

**CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED, HE IS RISEN!**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> of May**

**SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN**

**Epistle Reading: Acts 11:19-26, 29-30**

**Gospel Reading: John 4:5-42**

**Kontakion — Tone 8**

**The Samaritan Woman came to the well in faith; / she saw You, the Water of Wisdom, and drank abundantly / she inherited the Kingdom on High and is ever glorified!**

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 Archpriests Samuel and Joseph, Archimandrite Joseph, Protospesbyter Christos, the priest Gregory, Mark Benda, Matushka Ellen, Emily Anastasia, Gabriel, Zoe, Nadine Olsen, Anastasia, Sophia Eptamenitis, Edward, Taisa, Konstance & Elaine 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, Helen Schweizer, Zoran Pejovic, Sunny Hunsicker, Ioana, Carmen and Douglas. Amen!!!

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

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**MARTYR BASILISCUS, BISHOP OF COMANA** - The Holy Martyr Basiliscus was a nephew of the Great Martyr Theodore the Recruit, and he suffered together with his brothers Eutropius and Kleonikos during the persecution of the emperor Maximian Galerius. The holy martyrs Kleonikos and Eutropius were crucified, but the martyr Basiliscus was sent to Comana where he was detained in prison. The governor Agrippa arrived in the city of Amasea and started a persecution against Christians. Arriving at a certain village during the hot afternoon, the travelers stayed at the house of a woman named Troana. The soldiers went into the house to relax and refresh themselves with food, and they tied the martyr Basiliscus to a dry tree. Standing in the heavy chains beneath the scorching sun, the saint prayed to God. Suddenly a Voice was heard from above, "Fear not, for I am with you." The earth shook, and a spring of water came forth from the resulting fissure. The magisterium, the soldiers and Troana, rushed out of the house, frightened by the earthquake. Shaken by the miracle which had taken place, they set the martyr free. Sick people from the village came to the holy martyr and received healing through his prayers. When the saint finally stood before Agrippa, he was commanded to offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. He replied, "I offer to God a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving every hour." They led him into a pagan temple. In an instant fire came down from Heaven, which burned the temple, and reduced the idols to dust. Then in a blind rage Agrippa gave orders to behead Saint Basiliscus and throw his body into the river. The death of the martyr occurred in the year 308. Christians quickly gathered the remains of the holy martyr and buried them by night in a ploughed field. Upon this spot a church was built in honor of Saint Basiliscus, into which they transferred his relics. Through the prayers of the holy martyr healings began to occur. The saint appeared in a dream to Saint John Chrysostom (November 13) before his death at Comana and said to him, "Tomorrow we shall be together." Saint Eusignius (August 5) was an eyewitness to his sufferings and told the world about the struggles of Saint Basiliscus.

### Service Schedule

**Great Vespers:** 5 pm Saturdays  
**Hours:** 9:45am Sundays  
**Divine Liturgy:** 10:00am Sundays

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

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Monthly calendar at [www.HolySpiritOrthodox.org](http://www.HolySpiritOrthodox.org)

### Dates to Remember

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> of May**  
**Great Vespers at 5 pm**

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> of May**  
**Divine Liturgy at 10 am**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> of May**  
**HSOC Annual Garage Sale from 9 am – 6 pm**

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> of May**  
**HSOC Annual Garage Sale from 9 am – 3 pm**  
**Great Vespers at 5 pm**

**Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> of May**  
**Divine Liturgy at 10 am**

**HOLY SPIRIT DAY - Monday June 13th**  
**Divine Liturgy with Archbishop Michael at 9 am**

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#### Welcome!

Everyone is welcome to visit and worship with us at Holy Spirit Church and to experience the beauty of Vespers each Saturday at 5 pm and/or Divine Liturgy each Sunday at 10 am. Fellowship and light refreshments follow Divine Liturgy.

#### Mother's Day Offerings

Thank you for your offerings for Mother's Day. We are especially grateful to Mark Benda who made chocolate covered strawberries and flowers for all the women in the parish. God grant you many years!

#### SAVE THE DATE – HSOC ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

Mark Benda, Chairman of the HSOC Fundraising Committee announced the first church fundraising event this year will be the HSOC ANNUAL GARAGE SALE at Holy Spirit Orthodox Church, 102 Route 284, Wantage, NJ on May 27-28, 2022. For more information regarding donations or volunteer opportunities, contact Matushka JoAnne Kedala [kedalaj@gmail.com](mailto:kedalaj@gmail.com) or speak with her at church. Your support is greatly appreciated.

#### Keep Offerings Current

Offerings can be made at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. The collection basket is located on the table by the exit. You are also welcomed to send your donation via mail to Holy Spirit Orthodox Church, 102 Route 284, Wantage, NJ 07461 or using the "Donate" button on the website of our church [www.holyspiritorthodox.org](http://www.holyspiritorthodox.org).

#### 2022 Graduates

Holy Spirit Orthodox Church is setting aside a day to celebrate and commemorate our graduates this year. Email or call me to let me know when you will graduate and the details. Date to be announced.

#### Mark your Calendar: Holy Spirit Day, June 13<sup>th</sup>

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ – Please plan to worship with us at Divine Liturgy at Holy Spirit Orthodox Church to commemorate our name day on Monday, June 13<sup>th</sup> at 9 am. His Eminence Archbishop Michael and Very Reverend Gary Breton will join us in service for this most blessed day.

#### Parish Development Forum Online

For more information please follow the this link: [Registration Opens for June 17 Parish Development Forum Online - Orthodox Church in America \(oca.org\)](https://www.oca.org/parish-development-forum)

#### Have an item for the bulletin?

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