

Announcements

- 2019 Directories are complete. If you have not picked up your directory, please see Marsha and Mike Blazso **after** Liturgy.
- In order to offset the cost, we are asking for a small donation.

Financials:

Collection:

Attendance:

Prayers of Oblation are offered for the Health of:

Fr. John	Christopher	Garry
Fr. Elias	Mat. Marion	Frank
Sami	Irene	Lisa
Fran	Connie	

Prayers of Oblation are offered in Memory of:

Gregory	Helen (ND)
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On Sunday, June 2, Willard will be taking pictures of the Choir, Parish Council, Altar Servers, Church School Teachers, Clergy, and all parishioners in attendance that Sunday for the 40th Anniversary Commemorative Book. Please plan on staying a few extra minutes after Liturgy to allow for the picture taking.

Holy Communion is reserved for Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through fasting and confession. In keeping with ancient Traditions and the injunction of St. Paul, the blessed bread (*Antidoron*), following Divine Liturgy, is shared by all who worship with us

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St. Mark is a Parish of the OCA Diocese of the South under the leadership of Metropolitan Tikhon and Archbishop Alexander

Our mission is to be a spiritual home to all who enter; to be a Christ-like community of Orthodox Christians; to be active in worship, fellowship, and witness, and through participation in the Sacraments to come into close union with God

**Sunday, May 12, 2019 Tone 2
Sunday of the Myrrhbearing Women**

**CHRIST IS RISEN!
INDEED, HE IS RISEN!**

Prokeimenon Tone 6

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance! (Ps 27/28:9))
v: To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me! (Ps 27/28:1)

Acts 6:1-7 (Epistle)

Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch, whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them. Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Mark 15:43-16:8 (Gospel)

Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Pilate marveled that He was already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him if He had been dead for some time. So when he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph. Then he bought fine linen, took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen. And he laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock, and rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus observed where He was laid. Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen.

And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples - and Peter - that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you." So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Parish Council has approved three Lenten Projects ; new carpet runner in the center of the Church, a defibrillator, and outside LED lights along the walkway to the parking lot. These projects were delayed from last year due to the expense of adding an AC unit.

Imagine coming to a tomb that had a large rock rolled in front of its entrance only to find the stone rolled away. Then, upon entering, not finding the body of the deceased but a man clothed in white sitting on the stone slab. What a shock! That's the experience of the women disciples who came to Jesus' tomb to finish the anointing process. Fear seized them and they said nothing to anyone. Today, we are filled with joy and gladness at the sight of the empty tomb for we know that salvation has come to us through the risen Christ! We proclaim, Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen! as we sing of His glorious Resurrection.

May Birthdays

Carol Gidus 05/11 Radica Koutselas 05/14
Fr. Stephen 05/25 Erik Van Dijk 05/26
Ian Stefanescu 05/31