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SUNDAY MAY 21ST, 2017

6th SUNDAY OF PASCHA — Tone 5. Blind Man. Holy Equals-to-the-Apostles Emperor Constantine and his mother, Helen (Elena) (327). St. Constantine (1129) and his children, Ss. Michael and Theodore, Wonderworkers of Múrom. Ven. Cassian the Greek, of Uglich (1504).

Epistle: Acts 16:16-34; 26:1-5, 12-20

Gospel: John 9:1-38; 10:1-9

 **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES** 

Confessions: Saturdays Following Vespers
Also by appointment

Vespers: Saturdays at 6pm

Vigil: Eve of Feasts at 7pm

Divine Liturgy: Sundays at 9:30am
Feast Days at 9:30

CHRIST IS RISEN! KHRISTOS VOSKRESE! CHRISTOS ANESTI!

INDEED HE IS RISEN! VOISTINU VOSKRESE! ALITHOS ANESTI!

UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

- Sun, May 21:** Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am. Coffee Hour and Church School. Service at Golden Living-2:30pm
- Tues, May 23:** Mirrors of Truth – 7pm.
- Wed, May 24:** Akathist – 9:15am; Vigil for Ascension of the Lord – 7pm.
- Thurs, May 25:** Hours and Divine Liturgy for Ascension of the Lord -9:10am; Parish Council Meeting-7pm.
- Fri, May 26:** PreSchool Church School – 12:30pm. Beginning of Memorial Day Pilgrimage at St. Tikhon's Monastery – 3:30pm.
- Sat, May 27:** Vespers and Confessions – 6pm.

Church Cleaning: Thank you to those who have signed up to help. Additional help is needed. Please consider volunteering for a week or two or even an entire month, if you can.

Coffee Hour: Thank you to those who have signed up for May so far! Please consider taking a Sunday.

Parish Meeting: Thank you to those who attended the Special Parish Meeting last Sunday and unanimously passed the amended By-Laws for our parish. Also thank you to Lucy Znak who accepted nomination for the second Auditor's position and was unanimously elected.

St. Tikhon's Monastery Memorial Day Pilgrimage: Next weekend St. Tikhon's Monastery in South Canaan will host the 113th annual Memorial Day pilgrimage. This year the Monastery will welcome the Hawaiian Myrrh Streaming Icon, which will be available for veneration throughout the weekend. As usual the weekend will include St. Tikhon's Seminary Commencement on Saturday at 1pm and the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy, Memorial Day Panikhida, Anointing of the Sick, Infirm and all Pilgrims, as well as the PaTRAM Conductors and Singers Workshop. Further details at www.sttikhonsmonastery.org.

Scrip: Thank you to those who participated. Remember Scrip as a way to support the Church as you offer gifts or celebrate graduations, weddings and other festive events of this time of year. Profit \$51.75, YTD \$483.15!

Don't neglect your brother in his distress while you decorate His House. Your brother is more truly His temple than any Church building. St. John Chrysostom, **On Matthew: Homily 50.4**

Legacy of Life: Currently conducting a Baby Supply Drive collecting new baby clothing (Newborn to 4T), onesies (18-24 months), Similac Advanced Formula, Baby Towels, Baby Shampoo and Lotion. Collection box in the vestibule.

Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry Sunday: Today is so designated by the Assembly of Orthodox Bishops of the United States. A second collection will be taken up at the end of the service or you may mail your donations directly to OCPM at P.O. Box 1597, New York, New York 10025-1597.

Never confuse the person, formed in the image of God, with the evil that is in him: because evil is but a chance misfortune, an illness, a devilish reverie. But the very essence of the person is the image of God, and this remains in him despite every disfigurement. St. John of Kronstadt.

The United States has the highest rate of incarceration in the world, 716 people per 100,000, over 2.2 MILLION adults. In the first quarter of 2017 OCPM has received **7911 letters, sent out 3020 materials, 3719 books, 480 Bibles, 1902 study guides, 7654 pamphlets, 31,840 icons and 24,835 newsletters as well as 18,939 AfterCare postcards..**

If you see a man who has sinned and you do not pity him, the grace of God will leave you. Whoever curses bad people and does not pray for them, will never come to know the grace of God. St. Silouan the Athonite, Writings, VII.4

Wrightstown Food Cupboard: Summer Basket preparation will be on Saturday June 24th. The plan is to prepare **140 Baskets** and we are asked to contribute **Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Instant Potatoes, 35 units of Coffee** and **35 units of Baby Food.**

Vigil Lights

From Jeanette Ruano

In Memory of: Helen Ruano

From John Wanko

For the Health of: Jeffrey Wanko

In Memory of: Peter Wanko, Wanda Wanko, Peter Wanko Jr.

From Alan Litvin

For the Health of: Alan, Sharyn Litvin, Tara Litvin-Ring

In Memory of: Amelia Litvin

Birthdays

Isaac Chappe

Wedding Anniversaries

Myron & Linette Sedor

Charles & Charla Bendas

Reno & Melissa Lauro

Names Day

Lydia Yates

