

Christ is Risen!

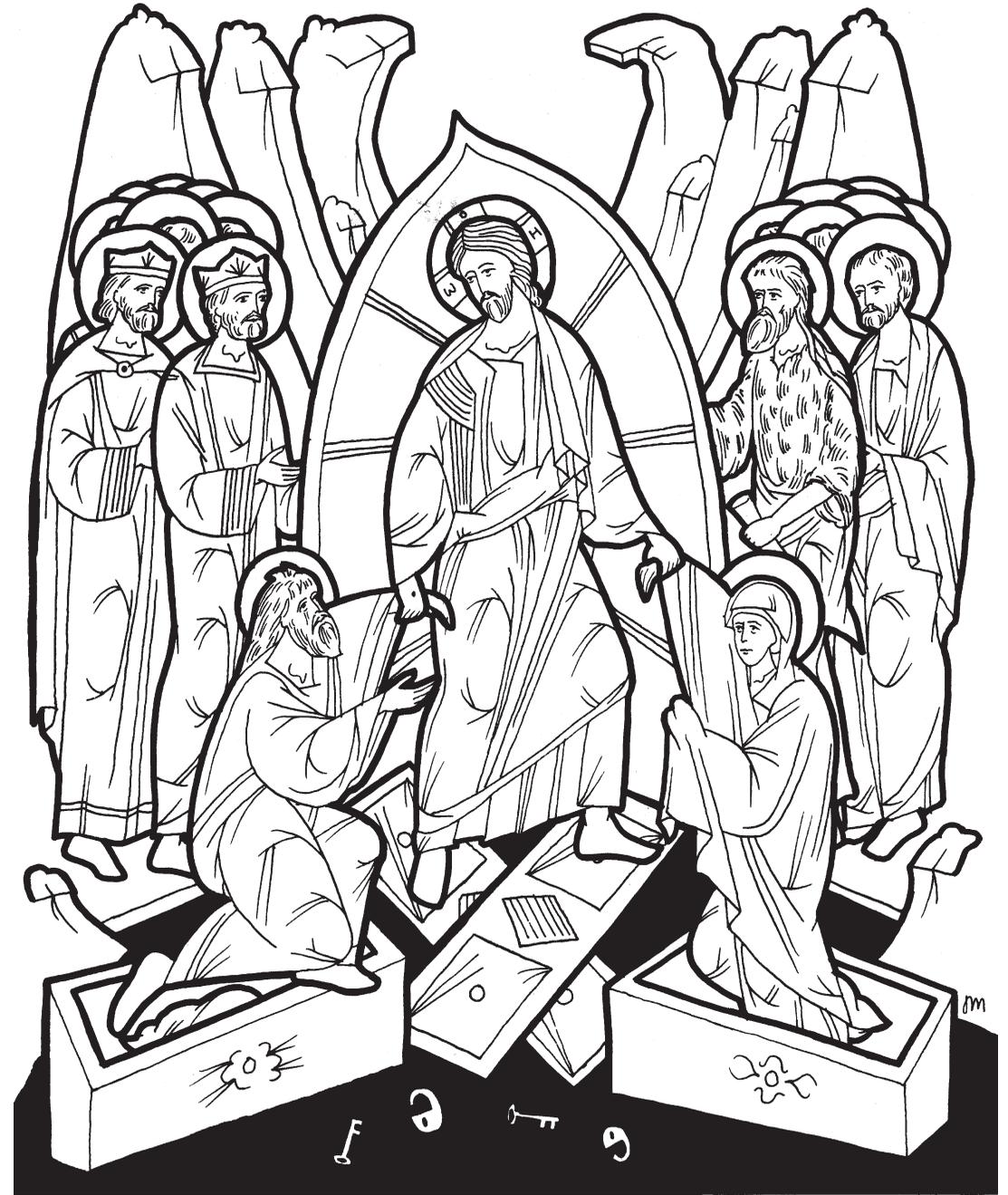


Χριστὸς ἀνέστη
ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΒΟСКРЕСЕ

Christos a înviat

**Indeed
He is Risen!**

He both accepts the deeds, and welcomes the intention, and honors the acts and praises the offering. Wherefore, enter all of you into the joy of your Lord; and receive your reward, both the first, and likewise the second. You rich and poor together, hold high the festival. You sober and you heedless, honor the day. Rejoice today, both you who have fasted and you who have disregarded the fast. The table is full laden; feast all of you sumptuously. The calf is fattened; let no one go away hungry. Everyone enjoy the feast of faith: All of you receive the riches of loving-kindness. Let no one lament their poverty, for the universal kingdom has been revealed. Let no one weep for their iniquities, for pardon has shone forth from the grave. Let no one fear death, for the Savior's death has set us free. He that was held prisoner of it has annihilated it. By descending into Hell, He made Hell captive. He embittered it when it tasted of His flesh. And Isaiah, foretelling this, cried: "Hell was embittered, when it encountered You in the lower regions." It was embittered, for it was abolished. It was embittered, for it was mocked. It was embittered, for it was slain. It was embittered, for it was overthrown. It was embittered, for it was fettered in chains. It took a body, and met God face to face. It took earth, and encountered Heaven. It took that which was seen, and fell upon the unseen. O Death, where is your sting? O Hell, where is your victory? Christ is risen, and you are overthrown. Christ is risen, and the demons are fallen. Christ is risen, and the angels rejoice. Christ is risen, and life reigns. Christ is risen, and not one dead remains in the grave. For Christ, being risen from the dead, has become the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep. To Him be glory and dominion unto ages of ages. Amen.



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Pascha 2018

Sunday	April 8	<i>Holy Pascha / The Glorious Resurrection of Christ</i>
Christ is Risen!		12:00 am Matins / Liturgy / Blessings / Reception 12:00 pm Paschal Vespers / Easter Egg Hunt
Monday	April 9	<i>Bright Monday / 2nd Day of Pascha</i>
Christ is Risen!		9:30 am Paschal Divine Liturgy
Saturday	April 14	<i>Bright Saturday / 7th Day of Pascha</i>
		5:30 pm Great Vespers
Sunday	April 15	<i>2nd Sunday of Pascha / Sunday of St. Thomas</i>
Christ is Risen!		Readings: Acts 5:12-2 John 20:19-31 9:00 am Church School 10:00 am Liturgy / Crivella Baptism Coffee Hour 1:00 pm Blessing of Graves (Weather permitting)

ATTENDANCE / STEWARDSHIP / APRIL 1

Attendance 163 (Adults 135, Children 28), Operating \$4,148.00, OCA Assessments \$145.00, Alms \$460.00, Icons 55.00, Charities \$93.00, Flowers \$125.00, Uganda \$45.00.

PASCHAL GREETING

From Pascha to Ascension, Orthodox Christians greet each other with “Christ is Risen!” The response is “Indeed He is Risen!”

BLESSING OF GRAVES

Weather permitting, graves will be blessed next week April 23, at approximately 1:00 pm on St. Thomas Sunday.

SPECIAL THANKS

Our gratitude goes out to Jenny and the Choir who worked so hard during Lent and Holy Week to lead us in the singing of the many special services. Also, many thanks to Sub-deacon Leonard and Dolores Heim and all who helped with the special chores of Holy Week.



CHRIST IS RISEN!

PRAYER CORNER + + + + +
Eleanor Alexander (Tom’s mom), Perry (Capitan), Sbdcn Leonard, Kathy (Denise F’s sis), Jim (Ruth’s dad), Michael (Chongris nphw), Ted Geletka, (Fr’s frnd), Alex Dzura, infant Julian, John Clements, Willie (Elena G’s son), Sarah Crivella, Darlene (Mary V’s csn), Donald Starr (Scott C’s frn-lw), Denise Fross, Mary Georges (Peter’s mom), suffering Christians in Ukraine and the Middle East.

Birthdays: Emily Schlotzer (4/8), Leonard Heim IV, Nicholas Zasukhin (4/10), Jennifer Kochan (4/14).

Newborns: Cooper (Jimmy & Heather),

Henry (Fred & Faith), Michael David (Cole & Sarah), Nina Margret (Matt & Krista), Andrew James (James & Lisa).

Expecting: Alexandr & Olga, Chad & Meredith, Matt & Michelle, Tom & Miranda, Mitch & Winnie, Brian & Nicole, Jon & Larissa.

Our Seminarian: Brian Crivella & Family.

Newly Illumined: Cami (Tetiana) Price, Stephanie Iorga.

Memory Eternal: Regina Ryan (Lisa’s grandmother (3/29), Betty Sapp’s One Year (3/30), Archpriest Paul Ziatik (3/5).

The Catechetical Sermon of Saint John Chrysostom

If any be devout and love God, let them enjoy this fair and radiant triumphal feast. If any be wise servants, let them, rejoicing, enter into the joy of their Lord. If any have labored long in fasting, let them now receive their compensation. If any have worked from the first hour, let them today receive their just reward. If any have come at the third hour, let them with thankfulness keep the feast. If any have arrived at the sixth hour, let them have no misgivings; because they shall in nowise be deprived thereof. If any have delayed until the ninth hour, let them draw near, fearing nothing. If any have delayed even until the eleventh hour, let them, also, be not alarmed at their tardiness; for the Lord, Who is jealous of His honor, will accept the last even as the first; He gives rest to those who come at the eleventh hour, even as to those who have worked from the first hour. And He shows mercy upon the last, and cares for the first; and to the one He gives, and upon the other He bestows gifts. And

INDEED HE IS RISEN!

