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## **CHRIST IS RISEN! CHRISTOS VOSKRES! CHRISTOS ANESTI!**

**ON THE MEND:** Please keep the following parishioners and others in your prayers for recovery from their illnesses and injuries: Father Bob, Archbishop Daniel, Metropolitan Antony, Metropolitan Yuriy, Archbishop Jovan, Metropolitan Savas, Father Jakiw Norton, Father Paul Stoll, Father Joseph Kopchak, Father Elias Warnke, Father George Yatsko, Father Paul Bigelow, Father Emilian Balan, Father John & Pani Mary Anne Nakonachny, Father Steve Repa, Archpriest Dionysi Vitali, Protodeacon Joseph Hotrovich, Father Paisius McGrath, Father Michael Smolynech, Father Lawrence & Matushka Sophia Daniels, Father Joe Cervo, Father John Harrold [Saint Sylvester], Igumen Patrick, Pani Mary Ann Chubenko, Father Jim Orr, Father Rick Seilier, Panimatka Laryssa Charest, Fr. Vasyl Sendeha, Father George & Dobrodijka Oksana Bazylevsky, Father Angelo Artemas, Father John Haluszczak, Father Simon & Dr. Christina Nellis, Father Joshua [Anna], Joshua Agosto and his family, Eva Malesnick, Nick Behun, Grace Holupka, Joseph Sliwinsky, Gary & Linda Mechtly, Evelyn Misko, Jeanne Boehing, Alex Drobot, Rachelle, Jane Golofski, Doug Diller, Harry Krewsun, Mary Alice Babcock, Dorie Kunkle, Mary Evelyn King, Sam Wadrose, Isabella Olivia Lindgren, Ethel Thomas, Donna, Erin, Michael Miller, Grace & Owen Ostrasky, Patti Sinecki, David Genshi, Sue Segeleon, Mike Gallagher, Liz Stumpf, Theodore Nixon, Michelle Corba Kapeluck, Linda Hippert & family, Margaret Vladimir, Luke Emmerling, Robert McKivitz, Liz Obradovich, Halyna Zelinska [Archbishop Daniel's mother], Charlotte, Andrew Mark Olynyk, Deborah Finley, Claire Senita, Eleanor Kelly, Bryan, Nancy Barylak, Patrick Keenan, Khrystyna Chorniy, Anthony Cormier, Nathan Forbeck, Sarah Doyle, Samuel Peters, Esther Holupka, David Vallor, Henry Faraly, Julie Eiler, Dorothy Lednovich, Bob C., Allie—young girl with leukemia, Heather Kramer, Jane Wartinbee, Matthew—young man with cancer, Nicholas Orlando, Mary Ann Kuznik, Michael Pryhodzenko, Sonia Luciw, Theresa Ditto, Mary Ann Musial, Yvonne Christy, Father Deacon Myron & Barbara Spak, Julia Duda, Lisa Pandle, Kris & Julie Hanczar, John Kennedy, Gaelle Kelly, Irma McDivitt, Robin Young, Mckayla, Rachel, Carl & Margaret Reed, Lydia Wilson, Robert Pointon, Walter Cecelia, John Persico, Jeff Miller,

Mary Kernick, Glenn Miller, Jean Marie, Donna & Walter McCrackin, Bonnie & Eugene Blair [Pani Gina's parents], David Hoenshell, Barbara Macino, Shelley Hill, Linda Cawley, Gerald Cogley, Corey Guich, Robert Vangrin, Pauline Witkowsky, Sera White, Deborah Smith, Nancy & Eric Dunik, Julian Strozh [young lady with cerebral palsy], Dr. Kirsten Ream, Patricia Corey, Michelle, Katie Swarm, Michelle, Patrick, Linda Morris, Chris, David Hiles, Jennifer, Cher Mount, Frank & Janet Horrell, Jim Wandling, Gail, Sirena Sharp, Ron Paulovich, Sandi Anderson, Lina, Shirley, Denny Mader, Ella Campbell, Tom Hyatt, Bill Janiro, Jean Symanko-Andy's sister, William Lemonakis, Alma Wyke, Lindsay Romanczak & family, Susan Lucas, Neil Carter & family, James Paluh, Mickie Weikel, Evelyn Krempasky, Tammy Strunk, Loida Esbry, Darlene Chicka Deskins, Drew, Alice & Keith Philipa, Kateryna Kocelko, Mira Filipović, Lynn, Jacqueline, Sharon, Zan Cheng, Kristy, Elaine Ellenberger, Brandon, Anna Tranchine, Demetra, Blase Urban, Catherine Hogel & children, Jennifer & Dylan, Ron Schwartz, Lydia Wilson, Flora Tomlin, Howell Swarm, Jane Bielewicz Allred, Katie Elizabeth, Mileva, & Michael, Deirdré Straughan, Terri Paluh, Lori & Steve Lucier, Kyranna Cherpas, Pastor Bruce Nordeen, Heather Ried, Carla Perry, Linda Elliot, Dennis McDaniel, Luke Tinsley, Brent, Tricia, Katherine Gorman, Pamela Jaquette, Sherri Walewski, Marika Zeliszcuk, Donna Davis, Jackie Crimbchin, Marta Charron, Mary [Corba], Margie Sekelsky, Gary Howell, Fran Fulton, Gina Catanese, Bill Vizza, Jamie Swarm, Kevin Allen (from Ancient Faith Radio), Kathy Flaherty, Tori Reade-Henry's niece, Derick-Glen Burlack's neighbor, Michael, Nichole & Christopher, Ben Douglas, Dianne Donahue, Zachary, Natasha, Noah Willard, Jodi Hanczar, Gregory Cervo, Lisa Bruce, Martha Nezolyk, Kathy Cvetkovich, Judy, Will, Emma, Ginny, Ye-Jin, Maria, John & JoAnn, Jim & Kitty, Phil Bouse, Ralph & Beverly Stoker, Noah Willard, Nikola, Natalie, Nikola, & Nevenka Jovonovich, Julia Collier, Amy Kemerer, Thomas Smith, Tracy Slaughaupt, Louis & Teresa Bercelli, Tom Nolan, Silvia Martin, Dena & George, Georgia, Lawanda [Evelyn's niece], Maureen Sams, John Kendall, Judi Danser, Darcy, Denis Strittmatter, Nancy, Ian Brick, Cecilia Barnhart, Logan Magorien, Pam & Gordon Grant, Debbie & Jerry Novosel, Noah Willard, Sandra Dillard, Danielle McCann, Barry [Father Jim Orr's cousin], Tim Joyce, Joe Samchuck—vocations, Albert Heckman, Brianna Stumpf, Stanley Porembka, David & Terry Coyne Hartnett, Mike C., Jennifer Scheirer [Nick Behun's daughter], Catherine Beecham [Father Bob's cousin], JoAnne & Dave Andrews, Rev. Peg Bowman, Pat & Jan Jennings, Tim Sams, Mike Ruzzi, Stephen Popichak—Fr. Bob's brother, Mary Kay Ludovicy, Pastor Sara Irwin, George Dilendorf, Andy & Sharon Torick, Carol Behun, Erv Frye, William Lusherand, Colin Kirton—Stage 4 pancreatic cancer, Clifford, Joe Veto, Paul Riley, Tonee & Sydnee Turner, Annette Paluh, Theresa Paluh, Cathy

*Lotinsky, Monk Andrew, Jeff & Buschra Kerr, Rose Mary Pavlovich—Mary Anne Kuznik's Cousin, Margaret Sekelsky, Robert Sekelsky, Robert Rodriguez, Dollie Irvin, Joe Mrvos, Alexandra & Bowen, Katherine Kulik, Pastor Terry Polen, Eleanor Kitt, Stacie & Gary, Maria Warholak, Stacie & Gary, Anna Sekelik, Christy, Mariruth, Rich & Judy Previc, Ben Williams, Denis Strittmatter, Father Joe Uzar—newly ordained, Tim—surgery, John Wakin, Olivia—young girl with a brain tumor, Rick & Sharon Morgan, John Stasko [triple by-pass], John, Kris & Kait, Kristi Wilson, Wendy LaGamba, Melissa Gross [hip replacement], Mike & Amy Forbeck, David Salazar, James Mary, Barb Bookser, Dr. Paul Riley, David Hess, Serena, Wyatt, Makenzie, Jennifer, Carolyn Strittmatter, Barbara Shegat & Chaplain Rachelle Zazzu, Candace Irvin, Carol Muschick, Grace Love [knee replacement], Stacie Riley, Joseph Paul Cervo, Jr. [infant], Elizabeth [5-year-old], Lillian Skowvron, Pani Cathy Danczak, Sue & Greg Heinen, Paul Simpson [Father Bob's cousin], Sharon Curtis Rivas, Kathy Milcic, Lisa Bolan, David G. [cancer], Donna [dementia] & Darla, Linda Snow, the McKenna family, David Gazella, Brian & Michele Cannone, Robert & Eleanor Rodrigues & family, Father Deacon James Rossetti & Diakonissa Kari—ordination!, Michael Welsh, Nick Solominsky, Samantha & Lisa Houser, Sarah Stepanovich Clark, Julia Baloga, Brett Crosby, Randy Lapuh, Henry & Shirley Tkacik, Diane & Arthur Chaklis, Denny Mader, Myra Woodruff [cancer], Zoe Oswalt—Fr. Bob's cousin [cancer], Barbette [cancer] & Scott, Kristin [cancer], Erm Hartmann, Barbara Bookser [cancer], Bob Mazzuca [cancer], Marko, Taylor, Terri Crosby-Vega, Christine Mohamed, Sue Demko, Tammy Marsico, Terry & David Hartnett, Jamie Ball, Kay Williams, Hannah Stewart, Jim Wyko—Alex's friend, Dan Losego, Lisa Bruce, Yvette, Barry Bender, Scott McDougall, Pam & Jennifer, Andrew Zelleznick, and Susan Pulcini—Father Ted Pulcini's mom. We pray that God will grant them all a speedy recovery.*

**PLEASE REVIEW THE NAMES ON THE PRAYER LIST ABOVE AND LET FATHER BOB KNOW ANY NAMES THAT CAN BE REMOVED...**

**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>, Jim Weiser on the 24<sup>th</sup>, and Mary Anne Kuznik on the 25<sup>th</sup>! May God grant them all Many Happy, Healthy, Prosperous, and Blessed Years! M'nohaya Lita! Christ IS Risen! God Bless them and their families...

**PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE! PRAY FOR PEACE IN THE WORLD—AND OUR LIVES!**



**5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA; SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN; PROPHET JEREMIAH; MARTYR BATAS OF NISIBIS; HIEROMARTYR MACARIUS-METROPOLITAN OF KIEV**

*Tone 4*

Acts 11:19-26, 29-30; Hebrews 12:7-16  
John 4:5-42; John 10:9-16

**SUNDAY, May 21**

**OBEDNITZA—UPSTAIRS**

**10:30 AM**

**6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA; SUNDAY OF THE BLIND MAN; HOLY APOSTLE & EVANGELIST JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN; VENERABLE ARSENIUS THE GREAT OF SCETIS; VENERABLE ARSENIUS-LOVER OF LABOR & PIMEN THE ASCETIC OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA**

*Tone 5*

Acts 16:16-34 1 John 1:1-7  
John 9:1-38; John 19:25-27, 21:24-25

## **BULLETIN INSERT FOR 07 MAY 2023**

**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF PASCHA; SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC; RIGHTEOUS TABITHA; TRANSLATION OF THE RELICS OF MARTYR ABRAMIUS OF BULGARIA; MARTYR SABBAS STRATELATES OF ROME & 70 SOLDIERS WITH HIM; MARTYRS PASICRATES, VALENTINE, & JULIUS IN MOESIA; MARTYRS EUSEBIUS, NEON, LEONTIUS, LONGINUS, & OTHERS AT NICOMEDIA; VENERABLE THOMAS THE FOOL OF SYRIA; VENERABLE ELIZABETH THE WONDERWORKER OF CONSTANTINOPLE; VENERABLE SABBAS & ALEXIUS THE HERMIT OF PERCHEVSKY LAVRA**

**Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!**

**Христос воскрес! Воистину воскрес!**

**Χριστός ανέστη! Ἀληθῶς ανέστη! (Khristós Anésti! Alithós Anésti!)**

**Hristos a înviat! Adevărat a înviat!**

**المسيح قام! إحقا قام! (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!**

#### **The Sunday of the Myrrhbearers Mark 15:43-16:8**

*Joseph of Arimathaea, an honourable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the body of Jesus. And Pilate marvelled if he were already dead: and calling unto him the centurion, he asked him whether he had been any while dead. And when he knew it of the centurion, he gave the body to Joseph. And he bought fine linen, and took him down, and wrapped him in the linen, and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock, and rolled a stone unto the door of the sepulchre. And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses beheld where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and anoint him. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun. And they said among themselves, Who shall roll us away the stone from the door of the sepulchre? And when they looked, they saw that the stone was rolled away: for it was very great. And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted. And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him. But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you. And they went out quickly, and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any man; for they were afraid. (KJV)*

Hristos Voskrese! Vaistinu Voskrese!  
Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!  
Hristos a inviat! Adevarat a inviat!

The joyous news of Jesus Christ's Resurrection is proclaimed in the present Gospel. The Myrrhbearing women heard the news. Believers around the world and down through the centuries have heard today's message from St. Mark's Gospel.

The famous fresco of the White Angel at Monastery Mileseva has preserved the image at the Tomb described in the present Gospel. Joy

radiates in the hearts welcoming the message of Jesus Christ's Resurrection.

Believers taking the Gospel message to heart strive to live in ways pleasing to the Resurrected Christ. The Resurrected Christ personifies Hope and Light. Depression, despondency, and despair have no place in believers' lives.

Jesus Christ eradicated death for those who believe in Him. St. John's Gospel states of Christ: "Whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life." (Jn. 3:15)

The Resurrected Christ gives believers power and hope to live in ways leading to the Kingdom of God and eternal life. Attentive believers look to the Resurrected Christ for daily direction and guidance.

The Resurrected Christ reveals Himself each day and points the way for believers to follow. God's Holy Church teaches believers of the path to the Heavenly Kingdom and eternal life.

St. John's Gospel contains Jesus' valuable words for believers. The Gospel states: "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." (Jn. 5:39)

Living in the Resurrected Christ requires personal effort and attentiveness to Christ's teachings. The world unfolds each day according to the Lord God. Wise believers look to the Resurrected Christ each day of life for direction.

Believers are challenged each day to cherish and live in ways pleasing to the Lord. The time of life comes only once as a blessing from the Lord. Each moment is to be used wisely.

God's Holy Church offers the safe and nourishing environment for growth and unity with the Resurrected Christ. Exercising free choice wisely is necessary to move forward with Christ at each moment.

Evil is always present seeking to derail believers. The Resurrected Christ has shown that evil can be overcome. Christ's Light overcomes darkness. The Myrrhbearers in the Gospel were blessed to hear the enlightening news.

The Church constantly and resolutely proclaims the message and the meaning of the Resurrection. Believers derive strength and direction from the Divine services celebrating the Resurrection.

Saints and martyrs having taken the Resurrection most seriously have lived instructive lives for believers to learn from. The Mother of the Resurrected Lord offers nourishment, strength, and intercession for believers seeking direction.

Serious prayer provides believers the opportunity to determine direction in daily life. The Church offers daily Scripture readings to nourish believers. Each day the Church sets forth saintly lives to inspire believers.



Resurrection joy cannot be contained and always finds a way to be manifested. Jesus Christ suffered and died on the Cross. Darkness appeared to triumph. The Darkness was temporary. The Brightness of the Resurrection arose.

God's Holy Church has proclaimed and celebrated Jesus' Resurrection for more than twenty centuries. Efforts have not been successful to discredit the news of Jesus rising from the dead.

Believers have the Life-giving information about the Resurrection given to the Myrrhbearers at the Tomb. No darkness in life can take away the Light of Christ from the hearts of believers. Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

*The Sunday of the Myrrbearers. Holy Hieromartyr Simeon, Bishop of Persia and Those with Him. April 17/30, 2023. Hidden Valley, Pennsylvania.  
Father Rodney Torbic*