

**April 17, 2022**

**New Sunday or Anti-Pascha – Sunday of St. Thomas**

*As we enter the Church let us pray.....*

*I will come into Thy House In the multitude of Thy mercy;  
And in Thy fear I will worship toward Thy Holy Temple.*

**Apolytikion for Thomas Sunday – Tone 7**

While the tomb was sealed, Thou didst shine forth from it, O Life. While the doors were closed, Thou didst come in to Thy Disciples, O Christ God, Resurrection of all, renewing in us through them an upright spirit, according to the greatness of Thy mercy.

**Kontakion of Pascha – Tone 8**

Though Thou didst descend into the grave, O Immortal One, yet didst Thou destroy the power of Hades, and didst arise as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women, Rejoice, and giving peace unto Thine Apostles, O Thou Who dost grant resurrection to the fallen.

**SYNAXARION**

On May 1 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Prophet Jeremiah; and Venerable Martyrs Euthymios, Ignatius and Akakios of Prodromou skete on Athos.

On this day, the second Sunday of Pascha, we inaugurate the celebration of Christ's Resurrection, and the occasion whereon the Holy Apostle Thomas touched the Savior's side. This day is called New Sunday, Thomas Sunday or Anti-Pascha. The last term means "in place of Pascha" because Thomas did not immediately hear of Christ's Resurrection and disbelieved it. Starting with this day, the Church dedicates Sunday to the celebration of the Resurrection. As the Disciples were gathered together on Pascha, Jesus entered and greeted them in His usual way, saying, "Peace be unto you." Then He showed them His hands, feet and side. Jesus ate with His Disciples and reassured them of His Resurrection. However, Thomas was not with them at that time, and insisted upon seeing the Savior's wounds—the print of the nails in His hands and feet, and the spear in His side—before he would believe that Jesus was risen. Eight days later, Christ appeared again to the Disciples, this time with Thomas present. The Master told Thomas to see and feel His wounds. Then Thomas immediately cried out, "My Lord and my God!" But Jesus tells His Disciples, "Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." This event also clearly illustrates the human and divine Natures of Christ. By the intercessions of Thine Apostle Thomas, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

\* \* \* \* \*

**St John Chrysostom Antiochian Orthodox Church is a parish of the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America**

His Eminence Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of North America, Primate

His Grace Bishop Thomas, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston, Oakland and the Mid-Atlantic

The V. Rev. Peter Pier, Pastor

The Rev. David Hyatt, Assistant Pastor

\* \* \* \* \*

Come Visit St. John Chrysostom's Web Sites: [www.orthodoxyork.org](http://www.orthodoxyork.org)

**The Inquirer's Class** – will meet today, Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup> following the Divine Liturgy. These classes are for those studying the Orthodox Christian Faith, and those wishing to deepen their understanding of the Faith. All are welcome.

**Weis and Giant Grocery Gift Cards** – are available for purchase. You pay the face amount of the card and the church receives 5% of the value of the card. Please see Marjorie Barrett after any Divine Liturgy to purchase a card. Purchases benefit the general fund of St. John Chrysostom Church.

**Attendance: Palm Sunday 182**

**Operating Fund Offering Received: \$8,693.50**

Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: **\$7,280.00**

**Church Calendar**

**May 1** 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Inquirer's Class. 6:00pm Bridegroom.  
**May 3** 8:30 am 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour and Morning Ministry.  
**May 4** 7:00 pm AOW Ladies Night Out @ El Serrano Lancaster.  
**May 7** 6:00 pm NO VESPER.  
**May 8** 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. SCS. Inquirer's Class. Plant Exchange.

**Remember In Your Prayers**

*Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear" (Is. 65:24)*

**The Living – for their health & wellbeing**

Metropolitan Joseph  
Bishop Thomas  
Sarah Chattopadhyay  
Olena Bassarab  
Jamey Miller  
Matthew Miller  
Officer Jamie Miller  
Joyce "Kassiane" Williams  
Michael Acierno  
Ian Snyder  
Francis "Patrick" Barrett  
Marjorie "Marion" Barrett  
Jerry "David" Desautels  
Nancy Usner

**The Departed – Memory Eternal!**

Metropolitan PHILIP  
Bishop Antoun  
Priest Boniface Black  
Wayne "Stephen" Coleson  
Georgette Habib Soliman  
Leavitt "George" Keener  
Mary Jane Glagola  
Norm "Nourhan" and Eva "Marie" Kailian  
Nicholas Raptapolus  
Walter and Mary Damm  
Donnell Gregory and Mary "Rebecca" Beck  
Michael Bogosh  
Christos Tsakiris  
Harry and Grace Dorion

Marianne Rupp  
Mary Bincarowsky  
Gene "Paul" Strayer  
Katherine Monsour  
George and Darla Feeser  
Cindi "Monica" Bennett  
Mary Kopey  
Martha Allen  
Mary Lou Grove  
Melinda "Magdalena" Stika  
James Fetter  
Andrew Himes  
Patty May  
Julie Acierno  
Vincent Michael Terzano-Borovic  
Steven Smith  
Edward Boner  
Cheryl "Alexandra" Bury  
Thomas Lehman  
Barry "John" Hart  
Angela Pandelidis  
Kathryn Velen  
Renee McCutchen