

## Church of the Mother of God "The Joy of All the Sorrowful"

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**The third Sunday after Pascha** is dedicated to the myrrh-bearing women who cared for the body of the Savior at his death and who were the first witnesses of his Resurrection. The three troparia of Holy Friday are sung once again and from the theme of the day:

*The noble Joseph, when he had taken down Thy most pure body from the Tree, wrapped it in fine linen and anointed it with spices, and placed it in a new tomb.*

*When Thou didst descend to death, O Life Immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead.*

*The angel came to the myrrh-bearing women at the tomb and said: Myrrh is fitting for the dead, but Christ has shown himself a stranger to corruption! So proclaim: The Lord is risen, granting the world great mercy.*

**Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!**

**On this day the Church remembers:**

**Sunday of the Holy Myrrh-bearing Women with the Noble Joseph •**  
Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian (98-117 A.D.) • Ven. Arsenius the Great (449-450) • Ven. Arseny the Lover-of-Labor (14<sup>th</sup> c.) and Pimen the Ascetic, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—12<sup>th</sup> c.).

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*You did command the myrrh-bearers to rejoice, O Christ!  
By Your Resurrection,  
You did stop the lamentation of Eve, O God!  
You did command Your apostles to preach: The Savior is Risen!*  
Kontakion – Myrrh-bearing Women

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**May 8, 2011**

Sunday of the Holy Myrrh-bearing Women with the Noble Joseph

Tone 2 (Tone 6)

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Of Pascha

Pentecostarion  
Week 3

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**Today's Bulletin Sponsors are:****For the memory of:**

**All departed Mothers, Stepmothers, Grandmothers, and Godmothers,** by the Parish Council on Mother's Day.

**For the health of:**

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**Readings:**

- Acts 6:1-7
- Mark 15:43-16:8

**At that time,** Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid.

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has 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 to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**Sunday service:**

Hours - 9:40 AM

Divine Liturgy - 10:00 AM

Church School - 9:30

Coffee hour after Liturgy

**We would like to welcome all parish visitors and invite you to join us after the Liturgy for coffee hour downstairs.**

**Announcements:**

- Remember to check out our church store for fine and reasonably priced items. We have icons, matrushka dolls, and other handcrafted items that would be perfect gifts for Feast days, birthdays, weddings or baptisms.
- Today, May 8<sup>th</sup>, will be the baptism of the baby Alexander.
- Next week, May 15<sup>th</sup> will be the Wedding of Charles and Nina.

**Special Announcements:**

- Upcoming bulletins can be sponsored; this can be done with the signup sheet at the candle stand.
- Special Announcements for the bulletin can be submitted by E-Mail to: [Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org](mailto:Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org)
- Dues and assessments are being collected for the year 2011, Total is \$175. (\$30 dues, \$145 assessment) Partial payments are gladly accepted.