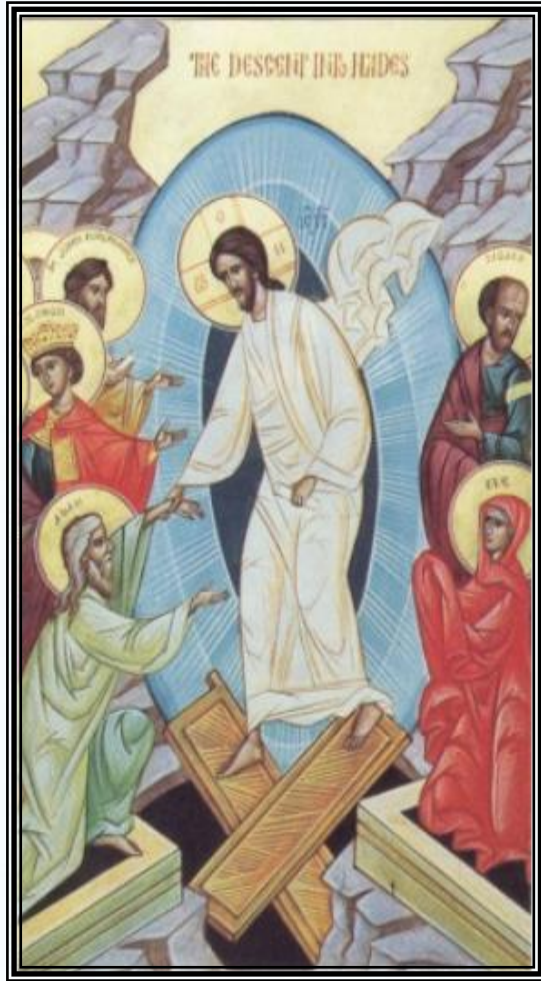


# Glad Tidings-Outreach



Christ Is Risen! Truly He Is Risen!  
Krishti Ungjall! Vertet Ungjall!  
Christos Anesti! Alithos Anesti!  
Christos Voskrese! Voistinnu Voskrese!  
Hristos a Inviat! Adevarat a Inviat!  
Al Maseh Qam! Huggun Qam!

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**Sunday, May 3rd, Fourth Sunday of Pascha – Commemoration of the Parlytic Man (Tone #3)**

**Saints of the Day:** Martyrs Timothy the Reader and his wife Maura, of Antinoe in Egypt

**Matins Gospel Lesson:** St. Luke 24: 1-12

**Epistle Lesson:** Acts of the Holy Apostles 9: 32-42

**Gospel Lesson:** St. John 5: 1-15

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Homily:** The Faith of Others

**-11:00 AM – Church School** in the church hall

**Memory Eternal** – A Memorial Litany for the repose of the soul of Andrea Chick offered by Mr. Ronald Chick and Family, and Mrs. Mary Verdy and Family. This litany commemorates the tenth year anniversary of her falling asleep in the Lord.

**-Fellowship** in the church hall is in memory of Andrea Chick hosted by the Chick and Verdy Families.

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**Tuesday, May 5th,**

**9:30 AM -** Volunteers with experience making baklava and volunteers who want to learn how to make baklava are invited to come to the church hall to make extra baklava for the sale.

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**Wednesday, May 6th, Rusicat (Mid-Feast of Pentecost)**

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**Friday, May 8th,**

The church hall will be open from 1:00 PM to 5:00 PM, to receive baked goods.

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**Saturday, May 9th, Mother's Day Bake Sale** sponsored by **The Vetetima-Women's Society** from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM in the church hall...sale favorites of lakror (spinach, leek and sauerkraut pies), baklava, kouribie (butter cookies), finiqi, and more will be available.

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**Sunday, May 10th, Fifth Sunday of Pascha – Commemoration of the Samaritan Women (Tone #4) - Mother's Day 2015**

**Saint of the Day:** Apostle Simeon the Zealot

**Matins Gospel Lesson:** St. John 20: 1-10

**Epistle Lesson:** Acts of the Holy Apostles 11: 19-26, 29-30

**Gospel Lesson:** St. John 4: 5-42

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Homily:** Helping Others

**-11:00 AM – Church School** in the church hall

**Memory Eternal** – A Memorial Litany for the repose of the souls of the departed Mothers of our church followed by a Litany for the Health of all the living Mothers of our church.

**-Fellowship** in the church hall

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**Thursday, May 14th, The Albanian Orthodox Archdiocese in America Spring Session Council Meeting** in our church hall.

**-6:00 PM** – Dinner hosted by the **Vetetima~Women’s Society**

**-7:00 PM** – Council Meeting

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**Sunday, May 17th, Sixth Sunday of Pascha – Commemoration of the Blind Man (Tone #5)**

**Saints of the Day:** Apostle Andronicus of the Seventy, and his fellow laborer, Junia

**Matins Gospel Lesson:** St. John 20: 11-18

**Epistle Lesson:** Acts of the Holy Apostles 16: 16-34

**Gospel Lesson:** St. John 9: 1-38

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Homily:** Challenging a Miracle

**-11:00 AM – Church School** in the church hall

**Memory Eternal** – A Memorial Litany for the repose of the soul of Aferdita Fagan offered by Mr. Garrett Fagan and Family. This litany commemorates the 40th day of her falling asleep in the Lord.

**-Fellowship** in the church hall

**Dell Park Cemetery** – Following fellowship, Fr. Joseph will go to Dell Park Cemetery, serve a Memorial Litany at the grave of Fr. Peter and Prifteresa Kleanthi Chala, and bless all the graves of departed family members of our church who are buried at the cemetery. (Weather Permitting)

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**Thursday, May 21st, Holy Day commemorating the Ascension of our Lord, God, and Savior, Jesus Christ**

**Matins Gospel Lesson:** St. Mark 16: 9-20

**Epistle Lesson:** Acts of the Holy Apostles 1: 1-12

**Gospel Lesson:** St. Luke 24: 36-53

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

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**Sunday, May 24th, Seventh Sunday of Pascha-Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council-After Feast of the Ascension (Tone #6)**

Saint of the Day: Venerable Simeon Stylites (The Younger) of Wonderful Mountain

Matins Gospel Lesson: St. John 21: 1-14

Epistle Lesson: Acts of the Holy Apostles 20: 16-18, 28-36

Gospel Lesson: St. John 17: 1-13

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Homily:** Discipline and Order

**-11:00 AM – Church School** in the church hall

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**Monday, May 25th, Memorial Day 2015** - Each year on this day we remember Veterans who served our country in time of conflict and made the ultimate sacrifice! Take a moment to visit the grave of a Veteran and offer a prayer.

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**Sunday, May 31st, Eighth Sunday of Pascha – Pentecost-Feast of the Holy Trinity (Tone #7)**

Saint of the Day: Translation of the Relics of the Great Martyr Theodore Stratelates

Matins Gospel Lesson: St. John 20: 19-23

Epistle Lesson: Acts of the Holy Apostles 2: 1-11

Gospel Lesson: St. John 7: 37-52, 8: 12

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

followed by the reading of the Kneeling Prayers

**Homily:** The Comforter

-The end of the **2014-2015 Church School Academic Year** and grade advancements.

**CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO**  
**ALL THE HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES**  
**OF OUR CHURCH**

**-Daniel Dervay** will graduate from Franklin High School, Franklin MA, Class of 2015. He will attend Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, NY, pursuing a degree in Industrial Engineering. Daniel is the son of James and Jody Dervay.

**-John J. Fedak** will graduate from Medfield High School, Medfield, MA, Class of 2015. He will attend Tufts University, Medford, MA, pursuing a degree in Liberal Arts. John is the son of John and Tracy Fedak.

**-Alexander Santangelo** will graduate from Belmont Hill School, Belmont, MA, Class of 2015. He will attend Brown University,

Providence, RI, pursuing a degree in Business Organization and Entrepreneurship. Alexander is the son of Matthew and Bernadette Santangelo.

-**Alaina Socrat** will graduate from Natick High School, Natick, MA, Class of 2015. She will attend Mass Bay Community College, pursuing a degree in Forensics and Criminal Justice. Alaina is the daughter of Aaron and Patricia Socrat.

-**Nicholas Socrat** will graduate from UMass, Amherst, Stockbridge School of Agriculture with an Associate Degree in Sustainable Farming and Agriculture. Nicholas is the son of Aaron and Patricia Socrat.

**MAY GOD GRANT ALL OUR GRADUATES AND STUDENTS MANY YEARS!**

-**Fellowship** in the church hall is a Pizza Party hosted by the Parish Council with desserts hosted by the parents of our church school students.

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-**Fast-Free**: Wednesday, June 3rd, and Friday, June 5th, because of the commemoration of Pentecost

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**A Thought:**

Let us celebrate Pentecost, and the coming of the Spirit, and the appointed day of promise, and the fulfilment of hope, and the mystery which is as great as it is precious. Wherefore unto thee, O Lord, the Maker of all things, do we cry: Glory to thee.

The Lord I call Stikhira of Pentecost

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**Congratulations To Our Church Members**  
**Celebrating Their Patronal Saint Name Day Of**

Holy Equals-to-the-Apostles,

Emperor Constantine and his mother Helena – May 21st,

**May God Grant You Many Years!**

**Friday, May 15th, and Saturday, May 16th, Holy Annunciation Orthodox Church** will sponsor **Bazaar Russe~Spring 2015** in the church hall at 11 Prospect St., Maynard, MA, from 10:00 AM to 8:00 PM, Friday and 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Saturday. The bazaar will serve an assortment of Slavic foods beginning at 11:00 AM, baked goods, cultural items and much more.