

The Weekly Messenger –May 12, 2019

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Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7 Gospel: Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8

***CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!
KRISHTI U NGJALL! VERTET U NGJALL!***

Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women About the beginning of His thirty-second year, when the Lord Jesus was going throughout Galilee, preaching and working miracles, many women who had received of His beneficence left their own homeland and from then on followed after Him. They ministered unto Him out of their own possessions, even until His crucifixion and entombment; and afterwards, neither losing faith in Him after His death, nor fearing the wrath of the Jewish rulers, they came to the sepulchre, bearing the myrrh-oils they had prepared to anoint His body. It is because of the myrrh-oils, that these God-loving women brought to the tomb of Jesus that they are called the Myrrh-bearers. Of those whose names are known are the following: first of all, the most holy Virgin Mary, who in Matthew 27:56 and Mark 15:40 is called "the mother of James and Joses" (these are the sons of Joseph by a previous marriage, and she was therefore their step-mother); Mary Magdalene (celebrated July 22); Mary, the wife of Clopas; Joanna, wife of Chouza, a steward of Herod Antipas; Salome, the mother of the sons of Zebedee, Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus; and Susanna. As for the names of the rest of them, the evangelists have kept silence (Matt 27:55-56; 28:1-10. Mark 15:40-41. Luke 8:1-3; 23:55-24:11, 22-24. John 19:25; 20:11-18. Acts 1:14).

Read more: <https://www.goarch.org/chapel/saints?contentid=1067>

Coffee Hour Sponsors:

May 12th Ana & Irakli Nadareishrili,

May 26th No Sponsor,

May 19th Elena & Zach

June 2nd Sunday School

Upcoming Events

May 18th Buddy Walk

May 27th Memorial Day

June 9th Sunday School Graduation

Saturday, June 15th Sunday school pool party

May giving: Water 8 oz or 16 oz bottles

Commemorations for the Departed: Elida Xhoxhi (2yrs.), Jorgjia Kashari, Father Deacon Stephen Stefani and those servicemen and women who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their Country. *If you have a name to add to the Commemorations for the departed or the living please email info@stjohnsphila.org*

Commemorations for the Living: Archbishop Nikon, Newly Baptized Angela Pano, Newly Chrismated Zack Smith, Newly Baptized Amy Lewis, Nina Melito, Lee Gedremenc (Bill Bortner's father), Marion Merkle, Tala Ayyad, Diane Mallios, Rose Adams, Evangeline Prifti, Lisa Kelley, Donna Hlavcek, Father Dimitrie Vincent, Dolly Seiler, Elizabeth Jones, Ann Gjoka, Virginia Daka, Haretina (Papa) Milo, Peter Melnik, Dhimiter Ndrecka, Pandeli, Jorgaq, Lefteri, and all of the men and women serving in the Armed Forces

Please send information about the graduates in your family, College, High School, 8th Grade. We would like to acknowledge and congratulate our graduates. Send an email to info@stjohnsphila.org Include the name of the graduate and the school from which they graduated. For 8th grade let us know what high school they will be attending next year, HS grads if they are attending college, the name of the college, or what they will be pursuing. College graduates, their degree and plans for the future. We would also like the proud parents and grandparents' names. Thank-you!

Buddy Walk 2019, Saturday, May 18th 11:00a - 3:00p Silver Lake Park 200 E Cochran St, Middletown, DE 19709. Brother John's love for all of you is so great. Everyone who has donated in the past made John feel so special. He and our family thanks you for your support. John is really excelling in swimming, karate and being a super terrific 4th grader @ Forwood Elementary School. He participated in Special Olympics Soccer skills last year & the basketball skills this year. John loves sports! He is training for the soccer skills Special Olympics again right now! Please join our team and walk with us or consider donating to our team if you cannot be there. We will do a pot luck. Bring yourself and your favorite food, dessert or beverage. Always fun under the Brother John tent. Thank you all for your support!!! The Melnik Family <https://www.ds-stride.org/delawarebuddywalk/profiles/team/87>

Charity & Benevolence Event: Another clothing and food distribution to the homeless is planned for Sunday, May 19th following the Divine Liturgy. We gladly welcome your donations of gently used clothing and shoes. Please bring these items to church over the next few weeks. Please let Sandi Fiss know if you are able to help out with this event.

Welcome to our visitors. Father Brooks, the members of our Parish Council and our church community thank you for celebrating the Divine Liturgy with us. We invite you to join us for coffee hour and fellowship in the church hall following the Divine Liturgy.

Wishing all of the women in our parish a very Happy Mother's Day!