



HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Week of May 20 - 26, 2012 ❖ Tone 5
6th Sunday of Pascha ❖ Sunday of the Blind Man

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts. 16:16-34

IN THOSE DAYS: as we went to prayer, it happened, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling. This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, "These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And he came out that very hour. But when her masters saw that their hope of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to the authorities. And they brought them to the magistrates, and said, "These men, being Jews, exceedingly trouble our city; and they teach customs which are not lawful for us, being Romans, to receive or observe. Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded them to be beaten with rods. And when they had laid many stripes on them, they threw them into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely. Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed. And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself. But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, "Do yourself no harm, for we are all here." Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. And he brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" So they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household." Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized. Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.

John 9:1-38

AT THAT TIME: when Jesus was passing by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents,

that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. We must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world. When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And He said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is translated, Sent). So he went and washed, and came back seeing. Therefore the neighbors and those who previously had seen that he was blind said, "Is not this he who sat and begged?" Some said, "This is he." Others said, "He is like him." He said, "I am he." Therefore they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" He answered and said, "A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed, and I received sight." Then they said to him, "Where is He?" He said, "I do not know." They brought him who formerly was blind to the Pharisees. Now it was a Sabbath when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also asked him again how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Therefore some of the Pharisees said, "This Man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath." Others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. They said to the blind man again, "What do you say about Him because He opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight. And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered them and said, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but by what means he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself. His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone confessed that He was Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, "Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner." He answered and said, "Whether He is a sinner or not I do not know. One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see." *[continues on page 2](#)*

DAILY READINGS:

May 21st
 Acts 17:1-15
 John 11:47-57
May 22nd
 Acts 17:19-28
 John 12:19-36
May 23rd
 Acts 18:22-28
 John 12:36-47
May 24th
 Acts 1:1-12
 Luke 24:36-53
May 25th
 Acts 19:1-8
 John 14:1-11
May 26th
 Acts 20:7-12
 John 14:10-21

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 20th
 Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
 Coffee Hour -
 Men's Club meeting

Monday, May 21st
 Parish Council mtg. 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, May 22nd
 Finance Committee mtg 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, May 23rd
Leavetaking of pascha
 Festal Vespereal Liturgy (for Ascension) 6:00 p.m. followed by festal "Pot Luck" Supper.

Thursday, May 24th
ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

Saturday, May 26th
 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.
 General Confession

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday May 20th

Greeter: B. Beck

Cleaning: Labas/Bichun

Coffee: Raymond/Ludko

Sunday May 27th

Greeter: B. Beck

Cleaning: Labas/Bichun

Coffee: Dresko/Dresko

Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 1,875

YTD:\$ 52,186 [88.2%]

YTD Goal:\$ 59,140.00

(20 wks) [\$ 2957.00/wk]

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Then they said to him again, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become His disciples?" Then they reviled him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spoke to Moses; as for this fellow, we do not know where He is from. The man answered and said to them, "Why, this is a marvelous thing, that you do not know where He is from; yet He has opened my eyes! Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him. Since the world began it has been unheard of that anyone opened the eyes of one who was born blind. If this Man were not from God, He could do nothing. They answered and said to him, "You were completely born in sins, and are you teaching us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered and said, "Who is He, Lord, that I may believe in Him?" And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you." Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Him.

PASCHAL GREETINGS

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!
Slavonic: Khristos Voskrese!
Vo Istinu Voskrese!
Ⲭⲉⲕⲕⲉⲕ: Christos Anesti!
Alithos Anesti!
Arabic: Almasikh Qam!
Haqam Qam!
Albanian: Krishti Ungjal!
Vertet Ungjal!
Romanian: Chritos a Inviat!
Adevarat a Inviat!
Spanish: Cristo ha resucitado!
En verdad ha resucitado!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

"For the sick and suffering"

Megan Bartos	Paul Sachok
Alla Hamisevich	Ruth Lucas
Eugenia "Jennie" Pich	Dorothy Kowar

Archpriest Paul Lazor (recover from surgery)
Archpriest Michael Mihalick (MS - All Saints, Johnstown, PA)
Archpriest William DuBovik (All Saints, Hartford)
child Timothy Armstrong Jr. (Great-nephew of Ann Myszka)
Michael Myszka (recovering from surgery - Brother of Mark Myszka)
Vincent MacKenzie (cancer - Friend of Rosemary Delaney)
David Flood (Brother-in-law of Rosemary Delaney)
Robin Prince (Cousin of John Delaney)
Helen Skrobat (Mother of John Skrobat)
Sonya Bartos (Mother of David Bartos)
Jean O'keefe (Friend of Ewa Zagorska)
Faith O'keefe (Friend of Ewa Zagorska)
child Dalton Deack (Friend of Ewa Zagorska)
Shirley Lucas (Daughter of Ruth Lucas)
Charles Casciotta (Friend of the Bichun's)
child Justin Holmes (Friend of the Bichun's)
Thomas Hricus (Brother of Marion Bichun)
Robert Vrakas (Husband of Anne-Christine Vrakas)
Krista Nordmark (cancer - Friend of Laura Burrill)
Janet Roberts (Friend of Barbara Burrill)
child Isabelle Negron (Friend of Larissa Rembisz)

Laura Iles (Friend of Diane Polzun)
Lorraine Lynch (Mother-in-law of Peter Anop)
Raymond Bargielski (cancer - Friend of Nelson & Arlene Potter)
Twyla Mah (recover from surgery - Sister in law of Tessa & John Mah)
David Hull (cancer - Physician of Arlene Potter)
child Daniel Hawn (brain cancer - Friend of Diane Dounouk)
JoAnn Hensley (stroke - Friend of Jennie Everson)
Dorothy Ludko (Friend of Barbara Raymond)
Kimberly Beckius (Daughter-in-law of Barbara Raymond)
Avril LaCouer (cancer - Friend of Marie Shimchick)
Bruce McCallum (Parkinson's - Father of Rebecca McCallum)
Ronald Schmitt (stroke - Friend of Jennie Everson & Paul Culton)
Ann Belonick (Grandmother of Daniel Belonick)
Seth Bannon (recovery from surgery - cousin of Tim Bannon)
Alexandra Hopko (in-operable tumors - Sister of Fr. John Hopko)
Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril & Methodius, Terryville)
Donna Kriniske (recovery from brain surgery - Cousin of Matushka Melanie)
Sue Spadjinske (lung cancer - Colleague of Chris Dresko)
Lisa Baker (breast cancer -Wife of Brian Baker)

..... and all those shut-in and in Nursing Homes!

Newly: Alain Lebrun [April 19] (cousin of Anne-Christine Vrakas)
Departed: Catherine Schmitt [May 12] (Friend of Jennie Everson & Paul Culton)



◆**Men's Club meeting:** Following coffee hour TODAY to plan for the parish picnic on Pentecost.

◆**Coffee Hour:** Please take a look at the second half of 2012, there are many open dates just waiting for your name! Thank you!



◆**Cleaners:** Cleaners, by weeks, for June through August is posted on the bulletin board. PLEASE sign-up today. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to beautify OUR church!

◆**The May monthly charity collection** is for the **Orthodox Christian Fellowship**. OCF is the official collegiate campus ministry program under SCOPA now the Episcopal Assembly. The collection will be taken on the last Sunday of the



month. Please use the envelope provided in your monthly mailing and be generous!!

◆**Men's Club Lotto -**

91 Marge Wallick

Support the Men's Club Special Projects Fund!!

There are open numbers for new participants or get another number for additional chances.

◆**Future Dates:**

Saturday & Sunday, June 2nd & 3rd - PENTECOST our parish feast-day and PICNIC!

Friday, June 29th - Feast of Ss. Peter & Paul: Divine Liturgy, 9:00 a.m. at Meriden for the parish feast &/or Akathist 6:00 p.m. followed by a PICNIC!