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& 360 virtual tour and 4-part welcome**

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**Gospel: John 20:19-31**

**May 9, 2021, AntiPascha, St. Thomas  
Sunday – Mother's Day**

**Acts:5:12-20**

**Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!**

**St. Thomas Sunday, May 9,** Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. & Prayers for Mother's Day - Parastas for the departed members of the Andrei Protsouk family.

**Sunday, May 16,** Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. - Holy Myrrhbearing Women

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**A Happy Mother's Day** to all the living Mothers of our Church. May our Lord bless them for many years! Memory Eternal to all the departed Mothers of our Church. May their memory be eternal!

**A Special Thank You to Lydia Given** for directing the quartet made up of students from St. Tikhon's Seminary. (who are on the Easter break) Please be generous to the singers, by using the free-will offering basket as a sign of appreciation for the beautiful singing this morning.

**Church Committee & St. Michael's Center & Windsor Inn Meeting** will be held this Monday, May 10 to establish and confirm the up-coming BBQ Chicken & Rib Dinner in June. Please make every effort to attend!

**A General Cleaning of St. Michael's Center** (Not the Kitchen) will be held this Saturday, morning, May 15 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Following this cleaning the floors will be professionally buffed. **Please come out and give us hand!**

**Please remember in your prayers** Loraine Serniak who is a guest at the Allied Services Hospice Center, 511 Morgan Hwy, Scranton Pa. 18508.

**During the Special Church Committee Meeting** held this past Monday, April 5; a unanimous motion was made and approved; resulting in entering into an agreement with the Windsor Inn & St. Michael's Center. The first cooperative & kickoff event will be held in the beginning of June; **"Chicken & Rib Dinner"** more information will be forthcoming. **A contractual agreement will follow as the business at St. Michael's Center increases. It was also noted during this agreement period, all events initiated by the Windsor Inn will be discussed and approved by our Church Committee."**

**A Special donation of \$100.00** was given to our Church by an anonymous donor, in loving memory of her mother. **\$15.00** Easter Lily for the departed members of the Essig/Mensky. **\$10.00** Easter Candles for the health of the Essig family.

**In order to meet our growing financial obligations,** we are asking all our parishioners, when not in Church to send in their weekly offering envelops. **We thank you in advance!**

**If your Church Dues are in arrears,** please make an effort to send them to the Church as we began the New Year. The Annual dues are **\$160.00** per year. Please call Gloria Shaw at 570-954-3905 to get your balance. **May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to bless you for many years!**

**Please remember in your prayers:** **Peter Senio** who is a guest at; The Gardens of Green Ridge, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. and **Jacky Drutarosky** who is in the Lackawanna Health and Rehab Center, 260 Terrace Drive, Peckville, Pa. 18452

**SYNAXARION FOR THOMAS SUNDAY:** Since the Resurrection of the Lord is the greatest and most important event and beyond all thought, it is rededicated not only once a year, but also on every "eighth" day. The first rededication of the Resurrection is this present Sunday, for it is truly both the "eighth" day and the "first." It is the eighth day after Pascha, and the first day, because it is the beginning of the other days. Again, it is called the "eighth" day because it prefigures the unending day of the future age to come, which will be truly the "first" day and a day that is not divided by a single night. This is why this Sunday is called the Antipascha, which interpreted means "in the place of Pascha."