

VARIABLES – APRIL 26, 2020

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“Not trusting in yourself and not acting according to your own will and understanding is the path to humility. Without this, even though we may do good, it is not pleasing to God.”

St. Macarius of Optina

New Sunday or Anti-Pascha Sunday of Thomas the Apostle, Called “The Twin”

HIEROMARTYR BASIL, BISHOP OF AMASEA WITH VENERABLE GLAPHYRA; STEPHEN, BISHOP OF PERM; VENERABLE IOANIKIOS OF DEVITCH IN SERBIA

Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom—Hymns & Scriptures

Variable Hymns

Paschal Troparion, Tn. 5

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

Entrance Hymn of Pascha, Russian

In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord, from the springs of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

Troparion for Thomas Sunday, Tn. 7, Byzantine

From the sealed tomb Thou didst shine forth, O Life! Through closed doors, Thou didst appear to Thy Disciples, O Christ God! Through them, renew in us an upright Spirit, by the greatness of Thy mercy, O Resurrection of all!

Kontakion of Pascha, Tn. 8, Russian

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal. Thou didst destroy the pow’r of death. In vic’try didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming rejoice to the myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Thine apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

Megalynarion for Thomas Sunday, Tn. 1, Byzantine

O most radiant lamp, the Theotokos, the immeasurable honor, which is more exalted than all creatures, with praises do we magnify thee.

Paschal Troparion – Japanese

Christos shi yori fukukatsu shi shi o motte shi o horoboshi hakani arumo no ni inochi o ta maeri.

Paschal Troparion – Finnish

Christos nosi kwalehsta kwalemala kwaleman voiti, ya haudoisa olivile elle man ontoi.

Paschal Troparion – French

Christ est ressuscité des morts par la mort, Il a vaincu la mort, à ceux qui sont dans les tombeaux, Il a donné la vie.

Paschal Troparion – Latin

Christus surrexit a mortuis, morte mortem conteret, et entibus in monumentis, vitam donavit.

Paschal Troparion – Romanian

Hristos a unviat dhin mortz cu moartea pre moarte căl cund shi chelor dhin mormihn te viaztă dăruindule.

The Reading from the Acts of the Apostles (5:12-20).

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the Apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the Apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (20:19-31).

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the Disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the Disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other Disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe." Eight days later, His Disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the Disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His Name.

Today's Commemorations and Prayer Requests

Keep these people in your prayers this week. Some names are not Orthodox Christians and thus are not remembered in the Great Entrance.

For the living: Prs. Nathan, George, Tom & Kh. Maria; Pr. Simeon; Dn. Marc, Dn. Richard & Sh. Barbara; Sh. Camille-Anna; Stuart, Matthew & Amy, John, Fiona, Joshua, Hugh, Roger, Amy, Nathan, Jeremiah, Simon, Alexander, Katie, Kurt, Martha, Caitlin Charity, Gabriel Dane, Judith, Karl, James & family, Jared, Rebeca, Ekaterina & Joshua, Cherice & family, Caleb, Mark, Eli, Ellena & family, Mike, Jessica & Asher & family, Daniel & family, David, Michael & family, Christina & Lucas, Betty Jean, Brandon, Thomas, Braylin, Don & Marie, Peter & family, Braden, Kerrie, Carmen, Randall, James, Branden, Rosanna, Hudson, Darcy, Andrew, Annea, Caleb, Cameron.

For the reposed: Newly-departed Ruth, Archpr. Bernard; Met. PHILIP; Archps. Gordon & Jack; Prs. Basil, Terry & David; Hmks. Athanasios & John; Mnk. Simeon; Dns. Nathaniel, David, Joseph, Mark, Michael & John; Sbdn. Neil; Kh. Terry Elizabeth; Tatiana, Christopher.

For those who are pregnant and their unborn children: Rachele, Christina, Kristy, Hannah.

For those serving in the Armed Forces: David, Jacob, Gregory, Daniel, Preston, Saba, Don, Nick, Scott, Michelle.