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**Orthodox Church in America**  
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May 17, 2009  
**Week of Samaritan Woman**  
**Apostle Andronicus of the 70, and Junia. St Eudoxia of Moscow**  
***Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom***

**METROPOLITAN JONAH**  
 ARCHBISHOP OF WASHINGTON & NEW YORK  
*V. Rev. Constantine White, Dean*  
*Rev. Valery Shemchuk, Associate Pastor*

Sunday Lessons  
 Next Week – Acts 16: 16 – 34; John 9:1-38

**Schedule of Services**

Friday	May	22	9:00 am	Liturgy (S) St Nicholas (Old Calendar)
Saturday	May	23	5:00 pm	Vigil (E,S)
Sunday	May	24	9:00 am	Liturgy (E) Blind Man
			10:45 am	Liturgy (S)
			1:00 pm	Prayer Service (G)

E=English, S=Slavonic, G=Georgian

The May bulletins are sponsored by Irina and Vadim Knyazev in memory of all Orthodox Christians who perished in World War II. May their memory be eternal.

**\*\*\* VISITORS \*\*\***

**A warm welcome to St. Nicholas Cathedral!**  
**We are glad to have you worship with us today.**

...those who have given their lives for their homeland..."  
**Memory Eternal.**  
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**CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!**  
**Христос воскрес! Воистину воскрес!**  
**Χριστός Ανέστη!**  
**qriste aRsdga! QWeSmaritad aRsdga!**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR 06/07/09! On Sunday, June 7th, we will celebrate the Feast of Pentecost during a single Divine Liturgy. Afterwards, EVERYONE is invited to the Annual Sunday School BBQ (weather permitting)! \$10/Adults & Kids eat Free! We hope you will join us!

Requests to raise \$250,000 needed for the major repairs to the HVAC system at St. Nicholas were mailed to all parishioners last week. If you haven't received yours yet, watch for it in the mail. This is a significant repair and needed n

ow so that damage to the interior of St. Nicholas does not increase. To raise \$250,000, we need everyone to consider their most generous pledge which can be paid through December.

The collection proceed for the week of 5/4, including Sunday 5/10, was \$7779.50. The Cathedral Repair Fundraiser rose to \$988.00 collected thus far. WHEN YOU CONTRIBUTE TO THE CATHEDRAL REPAIR FUNDRAISER, PLEASE NOTE "MAINTENANCE" IN THE "MEMO" LINE OF THE CHECK, SO YOUR DONATION WILL BE PROPERLY RECORDED.

**Parishioners:** Do you know of a **graduating senior** from the Cathedral Parish? High School and College **graduates** will be honored by the Cathedral in June. Please contact the church office 202-333-5060 or Subdeacon Michael Shandor 202-615-1555 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!

**Coffee Hour Volunteers Schedule for Hosts After the First Liturgy:**

17 May 2009	None	Anna Mighell
24 May 2009	None	Bill and Lidia Kosar
31 May 2009	None	Steve & Jo Lu Terrell

"*In the Beginning*" is the title of a **conference for teachers, parents, youth ministers, and others interested in Orthodox Christian education**, slated to be held at the Monastery of the Transfiguration, Ellwood City, PA on Saturday, May 30, 2009. Sponsored by the Department of Christian Education of the Orthodox Church in America, the conference is one of a series conducted in recent years in different regions of the country. The \$15.00 registration fee covers all conference materials and lunch. Checks payable to the Orthodox Church in America may be sent with registration forms, which may be downloaded together with a conference schedule and other information, here, to Mrs. Jewelann Stefanar, 4706 Bentwood Dr., Brooklyn, OH 44144-3153. Those requiring overnight accommodations may also contact Mrs. Stefanar at 216-741-0985 or [jewelann1@roadrunner.com](mailto:jewelann1@roadrunner.com).

SAVE THE DATE: **Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) Benefit Missions Banquet, Sunday, 31 May 2009**, beginning with hos d'oeuvres at 6:00 pm and dinner at 7:00 pm, at St. Katherine Greek orthodox Church 3149 Glen Carlyn Road, Falls Church, VA 22041. Keynote speaker is V. Rev. Alexander Veronis, OCMC President Emeritus, speaking on "The Great Empowerment; Acts 1:8, From Jerusalem to the World." Reservation: \$50.00 per person by May 24, 2009, with checks made to St. Katherine Church. For more information, please contact either Dr. John Demakis at email [jgd11@erols.com](mailto:jgd11@erols.com) or Mrs. Betty Slanta at email: [slanta@verizon.net](mailto:slanta@verizon.net)

**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 4):** When the woman disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection; they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy.

**Midfeast (Tone 8):** In the middle of the Feast, O Savior, fill my thirsting soul with the waters of godliness, as Thou didst cry to all: If anyone thirst, let him come to me & drink! O Christ God, Fountain of our life, glory to Thee. **Glory to the Father & to the Son & to the Holy Spirit....**

**Kontakia (Tone 8):** The Samaritan Woman came to the well in faith; she saw Thee, the Water of Wisdom, and drank abundantly! She inherited the Kingdom on high, and is ever glorified.

**Now & ever & unto ages of ages. Amen Kontakion (Tone 4):** Christ God, the Creator and Master of all, cried to all in the midst of the feast of the law: Come and draw the water of immortality! We fall before Thee and faithfully cry: Grant us Thy bounties, for Thou art the Fountain of our life.

**Prokeimenon (Tone 3):** Sing praises to our God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! Verse: Clap your hands, all nations! Shout to God with a voice of rejoicing!

**Epistle: Acts 11:19 - 11:26, 29-30:** In those days, they who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only. But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord. Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to go as far as Antioch. When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord. Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul. And when he found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch. Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea. This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

**Alleluia (Tone 4):** Bend your bow and prosper and reign, because of truth and meekness and righteousness. Verse: You have loved righteousness and hated iniquity.

**Prayer Before Gospel Reading:** O Master Who love mankind, make the spotless light of Your revelation of God shine in our hearts, and open the eyes of our mind that we may grasp the message of Your Good News. Instill in us respect for Your blessed commandments, so that overcoming (or trampling down) all self-indulgent passions, we may pursue a way of life the Spirit brings, and please You in all we think and do. For You are the enlightenment of our souls and bodies, O Christ our God, and we render glory to You together with Your Father without beginning and Your all-holy and good and life-creating Spirit: now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

**Gospel: John 4:5 - 42:** At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there and so Jesus, wearied as He was with His journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to Him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman

of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink', you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with and the well is deep; where do You get that living water? Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Every one who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to Him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband and come here." The woman answered Him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you have now is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to Him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshipped on this mountain; and you say that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am He." Just then His disciples came. They marveled that He was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city, and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to Him. Meanwhile the disciples besought Him, saying, "Rabbi, eat." But He said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has any one brought Him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish His work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in Him because of that woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to Him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of His word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

**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 life. (Once)

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