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Readings:

• Acts 6:1-7

• Mark 15:43-16:8

IN THOSE DAYS, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

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.

Saturday service: Vespers – 6:30 PM

Sunday service:

Hours – 9:40 AM

Divine Liturgy – 10:00 AM

Private Confession – Half hour before any service.

See Fr Matthew for other times.

General Confession – 9:45 AM on the first Sunday of each month **Pannikhidas** – after Divine Liturgy 3rd Sunday of each month

Coffee hour – after Liturgy, downstairs in the Community Room
Church School - Sunday 9:30 AM (no classes 1st Sunday of each month)
We would like to welcome all parish visitors and invite you to join us after the
Liturgy for Coffee hour.

Announcements:

- The next meeting of the Parish Counsel will be Sunday, May 25th after coffee hour.
- The next meeting of the Sisterhood of the Protection of the Mother of God will be Sunday, June 1st after coffee hour.
- Reader Charles has accepted the call to serve with an OCMC Youth Outreach Mission Team going to Albania June 16 to July 1, 2014. Please remember him in your prayers in his many preparations. If your heart is moved to support him financially, please speak to him for information on how to do so. Every dollar donated over the cost of the trip will be given to the orphanage (Children's Home of Hope on the grounds of the Shen Vlash Monastery and Resurrection of Christ Theological Academy in Durres, Albania).

Special Announcements:

- Special Announcements for the bulletin can be submitted by E-Mail to: Bulletin@ChurchMotherOfGod.org
- Upcoming bulletins can be sponsored; this can be done with the signup sheet at the candle stand.
- Dues and assessments are being collected for the year 2014, Total Parish Membership Fee is \$200. Partial payments are gladly accepted. Please indicate on the check that it is to be applied to Membership.

Sunday Bulletin

Myrrhbearing Women with St Joseph of Arimathea:

Today, the third Sunday of Pascha, we commemorate the Holy Myrrh-bearing women:

- Saints:
 - Mary Magdalene (July 22),
 - Mary the wife of Clopas,
 - Joanna (June 27)
 - Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee (August 3)
 - Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus (June 4)

Troparion — Tone 2

The angel came to the myrrhbearing women at the tomb and said:

Myrrh is meet for the dead;

But Christ has shown Himself a stranger to corruption!

So proclaim: the Lord is risen,

Granting the world great mercy!

• Also Saint Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus. (July 31)

Troparion — Tone 2

The Noble Joseph,
When he had taken down Your most pure Body from the tree,
Wrapped it in fine linen and anointed it with spices,
And placed it in a new tomb.
But You did rise on the third day, O Lord,
Granting the world great mercy.

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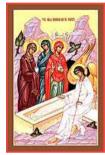
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Christ is Risen!

Христос Воскресе!



Воскресе!

Indeed, He is Risen!

Воистину

Myrrhbearing Women

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

Today the Church remembers:

3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA ● Myrrhbearing Women with St Joseph of Arimathea ● Virgin Martyr Pelagía of Tarsus in Asia Minor (ca. 290) ● The Alfanov (Sokol'nitsky) brethren: Ss. Nikita, Kirill, Nikifor, Clement, and Isaac, of Novgorod (14th-15th c.) ● Hieromartyr Erasmus, Bishop of Formia in Campania (303) ● Hieromartyr Silvanus, Bishop of Gaza, and with him 40 Martyrs (311) ● Ven. Nicephorus of Mt. Athos (Albanian—ca. 130).

May 4, 2014

3rd Sunday of Pascha

Pentecostarion Week 3
Tone 2.