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Gospel: John 4:5-42

May 22, 2022, Sunday of the Samaritan
Woman

Epistle: Acts 11:19-26,29-30

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Sunday, May 22, Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Archpastoral Visit of Archbishop Mark & followed by a Pot-luck Luncheon underneath the Church.

Saturday, May 28, Great Vespers 4:00 P.M.

Sunday, May 29, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Parastas & Blessing of the Vet's Monument

A Warm Welcome to Archbishop Mark and we thank him for making his Archpastoral visitation to our Church this Sunday morning for the 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy. A Pot-Luck Luncheon in lieu of Coffee hour will be held at 11:00 a.m. underneath the Church. **Please join us this morning!**

Church Committee Monthly Meeting will be held this Monday evening, May 23 at 5:30 p.m. underneath the Church, please make every effort to attend.

Senior Class of St. Tikhon's Seminary will hold its Annual Dinner this year at St. Michael's Center this Monday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m. and it will be prepared by the Windsor Inn of Jermyn.

Church Prospora (Offering Bread) will be made this Tuesday morning, May 24, beginning at 8:30 a.m. at St. Michael's Center. A Special Thank you to Eva Demchak for organizing this project and all those who will be helping the baking.

Organizational Parish Festival Meeting has been rescheduled to Thursday, June 9th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Center. Please mark this important date on your calendar and make every effort to attend!

St. Tikhon's Monastery 117 Pilgrimage will begin this Friday, May 27th with the greeting of the Hawaiian Icon of the Mother of God at 3:30 p.m. at the Monastery Archway. St. Tikhon's Seminary Commencement will be held on Saturday, May 28 at 1:00 p.m. **Please show support to all the events of the Memorial Day Pilgrimage.**

The Memorial Day Liturgy Collection will be taken by the members of our Church. Please see Vladimir Kitchura and David Krenitsky this morning if you would like to help.

In order to meet our growing financial obligations, we are asking all our parishioners, when not in Church to send in their weekly offering envelopes. **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; Alexander Wanas who is recuperating at home; 604 Scranton-Carbondale Highway, Childs, Pa. 18433. Please send him a get-well card. **Irene Leschak** who is home receiving rehab: 229 Lackawanna Ave, Jermyn, Pa. 18433. **Peter Senio is a guest at The Gardens of Green Ridge**, 2751 Boulevard Ave, Scranton, Pa. **Please remember in your prayers; John Drutarosky**, who is a patient at the Carbondale Nursing & Rehabilitation Center 10 Heart Place, Carbondale, Pa. 18407 **Please send him a get-well card!**

Coffee Hour for Sunday: May 22, Ruth Lasichak & Roxanne Neutts, **May 29**, Vicky Kravetsky & Charette Radionoff.

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

O almighty Savior, Who didst pour forth water for the Hebrews from a solid rock, Thou didst come to the land of Samaria, and addressed a woman, seeking of her water to drink, whom Thou didst attract to faith in Thee, and who hath now attained life in the heavens everlastingly.

The Samaritan woman—the holy, glorious Great-martyr Photini—met Jesus at midday at Jacob's Well, which was located in the city of Sychar. And being tired from travel and the heat, Jesus sat at Jacob's Well. A little after, the Samaritan woman came to draw water, and had a long conversation with Him (it is the longest recorded discourse between Christ and a human in the entire Bible). Photini did not want to talk to Jesus, because the Samaritans did not have any dealings with Jews; Jews considered her people heretics because Samaritans kept only the first five books of the Old Testament. However, the Lord talked with her anyway, read her heart, revealed her secrets and gave her the "Living Water"—the grace of the Holy Spirit that leads to eternal life and flows to all humanity—to drink. Photini immediately ran throughout the city to proclaim Christ. Through her, many other Samaritans believed in Jesus.

By the intercessions of Thy Martyr, Photini, O Christ God, have mercy on us. Amen.

"Having come to the well in faith, the Samaritan woman beheld Thee, the Water of Wisdom; whereof having drunk abundantly, she, the renowned one, inherited the Kingdom on high forever."