

## Sunday of the Holy Myrrhbearing Women with the Noble Joseph (May 19)

The Myrrh-bearing women are those women who followed the Lord, along with His Mother. They remained with her during the time of the saving Passion, and anointed the Lord's body with myrrh. Joseph and Nikódēmos asked for and received the Lord's body from Pilate. They took it down from the Cross, wrapped it in linen cloths and spices, then they laid it in a tomb, and then they placed a great stone over the entrance of the tomb.

According to the Evangelist Matthew (27:57-61) Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joses (Mark 15:40) were there sitting opposite the sepulchre, and they saw where He had been laid. This other Mary was the Mother of God. Not only were these present, but also many other women, as Saint Luke says (24:10).

Today the Church honors Saints Mary Magdalene (July 22), Mary the wife of Cleopas (May 23), Joanna (June 27), Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee (August 3), Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus (June 4), and the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, who was the stepmother of her husband Joseph's sons James (October 23) and Joses (October 30). Today we also remember Saint Joseph of Arimathea (July 31), who was a secret disciple (John 19:38), and Saint Nikódēmos, who was a disciple by night (John 3:3; 19:38).

The holy right-believing Queen Tamara of Georgia is honored twice during the year: on May 1, the day of her repose, and also on the Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women.

On this day the Church also remembers All Saints of Thessalonica, Saint Seraphim Bishop of Phanar (December 4, 1610), the New Martyr Elias Ardunis (January 31, 1686), and the New Martyr Demetrios of the Peloponnesos (April 13, 1803).

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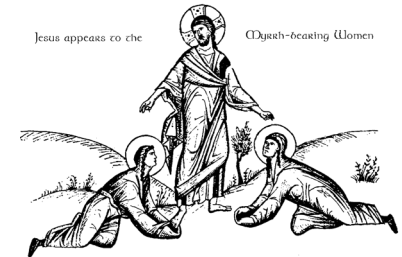


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## May 4, 2025 SUNDAY OF THE MYRRHBEARING WOMEN AND SAINTS JOSEPH AND NICODEMUS



### CHRIST IS RISEN!

**Orthros Gospel:**

Eothinon 4: St. Luke 24:1-12

**Epistle:** Acts 6:1-7

**Gospel:** St. Mark 15:43-16:8

**RESURRECTION TROPARION - TONE 2** - When thou didst submit thyself unto death, O thou deathless and immortal One, then thou didst destroy hell with thy godly power; and when thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of heaven did cry aloud unto thee, O Christ, thou Giver of Life, "Glory to thee!"

**TONE 2** - Pious Joseph, having brought down thy pure Body from the tree, and wrapped it in fine linen, embalmed it with ointment, prepared it, and laid it in a new tomb. But thou didst verily rise after three days, O Lord, granting to the world the great mercy!

**TONE 2** - Verily the angel came to the tomb and said to the ointment bearing women: "The ointment is meet for the dead, but Christ has been shown to be remote from corruption. But cry ye, 'The Lord is risen, granting to the world the great mercy!'"

**TODAY:** Orthros, 8:15 am  
Ft. Washington Mission Chapel, 9:00 am  
Divine Liturgy, 9:30 am  
Sunday School & Coffee Hour 11:15 am

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Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. If you or anyone you know is in the hospital or homebound and would like a visit, please call the church office.

## Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

|                          | This Week:                           | Next Week (May 11):          |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>COFFEE HOUR</b>       | ???                                  | The Men of St. Philip        |
| <b>PROSPHORA BREAD:</b>  | Kristi Moore                         | Gabriela P. & Macrina L.     |
| <b>ALTAR CANDLES:</b>    | Eisenhuth—Family Baptism Anniversary | Bushelli—Fr. Noah's Birthday |
| <b>USHERS:</b>           | Nick M. & Bill H.                    | Dan M. & Chris H.            |
| <b>CLEANING TEAM:</b>    | Serge, Alex & Sarah K.               | Teens                        |
| <b>COFFEE HOUR TEAM:</b> | Mike L., Dave & Darby S., Steven M.  | Kendra, Mark, Morgan         |

\* IT IS TIME TO RETURN OUR FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE OFFERINGS. Thank you for remembering the needs of others.

### This Week:

- Mon, May 5:** - - -
- Tues, May 6:** Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.  
Sermon on the Mount Bible Study, 6:30 p.m.
- Wed, May 7:** Little COMPLINE, 6:30 p.m.  
Patristic Reading, 7:00 p.m.
- Thurs, May 8:** 12 Baskets Full Serving Night, 6:30 p.m.
- Friday, May 9:** Confessions, 6:00 p.m.  
Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.
- Sat, May 10:** Baptismal Liturgy (Schneider), 9:00 a.m.  
Catechism class 4:30 p.m.  
**Great VESPERS 6:00 p.m.**  
Confession 7:00 p.m.
- Sun, May 11:** **SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC**  
*Liturgy at Fort Washington Mission 9am*  
**ORTHROS 8:15 a.m.**  
**Divine LITURGY 9:30 a.m.**  
Coffee Hour & Sunday School, 11:15 a.m.  
Choir Rehearsal, 12:45 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE:** Vespers 4/26: 82 - Liturgy 4/27: 270 - Mission Chapel 4/27: 39  
*Holy Week-Unction: 133 - Foot Washing: 96 - 12 Gospels: 154 - Burial Vespers: 138 - Lamentations: 159 - Holy Saturday: 135 - Pascha: 285*  
**OFFERINGS 4/27:** Candles, \$179. Book Shelf, \$10. Collections, \$716.21.  
Food Hungry, \$101. Choir, \$200. Needy Fund, \$200. Teen Fund, \$200.  
Stewardship, \$5,320. Total received: \$7,226.21.

**THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**

### DURING THE PASCHAL SEASON:

- ✦ We say or sing the **Resurrection Troparion** every day with our devotions.
- ✦ We continue to share the good news with the greeting, "**Christ is risen!**"
- ✦ We read the **Book of Acts** and the **Gospel of John** in our family Bibles.
- ✦ There is a **relaxed fast** on **Wednesdays** and **Fridays**. (Communion fast continues as usual.)
- ✦ In honor of the Resurrection, there is **no kneeling**, in Church or at home, until the Pentecost Kneeling Prayers.

### Mark Your Calendar:

**Mid-Pentecost**  
*Wednesday, May 14 at 7:00 am*

**Ascension**  
Hierarchical Liturgy w/ Bishop  
Thomas & Priestly Ordination: Dn.  
Luke  
*Wednesday, May 28*  
Festal Vespers, 5:00 pm  
Festal Orthros, 6:00 pm  
Hierarchical Liturgy, 7:00 pm  
Festal Reception, 9:00 pm

**Daily Liturgies for Fr. Luke's  
Training**  
*May 30 - June 29*

**Pentecost**  
*Sunday, June 8*

**Sts. Peter & Paul**  
*Saturday, June 29*

**2024 Parish Life Conference**  
*June 25-28, 2025*

**VCS 2024**  
*July 28-Aug 1*

**MAY OUTREACH  
COLLECTION:**  
**Skin Care Products**

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts II:26)

### Pray For:

| Living   | Departed   |
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| Our Patriarch John and Faithful of Syria and all the holy land<br>Met. Onuphry and faithful of Ukraine<br><br>N.I. Veronika, Anna, Lucretia, David, Mariam<br>Archpriest Joel<br>Dn Michael<br>Nun Sergeia<br>John<br>Doris<br>James<br>Steven<br>Paraskevi<br>Elizabeth<br>Michaela<br>Elias<br>Mary<br>Maria<br>Constantinos<br>Mary<br>Helen<br><br>Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary, Michael, Xenia, & all Missionaries<br>Dn Nathan, John, Samuel & all seminarians<br><br>Those searching for spouses<br>Engaged Couples<br>Families trying to conceive<br>Expectant mothers<br>New mothers and their babies<br><br>Those searching for jobs and housing<br>Those in mourning<br><br>The people of our land, and for their repentance, healing & unity | +Coca-Lucia<br>+Nicholas<br>+Mary<br>+Haritos<br>+Pani Susan<br><br>(May Parish Diptychs)<br>+Paul<br>+Bahia<br>+Kh. Jane<br>+LuAnn<br>+Lida<br>+Donna<br>+Helen<br><br><u>Catechumens</u><br>Ryan<br>Michael<br>Kassandra<br>Rose<br>Jasper<br>Catherine<br>Matthew<br>Matthew<br>Mary<br>Martin<br>Meghan-Photini<br>John<br>Steven<br>Robert<br>Liara<br>Asher<br>Sarah<br>Andrew<br>Carolyn<br>Martin<br>James |