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March Council Highlights

- ✘ February's Operating Income was \$12,973.14 and Operating Expenses were \$10,356.51 resulting in a positive balance of \$2,616.63 for February. We have a Y-T-D net income of \$1,140.63
- ✘ Myrrh Bearers donated \$2,200 to the Church: Cheesefare luncheon (\$700), for flowers and plants for Palm Sunday and Easter (\$500), and for the new A/C unit (\$1,000).
- ✘ The Church Council voted to liquidate shares of Prudential Financial stock (approx. \$3,000).
- ✘ Church Council approved the new photo policy.



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Christ is Risen!

The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ gives us salvation and eternal joy. But it is always beyond our human ability to "understand."

The first two days of Bright Week, April 13th and 14th, commemorate events that offer other examples of the lim-

its of human understanding. In all these events God is working for us, but people fail, at least at first, to see what He is doing.

On the 14th we read the story of Christ's encounter with two apostles on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24: 12-35). These two apostles, who knew Him and are actually in His presence, not only don't recognize Him, but are sure that His death meant the end of all their hopes.

So Jesus must ask them, "Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?" He even calls them "foolish" and "slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken." God's plan was laid out in the Old Testament prophecies, yet even the



apostles do not immediately see its fulfillment in Jesus Christ. Once these two who meet Him on the road see Him break bread, they come to understand.

On the 13th we read, in Acts 1: 12-17, the testimony of John the Baptist concerning Jesus Christ. The next day we read verses 21-26, and we see once again the failure of human understanding. John is peppered with questions: "Who are you?" "Are you Elijah?" "Why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?"

John tells them of the One whose sandal he is not worthy to untie, whose way he was sent to prepare. That role of preparation, of being the forerunner, is what God has planned for him. Soon after, some of John's followers will meet Christ, and they will understand.

Also on the 13th we remember Saint Thomais, a young Christian woman of Alexandria. Her husband was a fisherman, and often was away from

home on his fishing boat. One night when her husband was absent, her father-in-law was overcome by passion and tried to force her to have sexual relations with him. She resisted, reminding him of God's Law. He became so enraged that he grabbed a knife and killed her.

Saint Daniel of Scetis, who was in Alexandria at the time, heard about this and told the monks to bring the young woman's body to the cemetery of a nearby monastery, to be buried with the departed monks. Again, a question revealing limited understanding was asked by some of the monks: How can a woman be buried among our departed fathers? Daniel replied: "She is my mother and your mother, because she died for her chastity."

In time, the monks came to understand. Those among them who were tormented by lustful passions were directed to pray at her grave, and received healing and relief.

What events will come into our lives as part of God's plan? Will we question them? Or perhaps we will be ready to accept the answer to all questions: Christ is Risen!

Message From Our Rector

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

This week we enter into the holiest time of the Church year—the week we know as both “Great” and “Holy.” In the week ahead, the Orthodox Church invites us, her children, to receive abundantly from the riches of our liturgical heritage as we participate in the Holy Week services.

It is my hope and prayer that this year’s observance of Holy Week will

accomplish at least one thing for all of us: that each one of us as individuals and all of us as Church will enter more fully, more deeply, with greater understanding and with greater appreciation into the week that celebrates what we already live every day of the year: the mystery of our salvation through the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

As we enter this week and as you plan your schedule around the Holy Week Liturgies and Services, I ask you to already look to this week’s culmination on the bright morning of Pascha. I ask you to think of the great moment of the proclamation of the Resurrection. Having processed around the church, carrying lit candles, that “Never-waning Light” which cannot be extinguished, we will arrive at the moment we have waited for and prepared for throughout the season of Great Lent.

Standing at the closed doors of the church, filled with anticipation, we are ready to proclaim the good news—the central news—of the Gospel—the Good News that Christ is risen. At that moment the Paschal service begins with praise of the All-Holy Trinity “Glory to

the Holy, Undivided, and Life-creating Trinity,” and then the assembled Church sings the great proclamation of the Feast: *Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!*



At this moment, we’re taken out of time—we are transported to that empty tomb; we experience it for ourselves and what do we do? We immediately proclaim the good news of salvation. We sing, again and again, the words proclaiming Christ’s Resurrection. We greet one another with the words which announce that “Christ is risen! Truly He is risen! Indeed He is risen!” This is the greatest of joys.

And this joy is still made even greater for those who have observed the Fast and those who have walked with Christ through His last saving days and accompanied Him on His own salvific pilgrimage. Those who have participated in the life and worship of the Church throughout the Great Forty Days, those who have kept the fast, those who have sacrificed for the sake of others and reached out in love and charity to those in need, those who have entered into prayer and deepened their relationship with Christ through prayer, all these experience the joy in a real, tangible way. However, we do not “hold it over” those who have come late to the feast—as St John Chrysostom says in his Paschal Homily: even those who arrive to the feast at the twelfth hour are welcomed and given a place at the festal table of Pascha.

Holy Week and Pascha will bring the devout and the not-so devout together. Those who are in Church every Sunday

and feast day stand side-by-side with their brothers and sisters who enter the Church only for the holidays and wedding and funerals. But no member of the Church is a stranger; no member is excluded from the joy. Neither is any member of the Church absolved from the responsibility of carrying the Good News of Christ’s Victory into the world, into the marketplace in which we live our lives.

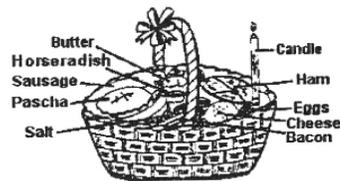
One might ask: “What does this do for me? What does participation in Holy Week do for me—how does it help me? What difference does it make for the way I live my life? IT MAKES EVERY DIFFERENCE! Having walked with the Lord through His Passion and Death. Having witnessed the Lord shed his if blood on the Cross. Having come to know that the Tomb is empty because Christ has conquered death, brings us to understand how we are called to live our life. What reason can I now have for being angry with my neighbor? What rational can I come up with for looking down on others, for judging others? How can I be bitter about life or bear any kind of grudge? How can I leave Christ’s work to others? The mystery of Christ’s death and resurrection puts everything into perspective for us:

Death, where is your sting? Hell, where is your victory? Christ is risen and you are abolished. Christ is risen and the demons have fallen. Christ is risen and the angels rejoice. Christ is risen and life has found freedom. Christ is risen, and there is no corpse in the grave. For Christ, being raised from the dead, has become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. To Him be glory and might for ever and ever. Amen! (Paschal Homily of Saint John Chrysostom).

With love in the Lord,

+Bishop Daniel

Preparing a Pascha Basket



First you start with a straw basket (it doesn't have to be elaborate) and then you fill it with traditional food and cover it with a white embroidered cloth. It is also customary to have a blessed candle in it to be lighted at the Blessing. Then bring the basket to church to be blessed.

PASCHA. The large round loaf of bread, made of white flour, eggs, milk and raisins, symbolizes our Lord Himself, who is the Living Bread, He has come down from heaven to give eternal life in the Eucharist. Just as bread is the "staff of life," Christ is our spiritual nourishment for eternal life.



COLORED HARD BOILED EGGS were always considered a symbol of The Resurrection, the emergence of new life. At Pascha our Savior came forth from the tomb just as the chick emerges after breaking the shell at birth. The eggs are colored because of a tradition that says that Mary, the Mother of Jesus, wanted to take something to Pilate so that he would not let Jesus be crucified. All that she had were some eggs and her gift did no good. When Mary saw that Jesus was condemned, she began to weep and her tears dyed the eggs into many colors. After our Lord's Resurrection these eggs were a sign of joy, reminding Mary that her son lives forever.

BUTTER shaped into the form of a lamb (or just a stick of butter) represents the Lamb of God who was offered on the altar of the Cross for the life of the world.



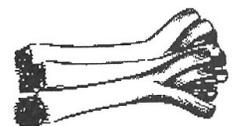
MEAT (Ham, Sausage, Veal or Lamb): Small portions of any or all of these meats are put in the basket. The meat products symbolize the sacrificial animals of the Old Testament, foreshadowing the true sacrifice of our Savior. He became for us "A Lamb of God" and took away the sins of the world. As we learn from the prayer of blessing, the meat products also symbolize the fatted calf that was prepared for the Prodigal Son (representing fallen mankind) on his return to his Heavenly Father. Thus, at Pascha, we celebrate our return to God and our joyous participation in the blessings of our Savior, who promised to be our "true food."

EGG, CHEESE, SIRETZ HRUTKA is a special cheese made from eggs and milk and is usually only made at Pascha time. This cheese, and all the dairy products, remind us of the peace and prosperity of the Messianic age which had been foretold by the Prophets. Metaphorically, the milk and honey in the Bible signify wealth, especially the spiritual wealth of God's kingdom. Therefore, as he blesses the dairy products the Priest prays: "as we partake, may we be filled with your generous gifts and unspeakable goodness."



SALT symbolizes the Truth of the message of Jesus Christ. Just as salt preserves food, so the Teachings of Christ preserve our eternal life.

HORSERADISH: A reminder of the bitter drink given Our Lord on the Cross. Take a can of whole red beets, grate finely and add 1/2 bottle of commercial horseradish. Add sugar to taste (about 2 tablespoons) and a tablespoon of lemon juice. Refrigerate.



CHOCOLATE EGGS AND CANDY: Children also share in the joy of Resurrection. The Church takes ordinary food and blesses it as an aid in making us holy. God's blessings change us from children of natural descent into sons and daughters of the Kingdom of God.

Love Overcomes Fear

During the week of Thomas Sunday, April 19th, we read Acts 4: 13 to 5: 33 in sections. These verses are filled with wonderful evidence of the power of love in the young Church.

The first verses describe the "boldness" of the apostles Peter and John, who preach to growing crowds that there is "salvation in no one else" except Jesus Christ. When the chief priests and elders warn them to stop, their response shows that they are not the same fearful men who hid away when Christ was crucified. They are compelled, they answer, to share the truth they have seen and heard.

The two apostles return to their friends, and everyone prays together that God will look upon the threats made against them, and "grant to Thy servants to speak Thy word with all boldness." The place where they are gathered is "shaken" and they are filled with the Holy Spirit. There will be hostile enemies trying to instill fear in them, but the Spirit will strengthen them to overcome it with love.

The next verses describe the practical results of the love God has enabled them to share. "Great grace" is upon them all, and there "is not a needy person among them." Everyone gives their property or money, laying it at the apostles' feet to be used for the common good.

But the Book of Acts is not a naive description of idealized human behavior. So the very next verses tell us of a married couple, Ananias and Sapphira, who succumb to temptation and betray this communal trust and love. They sell their property and bring what they claim is the total of the proceeds, while actually keeping back some.

Peter says solemn words to Ananias: "You have not lied to men but to God." He is not pronouncing judgment, but seems to be saying that in the atmosphere of love, deceit cannot survive. Ananias falls dead on the spot. When his wife Sapphira continues to lie to Peter about the price of their property, she too dies immediately.

Following both deaths, we read that "great

fear" fell upon those who heard about them, and indeed upon the whole church. But even this fear is overcome by God's love, the love uniting His people. The next verses tell us that "more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women..."

On April 22nd the Church commemorates the Holy Martyr Leonidas, the father of the prominent theologian Origen. Leonidas, a brilliant Christian philosopher, was imprisoned during one of the third-century persecutions of Christians. His wife and seven children, of whom Origen was the oldest, were terrified, especially when all their possessions were confiscated by imperial decree, leaving them in abject poverty.

Yet Leonidas had nurtured in his eldest son a deep love for God. Origen wrote to his father in prison: "Do not worry about us, and do not flee from martyrdom on our account." He was one more person who knew that love centered in God can always overcome fear.

Coffee Hour Made Easy

Would you be willing to host a Coffee Hour? It's fast, easy and simple! Other than an occasional gallon of milk or a package of cream cheese, there is nothing for you to bring! We don't want you to cook or bake or prepare anything at home for Coffee Hour! All we need is "coffee and bagels"—and the bagels are given to the church through a much appreciated separate donation!

The "average" Coffee Hour should go something like this:

Set Up: On the Sunday you've signed up for, just arrive at the Cultural Center by 8:30 AM. Then, simply set up the coffee and bagel table. This will usually take about 15 minutes (or less). Plus, I'll be there to help you.

Clean Up: When Coffee Hour winds down—usually somewhere around 11:30 AM—simply clean up the coffee and bagel table and wipe the other tables. This usually takes about 30 minutes (or less). I'm always there when you need help.

That's it! It really is fast, easy, and simple—so we're hoping that almost everyone will be able to participate. So PLEASE, see Marty or me any Sunday after Divine Liturgy to let us know which Sunday you would be able to host Coffee Hour.

Please remember the entire "set up" and "clean up" together takes no longer than a total of 45 minutes (or less)! And there's no food for you to prepare and bring from home!

Thank you—and God Bless you for your help!

Linda Walters



Holy Week and Pascha: Schedule of Services



Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Church
Phoenix, Arizona

April 4	Lazarus Saturday	Divine Liturgy, 9:00 a.m. Great Vespers & Blessing of Branches, 5:00 p.m.
April 5	Sunday of the Entrance of the Lord into Jerusalem – Palm Sunday	Divine Liturgy, 9:00 a.m. Bridegroom Matins, 6:00 p.m.
April 6	Great and Holy Monday	Bridegroom Matins, 6:00 p.m.
April 7	Great and Holy Tuesday	Bridegroom Matins, 6:00 p.m.
April 8	Great and Holy Wednesday	Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, 9:00 a.m.
April 9	Great and Holy Thursday	Vesperal Divine Liturgy, 9:00 a.m. Service of the Passion of Christ, 6:00 p.m.
April 10	Great and Holy Friday	Vespers and Burial Service, 3:00 p.m. Lamentations at the Tomb of Christ, 6:00 p.m.
April 11	Great and Holy Saturday	Divine Liturgy, 9:00 a.m. Nocturnes, 11:15 p.m.
April 12	Great and Holy Pascha – The Resurrection of Christ – The Feast of Feasts	Paschal Matins and Divine Liturgy of Pascha, 12:00 midnight Paschal Vespers, 12:00 noon, followed by Egg Hunt & Agape Feast/Pot Luck

The Prayers of Saint Basil

On Holy Saturday, April 11th this year, we celebrate the Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil, as we have on all the Sundays of Great Lent. We return to the Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom on Holy Pascha.

The prayers of Saint Basil's Liturgy are rich in meaning. For example, they are filled with reminders of the incredible things God has done for us. The First Prayer of the Faithful begins, "Thou, Lord, hast revealed to us this great mystery of salva-



tion." The Offertory Prayer addresses God, "O Lord, our God, who hast created us and brought us into this life, who has shown us the ways to salvation, and bestowed on us the revelation of heavenly mysteries..."

In the Prayer of Commemoration, Saint Basil names some ways God did these things: by speaking to us through the prophets, enabling saints to do mighty works, giving us the Law as a help, and appointing angels as our guardians. Then, in the fullness of time, He gave the greatest gift of all, sending His Son who was

God before the ages but was "likened to the body of our lowliness, that He might liken us to the image of His glory."

Saint Basil asks God to show His mercy to human beings in all kinds of situations, with complete trust that He will do so.

For catechumens Basil asks, "Grant them a light yoke." With human frailty in mind he calls on God to remember the people who might not be remembered in prayer by those serving at the altar "through ignorance, forgetfulness, or the multitude of names..." As part of the long First Prayer of Intercession he asks God to "defend the widows, protect the orphans, free the captives, heal the sick" and remember those in courts, mines, exile, harsh labor, affliction, necessity or distress.

In a series of questions, Basil expresses his own wonder at God's magnificence: "Who can utter Thy mighty acts? Or make all Thy praises known? Or tell of all Thy miracles at all times?"

In the Prayer of Preparation, Saint Basil acknowledges the responsibility we assume by

receiving the Body and Blood of Christ. He asks that God "let none of us be guilty of these, Thy heavenly Mysteries, nor be infirm in soul and body by partaking of them unworthily." Instead, may our receiving them worthily be "a support on the road to eternal life and an acceptable defense at the dread judgment seat of Thy Christ."

These prayers reflect many things we know of Saint Basil as a person. He gave comfort and care to those in all kinds of need, and lovingly interacted with lepers centuries before the famous Father Damian of Molokai did so. He enjoyed and was humbly amazed by the beauty of God's creation and miracles. He saw it as every Christian's duty to realize the great privilege of Eucharistic participation.

Saint Basil's many writings also express these things. But by worshipping at the Liturgy bearing his name, we share them with him, as part of the Church he described as stretching "from end to end of the universe."



Around SS Peter & Paul

APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

April 1	Eugenio Golowatsch
8	Lisa Formica
14	Michelle Golowatsch
18	Julian Melendrez
20	John Mark and Nina Kinney
21	Zachary Delsante
27	Matushka Elizabeth Kachur Lubov Phillips
28	John Blischak
29	Sarah Gala Valentina Sedor

CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY YEARS! to Nicholas (Herman) Knoeble who was received into the fullness of the Orthodox Faith before the celebration of the Divine Liturgy on Lazarus Saturday. We welcome Nicholas and ask the Lord to grant him many happy years living his Christian calling as a member of the Orthodox Church.

HAPPY FEASTDAY

Happy Feastday to the officers and members of the Myrrhbearers Altar Society who celebrate their annual feastday on the Third Sunday of Pascha (Myrrhbearers Sunday). May the Lord continue to bless them for the wonderful work they do in support of our liturgical life.

PRAYER LIST

*"I was sick and you visited me."
Matt 25:36*

We offer prayers to all of our parishioners who are ill or unable to attend services:

Vickie Mendez & Family
Protodeacon Alexis
Cassandra Wenz Wagner
Rose Kurowski
Rose Koval
Ann Garza

May Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Physician of our souls and bodies, reach out his healing hand and bless these, His servants.

If you know of anyone else in need of our prayers, please contact Bishop Daniel.

Bits and Pieces

WELCOME

We welcome all visitors to SS Peter & Paul. We hope your visit was enriching and enlightening. Please join us in the Cultural Center, behind the church, for our Fellowship Hour. It's a chance to meet some of our members, other visitors, and enjoy some coffee and fellowship. It's also a great time to take a look at our bookstore. Katrina can help you find whatever you need!

PASCHA POTLUCK/ AGAPE MEAL

Every year after the Vespers service on the Sunday of Pascha (12:00 p.m.) members of our parish community come together for a shared agape meal/potluck. By sharing food and fellowship we extend our celebration of Pascha. Pat Starkey coordinates this annual event. Please contact her and let her know what you will bring to share.



PASCHA FLOWERS

Everyone is invited to participate in beautifying our church for the celebration of Holy Week and Pascha by donating towards the purchase of flowers. Please consider making a donation to help cover this shared expense. Remember, the beautification of the Lord's Tomb on Holy Friday and the Church on Holy Pascha is dependent upon your generosity.

BLESSING OF PASCHA BASKETS

The tradition of blessing Pascha Baskets is an old one that continues to be observed (and enjoyed!) here at Saints Peter and Paul Church. Baskets will be blessed after the Midnight Service as well as after Vespers of Pascha at 12:00 p.m.



ARIZONA WALK FOR MISSIONS

Thank you to the members of our parish community who planned, participated in, and supported the Fourth Annual Arizona Walk for Missions, Saturday, March 28. Most of the local Orthodox parishes participate in this event, the proceeds of which are donated to OCMC and Project Mexico.

MYRRHBEARERS ALTAR SOCIETY

The second Sunday after the Feast of Holy Pascha is observed by the Orthodox Church as the Sunday of the Holy Myrrhbearers. The day commemorates when the women disciples of our Lord came to the tomb to anoint his body with myrrh-oils but found the tomb empty. As the woman wondered what this meant, angels appeared proclaiming that Christ had risen from the dead.

The Myrrhbearers Altar Society at SS Peter and Paul was founded on February 12, 1961. The main purpose of the Myrrhbearers Altar Society is to help beautify the church and support the clergy. Currently, we have 16 members; Betsy Begian, Sue Bieber, Tania Booriakin, Marilyn Bezkorovainy, Jane Evans, Lisa Formica, Martha Gala, Ann Garza, Stephanie Homyak, Elena Kerr, Elizabeth Michel, Gina Mudrenko, Rita Mudrenko, Barbara Peterson, Pat Starkey, and Vi Wasilenko.

We fulfill our purpose of beautifying the church and supporting the clergy in several ways:

- ✂ We are responsible for coordinating the weekly coffee hour.
- ✂ We coordinate the flowers monthly for the altar and tetrapod.
- ✂ We are responsible for the purchasing and upkeep of vestments.
- ✂ We decorate the cross for the Veneration and Exaltation of the Cross.
- ✂ We coordinate Holy Supper, Presanctified meals, Cheesefare Brunch, host the Pan Orthodox Sunday meal, SS Peter & Paul Feast, and Father's Day brunch. Corsages are provided for Mother's day.
- ✂ We bake Pascha breads and dye eggs for the Pascha service
- ✂ We raise money to beautify our Temple through fundraisers, such as our Christmas Nut Roll Bake Sale, Christmas Cookie Bake Sale, Christmas Raffle and our Mother's Day Raffle.

We normally meet the 2nd Sunday of the month except for during the summer if any ladies would like to join us. If anyone would like to provide flowers for the altar, please see Elena Kerr. If anyone would like to host a coffee hour please see Linda Walters.

EASTER BAKE



Thank You to those who gave a few hours of their time to come and work at the 3 day Easter Bake. It was a success! Those who came for the first time had the opportunity to see how the traditional Paschas are made.

A special *Thank You* to those who supported our bake. The Pascha breads can be picked up on Sunday March 29, following coffee hour. See Elizabeth Michel.

BOOKSTORE

The bookstore has all the service books needed for Holy Week and Pascha. Quantities are limited, so it is first come, first serve! Prices range from \$4-\$7.

Additionally, if you have ordered a patron saint icon for the church hall, please stop by to pay/pick it up. I have St. Christopher, St. Seraphim of Sarov, The Prophet Elijah, and St. Macrina (she has already been blessed and mounted on the wall).

TEEN/YOUNG ADULT LEAGUE UPDATE

Mara Hecht is planning the first social event for the week following Pascha at TOP GOLF (by popular demand)!! Let her know if Friday April 17th or Saturday April 19th works better??

Upcoming community service projects:

EVENT: Andre House for the Homeless
DATE: Saturday, May 2nd from 3:15-7:30pm
WHERE: 213 S 11th Av Phx 85007 on the northeast corner of 11th Av and Jackson
WHAT'S the NEED: A group of 8 (14 years old and +) to prepare all aspects of the meal for 750 homeless individuals... this includes prep, serving & cleanup. **EVENT FILLED!**

EVENT: Feed My Starving Children

DATE: Friday, May 22nd from 6-7:30pm
WHERE: 1345 S. Alma School Road, Mesa
WHAT'S the NEED?: A group of 20 teens and young adults to prepare and pack meals for children/families that are struggling. Contact Mara Hecht to sign-up.

April 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>Pascha Celebration April 12, 2015 Following Paschal Vespers and Easter Egg Hunt</p>			1 6:00pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts Lenten Meal	2	3 Icon "Unfading Bloom" 6:00pm Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts	4 Lazarus Saturday 9:00am Divine Liturgy  5:00pm Vespers <i>Blessings of Branches</i>
5 Entrance into Jerusalem 8:30am Hours 9:00am Divine Liturgy Church School MBAS Meeting  6:00pm Bridgegroom Matins	6 Great and Holy Monday 6:00pm Bridgegroom Matins	7 Repose St. Tikhon Patriarch of Moscow Great and Holy Tuesday 6:00pm Bridgegroom Matins	8 Great and Holy Wednesday 9:00am Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts	9 Great and Holy Thursday 9:00am Vesperal Liturgy 6:00pm Service of the Passion of Christ <i>Passion Gospels</i>	10 Great and Holy Friday 3:00pm Vespers and Burial Service 6:00pm Matins and Lamentations at the Tomb	11 Great and Holy Saturday 9:00am Vesperal Divine Liturgy 11:15pm Nocturnes 12:00am Pascal Matins & Divine
12 HOLY PASCHA 12:00am Paschal Mat- ins & Divine Liturgy 12:00pm Vespers <i>Easter Egg Hunt</i> <i>Pot Luck Luncheon</i> CHRIST IS RISEN!	13 Bright Monday 	14 Bright Tuesday 6:00pm Council Meeting	NO FAST			18 Bright Saturday 5:00pm Vespers
19 Antipascha St. Thomas Sunday 8:30am Hours 9:00am Divine Liturgy Church School MBAS Meeting	20  Easter Egg Hunt Sunday, April 12th following Paschal Vespers. Please join us!			21 Day of Rejoicing	22	23 Holy Greatmartyr, Victorybearer and Wonderworker George 24 25 Holy Apostle and Evangelist Mark 5:00pm Vespers
26 Holy Myrrhbearing Women 8:30am Hours 9:00am Divine Liturgy Church School	27	28	29	30 Holy Apostle James, Brother of St John	1 Icon "Unexpected Joy"	2 5:00pm Vespers
<p>We welcome all of our guests and visitors. Please join us in the Cultural Center for Fellowship Hour following Divine Liturgy each Sunday.</p>						