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Welcome to our parish!

Thank you for choosing to worship with us on the Lord's Day. We are grateful for your prayers and participation!

Please join us for coffee hour after the service. Our priest, Father Alessandro, would love to greet and welcome you.

Holy Eucharist requires full communion of faith, so if you are not an Orthodox Christian, please do not approach the Chalice. If you are an Orthodox Christian, please note that communion must be preceded by fasting, recent Confession, and reconciliation with all people.

APRIL 30, 2023

3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA

Holy Apostle James (Jacob), the
brother of St. John the Theologian

Myrrhbearing Women

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY MYRRHBEARING WOMEN WITH THE NOBLE JOSEPH

The Myrrh-bearing women are those women who followed the Lord, along with His Mother. They remained with her during the time of the saving Passion, and anointed the Lord's body with myrrh. Joseph and Nikódēmos asked for and received the Lord's body from Pilate. They took it down from the Cross, wrapped it in linen cloths and spices, then they laid it in a tomb, and then they placed a great stone over the entrance of the tomb.

According to the Evangelist Matthew (27:57-61) Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joses (Mark 15:40) were there sitting opposite the sepulchre, and they saw where He had been laid. This other Mary was the Mother of God. Not only were these present, but also many other women, as Saint Luke says (24:10).

Today the Church honors Saints Mary Magdalene (July 22), Mary the wife of Cleopas (May 23), Joanna (June 27), Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee (August 3), Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus (June 4), and the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, who was the stepmother of her husband Joseph's sons James (October 23) and Joses (October 30). Today we also remember Saint Joseph of Arimathea (July 31), who was a secret disciple (John 19:38), and Saint Nikódēmos, who was a disciple by night (John 3:3; 19:38).

The holy right-believing Queen Tamara of Georgia is honored twice during the year: on May 1, the day of her repose, and also on the Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

REQUESTING PRAYERS: Igumen Leonty, Archpriest Daniel, Steve, Daniel, Brian, Don, Bobbi, Yuri, David

DEPARTED: Betsy, Irene Barr

BIRTHDAYS: John Rusinko

NAMEDAYS: Irina Dolgopolov

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Men from the parish will get together for breakfast on Saturday, May 13, 8:30a at The Executive Diner (1400 Duke St, Alexandria, VA 22314).

OCMC EVENT: The Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) and the DC Mission and Outreach Committee are organizing a DC Banquet for Missions on Saturday, May 13 at St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church in Falls Church. The event begins with Social Hour at 6:30p and the Banquet at 7:00p. \$125 donation per ticket. His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of the GOA will offer a special address. To purchase tickets and more information: ocmc.org/dc-banquet

UPCOMING SERVICES & EVENTS

Apr 30, Sun

8:45 AM

9:30 AM

Church School

Divine Liturgy

May 6, Sat

9:00 AM

5:00 PM

Adult Education

Great Vespers

May 7, Sun

8:45 AM

9:30 AM

Church School

Divine Liturgy

May 10, Wed

9:00 AM

Divine Liturgy

MINISTRY ROTATIONS

Coffee Hour - Margheritino

Reader - Lory & Catherine Easton

Assisting the Treasurer - Childs & Barr

*Fr. Alessandro is available for Confession on Saturday after
Vespers or by appointment*