

June 2, 2024 — Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

THE DIVINE LITURGY

Commemoration

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman; Nicephorus the Confessor, Patriarch of Constantinople; Erasmos of Ochrid and his Companion Martyrs; Demetrios the New Martyr of Philadelphia; Constantine the New Martyr of the Hagarenes.

Morning Gospel: John 20:1-10

Variable Hymns and Readings in the Liturgy

Christ is Risen!

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs, bestowing life!

Hristos anesti ek nekron, thanato thanaton patisas, ke tis en tis mnimasi zoin harisamenos.

At the Second Antiphon

Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead; we sing to you, Alleluia!

At the Small Entrance

Hymn of Pascha, Plagal First Tone

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Hymn of Entrance

Bless God in the churches; the Lord from the fountains of Israel. Save us, O son of God who rose from the dead, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

Resurrection Hymn, Third Tone

The joyful news of your resurrection was proclaimed by the angel to the women disciples. Having thrown off the curse that fell on Adam, they ran elatedly to tell the apostles: Death has been vanquished; Christ our God is risen from the dead, blessing all the world with his great mercy.

Hymn for Mid-Pentecost, Plagal Fourth Tone

In the midst of the Paschal season, Savior, let my thirsty soul partake of the waters of true worship; for you call out inviting all: Let those who thirst come to me and drink. O Fountain of Life, Christ our God, glory to you.

Hymn of the Dormition of the Theotokos, First Tone

In giving birth, you preserved your virginity, O Theotokos; in falling asleep you did not forsake the world. You passed over into life, O Mother of Life; and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death!

Kontakion of Pascha, Plagal Fourth Tone

Into the grave you descended, Immortal One, yet you destroyed the power of Hades, and as victor you arose, O Christ our God; you proclaimed to the myrrh-bearing women a greeting of joy, you brought peace to your holy apostles, and to the fallen you granted resurrection.

Epistle...... Acts 11:19-30 In those days, those apostles who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabos stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea, and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

Gospel.....John 4:5-42

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink."

For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he." Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to him. Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans

from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony. "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savior of the world."

Megalynarion of Pascha, First Tone

The Angel spoke to her who is full of grace: Rejoice, O pure virgin, and again I say rejoice; your Son is risen from the grave on the third day. Shine, Shine, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. Now dance and be glad O Sion; and you, O pure Theotokos, exalt in the rising of your Son!

The Communion Prayers are found on page 40 of the hymnal.

Communion Hymn

Receive the Body of Christ, and taste him who is the fountain of immortality.

Instead of "We have seen the light...," we chant "Christ is risen."

Today

Prosforo is provided by Terri Leckas

Memorial Prayers today are offered for **Georgia Wiebe** (1 year); **Margo Kosmas** (6 months); and **Metropolitan IAKOVOS**

Sacraments This Week

Baptisms Lena Parents: Adam & Lauren Stribling June 2, 2024

Harley Rose Parents: Austin & Madelyn Bock June 2, 2024



Please remember the sick, the suffering, and those in need, especially: All victims of wars throughout the world; Our brothers and sisters living through the aftermath of disaster; For the victims of violence; Metro Hope Ministries; Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry; Families Moving Forward; FOCUS Minnesota; Our brothers and sisters serving in the Armed Forces throughout the world especially John Ellis; San Miguel Del Lago Orphanage; Betty, Dawn, Nancy, Brad, Lee, Vangie, Jolene, Mikey, Aphrodite, James, Peter, Lyda, Owen, Michael, Johnny, Jaclyn Jereczek, Dena, Chris, Joy Rose, Nick, John, Demos, Kristina, Milton, Maureen, Andrea, Bryan, Nausika, Ron, Phillip Hibberd, Maria, Matt, Laura, Dorla, Susan, Elias, Constance, Marina, Dion, Annali, Sofia, Juan Cruz & family, Charlie, Stan, Helena, Byrdie, Jennifer, John S., Becky, Noel, Stephen, Alexey, Alexandra, Ray, Christina, Joanne, Athena, Charlie, Nuala, Pamela, Avgi, Elena, Speranta, Liz, Efstratia, Jordan, David, Nino, Joe, Zossima, Donnarae, Samira, Mary K., Monte, Bethany, Mark, Owen, Chrysanthy, Estelle, Justine, Melissa, Megan, Lisa, Michael, Robbie, Judi, Evonne, James, Nichole, Constantine, Theodora, Mary, Irene Maria, Apostolos, Olivia, Lincoln, Carole, Patty, Karrisa, Corina, Tom, George R., Ken, Nancy and Tim, Olga, Peter, Cora and family, Bo, Lynn, Sue & Jim, Steve, Sue, Jane, Pat, Dave, Pam, Gilbert, George P., Danielle, Jenny, John L., Presvytera Janis, Sandra, Rick, Nancy, Alex, Eryn, Phil, Karen, Linda, Fr. Elias, Vicki, Bill, Diana, Doria, Mike, Stephanie, Tyler, Ben, Amy, Christy, Karen, Anastasia, Jamie, Alex and Alexander, Toni, Gina, Julie, R.J., Allie, Vickie, Petra, Bob, Joseph, Christopher, Elizabeth, Judi, Bodil, Ole, and others known to you.

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Announcements

Food Shelf Needs for June 9

Canned Meal – large cans

(e.g. Chili / Pork and Beans)

June's recipient is Simpson Food Pantry. Please do not bring opened packages. They will be discarded.



Lost and Found Items

Are you missing a coat, sweater, or other item of clothing? We have accumulated a number of winter clothing items as well as other pieces of clothing such as sport coats and sweaters. Also, if you have in your possession a men's gray wool London Fog overcoat, but remember purchasing a Tommy Hilfiger, your coat is still in our coat area. Please make the swap as soon as you are able. **Unclaimed items will be prepared for donation to a charity later this month.**



Senior Citizens' Meeting Tuesday, June 11

Saint Mary's Seniors' meeting and social will be held on Tuesday, June 11, at 12:00 noon, in the Terrace Room. This will be a POTLUCK luncheon so you are welcome to bring an item to share. We will celebrate all June birthdays and anniversaries with a delicious cake from Queen of Cakes, and a group photo will be taken. A program will be confirmed soon so stay tuned for further details. A short meeting and announcements will follow. All St. Mary's seniors (55+) are welcome to join our lively group. Dues are \$15 payable to St. Mary's Seniors. For further questions, please contact President Tessie Bourdamis or any current officer.





Stay Informed about YAL Events

There are lots of ways to stay connected to YAL! Fill out our contact form to receive emails (scan the code), follow @twincitiesyal on Instagram, and join our GroupMe for event reminders!

Calendar of the Week

Sunday, June 2: Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy 6:30 p.m. – Senior GOYA Glendi, *Terrace Room*

Monday, June 3

12:00 noon - Baklava Assembly, Kitchen

Tuesday, June 4

6:00 p.m. – Women's Book Club Potluck Dinner and Discussion, *Terrace Room* and *Fireside Room*6:00 p.m. – Adult Open Gym Basketball, *Great Hall*

Wednesday, June 5

6:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal, Nave

Friday, June 7

7:00 a.m. - Men's Fellowship, Fireside Room

Saturday, June 8

9:00 a.m. – Bible Study, *Fireside Room* and on *Zoom* 5:50 p.m. – Youth End-of-Year Lock In

Sunday, June 9: Sunday of the Blind Man

8:30 a.m. - Matins; 9:30 a.m. - Divine Liturgy



St. Olympia Upcoming Events

Saint Olympia the Deaconess is a ministry at St. Mary's that aims to involve our young women in areas of service to the Church and the poor, which Saint Olympia exemplified. We will offer events each month. This ministry is led by Elena and Zoe Gabor.

Future Events

Help with the **baking for the Taste of Greece Festival**! Bring a parent or more to help!

Baklava: Come for an hour or more. It's fun to learn how to make it.

- Assembly on Monday, June 3: After school-8:00 p.m.
- Assembly on Wednesday, June 12: Anytime from noon-8:00 p.m.
- Cut and clove on Thursday, June 13: 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Philoptochos News



Sign Up!

Festival Baking Continues!

2024 Taste of Greece Festival Bake Sale

Our baking continues for the 2024 Festival Bake Sale! In June we are making baklava and we'd love your help to make the work lighter. Please volunteer at the Philoptochos table on Sundays or through Sign Up Genius.

- Monday, June 3, and Wednesday, June 12 Baklava assembly
- Thursday, June 13 Cut, clove, and syrup baklava

Novice and experienced baklava makers are welcome, as are friends. You can come for an hour or for an entire session. Every gift of time is valued. Thank you!



Women's Book Club Tuesday, June 4 — Date Change

The Women's Book Club will meet on Tuesday, June 4, 6:00 p.m. This session's book is *Whatever Happened to Truth* by Father Anthony Coniaris, and is available in our bookstore. This will be a potluck gathering, so plan to bring a dish to pass (we are not in a fasting period!). We'll meet in the Terrace Room for dinner at 6:00 and afterwards move to the Fireside Room for the book discussion. *Please note the date change from earlier publications.*



Philoptochos Closet Reorganizing

We are looking for a few ladies to help with reorganizing and cleaning our closet. We may need to make a list of items needed as well. If you would like to help with this project on Monday, June 10, starting at 3:30 p.m., please sign up at our Philoptochos Table today after Liturgy.

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Monthly Refrigerator Clean Out

We are asking for ladies to help keep the kitchen refrigerator (front) cleaned of outdated food. There is a monthly sign up at the Philoptochos table for you to select a month you would be willing to do this. It would take about 15 minutes per month to complete. Stop by our table to learn more. This is a super quick and easy project!



FOCUS Children's Book Drive

Philoptochos is helping to restock the children's bookshelves at FOCUS. Please bring "slightly used" or new children's books (ages up to 18 years) to our collection bin at the Philoptochos table on Sundays. Please drop off between June 2 and June 30. To date, St. Mary's volunteers have packed



Sunday, June 23 – After Divine Liturgy

Join the St. Mary's Missions and Outreach team on Sunday, June 23, after the Divine Liturgy for another Harvest Pack meal-packing event. The goal is to pack 15,000 nutritious meals that will go to those in need in our community. Everyone is welcome to help. It's a fantastic way to connect with our St. Mary's community while doing something that makes a difference. A pizza lunch will be available to volunteers. Please RSVP as soon as possible so that the team can plan accordingly. Sign up using the code. Thank you.

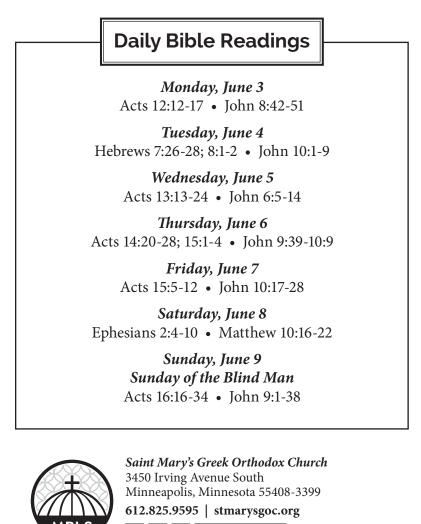
SIGN UP TODAY!



On Inner Peace...

"Keep your conscience unstained so that it does not gnaw at you or reproach you in anything, but is at peace in relation to God, to yourself, to your neighbors, and to all external things. If your conscience is thus kept clean, it will produce, deepen, and strengthen inner peace."

— Saint Theophan the Recluse



Fr. Timothy Sas, Fr. Jason Houck, Fr. John Kostas Fr. Paul Kalina, Deacon; Fr. Luke Twito, Deacon

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