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Sunday Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. – Weekdays Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

General Confession 1st Sunday of month

Private Confession every Sunday 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. or upon request

Epistle Act 1:1-8

Sunday, April 19, 2020

Gospel: John 1: 1-17

**CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!
XPNCTOC BOCKPECE!**

PRAYERS FOR THE HEALTH: Please pray for the following: Stephanie Kennedy, Drake Kennedy, Wellington Kennedy, Conrad Kennedy, Pat Federonko, Gloria Wheeler, Doris Sprague, Gregory Harvilla, Judy Wadysz, Barbara Sapick, Paul Sapick, Mildred Cislo, Anna Hagopian, Reader Gary (Paul) Repella, Michael Gaujanian, Marion Kurtyka, Alice Caddy, William Harvey, Daniel Moran, Brian Kurtyka, Ryan Kerrigan, and Frances Munaco.

Father Timothy and Matushka are continuing with services. If you can, pray with them at the time the services are scheduled. Please continue to pray for those who are afflicted with this disease, as well as those who put their lives on the line administering to the sick, and also for those who serve our communities – police, emergency personel, fireman, government officials, and those working to provide necessities for us.

CHURCH MEMORAL DONATION:

Phillip Kolody (in memory of my mother & father –

\$230.00

Mary & Gregory Kolody and Gandparents) Memory Eternal!

PARKING LOT DONATION:

Michael Gaujanian

\$ 25.00

THANK YOU: I wish to thank our parishioners for their continued support of St. Michael's. We will come through this uncertain time with your love and support.

I also wish to thank Chris Muzzin and his son Matthew for their technical support in getting St. Michael's on line to live-stream services during Holy Week. There are many parishioners who took advantage of this service. We thank Chris and Matt for volunteering their hard work to make this possible. *View services at:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?V=W8w6TBOvxNE>

TO MEMBERS AND FRIENDS : just click on the link below to hear beautiful choir and virtual choir music. To hear the an orthodox choir sing "The Angel Cried" (beautiful!) GO TO:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DGzDjffjVpg&feature=share&fbclid=IwAR1AapmfOwFQar9c4VCtbT9HVVNHPu3VueEWC30Ktf3WubgQ-XnoNIZyc>

To the right click on

'Down to the River' (another favorite of mine). Here the choir sings ' **Lets us go down to the river to pray!**' **Virtual Choir** (3 minutes 7 seconds)

Also **'In Christ Alone'** Virtual Choir #3 /A Cappella (5 minutes 1 second)

You can choose from many selections of inspirational music featured at this site. I hope it helps uplift you in this time of seperation and uncertainty.

Father Timothy

From The ORTHODOX WEEKLY BULLETIN ...Vestal, Cliffwood, New Jersey

DEATH HAS BEEN DEFEATED!

CHRIST IS RISEN! Today we celebrate the joy of Pascha! Let the flowers of spring exhale their sweetest fragrance for this is a day of happiness. Christ Lives! Christ Triumphs! Christ Reigns! On Good Friday, Christ was crucified and died on the Cross. Sadness and inexpressible grief hovered in the air. But today we no longer see before us a suffering Christ, but a glorious Christ.

It was a small rocky tomb, in Joseph's garden, that our Lord revealed His divine power. He proved by His glorious Resurrection that He was greater than man. Man knows that he cannot, by his own power, rise from the dead. By doing so Christ proved to us that He is the Son of God. This is the great triumph of Christ, trampling down death with death. Truly the Lord is risen and has slain death. This is why Pascha is the greatest event on the liturgical calendar.

By His glorious Resurrection, Christ has completed the work of salvation. He has confirmed our Holy Faith, for as St. Paul tells us: "If Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty." (1 Cor. 15:14) Pascha fulfills our hope in Christ's teachings and promises. We should give thanks for this blessed evidence of our Christian faith. No wonder we sing with great joy the words of David: "This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad therein." That is because the crucifixion has been displaced by the Resurrection.