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Week of May 9 - 15, 2010 ❖ 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. I 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 10th
 Acts 17:1-15
 John 11:47-57
May 11th
 Acts 17:19-28
 John 12:19-36
May 12th
 Acts 18:22-28
 John 12:36-47
May 13th
 Acts 1:1-12
 Luke 24:36-53
May 14th
 Acts 19:1-8
 John 14:1-11
May 15th
 Acts 20:7-12
 John 14:10-21

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, May 9th
 Church School 8:30 a.m.
 Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.
Mother's Day
 Coffee Hour -
 Men's Club hosting



Wednesday, May 12th
CELEBRATING OF PASCHA
 Festal Vespertal Liturgy 6:00 p.m.
 "Pot Luck" Supper

Thursday, May 13th
ASCENSION

Thursday, May 14th
Visitation: Arbor Rose 9:30 a.m.
 & Jerome Home 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, May 15th
 Choir Rehearsal 4:00 p.m.
Visit of Bishop NIKON
 Vespers 5:00 p.m.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Sunday May 9th
 Greeter: Phyllis & Gavin
 Cleaning: Polzun/Delaney
 Coffee: Men's Club

Sunday May 16th
 Greeter: Phyllis & Gavin
 Cleaning: Polzun/Delaney
 Coffee: **EVERYONE**

Parish Figures

Collection: \$ 1,715
 YTD: \$ 46,672 [91.6%]
 YTD Goal: \$ 50,976.00
 (18 wks) [\$ 2832.00/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!

GREEK: Christos Anesti!

Alithos Anesti!

Arabic: Almasikh Qam!

Haqam Qam!

Albanian: Krishti Ungjal!

Vertet Ungjal!

Romanian: Chritos a Inviat!

Adevarat a Inviat!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"For the sick and suffering"

George Liwen Annette Salina
Karen Murphy Vera Luzetti
Archpriest Michael Mihalick (MS -
Johnstown, PA)
Archpriest William DuBovik (All Saints,
Hartford)
Protodeacon Simeon Kopcha (Father of
Mat. Melanie Koles)
Matushka Carrie Foley (recovery: heart surgery
- Greensboro, NC)
John Dorsey (Husband of Lydia Dorsey)
George Roberts (Husband of Helen Roberts)
child Timothy Armstrong Jr. (Great-nephew
of Ann Myszka)
Judy Flood (Sister-in-Law of
Rosemary Delaney)
Joan Anderson (Sister-in-Law of
Rosemary Delaney)
Ria Coleman (cancer - Friend of
Rosemary Delaney)
Thomas Prince (Cousin of John Delaney)
Joyce Prince (Cousin of John Delaney)
Rosario Sarcie (Father-in-Law of
Kevin Delaney)
Shirley Lucas (Daughter of Ruth Lucas)
Tasha Lucas (Daughter-in-law of Ruth Lucas)
Stanley Bartos (Father of David Bartos)
Sonya Bartos (Mother of David Bartos)
Annette Bartos (knee surgery - sister of
David Bartos)

McKenzi Gouvin (Cousin of Phyllis Bartos)
Eva Jackson (Friend of Margaret Wagner)
Lillian Falko (Cousin of the Bichun's)
Janet Gernat (Cousin of the Bichun's)
child Justin Holmes (Infant friend of
the Bichun's)
Sawa Kokotiuk (Father of Raisa Shafran)
Tatiana Kokotiuk (Mother of Raisa Shafran)
Laura Iles (Friend of Diane Polzun)
Alla Wheeler (terminal cancer - Friend of
Diane Dounouk)
child Christopher Elliot (Son of Fr. George &
Kim Elliot, St. Paul, Las Vegas, NV)
Denise Negron (H1N1 - Friend of
Larissa Rembisz)
child Isabelle Negron (Friend of
Larissa Rembisz)
Eileen Holler (Grandmother of
Andrew Bobik)
Infant Autumn Kinzler (8 wks preemie -
born 4/3; Niece of Noah Bobik)
Annabelle Benvenuto (stroke - co-worker of
Mat. Melanie Koles)
John Buckeye (Fr. David's SVS schoolmate)
Alexandra Hopko (in-operable tumors -
Sister of Fr. John Hopko)
Frank Guba (MS - Ss. Cyril &
Methodius, Terryville)
in need of our prayers:
Lydia Dorsey
Mary Toumbakis (Friend of Diane Dounouk)

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

**NEWLY
DEPARTED:**

Louise Lefebvre [April 4] (Friend of Diane Polzun)
Lorraine Zavorskas [April 13] (Sister-in-Law of Diane Steffick)
Protodeacon Simeon Kopcha [April 30] (Father of Mat. Melanie)

**ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ
ΕΓΧΕΙΡΕΤΕ!**

♦**Welcome!** This weekend we welcome Fr. Sergius Halvorsen who is substituting for Fr. David while he is away on vacation. Fr. Sergius is the Diocesan Chairman of the Committee on Evangelization & Revitalization.

♦**Happy MOTHER'S DAY:** To all our Mother, Grandmothers and God-mothers!



♦**Three Special Days in May:**
Thursday, May 13th - Great Feast of the Ascension. Festal Vespers Liturgy, May 12th 6:00 p.m. followed by Pot Luck supper.

Saturday & Sunday, May 15-16 - Visit of His Grace, Bishop NIKON: Vespers 5:00 p.m. Hierarchal Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Saturday & Sunday, May 22-23 - PENTECOST: Our parish feast day. Sat: Festal Vigil 5:00 p.m. Sun: Festal Divine Liturgy, Kneeling Vespers & Procession 9:00 a.m.

We need everyone's help to make these days fruitful!

♦**The May monthly charity** is for collection is for **Pathways/Senderos** [Greater New Britain Teen Pregnancy Prevention]. Their mission is to eliminate teen pregnancy by addressing its root causes, assuring high school graduation, and promoting adult self-sufficiency. The collection will be taken on the last Sunday of the month. Please be generous in helping those who need our assistance by using the envelope provided in your monthly mailing!

♦**We Need Your Help:** For the 2nd Annual Tag/Food Fair! Please show your support for this 100th Anniversary Church Renovation fundraiser by attending a Tag/Food Fair planning meeting after Divine Liturgy on Sunday, June 6th.

♦**Men's Club Lotto -**
69 Christian Burrill
Support the Men's Club
Church Improvement Fund!!