

SUNDAY OF THE OINTMENT-BEARING WOMEN



Icon of the Ointment-Bearing Women

Following the Risen Lord in All Things

Christ has redeemed us by giving Himself as our ransom; He is the price paid for every soul, and by redeeming us from death and giving us immortality He has made us His own. So now that we belong to the Lord we must follow His will in all things, not living for ourselves anymore but only for Him who has purchased us with His life. We are no longer autonomous but belong to the One who has bought us, and we must be ruled by His will. As long as death had power over us we were ruled by sin, but now that we belong to the Lord of life we must give our allegiance to our new Master. Sin must never again make us disobey Him, for that would bring us once more under the domination of the evil one and of death.

We feel bound to Christ when we know that He is, as Paul tells us, both victim and priest, that He was actually offered for us as our paschal sacrifice, and that He Himself was the priest

who made this offering to God. He gave himself up, says Paul, as a sacrifice to us. Those who realize that Christ gave himself up and became our Passover will in their turn offer themselves to God as living sacrifices, holy and acceptable. They will become spiritual oblations. Refusing to conform to the standards of the world, they will change their whole outlook so as to know the will of God, what is good, pleasing to Him, and best in every way ...

While our minds remain subject to our lower nature we are at enmity with God and refuse to obey His law ... Meditating on Christ's offering of His own blood in atonement for our sins should teach us to imitate Him and to make atonement for our own sins, mortifying our bodies in order to purify our souls.

St. Gregory of Nyssa

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Khristos Voskres!

April 22-23, 2023

Christ is Risen!

Myrrhbearers Sunday

THIS WEEKEND we will live stream the Holy Liturgy at 9:00 AM Sunday. Next weekend we will again live stream the Liturgy on Saturday the 29th of April at 6:00 PM. Please inform all your friends and relatives about this wonderful Service we provide to one and all!

PLEASE CHECK OUT the beautiful calendars for 2023 and the 2023 donation boxes in the church basement and take these items today for yourself and your neighbors. PLEASE!

THE PA FOUNDATION OF Super T's Mast Cell Disease will hold a fundraiser of purse bingo in our hall Saturday evening on April 29, 2023. Although we will not prepare a meal for this event, we will need a handful of women on hand. Please come and help!

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will sponsor a "Night at the Races", in our hall on Saturday, May 6, 2023, at 6:00 PM. For tickets see Mark Kochanowsky or Pete Kohut. Please consider helping in the kitchen for this generous council of Catholic men.

SOLEMN COMMUNION and confession are scheduled for Mother's Day Weekend, May 13th and 14th. Make sure you are with us on Sunday the 14th at 9:00 AM to support these "angels" and honor your own Mother whether living or deceased.

PLEASE REMEMBER ^{our} parish sick and aged this sacred time of year. A complete list will be provided for your convenience in next Sunday's bulletin.

DIVINE SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, April 22, 6 PM

Mediha Agolli (Somits Fam.)

Sunday, April 23, 9 AM

John Morenko (Roman Mykyta)

Saturday, April 29, 6 PM

Wowk-Klus F., Howard, Ed (Joanne)

Sunday, April 30, 9 AM

Daniel Askala (Bodlak-Askala F.)

TODAY'S TROPAR: When noble Joseph took down your body from the cross he wrapped it in linen cloth, but you then rose again on the third day giving mercy to all the world. GLORY TO...

TODAY'S KONTAK: O Christ-God, you told the Myrrhbearers to tell the Apostles that You rose from the dead, Glory be to you, Amen.

PROKIMEN: Save, O Lord, Your people, and bless Your inheritance, Alleluia!

Слава Україні!
о. Зоряна