



Sunday of Myrrh- Bearing Women 3rd Sunday of Pascha

The Holy Apostle James the Greater – Since two of the twelve apostles bore the name James, it became necessary to distinguish one from the other by calling one the less and the other Greater – a distinction based solely on physical stature. James the Less, whose feast day is celebrated on Oct. 9, is also referred to as the “son of Alphaeus.” James the Greater was the “son of Zebedee” and the brother of the Apostle John. His martyrdom is mentioned in Acts 12:1-2.

Sunday, April 30th, 2017

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Easter Season Greeting

Xrystos Voskres!

- Voistyno Voskres!

Christ Is Risen!

- Truly He Is Risen!

Sunday's Propers: pg. 55

Epistle: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 6:1-7):

Brethren: In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists complained against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution of food. And the twelve called together the whole community of the disciples and said, ‘It is not right that we should neglect the word of God in order to wait at tables. Therefore, friends, select

from among yourselves seven men of good standing, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this task, while we, for our part, will devote ourselves to prayer and to serving the word.’ What they said pleased the whole community, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. They had these men stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of God continued to spread; the number of the disciples increased greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

Alleluia (Tone 8): You have shown favour to Your land, O Lord; You brought back the captives of Jacob (Ps 84:2).

verse: Mercy and truth have met; righteousness and peace have embraced.

A reading of the Gospel according to St. Mark (15:43-16:8):

At that time Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God, went boldly to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he had been dead for some time. When he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. Then Joseph bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where the body was laid. When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, ‘Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?’ When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been

rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Communion Verse: Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem.* Praise your God, O Sion. Alleluia (3)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

“How often I failed in my duty to God, because I was not leaning on the strong pillar of prayer.” St. Teresa of Avila

A warm welcome - to all parishioners, your families, visitors and guests. Thank you for joining us in this Divine Liturgy.

Please Pray for health of – Orest K., Eva and Claude G., Theresa M., Cecile T., Helen, Katherine B., Dorothy Ch., John M., Victor and Gloria Sz., Sophie C., Walter K., Nick R., Kalyna K., Jesse K., Rose O. and all other parishioners and family members who need God's healing at the present time.

Easter Dinner – will take place at St. Josaphat's parish today, **Sunday, April 30th** after the Divine Liturgy at 11:30 a.m.

Mnohaya Lita! – very special God's blessings to anyone among our parishioners and their families who celebrated their birthday, name-day, wedding anniversary and any other special anniversary during **the month of April.**

St. Josaphat's Parish Epistle Readers:

In English: Sunday, April 30 – Joanne Kosick; Sunday, May 7 – Katherine Huculak; Sunday, May 14 - Anne-Marie Johnston; Sunday, May 21 - Mary Harasymyshyn; Sunday, May 28 – Joanne Kosick.

In Ukrainian: Sunday, April 30 – Patricia Sawadsky; Sunday, May 7 – Olga Piano; Sunday, May 14 – Helen Pesklewis; Sunday, May – 21 – Joe Prystupa.

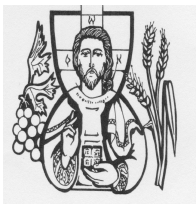
Welcoming Divine Liturgy for Fr. Stepan Dvoshyia & his family – will be celebrated next Sunday, May 7th at 11:30 a.m.

Exterior Residence cleanup – anyone interested to volunteer for weeding & yard cleanup around our parish residence, please contact Mrs. Ann Yaremchuk at 250-545-6862 or Mrs. Olga Piano at 250-545-3667. Thank you.

Note from St. James Roman Catholic Parish - Parish Mission with Deacon Glenn Harmon - Deacon Glenn Harmon will be here leading us on a Parish Mission from **May 1st until May 4th**. It will take place at Our Lady of the Valley Church from 7 pm until 8:30 pm, as well as a morning session Wednesday at 10:00 am. See you soon! A love offering will be taken up on Thursday evening.

Kneeling during the Easter Season – a reminder that traditionally from Easter Sunday until Pentecost we do not kneel during the Divine Liturgy. As a sign of our redemption and final resurrection, we offer our prayers to God while standing.

Annual Celebration at St. Nicholas Church in Coldstream – is planned for Sunday, May 14th.



Daily Liturgical Services this coming week:

Saturday, May 6th at 11:00 a.m. – **Interment of ashes of late Mrs. Pat Wilkes at St. Nicholas cemetery in Coldstream**

Sunday Liturgical Celebrations:

Sunday, April 30th & May 7th at 11:30 a.m.