINARIANS!+++++**

**Sunday, May 13**                      **Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom 10:30 AM**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA, SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN; HOLY**  
**APOSTLE JAMES-BROTHER OF SAINT JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN; SAINT**  
**DONATUS-BISHOP OF EUROPA IN EPIRUS; UNCOVERING OF THE RELICS OF**  
**HIEROMARTYR BASIL-BISHOP OF AMASEA; MARTYR MAXIMUS OF EPHESUS**

**\*\*\*\*\*MOTHER'S DAY\*\*\*\*\***

*Tone 4*

Acts 11:19-26, 29-30, Acts 12:1-11  
John 4:5-42, Luke 5:1-11

***Litany in Blessed Memory of All Deceased Mothers, Grandmothers, etc.—Fr. Bob***  
***Parastas in Blessed Memory of Helen & Frank Riznow—the Riznow Family***

**Sunday, May 20**                      **Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom 10:30 AM**  
**SIXTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA, SUNDAY OF THE BLIND MAN; COMMEMORATION**  
**OF THE APPARITION OF THE SIGN OF THE HOLY CROSS OVER JERUSALEM IN**  
**351 AD; MARTYR ACACIUS THE CENTURION AT BYZANTIUM**

*Tone 5*

Acts 16:16-34  
John 9:1-38

***Litany in Blessed Memory of Helen Pytlak—Mr. & Mrs. Arthur DeSabatine***

**BULLETIN INSERT FOR 06 MAY 2012**  
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MARTYRDOM OF SAINT GEORGE**

**Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!**  
**Христос воскрес! Воистину воскрес!**  
**Χριστός ἀνέστη! Ἀληθῶς ἀνέστη! (Khristós Anésti! Alithós Anésti!)**  
**Hristos a înviat! Adevărat a înviat!**  
**!ماق احيى مسملا! ماق احيى (al-Masīḥ qām! Ḥaqqan qām!)**  
**Kristo Amefufukka! Kweli Amefufukka**

**TROPARION—TONE 3**

Let the Heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad!  
For the Lord has shown strength with His arm!  
He has trampled down death by death!  
He has delivered us from the depths of hell,  
And has granted the world great mercy!

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

**KONTAKION—TONE 3**

By Thy Divine intercession, O Lord,  
As Thou didst raise up the paralytic of old,  
So raise up my soul, paralyzed by sins and thoughtless acts:  
So that being saved I may sing to Thee:  
Glory to Thy majesty, O Bountiful Christ!

Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

**KONTAKION—TONE 3**

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One!  
Leading us from the gates of death.  
On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices;  
With the prophets and patriarchs  
They unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power!

**PROKEIMENON—TONE 1**

**READER:** Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.

**PEOPLE:** Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.

**READER:** Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just.

**PEOPLE: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.**

**READER: Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us...**

**PEOPLE: As we have set our hope on Thee.**

### **ALLELUIA VERSES—TONE 5**

I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever, and my truth will be prepared in the heavens.

### **THE HYMN TO THE THEOTOKOS (Replaces "It Is Truly Meet")**

**The angel cried unto Mary, who was full of Grace**

**Hail, oh pure virgin, oh pure virgin**

**once again I hail Thee**

**Thy Son has risen from His three days in the grave,**

**and He has raised the dead with Him,**

**Oh rejoice, all ye people.**

**Oh shine with clear radiance, shine on new Jerusalem**

**For the glory of the Lord is shining up on you.**

**Rejoice! Rejoice! now and be joyful--oh Zion, and though**

**oh pure one and adorable birthgiver of God,**

**in the rising again of HIM who was born of Thee.**

### **COMMUNION HYMNS**

**Receive ye the Body of Christ; taste ye the fountain of immortality.**

**Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest!**

### **Paschal Considerations**

With the arrival of Pascha, resounding joy permeates the services of the Holy Orthodox Church. The Resurrection is proclaimed with great fervor and emphasis for the ensuing days until the Leave-taking of Pascha.

Believers actively participating in the life of the Church are attentive to the teachings of the Church on a daily basis throughout the year. Believers are expected to live daily in consonance with the Church.

The Church expects to affect the daily lives of believers. Believers are expected to increase participation in the Church and to grow in Christ. Growth in Christ begins at Baptism and is to continue until departure from this life.

The arrival of Pascha each year is a culmination of the preparation set forth by the Church during the many preceding weeks. The weeks of preparation, Great Lent and Holy Week have formative parts in the journey to Pascha.

Great Lent focuses on repentance and renewal in Christ. Believers are to conclude Great Lent more united with Christ than when Great Lent began. Continued growth in Christ is expected with the arrival of Pascha and afterwards.

Pascha is known as the Feast of Feasts in the Church and carries the pre-eminent message: Christ defeated death. Lives change due to this message. Holy Apostle Paul's life was guided by the death and resurrection of Christ.

Holy Apostle Paul told the Philippians: "that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings being conformed to His death, if by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead."  
(Phil.3:10-11)

Following the example of St. Apostle Paul, believers do well to carefully consider the suffering of Christ and the Resurrection of Christ. The suffering and resurrection of Christ communicate the healing power of His love.

Christ's love makes a difference in the lives of individuals opening their hearts to Him. Sinners need not feel hopeless and sentenced to damnation when they can repent and turn to the Crucified and Resurrected Christ.

Individuals suffering in abusive living situations need not feel trapped and can draw hope and love from the Crucified and Resurrected Christ. Prisoners in dark prison cells need not relinquish hope for a better and brighter future.

The Lord Jesus Christ said: "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." (Mt.2:17)

The Crucified and Resurrected Christ provides the Light for every person to follow. (Jn.1:9) Families suffering tragedies begin to heal when turning to the Crucified and Resurrected Christ.

The Holy Apostle Paul told the Corinthians: "If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold all things become new."  
(2Cor.5:17) Lives centered in Christ change and continue to become better.

Resolute faith and unwavering vigilance are necessary. Perils always arise endangering the souls of non-vigilant believers. St. Nikolai Velimirovic said the constant battle with the passions is like the battle between two opposing armies.<sup>1</sup>

The message of the Resurrection of Christ has direct applicability to personal lives. Individuals will view life differently if they see hope beyond the grave for themselves and for their loved ones.

The Holy Apostle Paul said: "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most pitiable. But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep." (I Cor.15:18-19)

Individuals believing firmly in Christ's Resurrection will apply themselves differently to the challenges of daily life and will embrace values and ethics that have lasting value.

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<sup>1</sup> St.Nikolai Velimirovic. *The Prologue of Ohrid. Vol.One.* Translated by Fr.T.Timothy Tepsic. Serbian Orthodox Diocese of Western America, Alhambra, California, 2002, p.375.

Hope is strongest among believers in the Resurrection of Christ. In the Paschal Matins, the Church sings "Thou hast faithfully promised to be with us to the end of the world. Having this as our anchor of hope, we the faithful rejoice."<sup>2</sup>

Believers do well to stay united with the Risen Christ each day. Fervent prayer and sound decision making are necessary. Following the narrow path is the safest and surest course to the Kingdom of God. (Mt.7:13-14)

The hunger of the soul continues throughout the year. The hunger of the soul needs the authentic nourishment of Christ each day. The hunger of the soul is sufficiently satisfied only in Christ. (Jn.6:35)

The Paschal period lifts the hearts and minds of believers. The love, glory and power of God are readily apparent in the Paschal period. Thanking God is always in order. Clinging to God in prayer is always in order.

Each day during the Paschal period leading to the Leave-taking of Pascha and the Feast of the Ascension has nourishment and daily fulfillment. Each day is a gift from God and an opportunity to move carefully towards His Kingdom.

The joy of Pascha is sufficient to overwhelm any contrary messages put forth by skeptics. The joy of Pascha is sufficient to energize hope among believers. The joy of Pascha inflames the zeal of fervent believers.

The message of the Empty Tomb has filled the succeeding centuries with the power of the Resurrection. Followers of Christ go forth each year, each century in joy and thanksgiving proclaiming that **Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!**

*Adult Class. St. George Serbian Orthodox Church, Carmichaels, Pennsylvania.  
April 12/25, 2012. Wednesday of Saint Thomas Week. St. Basil of Parium.  
Father Rodney Torbic*

### **Pascha**

The Gospel of St. John 1:1-17

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not the Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man,*

<sup>2</sup> The Paschal Service. Text prepared by Mr. John Erickson and V. Rev. Paul Lazor. Department of Religious Education, Orthodox Church in America, 1977, p.38.

*but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness of Him and cried out saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.'" And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.(NKJV)*

The Resurrection of Christ is the greatest source of joy for believers. The Resurrection of Christ is the most enduring source of hope for believers. Individuals having no hope have reason to hope in the Resurrected Christ.

Individuals depressed and feeling their lives are destroyed have reason to hope in the Resurrected Christ. Every person is sinner and can turn to the Resurrected Christ for the forgiveness of sin.

Every person can turn to the Resurrected Christ to find personal meaning in life. The Cross and the Resurrection serve as ultimate sources of reference for the believer.

Believers will never exhaust the value of the Crucifixion and Resurrection. Believers will never invest too much time in studying the Crucifixion and Resurrection. Believers will always benefit from looking to Christ.

The joy of the Empty Tomb has lasted through more than twenty centuries.

Efforts to discredit belief in the Resurrection of Christ have faltered. Efforts of non-believers to undercut the value of the Resurrection are unsuccessful.

The martyrdom of serious witnesses for Christ has only increased the resolute subsequent generations of believers. Churches and monasteries have been built in remembrance and honor of martyrs for the Resurrected Christ.

The love of the Resurrected Christ is firm and strong in God's Holy Church. The message of the Cross and the Resurrection is proclaimed without fear and with great certainty in God's Holy Church.

On all continents and in many different languages the joy of the Resurrection is proclaimed. The Holy Gospel accounts of the Resurrection are read with the greatest of joy.

The Resurrectional greeting that "Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!" is fundamental to all languages of believers. God's Holy Church has remained strong in the face of persecution.

The Lord Jesus Christ told the Holy Apostle Peter that He would build His Church and the gates of Hades would not prevail against it.(Mt.16:18). Believers need to maintain the same degree of firmness of faith.



The Holy Apostle Paul told the Romans: "Neither death nor life, nor angels or principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."(Rom.8:38-39)

Pascha is the Feast of Feasts, the time for great joy. Pascha also is a time to give thanks to the Risen Lord. Christ rose after He suffered and died on the Cross.

The love He showed for each of us is deserving of our constant appreciation.

No day should pass without believers giving heartfelt appreciation to the Crucified and Risen Lord. No day should pass without believers looking to Resurrected Christ with firmness of hope and for purpose of life.

No day should pass without prayers to the Crucified and Resurrected Christ for firmness of faith and hope. The journey to the Kingdom of God is the most fundamental journey of life.

The journey to Pascha sets the direction for believers. The journey to Pascha reunites believers with the Crucified and Resurrected Christ. Individuals taking the journey to Pascha seriously find utmost joy with the arrival of Pascha.

The Resurrected Christ welcomes all coming to Him in faith. The Resurrected Christ shares His inexhaustible love with everyone. The Resurrected Christ continues to change the world.

The celebration of Pascha each year is a time of renewal for communities where Pascha is celebrated. Believers welcoming the Crucified and Resurrected Christ into their hearts, homes and lives affect the communities where they live.

Homes change, workplaces change, families change when the Resurrectional joy is present. Lives change when believers live in Christ. Parishes change when increased amounts of parishioners honor the journey to Pascha.

Following Christ is a life-long commitment entered into at Holy Baptism. Baptism is a time of great joy. Pascha is a time of great joy. When Christ is the center of life, there is always great joy.

The women went to the Tomb and heard the glorious words: "You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him."(Mk.16:6) The world changed forever.

May this Pascha change our lives and root us firmly in the Crucified and Resurrected Christ. May the joy of the Resurrection permeate our hearts, our homes and our lives. Hristos Voskrese! Christ is Risen!

*St. George Serbian Orthodox Church, Carmichaels, Pennsylvania*

*April 2/15, 2012, Pascha*

*Father Rodney Torbic*

## **Why We Need to Read Scripture Daily**

by St. John Chrysostom

I also always entreat you, and do not cease entreating you, not only to pay attention here to what I say, but also when you are at home, to persevere continually in reading the divine Scriptures. When I have been with each of you in private, I have not stopped giving you the same advice. Do not let anyone say to me those vain words, worthy of heavy condemnation, "I cannot leave the courthouse, I administer the business of the city, I practice a craft, I have a wife, I am raising children, I am in charge of a household, I am a man of the world; reading the Scriptures is not for me, but for those who have been set apart, who have settled on the mountaintops, who keep this way of life continuously."

What are you saying, man? That attending to the Scriptures is not for you, since you are surrounded by a multitude of cares? Rather it is for you more than for them. They do not need the help of the divine Scriptures as much as those do who are involved in many occupations. The monks, who are released from the clamor of the marketplace and have fixed their huts in the wilderness, who own nothing in common with anyone, but practice wisdom without fear in the calm of the quiet life, as if resting in a harbor, enjoy great security; but we, as if tossing in the midst of the sea, driven by a multitude of sins, always need continuous and ceaseless aid of the Scriptures. They rest far from the battle, and so they do not receive many wounds; but you stand continuously in the front rank, and you receive continual blows. So you need more remedies.

Your wife provokes you, for example, your son grieves you, your servant angers you, your enemy plots against you, your friend envies you, your neighbor curses you, your fellow soldier trips you up, often a law suit threatens you, poverty troubles you, loss of your property gives you grief, prosperity puffs you up, misfortune depresses you, and many causes and compulsions to discouragement and grief, to conceit and desperation surround us on all sides, and a multitude of missiles falls from everywhere. Therefore, we have a continuous need for the full armor of the Scriptures.

For recognize, it is written, that you go through the midst of snares and walk on the ramparts of the city. For example, the designs of the flesh attack more fiercely those who live in the midst of the world. A handsome face, a splendid body strikes us in the eyes; a shameful phrase piercing our ears troubles our mind; and often an effeminate song weakens the tension of our soul. But why am I saying this? That which often seems the slightest of all these attacks, the scent of perfume falling from courtesans as they pass somewhere nearby has captured and taken us away as prisoners by a mere accident. And there are many things like these which besiege our souls: we need the divine medicines to heal the wounds which we have

received and to protect us from those which we have not yet received but will receive.

We must thoroughly quench the darts of the devil and beat them off by continual reading of the divine Scriptures. For it is not possible, not possible for anyone to be saved without continually taking advantage of spiritual reading. Actually, we must be content, if even with continual use of this therapy, we are barely able to be saved. But when we are struck every day, if we do not use any medical care, what hope do we have of salvation?

Reading the Scriptures is a great means of security against sinning. The ignorance of Scripture is a great cliff and a deep abyss; to know nothing of the divine laws is a great betrayal of salvation. This has given birth to heresies, this has introduced a corrupt way of life, this has put down the things above. For it is impossible, impossible for anyone to depart without benefit if he reads continually with attention.

Wisdom from Dionysius of Alexandria, Commentary on Ecclesiastes, Chapter III: "When one thinks of the death which the transgression of Adam brought on us, it is a time to mourn; but it is a time to hold festal gatherings when we call to mind the resurrection from the dead which we expect through the new Adam"

**We welcome His Grace, Bishop Daniel,** and our seminarians who will be praying with us today as he returns from All Saints Camp to the Consistory offices in South Bound Brook. His Grace was invited by Alexander and Matthew when they served with him in Carnegie several weeks ago.

**May God grant His Servant, Vladyka Daniel, Many Happy, Healthy, Prosperous, and Blessed Years in His Service! Eis Polla, Eti Despota! Christos Voskres! Christos Anesti! Christ is Risen!**

**REMINDERS: NO KNEELING until the Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost Sunday. Instead of "Vechnaya Pam'yat" at the end of a Parastas or during a funeral service *until Ascension Thursday*, we sing "Christ is Risen!" Also, we do not say the prayer to the Holy Spirit "O Heavenly King" until Pentecost Sunday.**