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Commemoration of our Righteous Mother Mary of Egypt

Venerable Titus the wonderworker; Virgin-martyr Theodora of Palestin

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE ONE (Blue books page 6.1) - *While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.*

APOLYTIKION OF ST. MARY OF EGYPT IN TONE EIGHT - *Through thee, the divine likeness was securely preserved, O mother Mary; for thou didst carry the cross and follow Christ. By example and precept thou didst teach us to ignore the body, because it is perishable, and to attend to the concerns of the undying soul. Therefore, doth thy soul rejoice with the angels.*

APOLYTIKION TO ST. MOSES THE BLACK - *Dweller of the desert and angel in the body, you were shown to be a wonder-worker, our God-bearing Father Moses. You received heavenly gifts through fasting, vigil, and prayer: healing the sick and the souls of those drawn to you by faith. Glory to Him who gave you strength! Glory to Him who granted you a crown! Glory to Him who through you grants healing to all!*

ORDINARY KONTAKION IN TONE TWO - *O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.*

THE EPISTLE

Make your vows and pay them to the Lord our God. God is known in Judaea. His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (9:11-14)

Brethren, Christ having appeared a High Priest of the good things to come, through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation; neither through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, entered in once for all into the holy place, having found eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of bulls and goats and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (10:32-45)

At that time, Jesus took His twelve Disciples, and began to tell them what was to happen to Him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of man will be delivered to April 02, 2023 Liturgy Variables 2 Fifth Sunday of Lent

the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn Him to death, and deliver Him to the Gentiles. And they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit upon Him, and kill Him; and after three days He will rise.” And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Him, and said to Him, “Teacher, we would that thou shouldest do for us whatsoever we shall desire” And Jesus said to them, “What do you want Me to do for you?” And they said to Him, “Grant us to sit, one at Thy right hand and one at Thy left, in Thy glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” And they said to Him, “We are able.” And Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized. But to sit at My right hand or at My left is not Mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. And Jesus called them to Him and said to them, “You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be servant of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many.”

ST. BASIL LITURGY MEGALYNARION - *All creation rejoiceth in thee, O thou who art full of grace: the angelic hosts and the race of men. O hallowed temple and spiritual paradise, glory of virgins, of whom God was incarnate and became a little child, even our God who is before all the ages; for he made thy womb a throne, and thy body more spacious than the heavens. All creation rejoiceth in thee, O thou who art full of grace. Glory to thee.*

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Monday, April 3, 2023 - 5:00 PM - Compline

Wednesday, April 5, 2023 - 6:00 PM - Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, April 7, 2023 - 7:30 AM - Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, April 7, 2023 - 5:00 PM - Little Compline with the Canon of the Raising of Lazarus

Saturday, April 8, 2023 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Liturgy for Lazarus Saturday

Saturday, April 8, 2023 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers for Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 9, 2023 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy for Palm Sunday

Sunday, April 9, 2023 - 7:00 PM - Bridegroom Matins

Monday, April 10, 2023 - 7:30 AM - Presanctified Divine Liturgy

Monday, April 10, 2023 - 7:00 PM - Bridegroom Matins

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 - 7:30 AM - Presanctified Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, April 11, 2023 - 7:00 PM - Bridegroom Matins

Wednesday, April 12, 2023 - 7:30 AM - Presanctified Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, April 12, 2023 - 7:00 PM - Holy Unction

Thursday, April 13, 2023 - 9:00 AM - Divine Liturgy for the Last Supper

Thursday, April 13, 2023 - 7:00 PM - 12 Passion Gospels

Friday, April 14, 2023 - 10:00 AM - Royal Hours

Friday, April 14, 2023 - 4:00 PM - Vespers

Friday, April 14, 2023 - 7:00 PM - Lamentations

Saturday, April 15, 2023 - 9:30 AM - Holy Saturday Divine Liturgy with Chrismations

Saturday, April 15, 2023 - 10:00 PM - Paschal Rush Service with the Blessing of the Baskets

Sunday, April 16, 2023 - 12:00 PM - Agape Vespers followed by Fellowship Paschal Meal

****Save the Date - Parish Life Conference at the Antiochian Village Hosted by our Parish - June 28 - July 2, 2023**

PRAYER LIST - Please contact Pres. Kristina Abernathy via email at Kristina.nicole@me.com or via text to add living or departed names to the prayer list.

LIVING – Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Metropolitan Onufriy and the People of Ukraine, The People of Tigray, Eritrea and Ethiopia, The people of Syria, Palestine, Lebanon, and Iraq, Archbishop Melchizedek, Archpriest Moses, Matuska Magdalena, Archpriest Jerome and Family, The Fellowship of the Holy Archangel Michael Monastery, Hieromonk Alexi, Priest John, Deacon John, Shimashee Brenda, Deacon Abraham, Shimashee Laurie, The Sisterhood of the Transfiguration Monastery, The Seminarian Luke, The Seminarian Micah and Family, The Seminarian Kevin, The Seminarian Elias and Olivia, The Seminarian Alexandros, Rachel and Christina, Anthony, Caroline, Melania, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, Brandon, Isabella, Marcella, Ashley and Family, Moses, Samuel, Samuel, Andrea, Hanni, Maya and Family, Brooklyn, Arbutus, Sonya, Ben and Trinity, The staff, board, volunteers and donors of the Neighborhood Resilience Project, Marcia, The Weaver Family, Rhonda, Daniel, Samira, Nisora, Andrea, Chuck, Jane, Photini, Chrissie, Pat & Dave, Eliza, Ella, Anastasia, Paige, Noah, Evan, The students of the Pitt/CMU/Duquesne/Waynesburg OCF, Alexandra, Alexis, Juliana, Judah, Mark, Sophie, Abbie, Katie, Brandon, Amy, John and Family, John, Oxanna, Yeshi, Paulos, Solomon, Dawit, Eyobel, Regat, Surafael, Azaiel, Vladimir, Nikki, Henry, Aujhanay, Scott, Fred, Harry, Yohanna and Elizabeth

DEPARTED - Bishop Ezra, Abba Melese, Isaiah, George, Suzanne, Emil, Phyllis

CONFESSIONS - Please contact Rev. Paul Abernathy by calling at 412.227.9746 or Pres. Kristina to schedule.

HOUSE BLESSINGS - Please see Pres. Kristina if you still need to be scheduled for your house blessing.

DONATIONS - Please make your offerings as follows:

1. Checks made payable to St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church. Donations can be placed in the donation box in the front of the church.
2. Donations can be made online on PayPal at -
https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=H6PGMWDTQABFQ or by following the QR code -



****Starting in 2023 - donations will be acknowledged by a year end contribution statement in early 2024. If you need something different, please email Pres. Kristina at kristina.nicole@me.com.**

SACRED SPACE MINISTRY - Susan will be building a team to care for the sacred space - both in cleaning and decorating. She will be approaching people to join and if you would like to join, please see her.

PARISH SUPPORT -

1. **Chris and Mom** - Please use the sign up genius to sign up to provide meals for Chris and his mom -
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0a4ba4af2ea2fb6-bring#>
 2. **Kenya** is in need of some items for his new place- the listing of items is on the back table if you are able to provide any support of those items, please connect with him.
 3. **Pascha** - Please save and provide your onion skins to Haldi Janet for her use to dye red eggs for Pascha. Also - the sign up for Pascha Pot Luck will be in the back.
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