



*Jesus Christ, our
Saviour and Redeemer*

Holy Protection Orthodox Church

Greetings on this blessed Lord's Day! Please take a green information sheet if this is your first time here. You can put in any collection basket or hand to greeter

IN EMERGENCY CALL/TEXT 813-406-2620 (Fr.'s cell). If in middle of night and no answer, call 813-659-0123 or 813-451-9829 (Pani's cell). If they are off duty please call Parish Council President below

Schedule

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St. Thomas Sunday, April 15

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship
Youth Education

Myrrhbearing Women, April 22

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship
Youth Education

Sunday of the Paralytic, April 29

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship
Youth Education

Samaritan Women, May 6

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship
Youth Education

Blind Man, May 13

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship
Youth Education

Wednesday, May 16

7:00 pm Service Ascension

Sunday, May 20

9:45 am Divine Liturgy
11:15 am Fellowship
Youth Education

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christ is Risen!

We are looking for people interested in being a greeter before church. If you are interested, please speak to a council member.

Sign up for fellowship! It can be as simple as bagels or donuts. Please see the board in the hall, or a council member if you have any questions.

It is time for the UOL essay contest for people of all ages! The theme is "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." --Jeremiah 29:11. Please, see the flyer for specific information.

Please remember to follow the preparatory guidelines for communion (see website www.holyorthodox.org for details).

Please allow the youth and their families to be in line first for fellowship so youth education can begin in a timely manner. Thank you.

Christian Ed for the youth has begun. We would like to have the youth and their families be able to get in line first for their food so they can proceed to the church and the lesson in a timely manner. We appreciate your cooperation in this!

According to ancient tradition and a clear church law, kneeling must not be performed on Sundays and on all days during the week after Pascha and until Pentecost. The brilliant solemnity of the events which the Church commemorates throughout the period of Pentecost and on Sundays precludes, in and of itself, any external manifestation of sorrow or lamentation over one's sins: for ever since Jesus Christ, "blotting out the handwriting of the ordinances that was against us, ... nailing it to His Cross; and having spoiled principalities and powers, He made a show of them openly, triumphing over them in it" (Col. 2:14-15)—ever since then "there is, therefore, no condemnation to them who are in Jesus Christ" (Rom. 8:1). For this reason, the practice was observed in the Church from the earliest times, beyond a doubt handed down by the apostles, whereby on all these days, in that they are consecrated to the commemoration of the glorious victory of Jesus Christ over sin and death, it was required to perform the public divine service brightly and with solemnity, and in particular without kneeling, which is a sign of repentant grief for one's sins.

Prayer Corner: Please pray for the ailing: Mary, Kathy, Susan, Helen, Neila, Olexander, Anna, John, Carol, Mat. Mary, P.Vera, SD. John, Randee, John, Ryan, Marie, Paul, Mary, Pangratios, Tikon, Vasili, Jeremiah, Dcn. Luke, Maria, John David, Elizabeth, Joshua, Alexander, Nicholas, Rebecca, Genevieve, Panteleimon, Vladimir, Margaret, David, Sarah, Jonathon, Simon, Gene, Judy, Fr. Michael, Fr. John, Anastasia, Demitrios, Alexandra, Israel, George, Michelle, George, Beth, Alex, George, Joseph, Jaqueline, Michael, Geverlyn, Thomas, Norma, Sally, Sarah, Derek, Susan, Lucy, Beth, Kathy, Phyllis, John, David, Shirley, Kalie, Madeline, Thomas, Patricia, Marie, Archimandrite David, Jake, Tom, Beverly, Taylor, Reghyn, Sylvia, Andreas, Josh, Nicole, Joyce, Sandy, Yamileth, Georgina, Kathy, Pam, Ann, Eli, Shay, Ocean, Lauren, Donna, Kim, Lori, Nancy, George, Sharon, Sylvia, Kristi, Gary, Father Basil

If you would like someone on the bulletin prayer list just let Pani know. Please review the prayer list, if you know of someone who should be taken off, please let Pani know.

Parish council contacts: Scottie (President): 813-629-6027, Brian (Vice President): (813) 763-5226, Rebecca (Treasurer): (813) 763-5225, Nancy (Co Treasurer) (727) 584-7907, Paula (813) 838-4554 (Secretary) and Susan (813) 352-5024.

Readers Schedule:

April 15 Brian April 22 John April 29 Andrew

Pani printed the phone list for the parish. If there are any mistakes, or anyone is missing, please let her know.

Saint Thomas Sunday

Some icons depicting this event are inscribed “The Doubting Thomas.” This is incorrect. In Greek, the inscription reads, “The Touching of Thomas.” The Slavonic inscription is, “The Belief of Thomas.” When Saint Thomas touched the Life-giving side of the Lord, he no longer had any doubts.

This day is also known as “Antipascha.” This does not mean “opposed to Pascha,” but “in place of Pascha.” Beginning with this first Sunday after Pascha, the Church dedicates every Sunday of the year to the Lord’s Resurrection. Sunday is called “Resurrection” in Russian, and “the Lord’s Day” in Greek.

