

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*The Resurrection of Christ
(The Pascha of the Lord)*

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8 **Reader:** Andrei Marinich

Gospel: John 1:1-17 **Tone:** Festal Menaion

Christ is Risen!

Indeed He is Risen!

UPCOMING FEASTS & SERVICES:

Monday, April 17	<i>Bright Week (Fast Free Week)</i>
Sunday, April 23	<i>St. Thomas Sunday (2nd Sunday of Pascha)</i> 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Sunday, April 30	<i>Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women (3rd Sunday of Pascha)</i> 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Sunday, May 7	<i>Sunday of the Paralyzed Man (4th Sunday of Pascha)</i> 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy

FOLLOWING TODAY'S DIVINE LITURGY there will be the blessing of the Artos and blessing of Paschal Foods.

PLEASE NOTE that because of the joy of the Paschal Season, there is NO kneeling in church from Pascha until Pentecost Sunday. We will be singing "Chrystos Voskres!" / "Christ is Risen" for 40 days.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with cleaning the parish and setting up during the week.

ST. THOMAS SUNDAY PILGRIMAGE will take place at the St. Andrew Memorial Church & Consistory property on Saturday, April 22 & Sunday, April 23. Make an effort to attend the scheduled services and support the UOC of USA. Vendors will be selling food, art, and religious items in the Cultural Center on both days.

Please see the flyer and website for more details and parking information.

Saturday, April 22

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy (St. Andrew Memorial Church)

3:00 p.m. Picnic at St. Sophia Seminary (*see flyer*)

6:00 p.m. Vespers & Confession (Seminary Chapel)

All Day Ukrainian food & crafts and youth activities

Sunday, April 23

9:30 a.m. Eucharistic Liturgy (St. Andrew Church) served by His Eminence Metropolitan Antony, His Eminence Archbishop Daniel & local clergy

11:30 a.m. Procession to the Cemetery's Great Memorial Cross & Panakhyda

All Day Ukrainian food & crafts and youth activities

APRIL BIRTHDAYS: Donna LoCoco (17), Natalia Kenask (27)

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES: Metro & Peg Kopchak (23) *May God grant them many years!*

READER'S LIST: Anita Anderson (4/23)

If you would like to be on the next Reader's List, please speak to Anita Anderson.

PRAYER SERVICE FOR CHILDREN & PARENTS: Every Monday at 7 pm at St. Andrew's Memorial Church.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK will take place after Divine Liturgy on the last Sunday of each month.

HOLY COMMUNION: Please remember that Holy Communion is only offered to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and sincere repentance of their sins (Holy Confession). Everyone is invited to partake of the "prosfora/antidoron" (blessed bread) which is a reminder of the "agape feast" that followed worship in the early Church at the conclusion of Divine Liturgy.

PRAYERS: Please keep in your prayers this week Fr. Bazyl, Fr. Vasyl, Fr. Victor, Fr. Ivan, Fr. Stephen, Dobrodijka Ivanka, Lyudmila, Steffie Tybor, Nettie Sherby, Anita Anderson, Maryanne Quartuccio, Kathie Thomas, Natalia, Taissa, Andy Olear, Joyce Pein, Flo Ratai, David, Yana, Serhij, Angelina and Patricio.

If you or your loved ones are sick or in the hospital, please let Fr. Vasyl know.

Out of respect for God's House, please keep all communication to a minimum.

Please join us in the church hall after Liturgy for food and fellowship.

Attend Church as a Family!