

St Innocent Orthodox Church

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The Orthodox Church in America (OCA)

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May 8th, 2022

Today's commemorated feasts and saints:

3rd SUNDAY OF PASCHA – Tone 2. Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian (98-117).

Myrrhbearing Women. Ven. Arsenius the Great (449-450). Ven. Arseny the Lover-of-Labor (14th c.) and Pimen the Ascetic, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves – 12th c.).

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!



“WOMAN, WHY DO YOU WEEP?”

Today we celebrate the Sunday of the MYRRHBEARING WOMEN. While the various Gospel accounts differ in respect to the number of women who dutifully pursued the task of returning to the tomb to anoint the Body of the Lord, there is no doubt as to which has attained the most notoriety: MARY MAGDALENE.

Mary was from the town of Magdala by the Sea of Galilee. After being freed from the possession of seven demons by Christ, she became a faithful follower of His, ministering to Him during His lifetime, and loyally remaining with Him at the dark hour of His Crucifixion. Her devotion was rewarded, for, according to the Gospel of St. John, she had the privilege of being the first person to encounter the Risen Christ. After assuring the grieving Mary that, indeed, He was truly alive, Jesus instructed her to return to the Apostles with this message: “Say to them ‘I am ascending to My Father and Your Father, and to My God and Your God.’”

According to the Sacred Tradition, Mary Magdalene went to Rome shortly after this and went before Tiberias Caesar, presenting him with a red egg and greeting him with the words: “Christ is risen!” It is believed that she convincingly denounced Pilate to Caesar for his unjust condemnation of Jesus, causing Pilate to be removed from his position in Jerusalem.

After leaving Rome, Mary Magdalene journeyed to Ephesus, where she assisted St. John the Evangelist with his missionary efforts. It was here that she died peacefully, and was laid to rest. In 890 A.D., her remains were taken to Constantinople, where they were buried in a chapel where Lazarus was said to have also been buried.

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SCHEDULE ALL SERVICES LIVE STREAMED.

Matins Gospel: Mark 16: 9 – 20 (*3rd Matins Gospel*)

This Week’s Epistle: Acts 6: 1 – 7 **Gospel:** Mark 15: 43 – 16: 8

Reader: Matthew

Today 9:30 am Liturgy.

Wednesday 5:30 pm Moleben, followed by Adult Education

Saturday 5:30 pm Vespers

Sunday 9:30 am Liturgy.

Next Week’s Epistle: Acts 9: 32 – 42 **Gospel:** John 5: 1 – 15

Reader: James

Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday, 10:30 am – 12:00 noon. **Confessions:** After Saturday Vespers and by appointment.

Receiving Holy Communion: We should draw near to our Lord and God and Savior, Jesus Christ, and receive Holy Communion often. Orthodox Christians, who have prepared themselves through prayer and fasting, and are at peace with all men, and have attended the Divine Liturgy from the beginning, (or, at the very least, have not missed the Gospel), and have made a recent Confession, should draw near.

Others should diligently seek to be properly disposed and prepared as soon as possible.

Troparion, Resurrection – Tone 2

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life Immortal, / Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. / And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, / all the powers of heaven cried out: / “O Giver of life, // Christ our God, glory to Thee!”

Announcements:

Our Bulletins (\$60.00)	Alla Slobodskaya Izolda (Zoya) & Vladimir Sogokon
Our Altar Wine (\$40.00)	Gabriela Broncă & family good health & help in our needs.
Our Altar Candles (\$40.00)	Gabriela Broncă & family good health & help in our needs.
Our Altar Incense (\$20.00)	Gabriela Broncă & family good health & help in our needs.
Vigil - Golgotha I (\$7.00 /wk)	Caratās family
Vigil - Golgotha II (\$7.00 /wk)	Caratās family
Vigil - Prothesis (\$7.00 /wk)	Caratās family
- Broncă: Gabriela, Robert, & Carmen Iuliana. Good health, & help in need. Repose: Tasia.	
- Sogokon: for the health of Zoya, Vladimir, Irina, Anastasia, Vladimir, Vladimir.	

Happy Mother's Day

Myrrhbearing Women. The third week of Pascha, we commemorate the Myrrhbearing women: Ss Mary Magdalene (July 22), Mary the wife of Clopas, Joanna (June 27), Salome, mother of the sons of Zebedee (August 3), Martha and Mary, sisters of Lazarus (June 4). Also St Joseph of Arimathea (July 31), and Nicodemus. The services are notable for containing some of the same hymns as the Holy Saturday services. Mitigated fasting on Wednesday and Friday (wine & oil). Such mitigated fasting applies on all remaining Wednesdays and Fridays until Pentecost.

Paschal Commemorations this week for the departed. In the afternoon graves will be at Oakwood Cemetery at 2:00 pm.

Congratulations to SOSI members on their patronal feastday, the Myrrhbearing Women.

SOSI Feast day. The Myrrhbearing Women are the patrons of SOSI which celebrates its feast today. SOSI has prepared a luncheon to celebrate. Please support SOSI in its ministry.

Thanks to God for all who labored to clean, sing, read, fix, hide eggs etc. for our Pascha celebration.

Have you ever become a full Member? Fill out the form available. Prayerfully consider your pledge for 2022. You may speak with a parish council member about membership and pledging.

2022 Wall Calendars are here at the Candle stand. Requested donation this year, \$7.00.

Lectionary. The Church Lectionary during the Paschal period reads Acts and St. John's Gospel.

Coffee Hour, This Week: Mother's day **Next Week:** Mother's day

USEFUL INFORMATION

Donations We now have a [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) page to make donating to the parish easy. Just click this link: <https://tithe.ly/give?c=1324837>. Thank you and God bless!

Streamed serices can be viewed at our website <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/livestream> or <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/facebook>, the streamed services are also uploaded here <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCehqUqTl5kDekOrPPERcy5g>. The daily readings and saints may be found here: <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/dailyreadings>.

Troparion, St Joseph of Arimathea - Tone 2

The noble Joseph, / when he had taken down Thy most pure Body from the Tree, / wrapped it in fine linen and anointed it with spices, / and placed it in a new tomb. / But Thou didst rise on the third day, O Lord, // granting the world great mercy.

Troparion, Myrrhbearing Women - Tone 2

The Angel came to the Myrrhbearing Women at the tomb and said: / "Myrrh is meet for the dead; / but Christ has shown Himself a stranger to corruption! / So proclaim: 'The Lord is risen, // granting the world great mercy.'"

Kontakion, Myrrhbearing Women - Tone 2

Thou didst command the Myrrhbearers to rejoice, O Christ. / By Thy Resurrection, thou didst stop the lamentation of Eve, O God. / Thou didst command Thy Apostles to preach: // "The Savior is risen from the tomb!"

Of our charity, remember in your prayers:

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Special Intentions:

Christians of Syria, Egypt; Met. Paul, Abp. John, in captivity.

Natalya & Alla in Donetsk

sister Oksana McGovern & family

Metropolitan Onuphry of Kiev

The Sick and those in need of health:

Archbishop Benjamin; Matka. Gerry Glagolev,

Archpriests Paul Waisanen, George Gray, Michael Regan, Andrew Jacobs; Moses Berry; John Armstrong.

Abbess Susanna; Protodcn Nicholas Jannakos; Protodeacon Averky Davis

Matushki Alexandra Safchuk, Elizabeth Powell, Clara Mancantelli, Suzanne Senyo; Maria Vallens, Priscilla Shipley, Jean Moore;

Monk John. Deacon Mark Story, Robert Peterson, Marios Perez, Barbara Anderson, Monika Cleenewerck, Marea Kuolt. OCA-DOW

Manya Prybyla, Gregory Theophan Hoffberg; Olga Stephanenko; Virginia, Levon; Edmund Roschak, Darka Raicevich; Karen Olds;

Alla Miller, Mike Shinkarik, Andrew Sturmer, Stanislava; Bridget Merridy Strand, Assia Alexander, Scott T. Karen T., Dmitri G.,

Kyra, Bill & Linda Phillips; Ed Salm; Raphael; Magdalena Elizabeth; Ludmilla, Anna, Margarita Maximova, Gayle Anne.

Our Parish

Lea Ann (Leah) Bochnak

Laura Bochnak

Vladimir

Anyia

Laura, Eladia

Manya Prybyla

Matthew, Alison.

Thaddeus Wojcik

Mildred Sturmer, Susan

Sturmer family

Patricia Hungerford, Barbara Johnson

+ Raissa Dulian

Martha Yarbrough

Yarbrough family

Margaret Banescu, Vona Leslee Christie, Hope Peacock and family.

Banescu family

Euphemia Marie Cox

John Ambrose Cox

George. Mihai

Maria Caratás

Mary, George Laurentiu, cancer treatment.

Florentina

Barbara, Steve

Scott & the Thompson family

Angela Apostal

Constantine Apostol

Yekaterina

Lydia

Lydia

Manya Prybyla

Emmanuel Hormuzd Rassam. Hieromonk Ambrose (Young), Nicholas Juried & Amy. Archriest Michael Carney,

Fr. Yousuf

Matushka Sophia Haloulakos

Protodeacon George Haloulakos

Christina Dudchenko, Dcn. Sergius Miller, Kevin, Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu.

Deacon Nicholas Denysenko & family

Michael Rogozik

Yulia.

Lya, Marie, Yvonne

Gay Butu

Timofey

Dilaria

Kristina DeBree

Kevin Patrick DeBree

Reader John, Catherine, Dianna Bowen.

Danks family

Ruben

Richard & Yolanda Durham

Walter

Irina

Larry & Emma

Abbe Kulhanek

Anna

Elena

Pearl Ruggiero. Sheena Wickens, Veronica Clarkson, Anna Cruz, Anna Rossiter; Ward; Griselda Leon.

Diane Rhodes

Luke Norton

Alexander Norton

Bruce Anderson, Audrey Anderson.

Subdeacon Polycarp Anderson & family

Larry McHargue; Laura; Robert; Kenny

Anne McHargue Witz & family

Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Peter, Elijah Hoffberg, Ronnie (Barnabas) Austin, Basil, Shae, Ian & Henry.

For the Health and Salvation of the servants of God:

Catechumen: Dalen, Kelly Jamie Muster; Bryce.

newly Illumined John (Jack) Keoseyan, sponsor James

newly Illumined Marilyn, sponsor Mother Markella

Zlata Okunev, Artemi & Erica

New born Ava Adria Vizireanu

Chelsea Claire Nordstrom

Matthew & Chloe Nordstrom

Sebastian James Siskos

Presvytera Wiborada Vickie Hoffberg Siskos & Priest Christian Siskos

Charlotte, parents Jonathan & Michaela Durham

Vitaly, Lyubov, Ella, Karen, Oksana, Valentina, Irina, Sofiya, Vladimir, Olga, Natalya, Tatyana, Irina, Elena, Evgeny.

Tikhvin icon donors

Alla, Dmitriy Jr., Dmitriy, Igor, Elena, Juliya, Tamara, Fredi.

Alla Slobdoskaya

Elena, Marisa, Dimitrios (Jimmy), Nicholas, Alexander, Dimitrios, Dionisius.

+ Lola Macrina

Sherri, Nathanael, & Christopher, Amelia Marie.

Aiden Frederick Parrish, new born Micah Parrish

Alyssa & Cyprian Parrish

New born Thomas John Martin Lawman. Verity Annabelle Mary; Constance Alexandra.

Alicia & Joshua Lawman

Newly illumined Matthew; Nicholas Damiano, Magdalena Elizabeth.

Stephen & Marisa Thompson

Elijah, parents Aika & Dmitri Goudkov

new born Rowan. Galina.

Yelena, Anna, Wolfgang

Margarita, Christopher, John, Lauren, Ekaterina.

Margarita Maximova

Catalina, Sofia, Florentina, Doina.

Calugaru family

Of our charity, remember in your prayers:

For the repose of the souls of the departed servants of God:

Newly Departed Archbishop Paul (Gassios) of Chicago & the Midwest. +April 24, 2022.

Newly Departed Nadejda. +April 27, 2022.

Newly Departed Lellya. +April 25, 2022.

Newly Departed Liliya +April 22, 2022.

Newly Departed Nina. + March 12, 2022.

Newly Departed Makrena. +March 18, 2022.

Newly Departed Matushka Zinaida Kalinowski. +April 20, 2022.

Newly Departed Mary Ann Meredith. +April 15, 2022.

Newly Departed Thomas.

Newly Departed Larysa, +April 14, 2022.

Newly Departed Zoya Pekalova, + April 10, 2022.

Newly Departed Priest Andoni

Newly Departed Daniel (Dragan) Nagl. + Feb. 7, 2022.

Newly Departed Benjamin

Newly Departed Elizbar Akopov. + March 12, 2022.

Newly Departed Avraamiy + March 6, 2022.

Newly Departed Svyatoslav

Newly Departed Frederick Muster

+ May 8: Archpriest George Sondergaard, 2013; Archpriest William (Basil) Tarenko, 2016.

Mitred Archpriest Sergei Glagolev, +Sep 1, 2021

Matushka Anisia Boldireff +Sep 1, 2021

Protopresbyter Leonid Kishkovsky

Matushka Tresja Denysenko

Matushka Ioanna Bonnie Jean Robinson

Germogen Stephanenko

Cor Brevet Delabruinene

Rodney Lake + May 20, 2021.

Nun Seraphima (Anna Kremenetskaya)

Nun Nonna (Verna Harrison)

Igor

Lola Macrina

Edward Michael & Joan Sutyak

Leon & Claudine Snyder

Dmitri

David

Deacon Hennok Soot

Evdokiya, Anatoliy, Domnikiy, Semen, Feodosiy, Ella, Grigoriy, Nadejda, Konstantin, Svetlana,

Valentina, Anna, infant Anatoliy, Olga, Anna, Peter.

Anne Lewandowski

Marina, Alexandra, Petr, Boris, Tatiana.

Rebecca Svetlana (Photini) Gushard

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OCA, Diocese of Chicago & the Midwest

Yulia

Margaret Banescu

Natalie

Mariela

Diane Rhodes

Milena

Iuliya

Tatiana

Reader Brendan Murphy

Ludmilla Nagl & family

Gayle R.

Marina, George.

son Dalen Muster & family

OCA

Matka Gerry, Christia, Marina, John & family

Archpriest Nicholas, Nathalie, Tamara, Marina, Michael & family

OCA

Deacon Nicholas & Sofia Denysenko & family

Priest John K. Robinson & family; Saint Herman Church, Oxnard; DoW

Olga, Larissa, Tatiana

Natalya Slusar Nosa & family

son-in-law & daughter Thaddeus & Jacqui Wojcik

Konstantin, Taissia, Vladimir, Ioann Kremenetsky

Tamara, Christina, Michael, Anne & family

daughters Laura & Carol, & family

Boris

Mitred Archpriest Ian & Matka. Nina MacKinnon, DOW

DoW, Matushka Mariamna Soot, Fr Stephen Soot family, Mark & Olga Soot family

Alla Slobdoskaya

+ Raissa Dulian

Margarita Maximova

son Wade Aiden, Fr Yousuf

Troparion, St John - Tone 2

Beloved Apostle of Christ our God, / hasten to deliver a defenseless people! / He who allowed thee to recline on His breast, / receives thee as thou bowest before Him. / Implore Him, O John the Theologian, / to dispense the persistent threat from the heathens, // entreating for us peace and great mercy!

Kontakion, St John - Tone 2

Who shall declare thy greatness, / O virgin disciple, / for thou pourest forth wonders and art a source of healings, // and dost pray for our souls as the logian and friend of Christ.

Kontakion, Pascha - Tone 8

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, / Thou didst destroy the power of death.
In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, / proclaiming "Rejoice" to the myrrhbearing women, //
granting peace to Thine apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

From "Lord, I Call ...", from the Pentecostarion, for the Myrrh-bearing Women, Tone 2

The Myrrhbearing women hurried early to Thy tomb, O Christ, / seeking to anoint Thy most pure body. / And having received the message of the angel, / they proclaimed the joyous news to the apostles, / that the Lord of our salvation is risen, // making death captive, and granting eternal life and great mercy to the world.

Apostikha, from the Pentecostarion, for the Myrrh-bearing Women, Tone 5

Joseph, together with Nicodemus, / took Thee down from the Tree, / Who clothest Thyself with light as with a garment. / He gazed on Thy body - dead, naked, and unburied, / and, in grief and tender compassion, he lamented: / "Woe is me, my sweetest Jesus! / A short while ago, the sun beheld Thee hanging on the Cross, / and it hid itself in darkness. / The earth quaked in fear at the sight. / The veil of the Temple was torn in two. / Lo, now I see Thee willingly submit to death for our sake. / How shall I bury Thee, O my God? / How can I wrap Thee in a shroud? / How can I touch Thy most pure body with my hands? / What songs can I sing for Thine Exodus, O compassionate One? / I magnify Thy Passion. / I glorify Thy burial, / and Thy holy Resurrection, // crying, 'O Lord, glory to Thee!'"

On "Lord, I Call ..." from the Pentecostarion, for the Myrrh-bearing Women, by Anatolius - Tone 2

Early in the morning / the Myrrhbearing Women brought spices to the Tomb of the Lord. / Finding it as they had not hoped, / they pondered in awe how the stone came to be rolled away; / and they said to one another, / "Where are the seals of the tomb? / Where are Pilate's guards, who were sent to guard against this danger?" / But there was a messenger to the women who did not understand, / a radiant angel, who said to them, / "Why do you seek the living One with tears, / the One who gave life to the race of man? / Christ our God is risen from the dead as Almighty, // giving to all of us life and incorruption, enlightenment and great mercy.

Why do you pitifully mingle myrrh with your tears, / O women disciples? / The stone is rolled away; the tomb is empty. / Behold corruption destroyed by life. / The seals bear clear witness, the guards of the rebellious in deep sleep. / Mortality has been saved by the flesh of God. / Hell wails. / Run and proclaim with joy to the apostles: / Christ the firstborn of the dead, // has slain death and goes before you into Galilee.

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