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APRIL 26, 2026 – 3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA

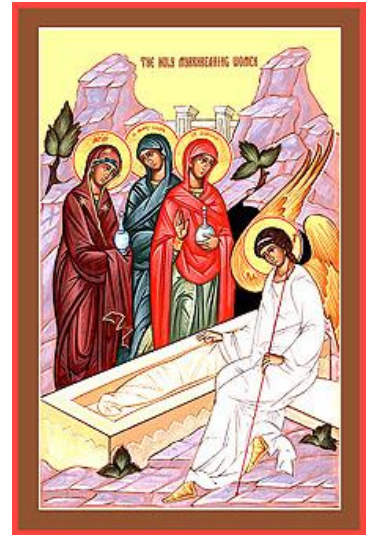
MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN

<u>Scripture Readings</u>	<u>Services</u>
<p>MONDAY, APRIL 27 Acts 6:8-7:5, 47-60 John 4:46-5:4</p> <p>TUESDAY, APRIL 28 Acts 8:5-17 John 6:27-33</p> <p>WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29 Acts 8:18-25 John 6:35-39</p> <p>THURSDAY, APRIL 30 Acts 8:26-39 John 6:40-44</p> <p>FRIDAY, MAY 1 Acts 8:40-9:19 John 6:48-54</p> <p>SATURDAY, MAY 2 Acts 9:20-31 John 15-17:6-2</p>	<p>SATURDAY, APRIL 25 Great Vespers.....4:00 p.m.</p> <p>SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 3rd Sunday of Pascha Myrrh-bearing women Divine Liturgy.....9:00 a.m. “Ask the Priest” session Blessing of Graves following coffee fellowship</p> <p>TUESDAY, APRIL 28 Bible Study (Resumes on Tuesdays).....6:30 p.m.</p> <p>SATURDAY, MAY 2 Great Vespers.....4:00 p.m.</p> <p>SUNDAY, MAY 3, 4th Sunday of Pascha The Paralytic Divine Liturgy.....9:00 a.m.</p> <p>Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!</p> <p>Христос воскрес! Воистину воскрес!</p>
<p><i>All services will also be streamed online via Facebook Live as follows:</i> https://www.facebook.com/Holy-Ghost-Russian-Orthodox-Greek-Catholic-Church-681248091936330/</p> <p>Reminder: The schedule of services can be found on the front page of our website, https://holyghostbpt.com/ The schedule is recorded on the Google Calendar of the church’s acct. You can add it to your own Google Calendar by clicking the + sign on the bottom right corner of the calendar window.</p>	

MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN, 3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA

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 Arduinis (January 31, 1686), and the New Martyr Demetrios of the Peloponnesos (April 13, 1803).

Acts 6:1-7

(Epistle)

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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.

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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.

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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;

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but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word."

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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,

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whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them.

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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.

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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.

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Pilate marveled that He was already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him if He had been dead for some time.

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So, when he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph.

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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.

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And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses observed where He was laid.

1

Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him.

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Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen.

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And they said among themselves, “Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?”

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But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away – for it was very large.

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And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.

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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.

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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.”

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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.

CANDLES/DONATIONS

- A \$500 donation to the Building Maintenance Fund in loving memory of Jean and David Kapisovsky, from Marty Kapisovsky.
- A \$100 anonymous donation for the Altar robes.
- Two large crosses in loving memory of the Lescheshen, Price, and Durden families, from their families.
- Lampatki over Royal Doors for the health & salvation of my son AJ Zujewski on his birthday, from Barb Dulin & family.
- Table of Oblation in loving memory of my grandmother Mary Bychkowski Horelick from Barb Dulin.

CANDLE DESK DUTY

April 26 – Dave Lapesko
May 3 – LoveAnn Curran

COFFEE-HOUR CLEAN-UP CREW ... This week’s cleanup crew is Group A through O. If this is your week to help, please see crew chief Bob Denhup.

ASK THE PRIEST



The "Ask the Priest" session is scheduled for **today**. Get your questions ready for Fr Mark!

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES... has been rescheduled to **today**.

FUNDRAISING TEAM: KICKOFF MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 7 ... After a great exploratory fundraising session last Saturday, we are ready to assemble our Holy Ghost Fundraising Team! If you want to be part of the Team (even if you couldn't make the exploratory session), come to the Holy Ghost rectory at 6:30PM on Thursday, **May 7**.

BAPTISM / CHRISMATION SCHEDULED ... On **May 10th**, baby Mary Roosien will be baptized; and Ira Klitzke will be chrismated!

SECOND FUTURE PLANNING MEETING ... Prior to the start of Great Lent, we had a brainstorming session, 'pizza and conversation,' to discuss the future of Holy Ghost. Round 2 is now scheduled for Monday night, **May 11th** at 6:00 p.m. Please join us! Dinner will be served.

SAVE THE DATE ... for Holy Ghost's Annual Summer Camp, **August 10 - 14**, at HGP in Shelton!



Pictured here are two photos of Thursday evening during Holy Week -- the reading of the 12 Gospels, which were inadvertently left out of our last bulletin. Thank you! Barb

BRIGHT WEEK!

Welcome Back, Matushka Claire, with beautiful Baby Mary!



PARISH METRICS (APRIL 26 THRU MAY 2)

BIRTHDAYS

Iva Roosien, April 27th (14 years old); Subdeacon Mark Curran, April 30th; Patricia Novajosky, April 30th; Joseph Dias “JoJo”, May 1st (5 years old); Alexander Zujewski, Jr., May 2nd

ANNIVERSARIES

Marcia & Matt Pierce, May 2nd (18 years)

God Grant them Many Years!

Многая лета!

DEPARTED FROM THE PARISH METRICS

APRIL 26 – Stella Poluhovich Kisliak, 1995 (93); Mae Kimak, 1999 (94); Olga Kutniewski, 2017 (93)

APRIL 27 – Jacob Merena, 1956 (72); John Trigubetz, 1967 (83); Mary Hudan, 1985 (94); Catherine Pistey, 1999 (92)

APRIL 28 – Pauline Yaskevich, 1934 (42); Mary Lavsky, 1946; John Oleshkevich, 1975; Olga Vanagel Scherback, 1976 (55)

APRIL 29 – Michael Banich, 1915 (74); Anastasia Chueka; Walter Horelick, 1971 (59); John Shurminsky, 1996

APRIL 30 – Helen Pistey Michaels, 1956 (65); Emelian Ratushnik, 1966 (70); Mary Wasylovich Savisky, 1973 (67); Mary Rozum Koteas, 1978 (70); Thaddeus Gelazin, 1987 (70); Theodore (Frank) Popaduk, 1992 (97)

MAY 1 – Anna Gruby, 1900 (33); Michael Kushel, 1935 (48); Myron Forsom, 1937; Warchomy (Bartholemew) Sinchuk, 1952 (57); Joseph Gribko, 1961 (79); Justin Scherbach, 1969 (80); Nicholas Tihonchik, 1974 (57); Nicholas Pizaretz, Jr., 1989 (74); Nicholas A. Yanosy, 2003 (76)

MAY 2 – Andrew Banosh, 1919 (4); Sophie Moisevich, 1931 (36); Mary Bychkowski Horelick, 1961 (67); Mary Melnick, 1978; John Kisliak, 2004; William M. Samonek, 2006 (46)

Memory Eternal!

Вечная память!

