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The Blind Man

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

METROPOLITAN HERMAN,
ARCHBISHOP OF WASHINGTON & NEW YORK
V. Rev. Constantine White, Dean
Rev. Valery Shemchuk, Associate Pastor
Subdeacon Ken Kasovac, Music Director

Sunday Lessons

This Week – Tone 5 Acts 16: 16 – 34; John 9: 1 – 38

Next Week – Tone 6 Acts 20: 16 – 18, 28 - 36; John 17: 1 – 13

Schedule of Service

Wednesday	May	16	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy (E,S,G)	Leavetaking of Pascha
			7:00 pm	Vigil (E,S,G)	Eve of Ascension
Thursday	May	17	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy (E,S,G)	Ascension
Saturday	May	19	5:00 pm	Vigil (E,S,G)	
Sunday	May	20	9:00 am	Divine Liturgy (E)	Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council
			10:45 am	Divine Liturgy (S)	
			1:00 pm	Prayer Service (G)	

E=English, S=Slavonic, G=Georgian

General confession will not be held from Pascha to Pentecost.

Reminder: Sunday School resumes today!

May bulletins are donated in celebration of Apolinary and Elizabeth

Manchuk's 60th wedding Anniversary, May 4th.

May God grant them many years!

This month's bulletins are sponsored in honor of Protodeacon Blagoje Siljegovic.

Parish Member Brent Regis Urbanowicz will be ordained to the Diaconate on Sunday, May 20th at St. Tikhon's Monastery! May God Grant Him Many Years!

*** VISITORS ***

A warm welcome to St. Nicholas Cathedral! We are glad to have you worship with us today.
Please join us downstairs following Liturgy for coffee hour.

Priest: Blessed is the Kingdom of the Father and the Son, and the Holy Spirit now and ever and unto ages of ages. Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death. And upon those in the tombs bestowing life (2 ½ times).

Choir/Congregation: And upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

(Liturgy begins this way until the Leavetaking of Pascha.)

Troparia (Tone 5): Let us the faithful, praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakia Feast (Tone 4): I come to Thee, O Christ, blind from birth in my spiritual eyes, and call to thee in repentance: thou art the most radiant Light of those in darkness!

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Pascha (Tone 8): Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, Thou didst destroy the power of death! In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming "Rejoice" to the myrrhbearing women, granting peace to thy apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

Prokeimenon (Tone 8): Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God! Verse: In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Epistle: Acts 16:16 - 34: In those days, it happened, as we went to prayer, that a certain girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortunetelling. 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.

Alleluia (Tone 8): Look upon me and have mercy upon me. Verse: Guide my steps according to Thy word.

Gospel: John 9:1 - 38: At that time, as Jesus passed by, He saw a man which was blind from his birth. And His disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that He was born blind? Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him. I must work the works of Him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of

the world. When He had thus spoken, He spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay, And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this he that sat and begged?" Some said, "This is he," others said, "He is like him." But he said, "I am he." Therefore said they unto him, "How were thine eyes opened?" He answered and said, "A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash,' and I went and washed, and I received sight." Then said they unto him, "Where is he?" He said, "I know not." They brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind. And it was the sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes. Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them, "He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see." Therefore said some of the Pharisees, "This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the sabbath day." Others said, "How can a man that is a sinner do such miracles?" And there was a division among them. They say unto the blind man again, "What sayest thou of him, that he hath opened thine 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 that had received his sight. And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? How then doth 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 seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes, we know not: he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself." These words spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue. Therefore said his parents, "He is of age; ask him." Then again they called the man that was blind and said unto him, "Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner." He answered and said, "Whether he be a sinner or no, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see." Then said they to him again, "What did he to thee? How opened he thine eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear it again? Will ye also be his disciples?" Then they reviled him, and said, "Thou art his disciple; but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spake unto Moses: as for this fellow, we know not from whence he is." The man answered and said unto them, "Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and yet he hath opened mine eyes. Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth. Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind. If this man were not of God, he could do nothing." They answered and said unto him, "Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said unto him, "Dost thou believe on the Son of God?" He answered and said, "Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?" And Jesus said unto him, "Thou hast both seen Him, and it is He that talketh with thee. And he said, Lord, I believe. And he bowed down to him.

Hymn to the Theotokos: The angel cried to the Lady Full of Grace: Rejoice, O Pure Virgin! Again, I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb! With Himself He has raised all the dead! Rejoice, all ye people! Shine! Shine! O New Jerusalem! The glory of the Lord has shone on you! Exult now and be glad, O Zion! Be radiant, O Pure Theotokos, in the Resurrection of your Son!

Communion Hymn: Receive the Body of Christ. Taste the Fountain of Immortality. Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the Highest! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Instead of "We have seen the true light...": Christ is risen from the dead. Trampling down death by death. And upon those in the tombs bestowing light. (once)

After "Glory to Thee, O Christ, ...": Christ is risen... (three times).

Treasury Summary Report

1st quarter

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Jan-Mar 2007</u>	<u>April 2007</u>
Income	\$136,010	\$70,235*
Expense	\$138,793	\$32,483
Net gain/loss	- \$2,783	\$37,752

*Includes Maslenitsa check for over \$14,226.61

The total net income for both Capital fund and General fund is a loss of \$6416.

Comparison of Holy Week and Paschal income:

	2006	2007
Holy Week	\$ 3,122	\$ 7,157
Pascha	\$11,156	\$11,833
Candles	<u>\$ 7,061</u>	<u>\$ 6,986</u>
Total	\$21,339	\$25,976

Bulletin Messages

Orthodox Women in Healing Ministries (OWHM) is pleased to present **Protopresbyter Thomas Hopko** to speak on **May 22 at 7 PM** in the church hall. Topic is: "Let Us Celebrate Pentecost" The Holy Spirit in Orthodox Christian Teaching and Life. All are welcome to attend. *Sponsored by Therapia Psychotherapy Services.*

Attention Parishioners: To place a message in the church bulletin, please call the church office between 10:00-2:00 Monday – Friday (202)-333-5060, or press 12 at menu to leave a message, or e-mail the church at officeassistant@stnicholasdc.org. Notices must be submitted no later than **Wednesday** for the following Sunday.

The Orthodox Christian Mission Center is Seeking New Agape Canister Partners

Support missions abroad by volunteering at home - become an Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) Agape Canister Partner today! A few moments of your time each month can help provide food and shelter for orphans, healthcare for the elderly, and educational opportunities for children in developing countries. Agape Canister Partners coordinate one or more coin canisters in local businesses within their community. They collect the money from the canisters on a regular basis and send it to the Mission Center. The money collected from canisters funds human service projects that complement the ministries of Orthodox mission priests and missionaries around the world. Please contact Kenneth Kidd by phone at 1-877-463-6784, or by e-mail at agape@ocmc.org, for more information or to volunteer.

\$19.00 was retrieved from our Agape Canister on May 5, 2007. Thank you for your continued generosity.

Parishioners: Do you know of a *graduating senior* from the Cathedral Parish? High School and College *graduates* will be honored by the Cathedral Memorial Day weekend. Please contact the church office 202-333-5060 or Michael Shandor 301-421-9467 with the following information: name of graduate, school of matriculation, major (if college) and date of graduation if known. If your high school senior has decided on a college or university to attend in the fall, please include this also!

If you are interested in sponsoring the Sunday Bulletin, please contact the church office 202-333-5060, ext.10) for the dates you want. Immediate payment is not required, but advance reservations are needed. The donation is \$20 a week, \$80 a month (English); \$15 a week, \$60 a month (Russian).

Attention Parishioners: The Diocese of Washington and New York now has a web site at dcnyoca.org.

“Inspiring Children to Sing”, a workshop to be presented by the Diocese of Washington and New York on May 19, 2007, will be held from 9:30 am to 3 pm in Passaic NJ. This workshop is for choir directors, church school teachers, youth directors and parents who wish to learn about teaching children to sing. The instructor is Mary Ellen Junga a nationally recognized master teacher of children’s voices, conductor, recording artist, and a specialist in the Kodaly Concept of Music Education. Cost is a meager \$20.00 per person. Registration checks should be made payable to the Diocese of Washington and New York. Registration should include: name, complete mailing address, email address, Parish name and location and be mailed to Junda Workshop, c/o 38 Pearl Street, New Hyde Park, NY 11040. Please submit the above information for each registrant.

Blessed is the Kingdom: A Healthy Marriage Seminar: presented by St. Mary’s Orthodox Church, Falls Church, VA on Saturday, May 19 from 10 am to 2 pm. Lunch provided. Requested donation is \$15.00. To register send email to FRDAVID@STMARYORTHODOX.ORG before May 16. Space is limited. Flyer is posted on the bulletin board downstairs for more information.

Bookkeeping help: Part Time Position available in church office:

Data Entry of contributions and invoices. Filing. 4 hours/week. Monday or Tuesday preferred. Knowledge of accounting software preferred. Contact Ann Nartsissov at 703-425-7044, or Lisa Morris at 202-333-5060.

Coffee Hour hosts by week:

Date	Restrictions	Name
20 May 2007	None	Steve & Jo Lu Terrell
27 May 2007	None	J.D. Thomas

Candle Counter

Greeters

May

13	John Rusinko (E) Svetlana Grenier (S)	Eija Pehu & Susanne Somersalo
16*	Paul Patton – Liturgy	Daria Virvan – Vigil
17*	Daria Virvan	
20	Gillian Butler (E) Olga Liefert (S)	Elizabeth Manchuk & Sharon Osmolovsky
26	Svetlana Grenier	
27**	Daria Virvan (E)Mila Medina (S)	Tekla Virvan & Chris Lyerly
28*	Paul Patton	

**Weekday Liturgy **Single Liturgy @9 AM*

UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

- ❖ “Inspiring Children to Sing”, May 19 – Passaic NJ (Diocesan Event) see above for details
- ❖ Blessed is the Kingdom: Marriage Seminar: May 19, St. Mary’s Orthodox Church see above for details
- ❖ Liturgy, May 22, 10 AM with Orthodox Christian Clergy Council
- ❖ Orthodox Women in Healing Ministries: May 22 7 PM Fr. Hopko see above for details
- ❖ Pentecost, May 27, 9:30 AM: Single Liturgy with recognition of Parish Graduates
- ❖ R Club Meeting, May 29, 7:30 pm – Church Hall
- ❖ June 3, 9:30 AM Single Liturgy Followed by Sunday School Picnic
- ❖ June 9, 4:30 PM Panikhida in Memory of Alexandra Jesina
- ❖ June 16, 4:30 PM Panikhida in Memory Lynn Pedigo

St. Tikhon’s Seminary announces this year’s pilgrimage schedule. Please see the bulletin board downstairs for details. Please note: deadline for banquet reservations is Saturday, May 18th.

...those who have given their lives for their homeland...” Memory Eternal.

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