



HOLY GHOST ORTHODOX CHURCH

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CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!
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JUNE 2 – 5th SUNDAY OF PASCHA – Tone 4 – SAMARITAN WOMAN

<u>Scripture Readings</u>	<u>Services</u>
MONDAY, JUNE 3 Acts 12:12-17 John 8:42-51	WEDNESDAY, MAY 29 Bible Study.....6:30 p.m. (Parish House)
TUESDAY, JUNE 4 Acts 12:25, 13:12 John 8:51-59	SATURDAY, JUNE 1 Great Vespers.....5:00 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 Acts 13:13-24 John 6:5-14	SUNDAY, JUNE 2 – 5TH SUNDAY OF PASCHA Samaritan Woman Divine Liturgy.....9:00 a.m.
THURSDAY, JUNE 6 Acts 14:20-27 John 10:39-10:9	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5 Bible Study.....6:30 p.m. (Parish House)
FRIDAY, JUNE 7 Acts 15:5-34 John 10:17-28	SATURDAY, JUNE 8 Panikhida in loving memory of Steven Tyler Smith, on the 2 nd anniversary of his passing (<i>June 8th</i>), from mom, Abby, Zach, Gram & Dad.....5:00 p.m. Great Vespers to follow
SATURDAY, JUNE 8 Acts 15:35-41 John 10:27-38	SUNDAY, JUNE 9 – 6TH SUNDAY OF PASCHA Blind Man Divine Liturgy.....9:00 a.m. “Second Sunday” pot-luck coffee fellowship
<hr/> <i>All services will also be streamed online via Facebook Live as follows:</i> https://www.facebook.com/Holy-Ghost-Russian-Orthodox-Greek-Catholic-Church-681248091936330/	WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12, Fore-feast of the Ascension Great Vespers.....5:30 p.m.
Reminder: The schedule of services can be found on the front page of our website, holyghostbpt.org . The schedule is recorded on the Google Calendar of the church’s acct. You can add it to your own Google Calendar by clicking the + sign on the bottom right corner of the calendar window.	THURSDAY, JUNE 13, Feast of the Ascension Divine Liturgy.....8:00 a.m.

Note: June 13 is the Feast of the Ascension, a great feast of the church and the end of the Pascha season. We will celebrate Vespers on Wednesday June 12 at 5:30PM, and Divine Liturgy on Thursday, June 13 at 8:00AM. After Vespers on the 12th, we will gather at the parish house for food and fellowship. Please bring extra food to church on Sunday, June 9 for Second Sundays, and we can have leftovers on Wednesday.

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Commemorated on June 2

The Holy Martyr Photina (Svetlana) the Samaritan Woman, her sons Victor (named Photinus) and Joses; and her sisters Anatola, Phota, Photis, Paraskevĕ, Kyriake; Nero's daughter Domnina; and the Martyr Sebastian: The holy Martyr Photina was the Samaritan Woman, with whom the Savior conversed at Jacob's Well (John. 4:5-42).

During the time of the emperor Nero (54-68), who displayed excessive cruelty against Christians, Saint Photina lived in Carthage with her younger son Joses and fearlessly preached the Gospel there. Her eldest son Victor fought bravely in the Roman army against barbarians, and was appointed military commander in the city of Attalia (Asia Minor). Later, Nero called him to Italy to arrest and punish Christians.



Sebastian, an official in Italy, said to Saint Victor, "I know that you, your mother and your brother, are followers of Christ. As a friend I advise you to submit to the will of the emperor. If you inform on any Christians, you will receive their wealth. I shall write to your mother and brother, asking them not to preach Christ in public. Let them practice their faith in secret."

Saint Victor replied, "I want to be a preacher of Christianity like my mother and brother." Sebastian said, "O Victor, we all know what woes await you, your mother and brother." Then Sebastian suddenly felt a sharp pain in his eyes. He was dumbfounded, and his face was somber.

For three days he lay there blind, without uttering a word. On the fourth day he declared, "The God of the Christians is the only true God." Saint Victor asked why Sebastian had suddenly changed his mind. Sebastian replied, "Because Christ is calling me." Soon he was baptized, and immediately regained his sight. Saint Sebastian's servants, after witnessing the miracle, were also baptized.

Reports of this reached Nero, and he commanded that the Christians be brought to him at Rome. Then the Lord Himself appeared to the confessors and said, "Fear not, for I am with you. Nero, and all who serve him, will be vanquished." The Lord said to Saint Victor, "From this day forward, your name will be Photinus, because through you, many will be enlightened and will believe in Me." The Lord then told the Christians to strengthen and encourage Saint Sebastian to persevere until the end.

To continue reading: <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/06/02/39-sunday-of-the-samaritan-woman>

Acts 11:19-26, 29-30***(Epistle)***

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Now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia, Cyprus, and Antioch, preaching the word to no one but the Jews only.

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But some of them were men from Cyprus and Cyrene, who, when they had come to Antioch, spoke to the Hellenists, preaching the Lord Jesus.

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And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord.

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Then news of these things came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent out Barnabas to go as far as Antioch.

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When he came and had seen the grace of God, he was glad, and encouraged them all that with purpose of heart they should continue with the Lord.

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For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.

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Then Barnabas departed for Tarsus to seek Saul.

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And when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. So it was that for a whole year they assembled with the church and taught a great many people. And the disciples were first called Christians in Antioch.

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Then the disciples, each according to his ability, determined to send relief to the brethren dwelling in Judea.

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This they also did, and sent it to the elders by the hands of Barnabas and Saul.

John 4:5-42***(Gospel)***

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So, He came to a city of Samaria which is called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph.

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Now Jacob's well was there. Jesus therefore, being wearied from His journey, sat thus by the well. It was about the sixth hour.

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A woman of Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give Me a drink."

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For His disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.

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Then the woman of Samaria said to Him, "How is it that You, being a Jew, ask a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.

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Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water."

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The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water?"

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Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?"

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Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again,

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but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life.”

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The woman said to Him, “Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw.”

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Jesus said to her, “Go, call your husband, and come here.”

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The woman answered and said, “I have no husband.” Jesus said to her, “You have well said, ‘I have no husband,’

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for you have had five husbands, and the one whom you now have is not your husband; in that you spoke truly.”

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The woman said to Him, “Sir, I perceive that You are a prophet.

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Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, and you Jews say that in Jerusalem is the place where one ought to worship.”

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Jesus said to her, “Woman, believe Me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father.

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You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews.

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But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him.

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God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”

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The woman said to Him, “I know that Messiah is coming” (who is called Christ). “When He comes, He will tell us all things.”

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Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am He.”

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And at this point His disciples came, and they marveled that He talked with a woman; yet no one said, “What do You seek?” or, “Why are You talking with her?”

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The woman then left her waterpot, went her way into the city, and said to the men,

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Come, see a Man who told me all things that I ever did. Could this be the Christ?

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Then they went out of the city and came to Him.

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In the meantime, His disciples urged Him, saying, “Rabbi, eat.”

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But He said to them, “I have food to eat of which you do not know.”

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Therefore, the disciples said to one another, “Has anyone brought Him anything to eat?”

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Jesus said to them, “My food is to do the will of Him who sent Me, and to finish His work.

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Do you not say, ‘There are still four months and then comes the harvest’? Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!

John 4:5-42

(Gospel Cont'd.)

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And he who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, that both he who sows and he who reaps may rejoice together.

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For in this the saying is true: 'One sows and another reaps.'

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I sent you to reap that for which you have not labored; others have labored, and you have entered into their labors."

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And many of the Samaritans of that city believed in Him because of the word of the woman who testified, "He told me all that I ever did."

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So, when the Samaritans had come to Him, they urged Him to stay with them; and He stayed there two days.

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And many more believed because of His own word.

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Then they said to the woman, "Now we believe, not because of what you said, for we ourselves have heard Him and we know that this is indeed the Christ, the Savior of the world."

CANDLE DESK DUTY

June 2 – LoveAnn Curran

June 9 – Tim Savisky

If you are unable to make your scheduled day, please switch with another member.

CANDLES / DONATIONS / FLOWERS

- The 2 large crosses are in loving memory of Steven Tyler Smith on the 2nd anniversary of his sudden passing (*June 8th*). Memory Eternal, Steven! Vechnaya Pomyet!! With all our love, Mom, Abby, Zach, Gram, & Dad.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS ...

6/02 Children's Choir practice

6/09 Graduation Day!

"SECOND SUNDAYS" ... The next one is scheduled for **June 9th**. The sign-up sheet is located downstairs. Thank you!



FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S (Susan Maugeri) REPORT OF MAY 26TH

		<u>April</u>	<u>Total/Actual</u>
Total Income		\$17,078.74	\$143,891.93
Total Expenditures		<u>19,067.89</u>	<u>135,825.05</u>
Net Operating Income		<u>\$(1,989.15)</u>	<u>\$ 8,066.88</u>

We have a loss for the month of **\$(1,989.15)** but a gain for the year of **\$8,066.88**.

MISSION / OUTREACH NEWS ... The clothing that was collected for the homeless, along with the food from the children's food drive, was recently delivered to the Bridgeport Rescue Mission, thanks to Jerry Kopko, Billy Savisky, Timmy Savisky, and Fr. Mark! -- **450 pounds of clothing & accessories, and 125 pounds of food!** Many thanks to all who contributed the items!

FATHER'S DAY, JUNE 16TH ... Please join us for a Father's Day breakfast at coffee hour! Following breakfast, the Parish Council will meet.

HOLY GHOST SUMMER CAMP: June 17-19

We are holding a three-day youth church camp at Holy Ghost Park to kick off the summer! Each day, camp will run from 9-3pm. Volunteers are needed! Registration and waiver form is attached to the email, and printed copies are available in church.

SUMMER SCHEDULE ...

- 1) During the summer months from June-August, Saturday Vespers will begin at 5:00 p m.
- 2) July, August, and the first 2 weeks in September, Divine Liturgy will be held at Holy Ghost Park in Shelton.

PROSPHORA REMINDER ... Anyone who is interested in purchasing prospora, please fill out the appropriate form, which can be found at the candle desk, **at least one week in advance**. The cost is \$2/each. Thank you!

TALENT PROJECT ... Festive kitchen towels are available for purchase downstairs. An envelope is provided; the cost is \$5/each. Thank you!



FORCC YOUTH EVENT ... is scheduled for Sunday, **June 23rd** for duckpin bowling in Devon, located at 551 Naugatuck Avenue, Milford (Devon area). Bowling is free and includes an ice-cream social for 2-year-olds to teens. Please contact Eve Nucifora at 203-675-1575 or eveckn@gmail.com. Reservation cut-off date is Monday, June 18th.

DIVINE LITURGY JUNE 2nd



Additional photos by Rich Kendall.

CONGRATULATIONS TO FR MARK, ON HIS GRADUATION FROM ST. VLADIMIR'S THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY!!


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THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Congratulations, Class of 2024!

Please pray for the graduating class.

<p>AMERICAN CARPATHO-RUSSIAN ORTHODOX DIOCESE Mr Samuel Lopusky (M.Div.)</p> <p>ARMENIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH Dn Garen Hamamjian (M.Div.)</p> <p>ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE OF NORTH AMERICA Mr Christopher Laughlin (M.A.) The Rev. Joshua Birdsall (M.Div.) Mr John Caleb McGee (M.Div.)</p> <p>THE MALANKARA ORTHODOX SYRIAN CHURCH Miss Kripaya Varghese (M.A.) The Rev. Dr Renish Geevarghese Abraham (M.Div., Th.M.) Sdn Rohan Daniel (M.Div.) Sdn Ryan Thomas (M.Div.)</p> <p>ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA <i>Albanian Archdiocese</i> The Rev. Dn Juxhin Shkurti (M.Div.) <i>Diocese of the Midwest</i> Mr Palsios Winsler (M.A.) Mr Andrew Prather (M.Div.) The Rev. Peter Ries (M.Div.) The Rev. Dr Mark Therrien (Th.M.) <i>Diocese of New England</i> The Rev. Dr Mark Roosien (Th.M.)</p>	<p><i>Diocese of New York and New Jersey</i> Dr Yingnan Julia Ji (Th.M.)</p> <p><i>Diocese of the South</i> Ms Naomi DeHaan (M.A.) The Rev. Giorgi Lomsadze (M.Div.)</p> <p><i>Diocese of the West</i> Mother Veronica Abaskharoun (M.A.) Mother Theodosia Ekladious (M.A.) Mr Leo Grabowski (Th.M.) Mrs Amber Prather (M.Div.) (Pictured with Mr Andrew Prather)</p> <p><i>Romanian Episcopate</i> The Rev. Spyridon Ickes (M.Div.)</p> <p>SERBIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH Ms Andjelka Stankovic (M.A.) Mr Mihail Golic (M.A.) Mr Mihailo Vljakovic (M.A.) Mr Ugrin Jevtic (Th.M.)</p> <p>SYRIAC ORTHODOX CHURCH Mr Dominic Mourad (M.A.) <i>Khanaya Archdiocese</i> Sdn Semayon Lukose (M.Div.)</p> <p>UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH Mr Pavlo Kurganov (M.A.)</p>
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GOD GRANT YOU AND YOUR FAMILY MANY YEARS!

PARISH METRICS (JUNE 2 THRU JUNE 8)

BIRTHDAYS

Natalie Pronechen, June 3rd; Sebastian Holt, June 3rd; Stephanie A. Smith, June 3rd; Robert Pavlick, June 3rd, and Mat Claire Roosien, June 6th

ANNIVERSARIES

None Listed.

DEPARTED FROM THE PARISH METRICS

JUNE 2 – Catherine Kochig, 1901 (12); John Midwick, 1959 (66); Pauline Lyhne, 1977 (74); Helen Elliot, 1992

JUNE 3 – Migret Milevsky, 1925 (14 months); Joseph Metliak, 1926 (63); Katherine Dziamba, 1954 (68); Prokopy Sorokoff, 1958 (63)

JUNE 4 – Anna Vranchin, 1924 (48); Jacob Ladutko, 1957 (75); Efrosima Kuzmich, 1971 (74)

JUNE 5 – Theresa Popadic, 1952 (83); Efimia Pystik Lemachko, 1978 (79); Zenia McKenzie, 1987 (7 months)

JUNE 6 – Matthew Bakosh, 1900; Helen Chikos, 1942 (35); Anna Molchan, 1984 (91)

JUNE 7 – Cyril Darak, 1937; Mary Shavchuk Forson, 1958 (63); Catherine Timoshuk, 1969 (78); Paul Moskwa, 1974 (58); Makrina Gelazin, 1979 (83); Dorothy Roder, 1999 (82)

JUNE 8 – Nicholas Dirga, 1906 (2); Margaret Gula, 1918 (2 months); Theodore Kranyak, 1919 (58); George Yaroschak, 1936 (60); Maria Kranyak, 1941 (65); Michael Leson, Sr., 1966 (61)

Христос воскресе

