



Christ ^{the} Saviour Orthodox Church

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V. Rev. Daniel Kovalak, Attached

Dn. John Shingara, Attached

John Dotsey, Treasurer

*For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of
power and of love, and of a sound mind. 2 Timothy 1:7*

Sunday May 24, 2020

6th SUNDAY OF PASCHA — Tone 5. Blind Man. Ven. Simeon the Stylite (the Younger) of the Wonderful Mountain. Ven. Nikita the Stylite, Wonderworker of Pereyasavl'—Zalesskii. Martyrs Meletius Stratelates, Stephen, John, & 1,218 soldiers, with women & children, all of whom suffered in Galatia. St. Vincent of Lérins.

Schedule: **Divine Liturgy (Live-streamed only) - 9:30am;** Open House from 11am-12:30pm; Youth Group Check-in (via Zoom) -1pm

W elcome to our Visitors!

Interested in learning more? Please visit our parish website and email our priest, **Fr. Stephen Vernak.**

Hymns & Readings

Troparion of the Resurrection, Tone V - Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kontakion, Tone IV - I come to Thee, O Christ, blind from birth in my spiritual eyes, and call to Thee in repentance: "Thou art the most radiant Light of those in darkness."

Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Kontakion, Tone VIII - Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, Thou didst destroy the power of death. In victory Thou didst arise, O Christ God, proclaiming, "Rejoice!" to the Myrrh-bearing Women, granting peace to Thine Apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the fallen.

Prokeimenon & Readings:

Tone 8: Pray and make your vows / before the Lord, our God!

Verse: In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

Epistle: (Acts 16:16-34) *In those days, it happened,* as we went to prayer, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling. This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, "These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And he came out that very hour. But when her masters saw that their hope of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged *them* into the marketplace to the authorities. And they brought them to the magistrates, and said, "These men, being Jews, exceedingly trouble our city; and they teach customs which are not lawful for us, being Romans, to receive or observe." Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded *them* to be beaten with rods. And when they had laid many stripes on them, they threw *them* into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely. Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were loosed. And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself. But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, "Do yourself no harm, for we are all here." Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. And he

brought them out and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" So they said, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household." Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed *their* stripes. And immediately he and all his *family* were baptized. Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.

Alleluia Verses: Look upon me and have mercy on me!
Guide my steps according to Thy word!

Gospel: (*John 9:1-38*) At that time, Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; *the* night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And He said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is translated, Sent). So he went and washed, and came back seeing. Therefore the neighbors and those who previously had seen that he was blind said, "Is not this he who sat and begged?" Some said, "This is he." Others said, "He is like him." He said, "I am *he*." Therefore they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" He answered and said, "A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed, and I received sight." Then they said to him, "Where is He?" He said, "I do not know." They brought him who formerly was blind to the Pharisees. Now it was a Sabbath when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also asked him again how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Therefore some of the Pharisees said, "This Man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath." Others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. They said to the blind man again, "What do you say about Him because He opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight. And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered them and said, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but by what means he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself." His parents said these *things* because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone confessed *that* He *was* Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, "Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner." He answered and said,

"Whether He is a sinner *or not* I do not know. One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see." Then they said to him again, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear *it* again? Do you also want to become His disciples?" Then they reviled him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spoke to Moses; *as for this fellow*, we do not know where He is from." The man answered and said to them, "Why, this is a marvelous thing, that you do not know where He is from; yet He has opened my eyes! Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him. Since the world began it has been unheard of that anyone opened the eyes of one who was born blind. If this Man were not from God, He could do nothing." They answered and said to him, "You were completely born in sins, and are you teaching us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered and said, "Who is He, Lord, that I may believe in Him?" And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you." Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Him.



Upcoming Services & Events

NOTE: All in-person events are suspended until further notice.

Services will be live-streamed on our Parish **YouTube Channel** & **Facebook**

Saturday **Vespers @ 5pm** ✠ Sunday **Divine Liturgy @ 9:30am**

NEW: "Open House" every Sunday from 11am - 12:30pm

May 26, Tue: Virtual Bible Study (Acts) via Zoom – 8pm

May 27, Wed: **Vespers** Ascension (**Live-streamed**) – **6:30pm**

May 28, Thu: **ASCENSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.**

May 29, Fri: Community Check-in via Zoom – 8pm

May 30, Sat: **Vespers (Live-streamed) - 5pm**

May 31, Sun: **FATHERS OF THE 1ST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL. Divine Liturgy**
(**Live-streamed only**) - **9:30am;** Youth Group Check-in (via Zoom) -1pm

Parish News

Re-Open Plan: Please visit our website (www.CTSHBG.org) or request a hard copy to be sent to your home (OFFICE "at" CTSHBG.org). Until our parish enters the "yellow" phase, we will not have public services, but will have an "Open House" every Sunday from 11am - 12:30pm for private prayer and if requested, the reception of Holy Communion. Please follow social distancing and masking rules.

Cleaning Volunteers: As part of our “Re-Open” plan we have need for volunteers to help clean the church and basement each week on **Monday’s at 2pm**. If you need a mask or gloves, they will be provided. Please contact Fr. Stephen to volunteer.

Attn High School & College Grads: Please submit a brief bio of the school you graduated from, your major, future plans & a jpeg pic to OFFICE “at” CTSHBG.org. The recognition is TBD.

“Nourish our Heroes” Ministry: Provides meals for hospital workers twice a week from a local restaurant. *FYI* - Each time we provide a meal the total cost is \$165. You can support this ministry by making a donation online at www.CTSHBG.org (*be sure to select the proper fund*); or mail a check made payable to the church, and designate your donation to “Nourish our Heroes” on the memo line.

COVID Relief Fund: Will provide direct assistance to parishioners experiencing financial difficulty due to the COVID pandemic. You can support this ministry by making a donation online at www.CTSHBG.org (*be sure to select the proper fund*); or mail a check made payable to the church, and designate your donation to “COVID Relief” on the memo line. **Contact Fr. Stephen if you have a need or if you are aware of a parishioner in need.**

FOCA Scholarship: The committee has extended the deadline for the scholarship to **June 1st** & has waived the \$5.00 application fee. Please visit www.orthodoxfellowship.org for the application.

VIP (Very Important Parishioner) Ministry: Continues to identify and reach out to the most vulnerable members of our parish family.

- **NOTE:** If you are struggling to go to the grocery store, or need some supplies; or if you simply want to pray together or chat, don't hesitate to contact Fr. Stephen

Parish Prayer List

Names will be listed for 2 weeks unless requested.

NEWLY DEPARTED [40TH DAY]: John Rolinc (step-father of Sophia Kellachow) - **May 17**; **Ap. Paul Lazor** - May 9 [6/17]; **Kim Clark** (friend of Denny Bupp) – May 8 [6/16]; **James Demopoulos** (uncle of Samantha Lopez) – Apr 25 [6/3]; **Genevieve Demopoulos** (aunt of Samantha Lopez) – Apr 24 [6/2]; **Louis Borreli** (Lopez family) - Apr 28 [6/6]; **Janet Priestley** (Adam’s grandmother) - Apr 28 [6/6]; **Margaret Pellack**, (Kathy Pankiw’s aunt), Apr 29 [6/7]; **M. Irene Rachko**, (Sandy Wood’s aunt), Apr 26 [6/4]; **Mary (Joyce) Carter**, (M. Anna’s grandmother) - Apr 24 [6/2]; **William Brill**, (great-uncle

of Elizabeth Bare) Apr 17 [5/24]; **M. Nina Stroyen**, Apr 23 [6/1]; **Idalina Borreli** (Manny Lopez's step-sister) Apr 16 [5/25]; **Doug Jorich** (friend of Keith Leader) - Apr 18 [5/27];

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEPARTED: **Mary Kantor**, mother of Deborah McGinnes, May 24 -5th; **Eli Hancher**, +Ron's brother, May 24 – 12th; **Maria Yakushenok**, grandmother of Marina Cameron, May 25 -40th; **J. Milton Shuler**, grandfather of Peter Taleff, May 26 -55th; **George Demchak**, brother of Suzanne, May 29 -24th; **Dimitri Kuchwara**, father of Kathy, May 29 -34th; **Mary Rodak Malenich**, May 30 -76th; **Protodeacon John Federoff**, May 30 – 12th; **Veterans who gave their life in defense of freedom**;

AILING: PARISHIONERS: **Michael Ivanoff**; **John "Jack" Sweikert** **FAMILY/FRIENDS:** **Patty** (friend of Kathy Pankiw); **Harry Sysak**; **Neal** (D. Pawlusch's brother); **Richie & MaryAnne** (friends of the White's); **Mitchel** (Jean Dotsey's nephew); **Sue** (E. Bare's aunt); **Adam** (H. Kushlans nephew); **Steve** (D. Bupp's friend); **Linda** (M. S. Shingara's mother); **M. Valeria Hatrak**; **David** (L. Mantle & C. Kemps brother); **Jeanette** (daughter of E. Onufer); **Jacob** (brother of Pat Drebot); **Connie, Charlie, & Ken** (friends of Mallick's); **Wendy** (Matt Deamer's mother); **Janet** (friend of D. Fedetz); **Mona** (sister of Ab. Mark); **Robert** (friend of C. Bucharew); **David** (friend of L. DiClemente); **Richard, & Anya** (friends of K. Leader); **Michael** (B. Drozd father); **Brandon & Pam** (friends of C. Neumann); **Mary** (mother of S. Kellachow); **Alissa**; **Catherine**; **Andrew, Maureen, Mary, Joanne, Roger, & John** (family & friends of the Kuchta's); **Annie** (daughter of the Africa's); **Carole**; **Hailey** (friend of DiFlorio's); **Fern** (Dn. Peter's mother); **Beth** (daughter of J. Wevodau); **Grace** (J. Mamay's sister); **Maria** (Worley's friend) **Victoria, Erin & David** (friends of L. Smith); **Linda** (J. Africa's sister); **Paul** (J. Osuch's brother); **Pavlina** (friend of B. Slivka); **M. Emily** (Larissa & Anita's aunt); **Karenmay** (friend of L. Mantle); **child Aura** (friend of D. Zullo); **Steven** (J. Hake's father); **child Eva**; **Jerry** (friend of D. Cain); **Lori & Constantine** (Z. Bare's mother & family friend); **Chad** (brother-in-law of J. McClure); **Flora** (T. Gault's mother); **Linda, Christine, & Cynthia** (friends of M. Myra); **Grace** (sister-in-law of D. Fedetz); **Wiera, Vera** (Fr. Dan R's cousin & sister); **Elizabeth**; **Cassandra & Peter** (friends of L. Shuga); **Kelly & Linda** (friends of A. DiFlorio); **Gemma, Clarence, Alexia & Marie** (E. Herman's family & friend); **Bernadine, Lonnie & Fred** (Osuch family); **Barry, Edwin, Phillip, Connie, & Daniel** (family & friends of the Leer's); **Beverly, Alem, Lyndy, Jennifer, Paul, Lydia, Marilyn, & Kristina**, (family & friends of the Kushlans); **Seraphima** (friend of J. Barns); **Leida, Jesus, Marsha, Alexander, Anastasia, Deanna, John, Brian, Timothy, Jessica, Saulo, Theodore, & Tanya**, (Lopez friends &

family); **Steven, Patti, Paul, Evelyn, & Becky**, (D.Hisiro's family & friends); **Joseph & Louise** (S Demchak's brother & sister-in-law);

HEALTH & WELL-BEING: All victims of Corona-virus, Terror, War, Violence, & Civil Strife; Metropolitan Paul & Archbishop John of Aleppo *held hostage by Syrian Terrorists*; **PARISHIONERS:** Natalie Treece; Jeanne Zane; Teklu Ogbamichael; Temesgen Kidane; Una McManus; Katherine Kudelko; BetteAnn Slivka; Evelyn Onufer; Kristen Hertzler; Lazarus (Manny) & Samantha Lopez; Ap. Daniel & M. Myra Kovalak; Joseph (Moe) & Ruth Mazurek; Lazarus (Jonathan) Dunnavent; Ann Cole; Sean Cameron; Loretta Ivanoff; Andrea (Ivanoff) Worley; John & Mary Ellen Osuch; Kathryn Kellachow; Sue Wolfe; Daniel Bretz; Robin Kuzupas. **HOME-BOUND & IN-CARE FACILITIES:** Carol; Rita; Nicholas Demopoulos; Nicholas Essis; Pauline Fecho; Joan Homa; William Kantor; Janet Kuzupas; Gloria Maliniak; Millicent Russell; **EXPECTANT MOTHER(S):** Amanda; Jennifer (Genevieve) Knox; *and the children to be born of them*; **COLLEGE STUDENTS:** Tseday Afrassa; Semhar Anghesom, Eden Araya, Amelia & Maria Demopoulos; Grace Firestine; Taylor Gladys, Michelle Gopinath; George Hatalowich, Paige Hisiro; Shawn Jacob; Sophia & Vladimer Kellachow; Sammy, & Salina Kidane; Alexander & Drake Lamb; Joseph Martin, Evan & Johnna McGreevy, Timothy Monko, Otilia Murariu, Nicole & Shane Staller, Ashley; Dave; Wessam; **MILITARY:** Patrick; Gabriel; Dimitrios; Stephanie; Matthew; David; Michael; Peter; Russell, Sean, Ian, Zachary, Josiah; **FAMILY & FRIENDS:** Dottie Sysak; Shannon (daughter-in-law of the Henry's); Steve (nephew of L. Hancher); Heather (sister of S. Cameron); Shenia (sister of N. Schilling); Martha (aunt of A. Cole); Frank (uncle of U. McManus); Eva & Donna (friends of the Kuchta's); Rosalie; David & Dawn (cousins of Chet); Ronald; Alexandra; Masha, Ethan & Wesley (M. Cameron's family/friend); Pauline, Robert (friend & uncle of E. Bare); Nancy & family (Snyder's friends); Kristina; Terri & Charlie (E. Herman's friends); Cynthia, Dimitrios, child Evangelia, Martha, David, Emma, Nicholas, Theodore, Steve, John, Alexandra, Juan, Isaac, Daniel, Judy, Luke, (family/friends of the Lopez's); George (Leavitt); Christine (M. Gopinath's aunt); Natalie (E. Herman's family); Christine (sister of P. Taleff); Dorothy, Shirley & family, Nathan; Jeff, Greg, David & William (family & friends of J. Barns); Nancy (John & Chris Cole's mother); Ben & Amanda (S. Marasco's children); Marc & Cecilia (L. Smith's cousins); **SEMINARY FAMILIES:** Rdr. James, Elizabeth (Alison) Latimer Madeleine, Winifred, & Clement; Fr. Vjekoslav, M. Dragana Jovicic Miladan & Teodora **CATECHUMEN(S):** John Romain; Fred Heimbaugh & Dorothy Durst, Gabriel, Sophia, Payton, & Emma; Ethan Mandel & Annie; Judith Mamay; Timothy Marasco; [newborn] Miles Dupkanick

Many Years!

Please submit names and dates to office "at" ctshbg.org

ANNIVERSARIES: Daniel & Pauline Guiseppe – May 24; Mark & Christina Yerke – May 25; Carl & Debbie Hisiro - May 26; Kevin & Eleanor Herman – May 29;

BIRTHDAYS: Rachel Dupkanick – May 26; Jamie Schware – May 26; Dimitri Ressetar – May 28; Shreya Jacob - May 30;

ADOPTION ANNIVERSARY: Elizabeth "Bella" Kellachow - May 24

Candle Offerings

To donate, please speak with one of the vestrypersons

7 Day Votive is offered in Memory of **Bertha Brill** on the 4th year of departing this life, from the Bare family



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