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## **SCHEDULE**

Holy Friday, May 34:00pm Vespers of Holy Friday						
	5:00pm General Confession					
	5:15pm Begin Vigil at the Lord's					
Grave						
	7:00pm Matins of Holy Saturday with					
Lamentations						
	8:30pm General Confession					
Holy Saturday, May 4	9:00am Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St.					
	0:15am Blessing of Baskets					
	0:30am Baptism: Nicholas Bertha					
	1:30pm Paschal Nocturn and Matins					

**HOLY PASCHA the Feast of Feasts.....12:00am Paschal Matins** 

12:30am Paschal Divine Liturgy

2:00am Blessing of Baskets and

Festal Meal

11:00am Agape Vespers

12:00pm Egg Hunt

Bright Monday, May 6......10:00am Paschal Divine Liturgy

Bright Wednesday, May 8.....6:30pm Vespers with Archbishop

Michael

Christ the Saviour Church,

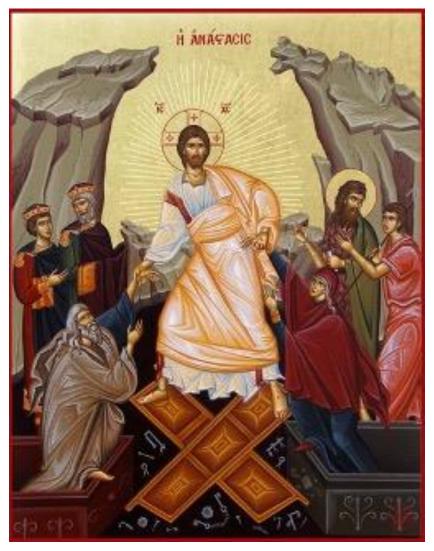
**Paramus** 

Sunday, May 12.....9:30am Third Hour

Antipascha – St. Thomas Sunday 9:45am General Confession

10:00am Divine Liturgy

1:00pm Blessing of Graves



**GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA** 

The Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ May 5, 2024

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HOLY PASCHA — THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. [Beginning of the Pentecostarion]. Great Martyr Irene (1st-

2nd c.). Uncovering of the Relics of Ven. Jacob (James), Abbot of Zheleznobórovsk.

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8

Gospel: John 1:1-17

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### HOLY PASCHA: The Resurrection of Our Lord

### <u>Troparion — Tone 4</u>

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

### <u> Troparion — Tone 8</u>

(Hypakoe)

Before the dawn Mary and the women came and found the stone rolled away from the tomb. They heard the angelic voice: "Why do you seek among the dead as a Man the One Who is everlasting Light? Behold the clothes in the grave; go and proclaim to the world: The Lord is risen; He has slain death, as He is the Son of God, saving the race of man."

#### Kontakion — Tone 8

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, Thou didst destroy the power of death. In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming: "Rejoice!" to the Myrrhbearing Women, granting peace to Thine Apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the fallen.

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**Teaching:** To be Christian, to believe in Christ, means and has always meant this: to know in a transrational and yet absolutely certain way called faith, that Christ is the Life of all life, that He is Life itself and, therefore, my life. "In him was life; and the life was the light of men." All Christian doctrines—those of the

incarnation, redemption, atonement—are explanations, consequences, but not the "cause" of that faith. Only when we believe in Christ do all these affirmations become "valid" and "consistent."

But faith itself is the acceptance not of this or that "proposition" about Christ, but of Christ Himself as the Life and the light of life. "For the life was manifested and we have seen it, and bear witness, and show unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us" (1Jn 1:2). In this sense Christian faith is radically different from "religious belief." Its starting point is not "belief" but love. In itself and by itself all belief is partial, fragmentary, fragile. "For we know in part, and we prophecy in part … whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away." Only love never faileth (1 Cor. 13). And if to love someone means that I have my life in him, or rather that he has become the "content" of my life, to love Christ is to know and to possess Him as the Life of my life.

Only this possession of Christ as Life, the "joy and peace" of communion with Him, the certitude of His presence, makes meaningful the proclamation of Christ's death and the confession of His resurrection. In this world Christ's resurrection can never be made an "objective fact." ... Death remains the same mysterious passage into a mysterious future. The great joy that the disciples felt when they saw the risen Lord, that "burning of heart" that they experienced on the way to Emmaus were not because the mysteries of an "other world" were revealed to them, but because they saw the Lord. And He sent them to preach and to proclaim not the resurrection of the dead – not a doctrine of death – but repentance and remission of sins, the new life, the Kingdom. They announced what they knew, that in Christ the new life has already begun, that He is Life Eternal, the Fulfillment, the Resurrection and the Joy of the world.

-- from For the Life of the World by Fr Alexander Schmemann

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

# Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

Albanian: Krishti u ngjall!
Arabic: al-Masīḥ qām!
Coptic: Kristos Aftonf

French: Christ est ressuscité!

Georgian: Kriste aĝsdga!

German: Christus ist auferstanden!

Greek: Khristós Anésti! Romanian: Hristos a înviat!

Serbian: Hristos vaskrsao je! Slavonic: Хрїстосъ воскре́се!

Christos voskrese!

Spanish: iCristo ha resucitado!

Ukrainian: Христос воскрес!

Vërtet u ngjall!

Ḥaqqan qãm!

Khen omethmi aftonf

Il est vraiment ressuscité!

Č'ešmarít'ad aĝsdga!

Er ist wahrhaftig

Auferstanden!

Alithós Anésti!

Adevărat a înviat!

On je zaista vaskrsao!

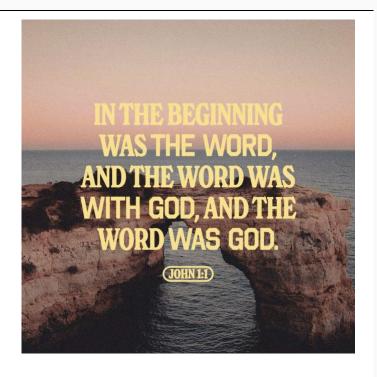
Воистину воскресе!

Voistinu voskrese!

iEn verdad ha resucitado!

Воістину воскрес!

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"Our Savior's death has liberated the world! By His wounds all of us have been healed. What joy will there be for the total abolition of sin and the resurrection of the

+St. Athanasius the Great

"Let every friend of Christ keep the Lord's Day as a festival, the resurrection day, the queen and chief of all the feast days ... on which our life was both renewed and victory over death was obtained by Christ."

+St. Ignatius of Antioch

### **THANK YOU!**

- To Fr. David for his outstanding leadership throughout the year and especially during Great Lent, for his pastoral care, for growing our Holy Trinity Community, and for all his tireless service to the Church
- To Carol Wetmore, the Choir, and the Readers for their prayerful singing at all church services, particularly during Great Lent, Holy Week, and Pascha
- To Parish Council President Nina Rimarenko, Vice President Drew Krause, and Council members for taking care of the physical needs of the Church and preparing for services
- To the Sunday School teachers who educate the children of our Community
- To Altar Servers for their support in all services
- To Matushka Kerri and the Care Committee for providing repasts during
   Great Lent and for all the work its members do all year
- To the bakers for providing Prosphora, Litiya breads, and Paschal baked goods
- To Lorraine Lyzak for cleaning and preparing the church for services
- To the teams who cleaned the interior of the Church and the grounds in preparation for Holy Week and Pascha
- To Peter Dardaganis for all his work in organizing projects for the Facilities
   Committee, and for the many meals he and his teams provide
- To those who donated funds for Paschal flowers
- To all those who support our Church in any other way, large or small, in making this a beautiful Pascha!

**THANK YOU** to **Fr. David** for faithfully serving Holy Trinity Orthodox Church for 15 years! His anniversary was on May 1st. God grant Fr. David Many Blessed Years!

MANY YEARS to those who are celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, or name days in the month of May! Birthdays: Thomas Anderson, Natasha Battista, Keith Braun, Jordan Bryson, Jean Constantine, David Constantine Jr., Peter Gilbert, Alexander Hedge, Summer Hedge, Boris Hersonski, Carol Tarassoff, Shelley Kaufman, Brynn Marie Kelly, Julianne Kietrys, Sonia Kraftician, Erin Krawchuk, Nadia Minetti, Gabriela Olszowy, Ryan Potosky, Raffaele Timpani, Michael Tutko, Irene Walsh, Ivan Wirhanowsky, Sonya Wirhanowsky, Brook Marie Wydner, Mila Tutko, Charlotte Williams, Aaron Young.

Anniversaries: Jeanne & George Connerat, John & Suzette Eremin, Cynthia & Nicholas Gakos, George & Maria Hasenecz, Russel & Doreen Sakowych, Scott & Jill Williams, Serge & Sandra Wirhanowsky.

**Name days:** Constantine Leon, Ruby Leon – May 21<sup>st</sup>, Larisa Bohensky, Larisa Rose

Bohensky

- 26<sup>th</sup>.

**AFTERNOON TEA POSTPONED** until November 2nd, 2024. Tickets are available and can be purchased at any time.



ARCHPASTORAL LETTER of His Eminence Archbishop

MICHAEL for Great and Holy Pascha 2024.

Read here:

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|     | FUTURE |        | COFFEE |        | HOURS |
|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|
| May | 5 -    | PASCHA | - No   | Coffee | Hour  |
|     | May    | 12     |        | -      | open  |
|     | May    | 19     |        | -      | open  |
|     | May    | 26     |        | -      | open  |
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