

Sunday of the Paralytic May 26, 2024

Apostle Karpos of the Seventy; Apostle Alphaeus and his children, Martyrs Abercius and Helen

1st Antiphon

Shout with joy to God, all the earth; sing to His Name, give glory to His praises.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Say to God: How awesome are Thy works; let all the earth worship Thee, and sing to Thee. Let it sing a song to Thy Name, O Most High. (*Refrain*)

Glory... Both now... (*Refrain*)

2nd Antiphon

May God have mercy upon us, and bless us, and may He cause His face to shine upon us, and have mercy upon us.

Refrain:

Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing unto Thee. Alleluia.

That Thy way may be known upon earth, Thy salvation among all nations; let the peoples give thanks to Thee, O God, let all the peoples give thanks to Thee. (*Refrain*)

May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear Him. (*Refrain*)

Glory... Both now... Only begotten Son and Word of God...

3rd Antiphon (Tone 4)

Let God arise, and let His enemies be scattered, and let them that Him flee from before His face.

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

As smoke vanisheth, so let them vanish; as wax melteth before the fire. (*Refrain*)

So let sinners perish at the presence of God, and let the righteous be glad. (*Refrain*)

This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad therein. (*Refrain*)

The Entrance Hymn

In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord, from the springs of Israel. O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto Thee: Alleluia (3x).

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 3)

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death and became the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

Troparion for St. Raphael of Brooklyn (Tone 3)

Rejoice, O Father Raphael, Adornment of the holy Church! Thou art Champion of the True Faith, Seeker of the lost, Consolation of the oppressed, Father to orphans and Friend of the poor, Peacemaker and good Shepherd, Joy of all the Orthodox, Son of Antioch, Boast of America. Intercede with Christ God for us and for all who honor thee.

Kontakion of Pascha (Tone 8)

O Christ our God, though thou didst descend into the grave, yet didst thou overthrow the pow'r of Hades and rise as an Immortal Conqueror. Thou didst greet the myrrh-bearing women with joy, and to thine apostles thou didst send thy peace, and to the fallen, O Lord, didst bring resurrection.

The Prokeimenon

Sing praises to our God, sing praises

Clap your hands, all you nations.

The Epistle

Acts 9:32-42

In those days, as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments, which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

Holy Gospel

John 5:1-15

At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethesda, which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first, after the troubling of the water was healed of

whatever disease he had. One man was there, who had been ill for 38 years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked. Now that day was the Sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the Sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet, and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk'?" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befalls you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus Who had healed him.

Holy Bread: Kh Meleah Palke/Carol Ofiesh

Commemorations(Living): Fr Michael, Pr Vicki, John, Corgie, Karen, Maher, Fabiola, Christopher, Steven, Jonathan, Jaime, Justin, George, Joan, Fr Tom, Kh Meleah, Stephen, Carol, Michael, Joel, Lisa, Danny, Asa, Cody, Max, Levi, Courtney, Nina, Kenneth, Alex, Christina, Beth, Janni, Dominick, Yina, Lauren, Rashid, Hala, Irina, Alex, Lauren, Aaron, Adam, Atticus, Fr. Vladimir Paul, all Orthodox missionaries, the suffering believers everywhere.

Departed: James, Laura

Mark your calendars, and plan to join us for the 2024 Parish Life Conference, June 27-30, 2024, at the Antiochian Village in Bolivar, Pennsylvania. All are welcome! nypc@antiochianevents.com.

Know your faith. Name the apostle who was chosen to take the place of Judas. _____. In order to help the apostles in their ministry, God established the office of _____ in the Church. Seven godly men were chosen to fill this position. The most famous of the group was _____, who would later become the first Christian martyr. Who was the ringleader of the group that stoned this martyr to death? _____. In what city were the believers first called "Christians"? _____. The resurrected Jesus showed himself to the disciples for _____ days before he _____. On what day of the Church Year did the disciples speak the Gospel in various languages ("tongues")? _____. This happened _____ days after the resurrection. Who preached a powerful sermon on that day? _____.

Midweek Bible Study and Prayer group will resume on Wednesday, June 12, at 8:00 PM, on Zoom. Our topic: St. Paul's First Epistle to the Thessalonians.



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Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM

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