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An icon of St. Michael the Archangel, depicted with large, feathered wings, wearing a red robe, and holding a sword. He has a halo around his head.

**Sunday May 3, 2020** 3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA –  
Tone 2. Ven. Theodosius, Abbot of the Kiev Caves  
Monastery and Founder of Cœnobitic Monasticism in  
Russia (1074). Myrrhbearing Women. Martyrs Timothy  
the Reader and his wife Maura of Antinoë in Egypt (ca.  
286). St. Peter the Wonderworker, Bishop of Argolis (10th  
c.). The “SVENSKAYA” Icon of the Mother of God  
(1288)., Serbia (13th c.).

### **This Week's Online Schedule**

**Today 5/3** Church School (ages 7 to 10) 1:00 p.m.

**Monday 5/4** Re-opening Committee Meeting 8:30 p.m.

**Wednesday 5/6** Little Angels 5:30 p.m.

Parish Council Meeting 8:30 p.m.

**Friday 5/8** Little Angels 10:00 a.m.

**Saturday 5/9** Vespers 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday 5/10** Typika Molienen 9:00 a.m.

*\*Please Note all Services and Groups will meet Online\**

## Hymns and Prayers

Priest: "Blessed is the Kingdom... "

Choir: "Amen."

Priest: "Christ is risen from the dead..." (2 ½ times)

Choir: "and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!"

(The Divine Liturgy is begun in this manner until the Leavetaking of Pascha.)

### **Tone 2 Troparion**      *(Resurrection)*

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal,  
You destroyed hell with the splendor of Your Godhead.  
And when from the depths You raised the dead,  
all the powers of heaven cried out://  
"O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!"

### **Tone 2 Troparion**      *(from the Pentecostarion)*

The noble Joseph,  
when he had taken down Your most pure Body from the Tree,  
wrapped it in fine linen and anointed it with spices,  
and placed it in a new tomb.  
But You rose on the third day, O Lord, //  
granting the world great mercy.

### **Tone 2 Troparion**      *(from the Pentecostarion)*

The Angel came to the myrrhbearing women at the tomb and said:  
"Myrrh is fitting for the dead;  
but Christ has shown Himself a stranger to corruption!  
So proclaim: 'The Lord is risen, //  
granting the world great mercy.'"

### **Tone 2 Kontakion**      *(from the Pentecostarion)*

You commanded the Myrrhbearers to rejoice, O Christ God.  
By Your Resurrection, You stopped the lamentation of Eve, the first  
mother.  
You commanded them to preach to Your Apostles://  
"The Savior is risen from the tomb!"

## **Tone 8 Kontakion** (*Pascha*)

You descended into the tomb, O Immortal,  
You destroyed the power of death.  
In victory You arose, O Christ God,  
proclaiming: “Rejoice!” to the Myrrhbearing Women,//  
granting peace to Your Apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the  
fallen.

## **Tone 6 Prokeimenon** (*Resurrection*)

O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance! (*Ps 27/28:9*)

*v: To You, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me! (Ps 27/28:1)*

### **Epistle** Acts 6:1-7

*Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution.*

*Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, “It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables.*

*Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business;*

*but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word.”*

*And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch, whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them.*

*Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.*

## **Tone 8**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*v: O Lord, You have been gracious to Your land; You have turned back the captivity of Jacob. (Ps 84/85:1)*

*v: Mercy and truth have met, righteousness and peace have kissed each other. (Ps 84/85:10)*

### **Gospel Mark 15:43-16:8**

*Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus.*

*Pilate marveled that He was already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him if He had been dead for some time.*

*So when he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph. Then he bought fine linen, took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen. And he laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock, and rolled a stone against the door of the tomb.*

*And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses observed where He was laid.*

*Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen.*

*And they said among themselves, “Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?”*

*But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away – for it was very large.*

*And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.*

*But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him.*

*But go, tell His disciples – and Peter – that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you.”*

*So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.*

***(Instead of “It is truly meet ...,” we sing:)***

The Angel cried to the Lady, full of grace:  
“Rejoice, O pure Virgin! Again, I say: ‘Rejoice,  
your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb!  
With Himself He has raised all the dead.’”

Rejoice, O ye people!

Shine, shine, O New Jerusalem!  
The glory of the Lord has shone on you!  
Exult now, and be glad, O Zion!  
Be radiant, O pure Theotokos,

### ***This Week's Announcements***

***Update on St. Michael's Liturgical Life*** The Holy Synod of Bishops has offered guidelines and requirements for the re-opening of our parishes. The parish council has from a sub-committee that will organize and implement St. Michael's re-opening. There is a lot to do in preparation for re-opening, we ask your patience and understanding. For the time being we will continue with online services Vesper and Typika with Molieben. All services will be streamed online. Please look to your email or our parish web site for ongoing updates.

***Re-opening Committee*** Our re-opening will meet this Monday at 8:30 p.m. on Zoom. Please be sure to review the emailed requirement materials from the Holy Synod and Diocese.

***Parish Council Meeting*** The parish council will meet again this Wednesday evening May 6th at 8:30 p.m. via video conference. Please check your emails for any changes.

***Phone Confessions*** Phone confession will be offered for those who feel they need it. Confessions will be by appointment. Regular confession will be available as soon as the liturgical suspension is lifted. During the pandemic, the faithful are not bound to confess but may wait until a time when in-person Confessions will be possible again.

***Study Group*** Our Study Group will be taking its summer break in order to focus on the re-opening plans. Thank you for your understanding.

***Little Angels & Church School*** Our Little Angels & Church School Groups will also meet online during this time. Please check your emails for Meeting times.

***Prayers for the Departed:*** Fr. Jozef Petranin, Barbara Hicks, Peter Melnik, David Rex

***Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:*** Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Daniel Kovalak, Fr. John Nightingale, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Lemlem Resat, Olga Riley, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Mary Anne Farrell, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, , Stephanie Hojnicky, Laura Cristina Najemy, Harry Kutch, Dimitrios Jim Petrides, Albert Shock, Elizabeth Melnik, Alexandra Grishin, Sam Sylvest, Jamie Clause, Paula Flynn, Michael Telep, Paula Daubert

***Prayers for Catechmens*** Kristin Mackenzie, Edward Jones. Cole McElmurry, Sean & Jennifer Vojaicek

***Upcoming Dates to Keep in Mind***

Ascension Thursday May 28<sup>th</sup>

Pentecost Sunday June 7<sup>th</sup>

Ss. Peter & Paul Fast June 15-29<sup>th</sup>

Ss. Peter & Paul Monday June 29<sup>th</sup>