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Gospel: Mark 15:43-16:8

Epistle: Acts 6:1-7

April 30, 2023, Sunday of the Myrrhbearers, Holy Apostle James.

## Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Sunday, April 30, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, May 6, Great Vespers 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 7, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

<u>Church Committee Meeting will be held this Monday, April 24 at 5:30 p.m.</u> Please make every effort to attend!

<u>Mother's Day</u> will be held on Sunday, May 14. Please submit the names of your mother's living or departed to be remembered at the celebration of the Divine Liturgy.

<u>Please remember Dr. Joseph Danyo in your prayers</u>. He is in the Hershey Medical Center in the ICU, 500 University Dr. Hershey, Pa. 17033.

<u>Coffee Hour Hostesses for Sunday; April 30,</u> Charrette Radionoff & Vicky Kravetsky, <u>May 7</u>, Maryann Dubee & Susan Schlasta, <u>May 14</u>, Millie Telep & Dorothy Allen, <u>May 21</u> – No-Coffee Hour, <u>May 28</u>, Matushka Dolores & Mille Telep.

<u>Vision Statement:</u> "We seek to rededicate ourselves to the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Catholic and Apostolic Church. We are here to provide a loving and caring community, by participating in the worship services, so we may reach-out to those who are lost and witness the love of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

- Adopted on October 17, 2022.

<u>Please remember in your prayers</u>; <u>Irene Leschak</u> who is home receiving rehab; 229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. <u>John Drutarosky</u>, who is a patient at the Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center 10 Heart Place, Carbondale, Pa. 18407 <u>Peter Senio</u> is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. <u>Nicholas Mattise</u>, is a guest at the Personal Care at Allied Terrace, 100 Terrace Ln, Scranton, Pa.

After 38 years as Pastor of St. Michael's Church in Jermyn, Fr. John Kowalczyk has accepted a full-time position at St. Tikhon's Seminary, as Associate Professor of Pastoral Theology and Interim Chair of the Department. Fr. John will serve his final Divine Liturgy at our Church on Sunday, May 21, 2023. To celebrate his new position and wish him well as he concludes his Pastoral Service at our Church, a Farewell Dinner will we be held at Nikki's at the Ben-Mar Restaurant, 89 North Main St. Carbondale, Pa. at 12 p.m. \*The Dinner is a complete sell-out, and no more tickets available

The myrrh-bearers had brought funeral spices and ointments to finish committing Christ's body to the grave. They were the first to see the empty tomb and were instructed by the risen Lord to bring the joyful news to the apostles. Sts. Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus are also commemorated on this day. There are eight women who are generally identified as the myrrh-bearers. Each of the four Gospels gives a different aspect of the roles of these eight women at the cross and at the tomb on Easter morning, perhaps since the eight women arrived in different groups and at different times. The eight were: Mary Magdalene Mary, the Theotokos (the Virgin Mary) Joanna Salome Mary the wife of Cleopas (mother of James) Susanna Mary of Bethany (sister of Lazarus) Martha of Bethany (sister of Lazarus)

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