

CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY, HE IS RISEN!!!

Sunday of the Blind Man

Epistle: Act 16:16-34

Gospel: John 9:1-38

Kontakion – Tone 4

**I come to You, O Christ, / blind from birth in my spiritual eyes /
and I call to You in repentance: / You are the most radiant light
of those in darkness!**

We pray for our entire church family and those who do not have a family or church family, and our special prayers are for the sick and suffering and for the health and salvation of others:

The Archbishop Melchizedek, Archpriest Joseph, Archpriest Samuel, Archimandrite Joseph, Protospresbyter Christos, the priest Gregory, Protodeacon John, Mark, Matushka Ellen, Matushka Svetlana, Matushka Irene, Matushka Katherine, Catherine Xenia, Karen, Nadine Olsen, Michael Olsen, Michelle, Alexander, Anastasia, Sophia Eptamenitis, Edward, Taisa, Engelsman, Maria Higginbotham, Valentina Bobrowski, Anna Konoleva, Erika Dobrzynski, Douglas Dobrzynski, Andrew John Lihou, Marie Biancarelli, Joshua and Daniel Buccieri, Emma Matthews, Stephanie, Kristy, Victor Szemetylo, Helen, Bonnie Shaffner, Zoran Pejovic, Sunny Hunsicker, Ioana, Carmen, Michael, John, Sarah, Linda, Pamela Anne and Kimberly Marie, JoAnne, Beatrice, Christina, Orestes, Julia, Adrian, Sonya, Biljana, Dorothy, Pauline, Brandy, Makenzie, Tyler, Anna, Aleksei, Elena, Denis, Nadezhda, Izabella, Olga, Rita, Olga, Olga, Sofia, Iosif, John, Dawn, Pavel, Elena, Avery and Halyna (Klima). Amen!

***** To amend the prayer list, speak with Mary Osinski*****

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FIVE NUNS BEHEADED IN PERSIA: MARTYRS THECLA, MARIAMNE, MARTHA, MARY AND ENNATHA

- During the time of the Persian king Saphor II (ca. 330 A.D.), a priest by the name of Paul was living near the village of Aza. He was wealthy and a lover of money, and he had with him five women who had consecrated their virginity to God. Saints Thekla, Mariamne, Martha, Maria, and Ennatha were adorned with the splendor of virtues. They were wealthy, and they entrusted their Spiritual Father with all their money. The greedy man prayed and chanted the Psalms with them, but he kept their money for himself. When they learned that the priest Paul was rich, the Persians threatened to kill him and the five virgins if he did not deny Christ and give them some of his treasure. Since he preferred earthly riches, he accepted the Persian religion. The holy virgins said that they would rather suffer torture and death than deny Christ. Paul beheaded the women with a sword when they refused to follow his treacherous example. He did not enjoy his wealth for very long, however. The Persians drowned him the following evening in order to obtain all of the money. The holy virgins received their incorruptible crowns of glory from Christ in the year 346. The five Virgin Martyrs are also commemorated on September 26.

Service Schedule

Great Vespers: 5pm Saturdays

Hours: 9:45am Sundays

Divine Liturgy: 10:00am Sundays

Confessions: Will be heard every Saturday evening after Vespers or by appointment.

Call, text or email Father Michael at (848)228-1563 or holyspiritwantagenj@gmail.com

Monthly calendar at www.HolySpiritOrthodox.org

Dates to Remember

Saturday 8th of June

Great Vespers at 5 pm

Sunday 9th of June

Divine Liturgy at 10 am

Blessing of Marriage of Maritsa and Anthony Farren

Wednesday 12th of June

Great Vespers at 6 pm

Thursday 13th of June
ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

Divine Liturgy at 9 am

Saturday 15th of June

Great Vespers at 5 pm

Sunday 16th of June

Divine Liturgy at 10 am

Father's Day

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Visitors Welcome

Christ is Risen! Truly, He is Risen! Everyone is welcome to visit and worship with us, especially for the upcoming Feast of the Ascension of our Lord. Great Vespers will be served on Wednesday 12th of June at 6 pm and the Divine Liturgy will be served on Thursday 13th of June at 9 am.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Macrina (Alma) Sidney Naron who was baptized on Saturday June 1st. We extend our congratulations to her parents Joseph and Lyssa Naron and the Godmother Olivia Perez. God grant you many blessed years!

Catechism Class

Catechism class will take place every Saturday from 3 pm until the beginning of Great Vespers. Everyone is welcome.

Lawnmowing possibilities

Starting this Sunday we will have a sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Please consider signing your name and dedicating some time to keep our property beautiful. If you need training, you will be trained how to operate the lawnmower.

Father's Day – June 16th

We will honor and celebrate Father's Day next Sunday. Please email me on pejovicveljko@gmail.com or bring to me prior to Divine Liturgy next Sunday a list of names of fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and God Fathers to be remembered on this day. Please indicate if living or deceased.

Holy Spirit Day

Dear brothers and sisters this year we will celebrate Holy Spirit Day on June 24th, 2024. As always Archbishop Michael will be serving the Divine Liturgy. Furthermore, on this day our Mark Benda will be ordained to the rank of sub deacon. This is very joyous occasion. If possible, please plan to attend and support Mark and celebrate Feast of our Parish. More information will be available soon.

DO NOT walk over a ramp

Dear brothers and sisters our Church ramp is going through major repairs. Currently the ramp is not safe so please do not walk over ramp and do not use the back doors. Thank you.

Sussex Help Center

Dan Taylor informed us that we should change our donation back to food items. Please remember those who are less fortunate when you are shopping and bring a food item, such a cereal, peanut butter and jelly or any other non-perishable food item to church for the food cart. Speak with Dan Taylor for other items that are needed. Thank you for being a part of this outreach program.