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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 9: 32-42

Sunday, May 10, 2020

Gospel: John 5: 1-15

**CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!
XPNECTOC BOCKPECE! VOISTINNU VOSKRES!
PARALYTIC – Fourth Sunday of PASCHA**

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 personnel, fireman, government officials, and those working to provide necessities for us.

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. There are many parishioners who take advantage of this service. We thank Chris and Matt for volunteering their hard work to make this possible.

View services at: youtube.com go to search section: **Saint Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church Redford**

**From The ORTHODOX WEEKLY BULLETIN ...Vestal, Cliffwood, New Jersey
"THE POOL OF BETHESDAY"**

In 1888, archaeologists made an amazing discovery while excavating near St. Anne's Church in Bezatha Quarter of Old Jerusalem. They are thought to have unearthed the legendary POOL OF BETHESDA. It is located about 100 yards north of the temple area of the ancient city, in close proximity to the SHEEP GATE. This entrance was precisely what its name implies: the gate through which sacrificial lambs and other animals were herded into the city. They were then taken to the Pool of Bethesda for a ceremonial washing prior to their being sacrificed.

The intermittent bubbling of its water caused many to believe that angels were stirring up the pool, giving it miraculous powers of healing. Those suffering from incurable diseases and afflictions gathered regularly in the five porches of the pool during the time of Christ. They hoped to be cured by this angelic mediation.

It was here that our Lord encountered a PARALYTIC, who had been suffering from his condition for 38 years. Sympathetic to the man's plight, Jesus does more than help him into the "troubled" waters. He provides the cure for which the paralytic had longed. "RISE, TAKE UP YOUR BED AND WALK," Christ commanded. The paralytic was healed!

Today we are reminded that our Lord has power over physical AND spiritual infirmities. "SIN NO MORE," He advises the paralytic, showing His divine concern for the total person. Christ can free all of us from the "paralysis" that sin causes to our soul. He can release us from the heavy burden that our transgressions place upon us. "DO YOU WANT TO BE MADE WELL?" This question is constantly asked of us by our Saviour. Christ CAN heal us, body and soul, if we turn to Him and seek His assistance.

TODAY WE PRAYED FOR ALL THE MOTHERS, BOTH LIVING AND DECEASED.

