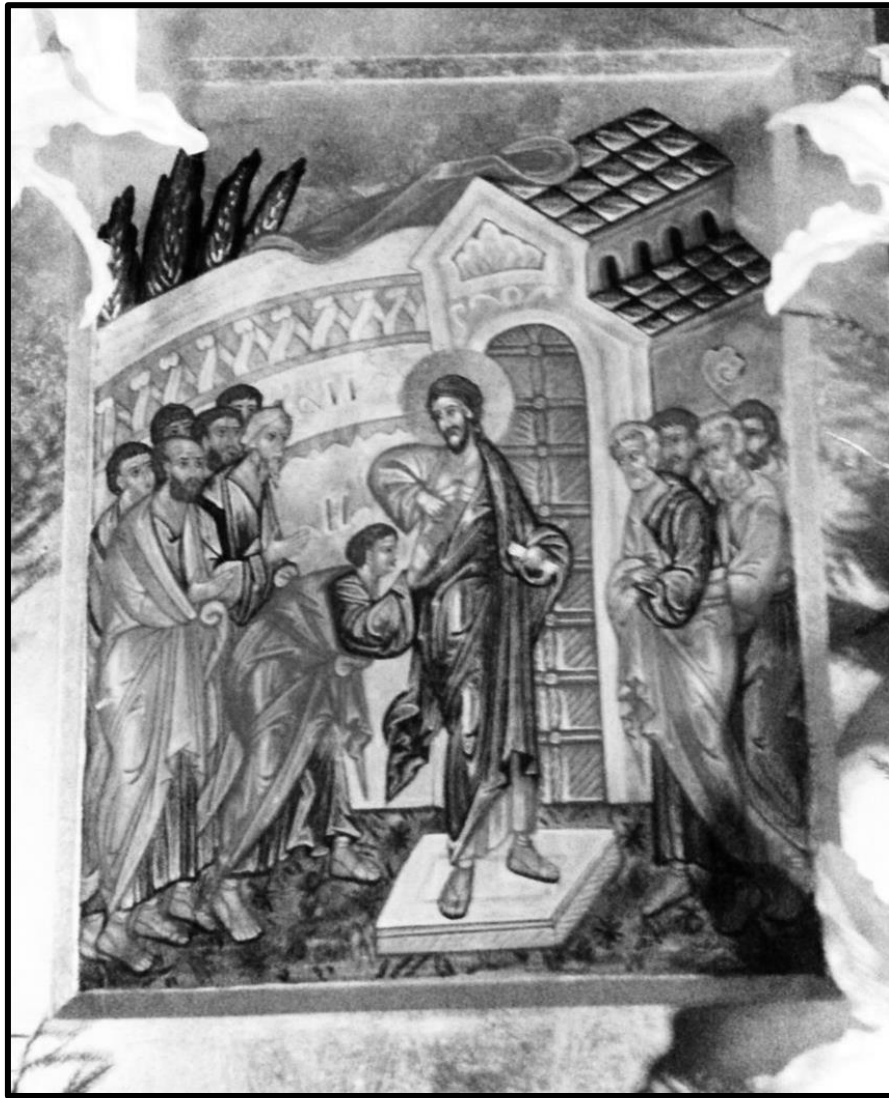


# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

## Yonkers, New York



**Sunday, April 15, 2018**

**Second Sunday of Pascha ~ St. Thomas the Believing  
CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!  
*ХРИСТОС ВОСКРЕСЕ! ~ ВОИСТИНУ ВОСКРЕСЕ!***

**The Grave Blessings scheduled for today  
are postponed until next Sunday, April 22,  
because of the predicted bad weather.**

- **Saints Martha & Mary Women's Group:** Friday, April 20, 7 PM, at Tina Reduto's home.
- **Distinguished Diocesan Benefactors Appreciation Dinner:** Sunday, April 29, 5 PM, at Holy Trinity Church in East Meadow, Long Island. All are invited – please contact Fr. David to RSVP or ask for details!
- **Saturday-Sunday, May 19-20, Visitation of Our Archbishop Michael** for Saturday Vespers and Sunday Liturgy.

## Today – St. Thomas Sunday

9:30 AM *Divine Liturgy*, Followed by Church School and Coffee Hour. Grave Blessings are Postponed until Next Sunday, April 22, 1:00 PM at Oakland Cemetery.

## Saturday, April 21

5:30 PM Private Confession Available

6:00 PM *Great Vespers*

## Sunday, April 22 – Myrrh-Bearers' Sunday

9:30 AM *Reception as New Catechumens* of Frederick and Richard Miller

9:35 AM *Divine Liturgy* with *Panikhida* for Antoinette Adamovich and Gloria Panciera, requested by their son & daughter, Michael & Pamela Adamovich. Church School and Coffee Hour follow Liturgy.

**TODAY'S EPISTLE Acts 5:12-20** In those days, through the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were done among the people. And they were all with one accord in Solomon's Porch. Yet none of the rest dared join them, but the people esteemed them highly. And believers were increasingly added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they brought the sick out into the streets and laid them on beds and couches, that at least the shadow of Peter passing by might fall on some of them. Also a multitude gathered from the surrounding cities to Jerusalem, bringing sick people and those who were tormented by unclean spirits, and they were all healed. Then the high priest rose up, and all those who were with him (which is the sect of the Sadducees), and they were filled with indignation, and laid their hands on the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out, and said, "Go, stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this life."

**TODAY'S GOSPEL John 20:19-31** At that time, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained. Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.

## PRAYER LIST

**Above all, we are a praying community. Keep this list in your prayer corner, and in your daily prayers remember our Brothers & Sisters in Christ:**

Daria York; Eugen Balasenowich, Sr. (Eugene's dad); Ted Chaiko; Jamie Arrango; Sharon Naughton; Connie Holroyd; Gregory; Edward; Gregory Barbash; Rocco & Marie Mastronardi; Nancy Prusak; Lina Eckoff, Paulette Drake; Michael Champion; Honorina Rodriguez; Christina Sceppaquercia & Regina Cataldo; Fr. Joseph Lickwar; Fr. Paul and Timothy Kucynda; Matushka Loris Gregory; Michael Durkot (Helen Lesko's brother); Mary Braig; Victoria Statkevics & Darina Markyanova and the children to be born to them; Vera Bouteneff; Igor; Susan; Alexandra; Fr. Nicholas Harris; Roman Vinogradov; Marian Harris; Vincent Knarr; Elena Herman; Nicholas Macagnone; Tanya Balasenowich; the child Alena; Andrew Czuchta; Boris Lyzak; Douglas & Susan Hansen; Christopher Olsen; Bill Bodack; Nina Dimas; Courtney Lyzak; Suzanne Gee; Kathleen & Maryanne Nolan; Shawn Malone; Metropolitan Paul and Bishop Gregorios, Vera Bullock; Schuyler Perry; Vitaliy Khutko; Nikolai & Nadezhda Solidnov; the priests Frs. Vitaly Bahanovich, Maryan Chaykivsky, Stephen Hoskins, Leonid Kishkovsky, Joseph Kreshik, John Malcom, Josef Petranin, John Reeves, Basil Summer, John Tkachuk, John Zabinko; Matushki Ellen Chupeck, Anastasia Harris, Rebekah Markewich, Priscilla Shipley, Katherine White; all those confined to hospitals, nursing homes, and their own homes due to illness, including Maria Chouplat; Helen Delandri; Walter Donski; Olga Donski; Irene Homa; Anatole Honczarenko; Olga Juck; Ann Karell; Olga Pavelchak; Stephanie Phillips; Tekla Rzyk; for all soldiers, especially Mykola; widows, orphans, prisoners, victims of violence and natural disasters, and refugees; all those suffering chronic illness, financial hardship, loneliness, addiction, abuse, abandonment and despair; all Orthodox seminarians & families; all Orthodox monks and nuns, and all those considering monastic life; all Orthodox missionaries and their families. Birthdays: Ludmilla Branzow (4/18), Margaret Prusak (4/20). Anniversary: Eugene & Tanya Balasenowich (19 years on 4/17). Asking God's blessing on our efforts to renovate the Education Building and Church basement.

**For blessed repose for the souls of:** Newly departed John King (Melania's father-in-law, +4/11); Mitred Archpriest John Nehrebecki (+4/7); Lillian Stavrevsky (+4/3); John Dalack (+3/31); Catherine O'Connor (+3/22); David Jermolovitch (+3/25); Helen Duda (+3/20); Kimberly Salveggi (+3/17); and all those departed this life in hope of the Resurrection.

**Please give prayer requests to Fr. David, to Protodeacon John, or to an Altar Server. Typically, names remain on this list for 40 days, unless requested otherwise.**

**PRAY FOR OUR COLLEGE STUDENTS – our parish sons & daughters, OCF chapter members, AND those at nearby colleges who make HTO their spiritual home away from home!**

Elizabeth Bouteneff  
Michael Bouteneff  
Joe Ciamarra  
Brandon Ferguson  
Kaydee Kowalczyk  
Daniel Kozak  
Andrew Nolan

Peter Nolan  
August Perry  
Kamille Perry  
Christianna Piwinski  
Roman Piwinski  
Amanda Rzyk  
Joshua Rzyk

Stephanie Rzyk  
Matthew Skalski  
Justyna Skalski  
Adriana Szynda  
Emily Szynda  
Catherine Wislocki

***"Sending our kids to college without a connection to the Church is like sending children to play in traffic." -- Abp. Michael***  
**Please tell Fr. David if there are any errors or omissions on this list.**

### CANDLE SPONSORSHIPS FOR APRIL:

**Vigil Candle, Icon of Christ,** Departed Members, Wirchansky Family: Janet, Peter, Christina, Anne, Helen & Anastasia). Living: Wirchansky, Seckerson & Carlucci Families. **Vigil Candle, Icon of St. Nicholas:** Regina Cataldo, Christina Sceppaquercia.

**WANT TO HELP A STRUGGLING PARISH, MISSION, OR SEMINARIAN WITHIN OUR DIOCESAN FAMILY?  
Become a DISTINGUISHED DIOCESAN BENEFACTOR!**

**To see a video "slice of life" of our Diocesan churches, visit [https://nynjoca.org/diocesan\\_assembly.html](https://nynjoca.org/diocesan_assembly.html) ... scroll down to: VIDEO: 2017 – THE YEAR IN REVIEW . Any questions? See Fr. David.**



**All are invited to the DDB Appreciation Dinner with Archbishop Michael, on Sunday 4/29, 5pm at Holy Trinity Church in East Meadow. See Fr. David.**

# *Anyone With a Talent, a Skill or a Craft ...*

*If you have a few days to spare this summer and would enjoy visiting  
our St. Andrew's Diocesan Orthodox Youth Camp  
up at peaceful Lake Oneida, NY ...  
the campers would benefit from your smiles and talents!  
Matushka Tamara will be the Camp Director this summer  
and would love to share opportunities with you!  
Call Matushka at 965-6815 or email her at tamarancowan@hotmail.com*

## *Congratulations and "Well Done"*

*to the Church School and Ladies Guild on their Palm Sunday Bake Sale.*

*They raised \$400 for the Church School ... and the Church School students have  
decided to give half the proceeds to the Parish Church Renovation Fund  
and half to the charity drive for a young mother in our sister parish  
in South River, NJ, who is need of a double lung transplant.*

*Thank you to all who baked, sold, and bought! Enjoy your treats!*

### **PASTORAL CARE – GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Emergency Sick Calls** can be made at any time. Please call Fr. David at (914) 965-6815, when a family member is admitted to the hospital.

**Anointing In Sickness:** The Sacrament of Unction is available in Church, the hospital, or your home, for anyone who is sick, however severe. It doesn't mean "Last Rites!"

**Marriages and Baptisms** require early planning, scheduling, and selection of sponsors (crown bearers or godparents). See Father before booking dates and reception halls!

**Funerals** are celebrated for practicing Orthodox Christians. Please see Father for details.

***The Church opposes cremation; we cannot celebrate funerals for cremations.***

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